



15 November 2023

2024 and 2025 Black Bear Hunting Regulations
C/O Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks
1420 East Sixth Avenue
P.O. Box 200701
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Re: 2024 and 2025 Black Bear Hunting Regulations, Season Structures, and Hunting District Boundaries

Dear Commissioners and Director Temple:

On behalf of Safari Club International, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 2024 and 2025 Black Bear Hunting Regulations, Season Structures, and Hunting District Boundaries.

The proposed changes to the 2024 and 2025 Black Bear Hunting Regulations, Season Structures, and Hunting District Boundaries generally demonstrate responsible and sustainable management of black bears while maintaining high levels of opportunity for hunters. SCI believes that sound science-based conservation involving hunting as the primary management tool, while maximizing opportunities for all huntable species, including predators such as black bears, is necessary to the long-term health of wildlife. Hunters have long paid the way for conservation, both game and non-game wildlife, and maximizing opportunity for hunting is also key to long-term funding for all conservation. Hunting benefits wildlife conservation.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the 2024 and 2025 Black Bear Hunting Regulations, Season Structures, and Hunting District Boundaries. SCI is dedicated to protecting the freedom to hunt and we appreciate the continued partnership with the Agency and the Commission. SCI is always first for hunters.

Sincerely,

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CEO
Safari Club International