

Quick reference table for permit and quota recommendations for 2025-27

Unit #	Unit Name	Spring Dog Resident	Spring Dog Nonres	Summer Bait Resident	Summer Bait Nonres	Fall Resident	Fall Nonres	Other Fall Resident	Other Fall Nonres	Multiseason Resident	Multiseason Nonres	TOTAL PERMITS
22	Beaver	9	1	9	1	9	1	5	quota	1	0	36
10AB	Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	49	5	14	1	18	2	20	quota	9	1	120
10C	Book Cliffs, Little Creek Roadless	14	1	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	0	30
25C/26	Boulder/Kaiparowits	20	2	13	1	9	1	22	quota	10	1	80
2/3	Cache/Ogden	2	0	4	0	1	0	10	quota	1	0	18
4/5/6	Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	20	quota	7	0	20	quota	20	quota	1	0	68
9BCD	Diamond Mtn/Vernal/Bonanza	7	0	5	0	7	0	9	quota	5	0	34
21B	Fillmore, Pahvant	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	quota	0	0	5
25AB	Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	7	0	7	0	5	0	5	quota	3	0	27
7/8A	Kamas/North Slope, Summit	5	0	6	0	4	0	5	quota	5	0	25
13	La Sal	40	3	25	2	6	0	12	quota	13	1	104
16B	Manti-North	17	2	17	1	10	1	15	quota	13	1	78
16C/12A	Manti-South/San Rafael, North	18	2	18	2	18	2	25	quota	18	2	105
23	Monroe	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
24	Mt Dutton	4	0	3	0	3	0	2	quota	1	0	13
16A	Nebo	7	0	8	0	5	0	10	quota	5	0	36
11	Nine Mile	25	quota	18	2	26	3	10	quota	9	1	95
8BC	North Slope, Three Corners/West Daggett	5	quota	1	0	2	0	3	quota	1	0	12
28/29	Panguitch Lake/Zion	9	0	5	0	9	0	3	quota	4	0	30
27	Paunsaugunt	4	0	3	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	12
14	San Juan	35	3	22	2	6	0	12	quota	11	1	94
17BC	Wasatch Mtns, Avintaquin/Currant Creek	15	quota	5	0	9	0	10	quota	3	0	42
17A	Wasatch Mtns, West-Central	36	4	22	1	18	2	20	quota	14	1	120
9A	Yellowstone	10	quota	5	0	4	0	10	quota	3	0	32
Total		360	23	225	13	200	12	229	0	136	9	1219

Unit Name	Harvest data			2022-2024 Strategy	Recommended Strategy 2025-2027	% Adult Male	% adult male range	% Female	%Female Range	Harvest Variable Assessment	Adjustment direction	2024 Permits	Adjustment %	adjustment Min ±	adjustment Max ±	Prof Judgment	Recommended Permits
	3-yr harvest	% permits filled (2024)	Nuisance to sport ratio														
Beaver	50	52.9	0.02	liberal	liberal	17.5	<25%	42.9	40-45%	Within range	Increase	34	20%	0	7	no	36
Book Cliffs, Bitter Creek/South	67	23.1	0.01	light	liberal	37.1	<25%	19.4	40-45%	New strategy	Increase	91	50%	0	46	no	120
Book Cliffs, Little Creek Roadless	18	8.3	0.00	light	moderate	18.8	25-35%	44.4	30-40%	New strategy	Increase	24	50%	0	12	no	30
Boulder/Kaiparowits	50	21.3	0.02	moderate	liberal	14.0	<25%	48.0	40-45%	New strategy	No change	80	50%	0	40	no	80
Cache/Ogden	6	44.4	0.83	moderate	liberal	25.0	<25%	50.0	40-45%	New strategy	Increase	9	50%	0	5	yes	18
Chalk Creek/East Canyon/Morgan-South Rich	20	34.8	0.30	liberal	liberal	25.0	<25%	20.0	40-45%	One in one out	Increase	23	20%	0	5	no	28
Diamond Mtn/Vernal/Bonanza	47	24.4	0.34	moderate	moderate	11.6	25-35%	61.7	30-40%	Both out same	No change	41	20% to 40%	8	17	no	34
Fillmore, Pahvant	3	33.3	0.00	moderate	moderate	66.7	25-35%	0.0	30-40%	Both out opposite	Increase	3	20%	0	1	yes	5
Fishlake/Thousand Lakes	30	45.0	0.00	light	moderate	18.5	25-35%	36.7	30-40%	New strategy	Increase	20	50%	0	10	no	27
Kamas/North Slope, Summit	16	31.8	0.13	moderate	moderate	18.2	25-35%	43.8	30-40%	Both out opposite	Increase	22	20%	0	5	no	25
La Sal	157	55.8	0.00	moderate	moderate	27.5	25-35%	45.2	30-40%	One in one out	No change	104	20%	0	21	no	104
Manti-North	67	29.0	0.07	light	liberal	4.9	<25%	41.8	40-45%	New strategy	Increase	69	50%	0	35	no	78
Manti-South/San Rafael, North	100	40.0	0.04	moderate	liberal	16.7	<25%	32.0	40-45%	New strategy	Increase	70	50%	0	35	no	105
Monroe	3	50.0	0.33	moderate	moderate	66.7	25-35%	0.0	30-40%	Both out same	Increase	2	20% to 40%	0	1	yes	3
Mt Dutton	10	30.0	0.10	moderate	moderate	57.1	25-35%	20.0	30-40%	Both out same	Increase	10	20% to 40%	2	4	yes	13
Nebo	43	43.8	0.02	moderate	moderate	15.8	25-35%	53.5	30-40%	Both out opposite	Decrease	32	20%	0	7	no	26
Nine Mile	69	22.2	0.12	moderate	liberal	24.2	<25%	42.0	40-45%	New strategy	Increase	90	50%	0	45	no	95
North Slope, Three Corners/West Daggett	12	37.5	0.33	liberal	liberal	16.7	<25%	50.0	40-45%	One in one out	No change	8	20%	0	2	no	12
Panguitch Lake/Zion	30	31.0	0.13	moderate	moderate	24.0	25-35%	13.3	30-40%	One in one out	Increase	29	20%	0	6	no	30
Paunsaugunt	6	9.1	0.00	moderate	moderate	40.0	25-35%	20.0	30-40%	One in one out	Increase	11	20%	0	3	yes	12
San Juan	132	44.2	0.02	moderate	moderate	22.9	25-35%	42.7	30-40%	Both out opposite	Decrease	104	20%	0	21	no	94
Wasatch Mtns, Avintaquin/Currant Creek	52	50.0	0.10	liberal	liberal	11.6	<25%	29.4	40-45%	One in one out	Increase	40	20%	0	8	no	52
Wasatch Mtns, West-Central	108	28.0	0.06	liberal	liberal	17.5	<25%	43.5	40-45%	One in one out	No change	100	20%	0	20	no	100
Yellowstone	26	40.9	0.08	liberal	liberal	32.0	<25%	30.8	40-45%	One in one out	Increase	22	20%	0	5	no	32

Interpreting this table.

3-yr harvest is the total number of bears taken from the unit over the last three-year cycle. This data is compiled and used to evaluate plan parameters and to make permit or quota adjustments for the next three years.

% Permits Filled is the average success rate for the unit over the last three years.

Nuisance to Sport Ratio gives an indication of the ratio of bears taken because they were involved in conflict with people. This could be aggressive behavior, livestock depredation or crop damage. Higher ratios may indicate a need to lower bear populations to lessen conflict situations on a unit.

Harvest Strategy columns show the harvest strategy for the last three-year cycle and the recommended strategy for the next three years. The strategy determines the range of adjustment to permits or quotas to meet plan objectives.

% Adult Male and % Female are the plan parameters that determine how much and in what direction to modify permit numbers or quotas to meet plan objectives.

% Adult Male and % Female Ranges are the management objective ranges for the unit based on the harvest strategy chosen by the biologist. The biologist looks at the % Adult Male and % female data and determines if they fall within the range required in the plan for the strategy they chose.

Harvest Variable Assessment. Using the ranges for the two management parameters (% adult male and % female) the biologist indicates if the observed data fall within the range or is outside the range. If the unit is changing harvest strategy this will also be indicated here.

Adjustment Direction indicates the direction to adjust permit numbers or quotas based on how the observed data compares to the management strategy objectives.

% Adjustment and Min/Max Adjustment. These columns show the amount of permit or quota adjustment spelled out in the management plan. If a unit has harvest objective hunts (quotas) a biologist may exceed these adjustment ranges and consider success rates and likely harvest for those hunts.

Professional Judgement indicates if a unit has a small enough sample size (low bear harvest) that the biologist can use their best professional judgment to make permit or quota adjustments.

RAC Members. If you have questions about any of this, please feel free to reach out and I can walk you through it. I would also be happy to meet in person and do a refresher on the bear plan and how we make recommendations.

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