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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Utah Wildlife Board/Regional Advisory Council Members

FROM: Darren DeBloois, Predatory Mammals and Furbearer Program Coordinator

DATE: July 7, 2021

### **SUBJECT: FURBEARER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The data we have collected for bobcats this year indicate improving population numbers. Two of the performance targets in the Bobcat Management Plan are now within management range. According to the plan, when two of these parameters are within management range, and the previous year had permit and season restrictions implemented, up to two additional permits per person may be offered and one extra week may be added to the season.

We are recommending 6 permits per person and lifting the permit cap. We are also recommending adding back one week to the beginning of the bobcat season for 2021-22 (November 18, 2021 to March 1, 2022).

Season dates for other furbearer species are adjusted for the calendar year as follows:

Beaver and mink: September 18, 2021 to April 1, 2022

Marten, badger, gray fox, kit fox, ringtail, spotted skunk and weasel: September 18, 2021 to March 1, 2022.

