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RE: Moose Hunt

Monday, November 26, 2018
2:39 PM

Subject	RE: Moose Hunt
From	Fogg, Bruce PREM:EX
To	McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Cc	Osborn, Lynn LASS:EX; Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX
Sent	Wednesday, September 12, 2018 10:48 AM

Morning. Again the link below doesn't seem to work. Is there a better link I should be using for updated messaging...or is caucus coming up with something or ????

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Sent: Monday, September 10, 2018 2:38 PM
To: Fogg, Bruce PREM:EX
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I thought that was the link but I guess not. I know they are updating the messaging.

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Thanks for this Kenn. So I just spent 5 minutes on the Ministry website looking for any update on the Limited Entry/First Nations say don't hunt issue and couldn't find any reference. Can you please provide the website link where updated info on this topic will appear for constituents to check.

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Subject: RE: Moose Hunt

Hi Bruce;
Things are fairly dynamic on the hunting file.
I would urge hunters to visit our website.
Here is the messaging so far. Messaging will likely change somewhat as this unfolds:

Notice to Hunters

UPDATE: Notice to hunters: First Nations announced closures:

- Members of local First Nations have issued a news release suggesting they are closing portions of the Cariboo, Omineca and Skeena to all LEH hunting. The following LEH Areas within the boundary include:
 - 5-3, 5-4A, 5-4B, 5-4C, 5-5, 5-6, 5-10, 5-11, 5-12A, 5-12B, 5-13A, 5-13B, 5-13C, 5-14, 5-15B, 5-15C, 5-15D, 6-1, 7-4, 7-10, 7-11, and 7-12B, and
 - Portions of 5-2, 6-2A, 6-2B, 6-4, 7-3, 7-5, 7-6, and 7-8.
- The Province considers the licences of guides, resident hunters and non-resident hunters to be valid.
- At this time we do not know what First Nations are planning with respect to enforcement of their announcement.
- We ask everyone to remain respectful of one another on the ground while we look at options to resolve the situation.
- Hunters seeking direction on what to do if they encounter a protest, or who wish to report any confrontation, should contact their local RCMP detachment.

Media inquiries:

- This government has a clear responsibility to protect and manage wildlife in the best interest of all British Columbians.
- The Province is committed to reconciliation and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People.
- We are continuing to sit down with First Nations governments to build a more lasting collaborative approach to enhance moose numbers together.
- In the Cariboo for example, all resident hunting is managed through Limited Entry Hunt which is the most closely managed hunt opportunity, and throughout the Chilcotin the LEH hunt is further enforced with compulsory inspection to confirm harvest information and inform management.
- The Province's data on moose harvest management clearly shows LEH harvest managed does not lead to moose population declines.
- In the Chilcotin LEH hunting has been reduced by 60% from 2011 levels.
- On August 24, further closures and access restrictions were put in place after additional consultation with First Nations.
- We are not planning on expanding existing closures at this time.

What is the impact of wildfires on moose populations?

- Analysis of the effects of the 2017 wildfires are consistent with prevailing science that suggest that wildlife populations are not significantly impacted by wildfires, and any wildlife mortality directly related to fires is considered to be outweighed by the long-term benefits of wildfire to habitat and wildlife.
- For example:
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 - The 2017 Plateau fires in the Chilcotin were aerially surveyed and show ungulates remaining in newly burnt landscapes. In Zone 5-13A (60% of which was in the fire perimeter), surveys comparing moose densities before and after the wildfire showed moose populations remained stable.
 - Surveys following the 2017 Elephant Hill Fire did not notice a change in moose

numbers within the burn and some of the highest densities observed were within the burn.

- Nevertheless, as a precaution additional reductions to LEH in the Chilcotin were implemented to address the removal of security cover and the potential for increased hunter success as a result of the 2017 wildfires.

Kenn

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Morning. Kenn.
Any positioning statements available yet?

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Sent: Saturday, September 8, 2018 6:01 PM
To: Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX; Fogg, Bruce PREM:EX; Frederiksen, Hans LASS:EX
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Subject: RE: Moose Hunt

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On September 6th, we were notified by a friend in Prince George, that a first nations group is putting a ban on all LEHs.

I called Ian Leeson, at the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, as his number was on the public website. He was not aware of the issue and told me there would be no problem with us going.

September 7th, I found out about the Prince George Citizen news report so I called Pam Martins @ 778-698-9229 email: Pam.Martins@gov.bc.ca (Ian was away) regarding the ban and blockade the first nations groups planned to put on the BC Limited Entry Hunt. She was aware that they were “blocking all limited-entry hunts from a plot of land...” as reported in the Prince George Citizen. Pam stated the Ministry has posted an “Important Notice” on their website stating that they are aware of this ban and they do not recognize it so all of our authorizations and licences are still valid.

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Subject	FN hunting bans
From	Lowther, Brett GCPE:EX
To	McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX
Cc	Thomas, Vivian P GCPE:EX
Sent	Thursday, September 13, 2018 10:26 AM
Attachments	<div> IN_First Nation hu...</div> <div> IN_First Nation mo...</div>

Hi Ken – As discussed yesterday, attached are two issues notes. The first deals with the call from FN for a general ban on hunting in their territory. The second deals with a specific call for a ban on moose hunting. Tom's group as approved both of these, as has IRR and Environment GCPE. Let us know how you sit with the messaging.

Brett

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