

Meeting Date: September 2021
Agenda Item: Correction of 2021
Season Dates for Pheasants in Area 2

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Bureau Chief Approval: TB

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Background: The Commission took action to delay the opening day of pheasant season for nonresidents by five days on July 14, 2021. Following that action, Fish and Game staff became aware of an error in the materials presented to the Commission that resulted in an inadvertent extension of the pheasant hunting season in Area 2. The correct dates are presented below.

Unlike the rest of the state, Area 2, (Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power, and Teton counties) pheasant season has historically been open through November 30, whereas Area 1 and Area 3 are open through December 31.

Public Involvement Process: A delay to the opening day of pheasant season for nonresidents was scoped with the public. Changing the closing date in Area 2 was not scoped with the public

Staff Recommendation: Adopt the season dates as corrected below for the identified pheasant seasons:

Pheasant seasons in Area 2:

- Residents: October 16, 2021 – November 30, 2021
- Nonresidents: October 21, 2021 – November 30, 2021