ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

NATURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES

DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

2009-2012 Game Code

2010 New Jersey Comprehensive Black Bear Management Policy

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 7:25-5.6

Proposed: April 19, 2010 at 42 N.J.R. 753 (a)

Adopted: by the Fish and Game Council, Jeannette A. Vreeland,
Acting Chair

Approved: by Bob Martin, Commissioner, Department of
Environmental Protection.

Filed: as R.2010______, with technical changes


DEP Docket Number: 02-10-03

Effective Date:

Operative Date:

Expiration Date:

The Fish and Game Council (Council) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) are adopting the New Jersey Comprehensive Black Bear Management
The CBBMP is a compilation of the Council’s black bear preservation and management goals, the various means by which the preservation and management goals may be accomplished, and the factors to be considered in determining which means should be implemented to achieve those goals. The CBBMP includes several integrated tools to accomplish these goals, such as research and monitoring, non-lethal and lethal control of problem bears, public education on coexisting with bears, law enforcement to reduce human/bear conflicts, and a controlled hunt.

Summary of Public Comments and Agency Response:

The Fish and Game Council held a public hearing on May 11, 2010 at the New Jersey State Museum, 205 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey. Six Council members were present to hear oral comments. A total of 122 individuals registered and 107 people presented oral comments. Lawrence Herrighty, Assistant Director, Division of Fish and Wildlife acted as hearing officer. The hearing officer recommended that the Council and DEP adopt the CBBMP with the changes described below.

A public meeting was held on July 13, 2010 at the Division’s Central Region Office, 1 Eldridge Road, Robbinsville, New Jersey at which time the Council, after having considered the testimony from the May 11 hearing and written comments received
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during the comment period, adopted the CBBMP with changes not requiring public notice and comment. On July 21, 2010, the CBBMP was approved by DEP Commissioner Martin. A copy of the record of the public hearing (including the hearing officer’s report) is available for inspection in accordance with applicable law by contacting:

Office of Legal Affairs
ATTENTION: DEP Docket Number: 02-10-03
Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street
PO Box 402
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0402

The following 3,155 commenters submitted comments, either written, oral or through the Division’s website, concerning the CBBMP at N.J.A.C. 7:25-5.6:

1 Judith A. & Stephen C. Abate

2 Arlene S. Abrams

3 Arlene Abrams

4 Jeffery Abrams

5 Peggy Acosta

6 Kenneth P. Adessa

7 Jason Agel

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12 Benjamin Ahern
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14 Rosemarie Akbari
15 John Albanese
16 Joseph Albano
17 A. Alberici
18 Corynne Alberts
19 Kurt Albinson
20 Mary Alexander
21 Anna Alexanderis
22 Debbie Alfred
23 Carole Allamand
24 Carole S. Allamand, B.E.A.R. Group/ Rutgers University
25 Paul Allegra
26 Rhonda Allen
27 Richard Allessandro
28 Kevin Allmann
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31 Wayne Alonso

32 Kurt Alstede

33 Dave Altmiller

34 Marie-Jane Alvarez

35 Brenda K. Amalfitano

36 Nikolia Amarose

37 Stephen & Beth Amisano

38 Richard Amon

39 Stephanie Andersen

40 Pat Andersen

41 Marcy Andersen

42 Matthew Andersen

43 Robert Anderson

44 Yvonne Anderson

45 Sara Anderson

46 Beverly Anderson

47 Wendy Anderson, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

48 Matthew Anderson

49 John Anderson

50 Joe A. Andes

51 Joe Andrea

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53 Jeaneen Andretta

54 Theodore Andrews

55 Tracy Andrews

56 Dana Andulan

57 George Anest

58 Frank Angelillo

59 Susan Angell

60 Noel T. Angelucci, South Jersey Saltwater Anglers, Fortscue Anglers

61 J. Antone

62 Bruce Anzalone

63 Denise Anzelmo

64 Nick Anzevino

65 Larry Anzinger

66 Doreen Anzinger

67 Don Applegate

68 Michael Apprich

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71 Kristene Arcaro-Cappiello

72 Jack Arduini

73 Richard Argenti

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75 Nicole Armstrong

76 George Armstrong

77 David Arnold

78 Petra Arnone

79 Laura Arnoul

80 Elaine Aronoff

81 Joe Arrino

82 Anna Arroyo

83 Alice Artzt

84 Vincent Asciolli

85 Debra Ashton

86 Joan Atkinson

87 Della Attisani

88 Kenneth Au

89 Chuck Augello

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91 Eileen Avia

92 Brooke Azevedo

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99 June Badaracco
100 George Bagdasarov
101 Kathleen Bahri
102 Robert & Betty Bailey
103 Robert Bailey
104 Annette Bailey
105 Barbra Bailine
106 Diane Baisley
107 Robert Baker
108 Micheal Balboa
109 Alex Balboa
110 Louis Baldino
111 Mike S. Baldwin, NJ Fish & Wildlife Volunteer
112 Ellen Baldwin
113 Michael Baldwin
114 Susan Balik
115 Christine Balint
116 Bridget Balkaran
117 Carole Balmer
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120 L. Banik

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123 Frank Barbara

124 Joe Barbarisi

125 James Barg

126 Charlie Barnes

127 Karen Baron

128 Elaine Barone

129 Robby Barradale

130 Mark Barrale

131 James Barrett

132 Douglas Barrow

133 Edward Barry

134 Mary Bartlett

135 Todd Bartolomeo

136 Joseph Bartolotta

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189 Rosemary Bernier

190 Howard Berniker

191 Beth Berniker

192 Iris Berniker

193 Paula Berry

194 Jim Best

195 Russell Bethon

196 Roberta Betian

197 Matt Betty

198 Teresa Beutel

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218 Joseph B. Bizzarro

219 George Black

220 Marcia Blackwell

221 Jimmie Blackwood

222 Vicki Blaess

223 Donna Blair

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232 Joan Blyth
233 Kerry Boa
234 Joseph M Boa
235 Joseph Boa
236 Ralph Bobroski
237 Leanne Bodick
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239 Thomas Boghosian
240 Linda Boginsky
241 James Bogle
242 Sandra Bohinski
243 Charles R. Bohinski
244 Douglas Bohman
245 Nancy Bohs
246 Mary Boland-Leitner
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257 Janet Borinsky
258 Sanford Borinsky
259 Sig Borstad
260 John Bosland
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262 Nick Botti
263 Chantal Boucher
264 Scot Boughton
265 Nougzar Boukiia
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267 Jessica Bowker
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298 Sharon Brody

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300 Corinne Brown

301 Douglas Brown

302 Timothy Brown

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304 Nan Brown

305 Michael Brown

306 Alice Bruckenstein

307 Cynthia Bruder

308 J. Brummell

309 Shelley Bubis

310 Richard Bubnick

311 Mair Buccine

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313 Paul Buchanan

314 Jean Bucquet

315 Beverly Budz

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320 Kumiko Buller

321 Thomas Bullock

322 Ronald Bulwith

323 Hampton Bumgarner

324 Brad Bunk

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326 Kenyon Burgess

327 Debra Buria

328 Jeff Buring

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331 Joe Burke

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334 Bryan Burke

335 Virginia Burke-Preston

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364 Anna Maria Caldara
365 Martina Caldara
366 Joanna Caleca
367 John Callahan
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369 Paul Campbell
370 Perry Campione
371 Dale Camwell
372 Michael Canici
373 Hanna Canfield
374 Alfred Canino
375 Jim Canna
376 Dawn Canna
377 Angie Cannariato
378 Kathryn Cannarozzi
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412 Glenn Carson
413 Glenn D. Carson
414 Debbie Carson
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417 Ed Cartier
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419 Margaret Casagrande
420 Katie Casanova
421 James Casapulla
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479 Chris Cipriani

480 Denise Ciresa

481 Frank J. Cirigliano

482 Renee T. Cirillo

483 Al Citarella III

484 Al Citarella Jr.

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486 William Clackworthy

487 Cherylin Clapp

488 Lynda Clark

489 John Clark

490 Gail Clark

491 Frank Clarke

492 Shawn Clarke
493 Elsa Clemens-Leblanc

494 Kd Clement

495 Patricia Clermont

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498 Penni Cochrane

499 Claire Cocuzza

500 Stephen Codignotto

501 Michael Coefer

502 Johnny Coggins

503 Catherine Cohan

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517 Lou Colucci
518 Jeff Combs
519 George Conard
520 Catherine Concannon
521 Susan Cone
522 Illegible Congleton
523 William Coniglio
524 Chris Conley
525 Keri Conlon
526 Nora Connolly
527 Mike Conover
528 Thomas Conroy
529 Margaret Conroy
530 Ralph Constantno
531 Mary Conti
532 Anthony Conti
533 Illegible Contractor
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543 Henry Corforte

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548 Bethany Cortale

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566 Rosanna Craven

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568 Kevin Creter

569 Carol Creter

570 Mark Crimaudo

571 James Crincol

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589 James Cunniff

590 Debra A Cuomo

591 Robert Cure

592 Richard Curley

593 Kimberly Curmanskie

594 Michael Curnkey

595 Connie Curnow

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630 William Davis

631 Pia Davis

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633 Peggy Davis

634 Russell Dawson

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637 Kathy Day

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651 Ruth Decore

652 Kim Decore

653 Kimberly Deerin

654 Gary Defelice

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656 Anthony Defrancesco

657 Jennifer Degerolamo

658 James Degraw

659 Dagmar Degree

660 Keith Dehner

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673 Al Delotto

674 Michael Delozier

675 Mathew Delrusso

676 Daniel Delsontro

677 Susan Dely

678 Al Demarco

679 Frank Demarco

680 Michael Demarco

681 Samuel Demore

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686 Gudrun Dennis

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689 Vincent Depaul

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693 Barbara Desena

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695 Sandra Desiderio

696 Randi Desiderio

697 Chris Dessart

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700 Jim Destephano, N.J. Trappers

701 Sara & Jane & Sally Detjen

702 Laurel Devine

703 Gary Devine, Sussex County Federation

704 Julie Devine, B.E.A.R. Group

705 Valerie A. Devine

706 Jeffery Devine

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709 Stephen Devito

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738 Raymond Distase

739 Anthony Ditomo

740 Chris Dittmar

741 Laurence Ditto

742 William Dittrich

743 Fred Divittorio

744 Bill Dluzniewski

745 William Doan

746 Michael Dobrowolski

747 Arthur E. Dodd

748 Jeff Doerr

749 Barry Dolan

750 Alfred W. Dolce, Ocean County Federation of Sportsman’s Clubs

751 Brian Dolch

752 Joseph Dolobacs

753 Mark Dombal

754 John Donahue, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area (DWGNRA)

755 Joe Donahue

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759 Ed Donahue
760 Gavin Donahue
761 Nilufer Donik
762 Anthony Donnici
763 Andrew Donovan
764 Darren Doran
765 Robert Dorber
766 Thomas Dorchak
767 Linda Dorn-O'donnell
768 Ann Dorsett
769 Sarah Dougan
770 Dan Doughty
771 James A. Downey, NJ Federation of Sportsmans Clubs
772 George Downing
773 Jennifer & Brian Downing
774 William Dowsell
775 Perry Doyle
776 Lucy Drahorad
777 Jeffrey Drew
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781 Weldon Driver

782 Adrian Drummond

783 Marc Dubois

784 Stephanie Dubois

785 Patricia Duff

786 Roy Duffield

787 Sofia Dukanovic

788 Paul Dulaff

789 John Dulany

790 Steven Dultz

791 Barbara Dunham

792 Harry Dunleavy

793 Hobort Dunn

794 Elaine Dunn, B.E.A.R. Group

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796 Kevin Dunn

797 Frederic Dunn

798 Corey Durling

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828 Thomas A. Ejk
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833 Walter Ellis
834 Bernd Harms
835 Leanne Harre
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837 Lynn Harrison
838 Jason Harrison
839 Samantha Harrison
840 David W. Hart
841 Linda Hartheimer
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843 Michelle Hartman
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846 David Hasenbein, National Trappers Association (NTA)

847 Ted Hasert

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849 Majorie Hass

850 Sherry Hauner

851 Angi Metler, Animal Protection League of New Jersey (APLNJ)

852 Sarah Metler

853 Guy Metler

854 Charles B. Metz

855 Megan Metzelaar

856 Fred Metzler

857 Gottfried Metzler

858 Barbara L. Metzler, B.E.A.R. Group

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860 Michele Meyer

861 Kathleen Meyer

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864 Kathryn Michiels

865 William Middleton

866 Joe Miele, President, Committee To Abolish Sport Hunting
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871 David Valentino

872 Nina Van Duyne

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874 Dorina Van Guilder

875 David Van Horn

876 Natalie Van Leekwijck

877 Doughlas Van Nuys

878 Timothy Van Orden

879 Elizabeth Van Orden

880 Mark Van Orden

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915 Robert S. Eskow

916 Russell Eskow

917 Carol Esposito

918 Israel Esteves

919 Meredith Estomata

920 Vincenza Euripides

921 Janemaria Euteneuer

922 Jane Euteneuer, RN

923 Dinda Evans

924 Jean Evans

925 Marilyn Evenson

926 Patricia Everswick

927 Howard Evert

928 Cheri Ezell

929 Alex Faber

930 Roselynn Fagan

931 Diana Fair

932 Kevin Fairbanks
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933 Devon Falcone

934 Linda Falcone

935 Stephanie Falkowski

936 John Fallon

937 Caroline Falzarano

938 Vickie Fan

939 Beverly Fannin

940 Susan Fanning

941 Thomas Faraone

942 Josephine Faraone

943 Frank Faraone

944 Bryan Faraone

945 Kenneth Farber

946 Wayne Farber

947 Henry Faren

948 Nassir Farid

949 Vivian Farmer

950 Audrey Farol

951 Audrey Faronea

952 John Farver

953 Phyllis Fast

954 Barbara Faulkner
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Donna Fazio

Rita Fazio

Dino Fazio

Justin Fazzolari

Edward Fee

Kevin Fee

Leslie Feingold

Katherine Feldi

Steven Fenster

Marisela Fernandez

Andria Ferraiolo

Stephen Ferraro

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1043 Kevin Gabelmann

1044 James Gage

1045 Stephanie Gagliardi

1046 Lorraine Gagliardotto Garry

1047 Melody Gagne

1048 Carlos Galan

1049 Elaine Galasso

1050 Anthony Galati

1051 Thomas Galfo

1052 Robert Gallagher

1053 Teresa Gallo

1054 Jill Gallo

1055 Susan Gallop

1056 Michael Gangemi

1057 Roxanne Ganley

1058 Deborah Gancorti

1059 Frank Gara

1060 Pia Garate

1061 Edie Garbowitz

1062 Adrian Garcia

1063 Elizabeth Garcia

1064 A. Garcia
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1088 Timothy George

1089 Anthony Gerace

1090 Matthew German

1091 Rich Germano

1092 Kim Gerosky

1093 Margaret Geruntho-Bloom

1094 A. Gesmnao

1095 Scott Gesty

1096 Edward Geueke

1097 John T. Gfrorer

1098 Dominick G. Giacalone

1099 James Giamarese

1100 Lauren Giannetti

1101 John Gibbons

1102 J. Gibbs

1103 Tom Gibney

1104 John Gibson

1105 Nina Gielen

1106 Aileen Gilbert

1107 Ronald E. Giles

1108 Robert Gilges
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1110 William Gilliland
1111 William Gillis
1112 Christopher Gillon
1113 Ernest Ginder
1114 Mike Gioia
1115 Lisa Giordano
1116 John Giordano
1117 Cathy Giordano
1118 Anthony Giounta
1119 Gary Girard
1120 Franca Giuliani
1121 James Given
1122 Jaimee Given
1123 Susan Glaser
1124 Ronald Glenn
1125 Tom Glenn
1126 Margery Glickman
1127 Lascinda Goetschius
1128 Sharon Goff
1129 Sumit Gogna
1130 Richard Going
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1197 Luiza Grunebaum

1198 Linda Gruno

1199 Lascinda Gualario

1200 Robert Gudger

1201 August K Gudmundsson, NJ Trout Unlimited

1202 Luis Guerrero

1203 Carole A. Guild

1204 J.P. Guild Jr.

1205 Les & Debbie Guile

1206 Gail Gunberg Ph.D

1207 Shivangi Gupta

1208 Kimberly Gurlavich

1209 Stanley Gurski

1210 Deborah Guryn

1211 Evan Gutman

1212 Phyllis Gutman

1213 Morton Gutman

1214 Lisa Gutowski

1215 Jose Guzman

1216 Carl Guzman

1217 Maarit Haapapuro

1218 Daran Haber
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1263 Robert Heinzer
1264 Melissa Heinzer
1265 Siegfried Hellring
1266 Elio Hemy
1267 Nadine E Hemy
1268 Mike Henderson
1269 Kenneth Henderson
1270 Kenneth Henderson Jr.
1271 Jo Hendley
1272 Connie Hendricks
1273 Harville Hendrix
1274 Ruth Henningsen
1275 Henry Henningsen
1276 Hank Henningsen
1277 Joseph Henry
1278 Loraine Henry
1279 Sandra Herman
1280 Nicholas Herman
1281 Stephen Hernandez
1282 Angel Hernandez
1283 Sylvia Herrera
1284 Evelyn Hershey
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1351 Steve Horwitz

1352 Cathleen Hothersall

1353 Mary Housel

1354 Harold Housman

1355 Tom Howard

1356 Vernon Howard

1357 Mrs. Howard

1358 Theresa Howarth

1359 Joseph Howarth

1360 Susan Howarth

1361 Kaitlyn Howarth

1362 Gia Howell

1363 Todd Howell

1364 Jennifer Hsu

1365 Cortney C. Huber

1366 Dave Hudspeth

1367 John Hudzina

1368 John Hudzina

1369 Tom Huelster

1370 Terry L. Huffman

1371 Robin Huffman

1372 Maria Hughes
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1373 James Hughes

1374 Greg Huljack

1375 Sarah Hunnewell

1376 Zakir Husain

1377 L. Thayer Hutchinson

1378 Edward Hutter

1379 Anthony Hyden

1380 James Hykes

1381 Florence Iannantuano

1382 Nikki Iannantuano

1383 Nora Iannantuano

1384 Daisy Iannantuano

1385 Catherine Ignatowski

1386 Illegible Illegible

1387 Jeff Illegible

1388 Heather Illegible

1389 Anne Illegible, Former Mayor, Bloomingdale

1390 Donna Illegible

1391 Dewey Imhoff

1392 Kim Imperiale

1393 Louise Imperiale

1394 Yvonne & Peter Imperiale
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1395 Kenneth Imperiale Jr.

1396 Carol Ingaro
1397 Maria Inguaggiato
1398 Dennis Innantuano
1399 Joseph Intravartola
1400 Bridget Irons
1401 Toni Irwin
1402 David Ischinger
1403 Yumi Ito
1404 Edward Ivins
1405 Jackie Jackowits
1406 Emil Jacobs
1407 Melissa Jacobs
1408 Frank Jacobson
1409 Barbara Jae
1410 Russell Jalbert
1411 Robert Janeczele
1412 John Janelli
1413 Lindsay Janke
1414 Anita Janker
1415 Gary Jannarone
1416 Oscar Janssen
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1417 Raven Jaretksky
1418 Lauren Jarmel
1419 Robert Jaroni
1420 Sally Jay
1421 Diane Jecker
1422 James Jelinek
1423 Peggy Ann & Richard Jensen
1424 Angela Jiatu
1425 Judy Jimenez
1426 Sue Johnson
1427 Ronald Johnson
1428 Dorothy C. Johnson
1429 Cathei Johnson
1430 Diane Johnson
1431 Wayne N. Johnson
1432 Pam Johnson
1433 Paul Johnson
1434 Mark Johnson
1435 Wayne Johnson
1436 Maureen Johnston
1437 Joseph Johnston
1438 Jill Johnston
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1439 Robert Jonas
1440 Ernest C. Jones
1441 Hunt Jones
1442 Donna Jones
1443 Emily Jones
1444 Bruce Jones
1445 Walter Jones
1446 Mary Jones
1447 Carl Jopko
1448 Y.D. Jordan
1449 Dan Jordan
1450 Robert H. Jordan Jr.
1451 David Juliano
1452 Amanda Justino
1453 Art Kabir
1454 James Kachidurian
1455 Donald Kaczmar
1456 David Kady
1457 Hats Kageyama
1458 Marge Kaine
1459 Steven Kallesser
1460 Wayne Kalyn
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1483 Albert Kazemian

1484 Vicki Kehner

1485 Donald Keeler

1486 Ann Keene

1487 Susan Kehoe

1488 Thomas Kelleher

1489 Irene Keller

1490 Mary Kelly

1491 Patrick Kelly

1492 Paul Kernan

1493 John Kernusz

1494 John Kerr

1495 Gary Kestler

1496 Kevin Keyes

1497 Tetyana Khrabatyn

1498 Michael Kibal

1499 Elizabeth Kiefer

1500 Willard Kimm

1501 Richard King

1502 Jack Kinney

1503 C. Kinskey

1504 Stuart Kirby
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1527 Pat Klinger

1528 Bill Knapp

1529 Pamela Knauer

1530 Wendy Kobylarz

1531 Denise Kobylarz

1532 Jim Kochis

1533 William Koeber

1534 William Kohler

1535 Edward Kohles

1536 Denny Kokolis

1537 Milena Kolakowska

1538 Frank Kolbasowski

1539 Tony Kolega

1540 Richard Kollmar

1541 Nancy Konnerth

1542 C. Konnerth

1543 Jumko Konuta

1544 Junko Konuta

1545 Maureen Koplow

1546 Rostyslav Korchynskyy

1547 Roseann Korol Korol

1548 Tracey Kosar
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1571 Mae Krueger

1572 Lois Krupowies

1573 Richard Kruput

1574 John Kryzymalski

1575 Charles Kuboosh

1576 Mark Kucinski

1577 David Kuhles

1578 Addo Kuhlmann

1579 Joseph Kuhta

1580 Meenakshi Kukreja

1581 Mike Kulpa

1582 Jonathan Kuncowitch

1583 John Kunka

1584 Grant Kunkowski

1585 Paul Kupica

1586 Gregory Kurdziel

1587 Dave Kurtz

1588 Peter Kurylko

1589 Christina Kuzma

1590 Janys Kuznier

1591 Barbara La Rocco

1592 Len Laazer
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1637 Cheryl Lechtanski

1638 Marilyn Lederman

1639 Donna Lee

1640 Alyssa Lee

1641 Phyllis Lee

1642 Robert Lee

1643 Sam Lee

1644 Kimberly Lee

1645 Margaret Lee

1646 Michael Lefebvre

1647 Ruth Leibowitz

1648 Robert Leigh

1649 Mark Leigh

1650 Patti Leigh

1651 Peter Leighton

1652 Lewis Leitner

1653 Debora Lemire

1654 Lee Leonard

1655 Alfred Leonardi

1656 Bruce Leopold, The Wildlife Society, National Chapter

1657 Sherryl Lerner

1658 Robert Leto
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1703 Denis Lopez

1704 Yaxira Lopez

1705 Kayte Lopez

1706 Doreen Lopresto

1707 Timothy Lorah

1708 Dominick Lordi

1709 Ms Heidi Loria

1710 Dawn Lorusso

1711 Donna Loskowski

1712 William Loss

1713 Debb Lovett

1714 Robert Lowery

1715 Jeffrey Luberto

1716 Desiree Luberto

1717 Robert Luderer

1718 Irving Luizza

1719 Francis Luksa

1720 Marcie Luttenberger

1721 Rosemary Lyle

1722 Ronald Lymana Family

1723 Kelsey Lynch

1724 Pamela Lynn
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1725 Jerry Lyon

1726 Janet Lyons-Fairbanks

1727 Bryan Lysenko

1728 Scott Lysenko

1729 Lisa Lysenko

1730 Ms. Denise Lytle

1731 Denise Lytle

1732 Robert Lyttle

1733 Wilfred Mabee

1734 R. Maca

1735 Robert Macchioni

1736 Pattie Macdonald

1737 William Machauer

1738 Stephen Macheska

1739 Mark Machulsky

1740 Roger T. Mack

1741 Patrick Mack

1742 Lora Mack

1743 Janice Mackanic

1744 William Mackerley

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1791 Linda Mariconda

1792 Pat Marino

1793 Fulvia Marino

1794 Leigh Maris

1795 Edward J. Markowski, EP, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA)

1796 Jennifer Marmorato

1797 Richard Marranca

1798 John Marrazzo

1799 Joe Marrone

1800 Cherry Marrone

1801 Brian Marsh

1802 Rebecca Marshall

1803 Barry Marson

1804 Sue Marston

1805 Chester & Darlene Martello

1806 Michael Martello

1807 Gary Martin

1808 Merle Martin

1809 Alice & Ferrier Martin

1810 Lawrence Martin

1811 Wayne Martin

1812 Lou Martinez
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1813 Jonathan Martinez

1814 Michelle Martinez

1815 Ron Martinez

1816 Binell Martino

1817 Thomas Martins

1818 Janet & Marilyn Martucci

1819 David Maruska

1820 Lorry Marvin

1821 Su Mash

1822 Lynne Masino

1823 Michael Masley

1824 Andrew Mastellone

1825 Michael & Anke Masters

1826 Anke Masters

1827 Vincent Mastracchio

1828 Kris Mastropalo

1829 Charles P. Mataya

1830 Matthew Mateyak

1831 Sharon Mathew

1832 Joseph Matt

1833 Mark Matthews

1834 Glorya Matthews
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1836 John Mattie
1837 Karen Mattson
1838 Theresa Mattson
1839 Joseph Matura
1840 Robert Maul
1841 Thomas Maulshagen
1842 Daniel Maurer
1843 Anthony Mauro
1844 Donna L. Maxewll
1845 Richard Maxfield
1846 John Maxwell
1847 Edward Mayer
1848 Gregg Mayer
1849 Clarice Mayers
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1851 Cindy Maytidu
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1858 Dan Mc Mickle
1859 Steve Mcauliff
1860 William Mccall
1861 Edward Mccarthy
1862 Melanie Mccarthy
1863 Cathy Mccartney
1864 Catherine Mccartney
1865 Louise Mcchesney
1866 Sherry Mcclain
1867 Ronald Mclelland
1868 Mary Mccormick
1869 Carole Mccracken
1870 Glenn Mccurdy
1871 Karen Medermott
1872 Brian Mcdonald
1873 Eileen Mcdonnell
1874 James Mcdonnell
1875 Robert Mcdonough
1876 Joe Mcdonough
1877 Darrin Mcdowell
1878 Scott Megahey
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1902 Oliver Measure

1903 Anthony Mecca

1904 David Meeker

1905 Keith Megan

1906 Suzana Megles

1907 Keith Megow

1908 Paul Mehlin

1909 Christine Mehnert

1910 Bart Meier

1911 Robert Meister

1912 Karl Meister

1913 Claude Meixsell

1914 Carl Melillo

1915 Kim Mellilo

1916 Victoria Melnik

1917 Vicki Melnik

1918 Tom Melsi

1919 Richard Melton

1920 Thomas Melville

1921 Vince Mendieta

1922 Deb Menetret
1923 Julija Merljak
1924 John Merriman
1925 Lois Messina
1926 Nancy Miho
1927 Katherine Mikel
1928 John Milchanoski
1929 George Milecki
1930 Terry Milin
1931 Linda Milkes
1932 William Milko
1933 John Miller
1934 Diane Miller
1935 Garrett Miller
1936 Jaime Miller
1937 Julie Miller
1938 Raymond Miller
1939 John Miller
1940 William Miller
1941 Alan Miller
1942 Barbara Miller
1943 Jeff Miller
1944 Linda Mills
1967 Richard D. Moore, Mercer County Federation of Sportsman’s Clubs

1968 Debbir Moore

1969 Ari Moore

1970 Freddy Morales

1971 Carolyn Moran

1972 Jim Morello

1973 Ann Moresco

1974 Barbara Moretti

1975 Robert Morgan

1976 Teddy Moritz

1977 Dennis Morley

1978 Douglas Morrell

1979 William Morris

1980 Gayle Morrow

1981 Laura Morrow Morrow Lontos Family

1982 Celine Morton

1983 Jeffrey Morton

1984 Cheryl Mosiello

1985 Sandra Moskovitz

1986 Paul Moss

1987 Zita Motta

1988 Janine L. Motta
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2033 Susan Nalepa
2034 Theodore Nander
2035 Andrew Nappa
2036 James Nash
2037 Frank Naso
2038 Paul N assetta
2039 John Nasuta
2040 Gerard P. Natale, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA), NJSFSC
2041 Gerard Natale
2042 Marina Natoli
2043 Debra Natyzak
2044 August & Claire Naumann
2045 Jean Naumann
2046 Leels Navarro
2047 Deborah Nawatka
2048 Amedeo Nazaro
2049 Eugene Neiderlander
2050 John Neill
2051 W. Nelson
2052 Scott Nelson
2053 Charlotte Nemeth
2054 Katherine Newcomer
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2055 Michael Newman

2056 Ilonka Newton

2057 Marie Nguyen

2058 A-Nam Nguyen

2059 William Nickel

2060 Sarah Nicol

2061 John Nicol

2062 Carole Nicolich

2063 Richard Nieuwenhuis, New Jersey Farm Bureau

2064 Al Nigrin

2065 Liberty Niimoi

2066 Curt Nissley

2067 Robert Nitko

2068 Dana Nitzsche

2069 Mark Noakes

2070 Lorraine Nogle

2071 Linda Noll

2072 Ramadane & Weddy None

2073 Brian Noody

2074 John & Patti Noon

2075 Elo-Mai Noormets

2076 R. Norman
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2099 John Olejnik Jr.

2100 Della Oliver
2101 Beverly A. Ollearo
2102 John Oller
2103 Edward Olsen
2104 Amy Olsen
2105 Eric Olsen
2106 David Olsen
2107 William F. Olsen
2108 Teresa Olsen
2109 Laura Oltman
2110 Janelle Olvey
2111 Lisa Oneil
2112 Louis Onori
2113 Pamela Opdyke
2114 Nancy Oppenheimer
2115 Algandra Ordonex
2116 Kevin Origoni
2117 Timothy O'riordan
2118 Richard Orlowski
2119 Carlos Oropeza
2120 James Orr
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2143 Melissa Paicer

2144 Donna Paino

2145 Patrick Pajerowski

2146 Newton & Barbara Paker

2147 Patricia Palermo

2148 Warren Paling

2149 Alison Paling

2150 Todd Paling

2151 Gary Palker

2152 Michael Paluzzi

2153 Anita Panas

2154 Nicolas Pandolfo

2155 Gary Panetta

2156 Albert Panicci

2157 Stephen Pannone

2158 Joanne C. Pannone, Sierra Club-Central NJ

2159 Joanne Pannone

2160 Jamie Pantel

2161 Kathy Paoelella

2162 Maria Papadopoulou

2163 Joseph Papiez

2164 Susan Pappalardo
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2165 Joshau Pappas

2166 Marisa Paradiso

2167 Sophia Paraschou

2168 Mark Parella

2169 Linda Parella

2170 Frank Parete

2171 Michael Parichuk

2172 Mitchell Paris

2173 Mitch Paris

2174 Steve Paris

2175 Karen Parker

2176 Edward Parrillo

2177 Frank Pasculli

2178 Elke Passarge

2179 Kiran Patel

2180 Neil Patel

2181 Holly Paterno

2182 Anna Patounakis

2183 Kristyanne Patullo

2184 Gregory Paul

2185 Susan Paul

2186 Stephen Pauley
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2187 Kris Pawelko
2188 Marianna Pawlowski
2189 Mrs. Peggy Pazdro
2190 Sue Pearl
2191 Bob Peary
2192 David Peever
2193 William T Pellettiere
2194 Philip Pelligra
2195 Phil Pelligra
2196 Frank Peluso
2197 Gramoz Peposhi
2198 Regan Peppard
2199 Eileen Perahia
2200 David Perkins
2201 Laurie Perla
2202 Thomas Perrin
2203 Louis J. Perry, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA)
2204 Donna Persico
2205 Elizabeth Pertti
2206 Robert Peters
2207 Elizabeth Petersen
2208 Kelly Peterson
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2231 Michael Pielech

2232 Robert Pierro

2233 Eric C. Pierro

2234 David Pietkiewicz

2235 Jeffrey W. Pietrzak

2236 E. Pimpinella

2237 Harry Pinand

2238 Alfred Pinello

2239 Barbara A. Pinello

2240 Howard Pinney

2241 Bill Piper

2242 John Piper

2243 Robert Pisapia

2244 Janet Piszar, B.E.A.R. Group

2245 Brian Pita

2246 Braden Pitcher

2247 Michael Pitta

2248 Marlene Pittman

2249 Marie E. Pivirotto

2250 Judy Pizarro

2251 Thomas Plante

2252 Theodore Plottner
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2319 Matthew Puskas

2320 Geraldine Puso

2321 Albert Pye

2322 Laney Quodomine

2323 Jon Rabideau

2324 Rebecca Rabinowitz

2325 Sam Race

2326 Carol Racobaldo

2327 Meg Radford

2328 Joyceann Raffa

2329 James R. Raics

2330 Larry Ramage

2331 John Ramirez

2332 Joann Ramos

2333 Sherry Ramsey

2334 Richa Ranade

2335 Ms. Betty Rand

2336 Adam Randal

2337 Francis Rapa, New Jersey Conservation Foundation

2338 Peter F Rapetti Sr., Atlantic County Federation of Sportsmen Clubs

2339 Harold Rapp

2340 Steve Rasimowicz
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2341 Erik Rasmuson

2342 Lynn Ratcliff

2343 Peter Rathjens

2344 Louis R. Ratti

2345 Jackie Raven

2346 Charles Raverta

2347 Jerry Ray

2348 Paul Raybould

2349 B. Rayes

2350 Melissa Re

2351 John Reape

2352 Michaela Redden

2353 Sheila Redfern

2354 Daniel Redondo

2355 Colette Redondo

2356 Wayne & Janet Redyke

2357 Janet A Redyke, B.E.A.R. Group

2358 Wayne Redyke, B.E.A.R. Group

2359 C. Reed

2360 Caitlin Reese

2361 Laura Regalado

2362 Barbara Reichman
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2451 William Rose
2452 Sharon Rose
2453 Bob Rose
2454 Robert Rose
2455 Larry Rose
2456 Christopher Rose Sr.
2457 Marna Roseman
2458 Aaron Rosenbaum
2459 Rose R. Rosenbaum, Coalition for Animals
2460 Aaron Rosenbaum
2461 Joel Rosenbaum
2462 James Rosenberg
2463 Judith Rosenthal
2464 Cindy Rosin
2465 John Ross
2466 Ruth Ross
2467 Kathleen Ross
2468 Steve Ross
2469 John Ross
2470 Anthony Ross
2471 Sam Rosset
2472 Doreen Rossi
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2473 Patricia Rossi
2474 Melissa Rotondi
2475 Kathryn Rotondi
2476 Katie M Rotondi
2477 Harry Rowlinson
2478 Karen Rozmus
2479 Mike Ruberto
2480 Bonnie Rubin
2481 Joan Rubin
2482 Patrick Ruddiman
2483 Mrs. Paulett Rudella
2484 Lawrence Rudolph
2485 Ariana Rudzki
2486 Thiradha Ruengwong
2487 Catherine Ruesch
2488 Sam Ruffolo
2489 Gustav Ruggiero
2490 Edward Rumain
2491 Brent Rupnow
2492 Sari Ruskin
2493 Maryann Russello
2494 Barbara Russo
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2561 Mark Scheingold

2562 Bill E. Schemel, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA)

2563 Bill Schemel

2564 William Scherer

2565 William Schiappa

2566 Lizzi Schippert

2567 Wendy Schlette

2568 Carol Schluter

2569 Robert Schmidt

2570 Gerald Schmitt

2571 Elizabeth Schneider

2572 Douglas W. Schneider

2573 Frank Schoenstein

2574 Krista Schrager

2575 Elliott Schreiber Ed.D

2576 Karen Schreiber Ms.

2577 Lorraine Schrieber

2578 William Schubel

2579 DJ Schubert, Animal Welfare Institute

2580 John Schuler

2581 Joe Schultz

2582 Geri Schultz
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2583 Dorene Schultz

2584 Joseph Schultz

2585 Marthe Schulwolf

2586 Robert Suzanne Schulz

2587 Bonnie Schulz

2588 Maureen Schulze

2589 Anne Schurich

2590 Daniel And Myra Schwartz

2591 Michael Schwartz

2592 Marilyn Schwartz

2593 Richard Schwartz

2594 Joseph Schweighardt

2595 William And Edith Schwind

2596 Joseph Scillieri P.E.

2597 James Scotto

2598 Pamela Scoville

2599 Joseph Scriffignano

2600 Audrey Sculthorpe

2601 Roni Seabury

2602 Sheila Seaman

2603 Gordon Seaman

2604 Elizabeth Sebastian
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2605 Michael Sebetich

2606 Joyce Seccia

2607 Joe Sedivy

2608 Roger W Sedmont

2609 Linda Segal

2610 Edwin Segarra

2611 Robert Seijas

2612 Robert Sekula

2613 Roger C. Selah, NJOA, Square Circle Sportsmen’s, NJSFSC

2614 Mary Jane Semcer

2615 Cheryl Semcer

2616 Lynne Semmel

2617 George Sendecki

2618 Mark Sendelbach

2619 Steve Senderovita

2620 Adam Sennick

2621 Marina Sepulveda

2622 Cindy Sereni

2623 Steve Serna

2624 Stephen Serna

2625 Michael Settimo

2626 Rick Severo
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2627 Walter Seville

2628 Megan Sewell, Humane Society Of The United States (HSUS)

2629 Muhammad Shahid

2630 Albert Shamael

2631 Oliver Shapiro

2632 Mary Shaw, Rutgers University

2633 Mary Ellen Shaw

2634 Steve Shawhan

2635 Kathy Shawhan

2636 Nancy Sheehan

2637 Jennifer Sheets

2638 Charles Shefsky

2639 Alice Shenusay

2640 Deb Shepardson

2641 Carrie Sherretta

2642 Roberta Shields

2643 George Shivery

2644 John Shokoff

2645 Robert Shortell

2646 Ben Shotland

2647 Spenser Shoudy

2648 Elizabeth Shulman
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2649 Gerard Sica
2650 Julia Sidelnikova
2651 Joy A. Sidne
2652 Jody Sidote
2653 Natana Siegel
2654 Denise Siemssen
2655 Jeff Sigler
2656 Christina Signorelli
2657 Bill E. Silcox, NTA
2658 Carole Silverman
2659 Heather Simon
2660 Robert Simon
2661 Mimi Simon
2662 Richard Simone
2663 Landi Simone
2664 David Simonson
2665 Kenneth Simpson
2666 Sandra Simpson
2667 Walter Sinclair
2668 Dennis Sinfield
2669 Susan Sinnott
2670 John Sisolak
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2693 Betty Lou Smith
2694 Patrick J. Smith
2695 Mark Smith
2696 Nancy Smith
2697 Saundra Smith
2698 Daniel Smith
2699 Jacqueline Smith
2700 Trevor Smith
2701 Kenneth Smith
2702 Vincent Smith
2703 Roger Smith
2704 Howard Smith
2705 Suzanne Smith
2706 Paul M. Smith II
2707 Nancy Smolen
2708 John Snell
2709 Judy Snook
2710 Richard Sntucci
2711 Tamara Snyder
2712 Michael Snyder
2713 Peter Soden
2714 Michele Sokoloski
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2715 Mark Soloway

2716 Judy Soltis

2717 Jill Sommerville

2718 Kentak Son

2719 Andreas Sonyi

2720 Cynthia Soroka

2721 Don Souders

2722 Michelle Soule

2723 Christine Souris-Kosla

2724 Margaret Southwell

2725 Priscilla Sowa

2726 Arthur Sozomenu

2727 Steven & Jenn Spadaccini

2728 Ms. Barbara Spector

2729 Barb Spector

2730 Michelle Speers

2731 Kelly Spencer

2732 Isaac Spencer

2733 Thomas Spengler

2734 Elaine Spieler

2735 Glenn Spina

2736 Mark Spoto
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2737 Doreen Sprievere

2738 Shane St Michael

2739 Matthew St.Clair

2740 Joanne Staats-Powell

2741 Jim Stabile

2742 Marsha Stack

2743 Patricia Stackhouse

2744 Melissa Stamps

2745 Ronald Stanker

2746 Gary Stanker

2747 John Stankiewicz, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA)

2748 Hank Stankiewicz

2749 Mary Stanzione

2750 Company Starlight Commodities

2751 Dennis Steckert

2752 Glenn Steeber

2753 Joseph Stefaniak

2754 Patricia Stella

2755 Dusty Stepanski

2756 Jessica Stevens

2757 Russell Stewart

2758 David W. Stewart, Northern New Jersey Bear Alliance
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2759 Lisa Stewart

2760 Sisa Stewart

2761 Geoffrey Stewart

2762 David Stewart

2763 Diane Stewart

2764 Sharon Stewart

2765 Judith Stier

2766 Stuart M. Stigale

2767 J. Page & Sandra Stiger

2768 Al Stokley

2769 Richard Stollery

2770 Furman Stoop

2771 Carol Stoveken

2772 Dristin Strandberg

2773 Linda Strandberg

2774 Chris Strandberg

2775 Linda M. Strandberg

2776 Nancy Stranneman

2777 E. George Strasser

2778 Jeffrey Strauss

2779 Michael Strauss

2780 James Streemke
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2781 Michael Striffler

2782 Susan Stringfield

2783 Bernice Strobel

2784 Martin Strozeski

2785 Charles Struble

2786 Michele Stuart

2787 David Stuber

2788 R. Stucko

2789 Hans Stuting

2790 John Sudol

2791 Julian Sudol

2792 Irene Sudol

2793 Diane Sudol

2794 Michael Suhok

2795 Stacey Suhok

2796 Michael Sullivan

2797 Carole Sullivan

2798 Joseph J. Sullivan

2799 Thomas Sullivan

2800 Elaine Sullivan

2801 William & Marsha Sumal

2802 Joe & Pat Summers
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2825 Evelyn Tamborlani

2826 Marianne Tamburro

2827 Tom Tamplin

2828 Kathlene Tanes

2829 Richard Tanis

2830 Joe Tanis

2831 David Tantillo

2832 Donna Tardive

2833 Paul Tardy

2834 Wojciech K. Tarnowski

2835 Valentine Tarr

2836 Maribel Tarrillo

2837 James & Jacquelynne Tarves

2838 Jody Tatum

2839 Alfred F. Tatyrek

2840 Edward Tavss, Rutgers University

2841 Clayton Taylor

2842 William Taylor

2843 Elfmagic Taylor

2844 Chris Taylor

2845 Skipper Taylor

2846 Elizabeth Taylor
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2891 Thomas Tornusiolo

2892 Denise Torre

2893 Mark Torsiello

2894 Craig Townsend

2895 Nikki Tozer

2896 Robert Tracy

2897 Karen Traina

2898 Valerie Traina

2899 Chris Trantiwein

2900 John Traylor

2901 John Tremel

2902 Jeanne M. Treuvey

2903 Lisa Triano

2904 Debra Troast

2905 James Troy

2906 Catherine Troy

2907 Tom True

2908 Sauwah Tsang

2909 Herbert Tucker

2910 Frank Tumas

2911 Nanette Turi

2912 Tracy Turner
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2913 Freeman Turner

2914 Richard Turse

2915 Gray Tuttle

2916 Thomas Tyls

2917 Michael Ulinski

2918 Susan Ulintz

2919 Amy Ullmann

2920 Charles W. Ullmann

2921 Arnold Ulrich

2922 Don Ulsheimer

2923 Jennifer Ulsheimer

2924 Anna Umansky

2925 Tanya Umansky

2926 David Upright

2927 Len Urban

2928 John Utley

2929 Terry Vaccaro

2930 Ray Vaicunas

2931 Joseph Valen

2932 Chris Vander Groef

2933 Kenneth Vander May

2934 Frances I. Vanderhoff
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2935 Vida Vangorden

2936 Richard Vanheest

2937 Joseph Vanorden

2938 R Vanstrien

2939 Oska Van't Hoff

2940 Richard Vargas

2941 Barbara Vargas

2942 Donald Vastano

2943 Mary Ann Vastino

2944 Nicholas Vastino

2945 Colleen Vdokakes

2946 John Vehslage

2947 Maribeth Venezia

2948 Rober Venitelli

2949 Georgeann Ventola

2950 Edmund Veronelli

2951 Dan Verrico

2952 Michael Vertes

2953 Theodore Vetrini

2954 Michael Vex

2955 Karen Vincent

2956 Dawn Vinciguerra
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3001 Darlyn Warner
3002 Nancy Warner
3003 Tom Warner
3004 Aaron Warren
3005 Robert M. Washer
3006 Robert E. Washer
3007 Yoshi Watanabe
3008 Duane Watlington
3009 Bob Wavro
3010 Jon Wayman
3011 Paul Weaver
3012 Marissa Weber
3013 Eric Weber
3014 Tracy Weber
3015 Margaret R. Weber
3016 Marissa A. Weber
3017 Zorina Weber
3018 Julius Weber
3019 Kathy Wedral
3020 Thoma Weeast
3021 Kevin Weeks
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3045 Ken Whildin

3046 Alfred White

3047 Joseph White

3048 Conover White

3049 Robert Whiteman

3050 Robert Whitlock

3051 Frank J. Whitney Jr.

3052 Michael Whittle

3053 Michael Wiard

3054 William Wiedeman

3055 Richard Wiegers

3056 Frank Wiener

3057 Ronald Wiggins

3058 Wayne Wilcken

3059 Steven Wildman

3060 Beverly Wilke

3061 Pamela Wilkey

3062 Phyllis & George Wilkie

3063 Kurt Wille

3064 Bob Williams

3065 Paul R. Williams, Animal Rights Activists of New Jersey

3066 Judy Williamson
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3067 Christine Wills

3068 Geraldine Wilpert

3069 Tom & Samantha Wilson

3070 Todd Wilson

3071 Elizabeth M. Wilson

3072 Robert Wilson

3073 Ronald C. Wilson

3074 Robert Wilson

3075 Lisa Wilson

3076 Loretta Windas

3077 E. Scott Wingerter

3078 Rob Winkel, New Jersey State Federation of Sportsman's Clubs

3079 Lynne S. Winkel

3080 Robert Winkle

3081 Melvan Winter

3082 Bruce Winters

3083 Sharon Wise

3084 Bogumila Witek

3085 John Withum

3086 Susan Wohlueter

3087 Andrew Wojtowicz

3088 Bill Wolfe
The following 1,200 commenters submitted form letters in support of the entire CBBMP and specifically in support of the bear hunting season at N.J.A.C. 7:25-5.6 indicating that: a season was the best tool to control the population and reduce nuisance and damage problems; the season was based on sound science and research; and, the season would provide recreational opportunity:

Kwin Abade
Frank A. Abiccia
Howard J. Abrams
William Abuela
Paul J. Admaski
Anna Alevandris
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Alex Deak

Ken Deangelo

Robin Deangelo

Richard Deangelo

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David E. Deghetto

Dana Degroat

John Dehuff

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Mitchel Deveta

Jeffery Devine

Bruce Devita

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Kevin Ende

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Robert S. Eskow

Keith Fahrman

Todd Fallon

Bob Fansiala

Christopher S. Fazio

Tory Fernandes

Vic Fiore

Michael Fischer

Carol A. Fisher

Thomas W. Fitcher

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Lynn Frost
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Thomas G. Galfo
Patricia A. Galfo
Dan Galfo
Apolonia Galie
Hunter Gallo
Brian Gallo
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Sean Gill

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Bryant Godfrey

Edward Goldner

David Gommoll

James R Gould

Keith Gourlay

Len Gramesz

Miguel Graniello

Robert C. Grannily

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Robert Haas

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Daniel Hintzen
Wayne Hintzen
Kelly Hogan
Norman Holden
Heinz Honnetter
Daniel Hoocy
Kenneth F. Hook
Joe Hopp
C. Hougg
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Frank Illegible

John J. Illegible

Kenneth A. Illegible

Christin Ina

Michael A. Innamorato

Leonard Insalaco

George Iricoli

Jeff Jacobs

Noah Jacobson

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J. Jameson

Cassidy Jameson

Will Jiroux

William Jiroux

Ron Jobeless

Scott Johnsen

Karl H. Johnson

Ann Johnson

Ed Johnson

Jason Jones
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Ty Kobis

George H. Koenemann

John Kominiak

Charles Koth

Ron Kozlowski

Kristofer Krause

William J. Krause

Kristofer A. Krause

Michael Krawchuk

Stan Krawczuk

Peter P. Krichner

Kenneth Kroll

Tom Krust

John Kucharel

Barbara Kudlarik

David Kuhles

Nina Kulsar

William Kupatt

Paul Kupica

Robert Kus

D. Kuscenko

Adam Kutner
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Michael M. Lynde

Gerrald Vander Maas

James D. Mabee

Wilfred J. Mabee

Dean MacGillivray

Arthur C. Macgregor

Donna Mack

Robert Mack III

Robert Mack Jr.

Robert Mack Jr.

Michael MacWilliams

Samuel F. Maczlco

Fred Maffer

Jaclyn Maffiore

Granville M. Magee

Arthur Maglio

Robert J. Magnan

Kevin Mahoney

Ray Mahtook

Lawrence E. Major

Ted Majos

Carmine G. Malchinda
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Lynne Matto

Richard F. Matyskiez

Joseph Mauriello

Anthony P. Mauro Sr.

Ed Mayer

Amy Mayer

Christine M. Maytidu

Mary Maziarski

Harry McDale

Dave McDole

Ryan McCabe

Lglenn McCarrick

Ken McCarthy

James L. McCullum

Gerald McCusker

Harry McDale

Thomas S. McDane Sr.

James McDaniel

Dana F. McDonald

Robert McDowell

Jan McDowell

Bob McDowell
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Evaristo Mota

Thomas G. Mullane

Bob Mulligan

Frank V. Munfredi

Gerald J. Murphy

William T. Murphy

Tom Murphy

John Murphy

Anthony Murray

Edward J. Murtha

William Nabbids

John G. Nehrings

Paul Neiderchofer

Howard Nemeth

M.J. Nemeth

Richard Neubert

R. J. Nikola Jr.

Mike Nimse

Edward Niper

John Noon

Mike Noonan

Bernard Norgara
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R Norman

Stanley Norman

Judy Norton

Thomas Norton

Brian Nowicki

John C. Nugent

Kurt Nussberger

John T. O'brien

Jack Ochs

Richard E. O'connon

Richard O'connor

Barry O'dell

Matthew O'keefe

William L. Oliver

Karl Ollendike

John Onder

John R. O'neill

Steven F. Orson II

Scott Osborne

Edward O'sullivan

Tom Ottogalli

Wayne H. Owen
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Craig Roe

Donald W. Rolfs

Dennis W. Roma Jr.

Michael Romano

Phil Romano

Dennis W. Rome Jr.

Jay Romer

Bob Romner

Ted Roodenburg

Charles J. Rosak

Roger Rosendale

Frank Roshan

Dominick Rossi

Randy Rothacker

Mario Rotundo

Howard F. Rowan

John Rowe

Ted Rrodenberg

John A. Ruckstuhl

Jodi Rude

Jay Rudert

Tom Ruff
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Sam Ruffelo

James A. Ruggieri

John R. Russo

Brian Rutnik

Donald Rutsch

Sean Ryan

Louise M. Saal

Thomas J. Sabia

James J. Sabo

Thomas J. Sacembene

Tim Saja

David S. Salmen

Alissa Samba

James Sammon

Jim Sammon Sr.

Laurh Sampogna

Jospeh Sampogna

Dean W. Sander

Freddy Santiago

Guy Sappah

Dana S. Sappah

Gary Sargent

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Steve Sasui

Matthew J. Sawrak

Brian Sayler

Kathleen Schetman

Gary Schmidt

Michael Schopfer

Glen Schumacher

Solverg Schunk

Marilyn Schwartz

Frank Scotto

Miroslau Seckar

Thor Selden

Steve Senderovitz

John E. Sennick

Stephen P. Serna

Frank Servino

Richard Shane

Bill Shillingford

Donald Shinn

Ken Shirkey

Richard Shone

Solverg Shunk
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Jordan Siegel

R. Silena

Robert Simon

R. Simpson

Dannis Sinfield

Dennis Sinfield

Wayne J. Siver

John R. Skayper

Robert Skellenger

Rio Skewes

Rob Skewes

William G. Skewes Jr.

William Skewes Jr.

Jim Skillen

Joseph Skok

Richard Skowes

Walt Skrabito

Ron Skwira Jr

Barbara Slate

Daryl Slate

Richard A. Slater

Mitch Slaughter
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Steve Slezk
Mark Slotterback
Ron Slowira Jr.
Michael Smargiassi
Ludwick Smigielski
Mark Smigielski
Michael Smith
Daniel H. Smith
Allyson Smith
Mark Smith
Roy R. Smith Jr.
Herb Snoop
Paul Snyder
John P. Snyder
Mike Solimene
Guy Sopph
Tom Sosa
Donald E. Souders Jr.
Lawrence Soydam
Fred Space
Joseph M. Speidel
Emilio A. Spino
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Mark Spoto
Jack Spoto
Chris Sqasslio
Chris Squashie
Alicia Stabp
Peter Stamer
Wayne Staples
Jaime Starr
Kerri Starr
John Steeg
Mark S. Steffens
David Stein
Anthony Stellato
James H. Stephens
Joe Stephenson
David Steridan
Gary Stern
Gar Sterno
Jayson Stocchetti
Bill Stojan
Rebecka Storer
Alicia Storm
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Steve Swierawski

Dutch Sylvester

Sandy Sylvester

George Szabo

Ed Szabo

Chuck Szonyi

Robert J. Szymanski

Kurt A. Takach

Susan L. Talmadge

Peter Tamuzza

George Tassos

Ruth A. Tauriello

Thomas Taylor

Deanna Tedesco

Mike Tedeso

Scott Thiel

Thomas D. Thom

Ario G. Thomas

Cherry Thomas

Jesse Thomas

Sue Thompson

Albert Thompson

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Justin Tyvoll

Amy Ullman

Charles W. Ullman

Robert Urfer

Rich Valenti

Rene N Vallareenl

Fred W. Van Derbeck

Joe Van Dunk

Bob Van Gordan Sr.

Vida Van Gordon

Roberts Van Mater

Holmer D. Van Meter

Ronald Vande Vrede

Gladys B. Vanderbeck

Jacky Vanhern

William Vanhouten

Holmes D. Vanmater

Kevin Vanorden

Quint Vargas

Mark Vartolone

Roger D. Vecker

Aaron Veelker
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Albert Williamson

Tony J. Wilpert

Frank P. Wilpert Jr.

Frank P. Wilpert Sr.

Frank Wilpert, Jr.

Frank P. Wilpert, Sr.

George Wilson

John P. Wilson

Greg Wittrien

Michael Wittrien

Andrew Wojtowicz

Brian Woldren

David M. Wolf

Michael Wolfanger

Ken Wolffbrandt

Larry Wolst

Richard Wolven

Edward F. Worthington Jr.

Robert Wozniak Jr.

John Wright

Ben Wright

Al Wurczinger
The following 52 commenters mailed in postcards supporting the CBBMP:

Thomas B. Carney
Robert J. Caruso
Henry Corforte
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Gerard P. Natale

Richard Nieuwenhuis

John Nogalo

Ron Ovellette

Louis J. Perry

Susan Reed

Darren Rist

John R. Rogalo

Gene Rurica

Bill E. Schemel

Rober C. Selale

James A. Sestephano

Diane Stewart

Richard H. Strobel

Kathrine Surlak

Thomas P. Surlak

Ed A. Szabo

Charles Szonyi

Val Tarr

Stan Tecza

John M. Tofanelli

Ms. Nancy Tropin
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Paul Vizriola

John P. Vneachak

Paul R. Welk

Thomas Wells

George Wilkinson

3158 The following 64 commenters signed a petition supporting the CBBMP:

Mark Badallo

Robert Carpenter

Julie Cassara

Dominick Cassara

Joe Cassara

Jennie Cassara

Sal Costanaza

Antonette Costanza

Micheal Cristofomo

Sal Engle

Carla Engle

Peter Fazio

Trish Gibbons

Brian Gibbons

James Grawear

Chris Grogan
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Becky Petronis

Kyle Post

Ray Reison

John Ripa

Giovanni Ripa

Greg Ripa

Sarina Ripa

Chris Romano

Gonul Saltzman

Maria Santana

Earle Seedy

Kara Simpson

Robert Simpson

Ann Taggert

Scott Way

Paul Weaver

Ben Weaver

Rocco Weaver

Chris Weaver

Vincenza Weaver

Paul Weaver Sr.

William Whitenour
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Jeanine Whitman

Alice Yodice

Frank Yodice

Marty Zvolenski

3159 The following 160 commenters submitted form letters opposing the CBBMP and specifically the bear hunting season indicating that: hunting would not resolve human/bear conflicts; the season is a trophy hunt; there are non-lethal alternatives to the hunting season, including public education, aversive conditioning and control of human derived food; bears should not be moved by the DFW; hunting is a threat to human safety; and, requesting that bears be removed from the Game Code and their status changed to a non-game species:

Rita Alexis

Mike Arcaro

Lewis Babalz

Steiss Baker

Marianne Bessea

Archangelo Bianco

P. Bocclicio

Carle Bodine

Nick Botti

Diana Brandt

Elaine Buchtman
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Debra Buria

Chelsea Butler

Even Cappillo

Marion Carbone

Cindy Carinici

Eleanor Carlton

Carol Carmody

Jean Cater

Claire Chomiak

CJ. Connody

Benaly Cox

Agnes Czarnecki

Sue Dagostino

Madeline Decker

Roxanne Delgado

Lynn Delotto

Heather Denal

Scott Dommetri

Wendy Donnelly

Elaine Dunn

Catherine Duranti

Elyse Egan
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Evely Fagine

Susan Ferry

Joan Finck

Al Finkelstein

Shannon Foster

Kai Foster

Robert Frail

Isabel Franzetti

Mary Fritz

Camille Gaines

Robert Galtony

Pete Gar

Margaret Geggenheimer

Mike Giannattasio

Lucille Gill

Tami Givens

Michele Grannattasio

Ken Halzhaner

Robin Hempel

Marylinn Heney

Jenny Hill

Cathleen Hothensall
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Jerry Luuill

Christine Lynch

Jeffery M

John Malata

Sally Malatios

Jean Mallock

Joe Mann

Denise Manna

S. Maryanello

George Mason

Charles B. Maytadee

Maureen Mcgarth

Patricia Mcgrask

Kim Mckay

Lori Mcmanus

Beth Mcnamee

Lisa Meran

J. Michel

C. Miele

Denise Mockey

Katherine Moran

Barbara Mulman
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Cassidy Murphy

Jon Murphy

Yannah Nabhi

Ainedeo Nazaro

Barbara Onnen

Michele Owens

Roman Pazdro

Janet Pedersen

Robert Pedersen

Valerie Peterson

Joanne Petriello

Elizabeth Pinera

Robert Punne

Awd Rasty

Marylynn Reding

Alecia Reding

Danielle Reding

Eric Reichurt

Jeanne Richards

Robert Riena

Sandra Riena

Tom Rizzolo

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3160 The following 220 commenters submitted a form letter opposing portions of the CBBMP:

Natalia Abreu
Betty Adoni
Christine Aguesseau
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Angelo Aguirre

Nagi Alamri

Bharat Allam

Illegible Alvin

Richard Amon

Jacob Appelbower

Valerie Arenal

Christina Argenal

Sam Atkins

Melanie Aun

Grace Austin

Ruth Awan

Theo Baahman

Ralph & Dolores Babel

Maayan Barkan

Maynor Baruah

Rod Bass

Michael Bates

John Beam

Warren Beck

Roy Beeler

Jeff Bernstein
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Robert B. Illegible

Robert E. Illegible

William Illegible

Illegible Illegible

Janet Intemann

Pamela Iozia

Paul Johnson

Adele F. Jonas

Valerie Joseph

Barbara Kayser

Linda A. Kekl

Irene Keller

D. Kervack

Patricia Killian

 Lynett S. King-Davis

Maryann Kirchenbauer

Helen Kirchenbauer

Jerilyn Kratina

Mary Kruycl

Leslie Lamarre

Joyce D. Lambert

Rug Larrabee
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Meryl Mason

Tomohiko Masuda

Mark Mathews

Richard Mcdant

Ingrid Mcguire

Jane E. Mcmanis

Renee Metroka

Michael Metxler

Joe Miele

Sharyn Mosca

John R. Mulloy

Harry Mutchko

Crystal Nilsson

Kathleen Nolar

Barbara Lee Onnen

Ai Orito

Edwin Otero

Dan Palmer

Guy Parker

Miranda Paverania

Carleen Peitzmeyer

Stephen & Pamela Piszar
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Kyoko Toyama

Andrew Van Owen

Christopher Van Owen

Bonnie Van Vooren

Art & Annette Vantassel

Jacob Varsano

Mary Ann Vastino

William J. Voorhes

Cynthia Waite

Eileen Wallenbrug

Tina Walsh

Jack Warmingham

Frances Washington

Fred H. Wertz

Beverly Wilk

Christian Wood

Sarah Yuhen

Gloria Zola-Mulloy

Phillip Zturle

3161 The following 3,204 commenters submitted form letters opposed to black bear hunting and suggested that non-lethal methods would eliminate bear problems:

Tina Abbott
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Steven Abbotte

Florine Abramowitz

Hope Abrams

Natalia Abren

Jacquelyn Abromitis

Lindsay Achilles

Thomas Ackerman

Marlene Ackerman

Robert Acocella

Jim Adamczyk

James Adams

Shelley Adams

Margaret Adams

Sandra Adickes

Jessica Admirand

Gail Adrian

Diane Afonso

Samantha Agosto

Tiffany Aguayo

Angelo Aguirre

Sheri Ahearn

Stephen Ahern
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Richard Allegretti

Barbara Allison

Barbara Allison

Irene Almeida

Jan-Paul Alon

Eileen Althouse

Diana Alvarez

Pat Alvino

Victoria Alzza

Samantha Ambler

Patricia Amigh

Caroline Amorosa

Gail Amsterdam

Eva Amtman

Jamie Ancheta

Albert Andersen

Yvonne Anderson

Steve Andirolo

Ann Andreula

Brett Angelin

Susan Angell

Lori Angulo
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Alice Artzt

Alexandra Asaro

Phyllis Asay

Rich Ash

Debra Ashton

David Ashton

Rose Aspen

Sam Atkins

Joan Atkinson

Arlene Aughey

Melaine Aun

Vera Auriemma

Christine Aurilia

Lorraine Austin

Barbara Avallon

Peter Avelar

Louis Avrami

Charlotte Aylor-Diaz

Richard Azarian

Mary Ann Azzaro

Noelia B. Beynoso-Cobos

Christopher Baam
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Jay Barry

Kenneth Barta

Jacqueline Bartlett

Todd Bartolomeo

G. Bartpal

Janet Basile

Donna Baskay

Amanda Bastian

Michael Bates

Beth Ann Bates

Robert Battersby

Tracy Battista

Evelyn Bauer

Barbara Bauer

Helena Bauernschmitt

Regina Baureis

Ashley Bava

Carol Bayard

Sandra Bazar-Kolongowski

Joan Beard

Diane Beatty

Merry Beckett
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Marianne Beran

Lisa Berger

Melissa Berger

Emily Berges

Cynthia Bergstein

Elan Berko

Gary Berkowicz

Athena Bernal

Kim Berndt

Roni Bernstein

Mayra Berros

Karen Berry

Linda Berry

Sylvia Besen

Barbara Besold

Mary E. Beszterczei

Celeste Bettino

Barbara Bey

Tom Bialogow

Dolores Bianchi

Holly Bianchi

Katie Bianco
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Trish Brophy

Betsy Brotman

Tom Brown

Laura Brown

Roy Brown

Marne Brown

Peter Brown

Jean Brown

Christine Bruness

Jeanne Bruno

Pam Bryant

Shelley Bubis

Andrew Buccalo

Lesley Buccalo

Donna Buccellato

Deborah Bucksar

Stephanie Budin

Joan Bujacich

Roger Bultot

Linda Burdett

Mleanie Burdorf

Linda Burger
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Debra Buria

Elizabeth Burke

Janice M. Burke

Audrey Burns

Jane Buscemi

Betty Butler

Joseph C

Colleen Cacciola

Patricia Cademartori

Debbie Caggiano

Paula Calabrese

Linda Calamusa

Sharon Caldwell

Jody Calenda

Jonna Cali

Sharon Callahan

Stephen Callas

Gloria Callighan

Debbie Calvert

Kath Cameron

Holly Camisa

Heather Cammarata-Seale
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Donna Marie Camp

Leslie Campo

Krista Canaan

Angela Cancelliere

Jessica Caneal

Dreyfus Canine

Virginia Canino

Miriam Cannale

Kathryn Cannarozzi

Eve Cantelmi

Elaina Caola

Valerie Capezzuto

Andrea Caporale

Stephanie Cappella

Joyce Cappella

Sharon Cappuccio

Robin Caputo

Gail Carbine

Christopher Carbone

Clea Carchia

Jessy Cardova

Lisa Cargill
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Scott Cargill
Stephanie Carhuayano
Catherine Britt Carlson
Michael Carney
Rita Carney
Barbara Carpenter
Julie Carper
Isabel Carrion-Lopez
Stephanie Carson
Glenn & Amp Debbie Carson
Nicholas Cartabona
Jean Carter
Okiko Cartledge
Nicole Casale
Dominick Casciotta
Randi Case-Sauter
Phillip Cassell
Rachel Castelina
Ellen Castell
Ryan K. Castoral
Peggy Catalina
Anne Catanoso
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RESPONSE: The Council and DEP acknowledge the comments in support of the CBBMP which is adopted as an appendix to the rule.

2. COMMENT: Commenters were opposed to killing black bears, the black bear hunting season and/or recreational hunting of bears. (1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 29, 38, 39, 41, 44, 45, 46, 53, 55, 56, 59, 63, 64, 65, 66, 68, 69,
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RESPONSE: The Council and DEP recognize that the commenters are opposed to killing bears because they are either philosophically opposed to the killing of animals in general or are for various reasons specifically opposed to a bear hunting season in New Jersey. However, the Council and DEP have concluded that the CBBMP should include a regulated black bear hunt as part of a comprehensive approach to black bear management.

As discussed in Section H. of the CBBMP, DFW bear population monitoring has shown growth and range expansion of the State’s black bear population, which has produced high levels of negative human/bear interactions, despite DFW’s expanded non-lethal management initiatives. Thus, the CBBMP finds that the bear population should be reduced and stabilized at a level commensurate with available habitat and consistent with reducing risk to public safety and property, and no other proven method of population control is available. Regulated hunting seasons in 2003 and 2005 demonstrated bears could be harvested safely. Thus, the Council and DEP support regulated hunting as a safe and effective management tool to provide recreation and to control the State’s black bear population in a cost-effective manner and support the reestablishment of a regulated black bear hunting season which is similar to the 2003 and 2005 hunting seasons and includes Bear Management Zones (BMZs) to direct hunting pressure as appropriate. The Council and DEP also support the development of a long-term structure for bear hunting seasons to reduce and then stabilize the bear population at a level compatible with the
availability and quality of habitat, which is consistent with public safety and residential and agricultural concerns.

The Council and DEP also note that the Council is authorized by N.J.S.A. 13:1B-28 et seq. to manage wildlife throughout the State of New Jersey as a renewable resource and to maximize the benefits derived from this resource, including the taking of game and furbearers, while minimizing the negative impacts on wildlife populations. The Council promulgates amendments to the Game Code to meet its responsibilities by adjusting seasons, bag limits and methods of take on the basis of scientific information.

In 2005, the New Jersey Supreme Court (U.S. Sportsman’s Alliance Foundation v. New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, 182 N.J. 461 (2005)) explained that the CBBMP must take into consideration the management tools available to management of the State’s black bear population. The Council and DEP have examined the management of black bears in other states and notes that the 29 states with viable bear populations use hunting as the means to control their black bear populations. No alternative method is used. The Council and DEP further recognize that regulated hunting is a legitimate and effective means to control and manage the bear population, can slow the rate of population growth, and can reduce associated problems (i.e., vehicle collisions, home entries, livestock kills, pet kills, property damage and agricultural damage) in a cost effective manner. Thus, it is an important component of the CBBMP.

The Council and DEP also acknowledge the importance of an integrated wildlife management approach for the State’s black bear population, which is consistent with the black bear management efforts that DFW has undertaken for many years. That is why
the CBBMP reflects an integrated wildlife management plan, incorporating the following components: education; control of human–derived food; research and analysis of the State’s black bear population; analysis of the State’s available black bear habitat; cooperative research with other states, academic institutions, and other entities engaged in research on black bear management; control of bears that threaten human safety, agricultural crops, or property, or nuisance bears, by lethal and non-lethal means; habitat protection; and bear population management. The Council and DEP note that many of the commenters opposed to a black bear hunt support other aspects of the CBBMP, often suggesting that an expansion of non-lethal population control efforts would eliminate the need for a black bear hunt. As the CBBMP explains, however, an integrated approach to black bear management should utilize available, practicable methods for the management of the State’s black bear population, while taking into account the best scientific information and the fiscal and personnel resources of State and local agencies. Thus, as detailed in the CBBMP, based on DFW’s extensive experience with black bear management, as well as the fiscal and other constraints present, the Council and DEP have concluded that the State’s comprehensive approach to black bear management should include a regulated hunt.

3. COMMENT: Commenters indicated support for the black bear hunting season.
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RESPONSE: The Council and DEP acknowledge the comments in support of the CBBMP which provides for the reopening of the black bear hunting season.

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RESPONSE: The Council and DEP acknowledge the comments in support of the CBBMP which provides for the reopening of the black bear hunting season.
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One commenter stated that the New Jersey DFW’s Bureau of Law Enforcement (BLE) has failed to enforce the black bear feeding ban and cites the small number of violations which were written, given the law enforcement budget devoted to bear related activities and believed that persons reporting bears feeding on their garbage or bird feeders should be written summons for unintentional feeding of bears (2244).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree that better garbage control alone would resolve human/bear conflicts, although the Council and DEP have included garbage control as part of the CBBMP. DEP has had several meetings with garbage haulers, municipalities and private communities to discuss the issue of providing bear
resistant garbage cans and dumpsters to the general public. Both haulers and communities have indicated that technological and economical constraints make implementing these devises very difficult. In 2004, the DFW received 282 complaints of bears getting into garbage as opposed to 503 garbage complaints in 2003; DFW received 288 garbage complaints in 2006 compared to the 358 garbage complaints in 2005. The decrease in garbage related complaints from 2003 to 2004 and again from 2005 to 2006 is in part due to increased enforcement of the Intentional Feeding Law and the harvest of nuisance bears during the 2003 and 2005 bear hunting seasons. The Council and the DFW supported the State law enacted in November 2002 that bans the intentional feeding of black bears and provides for a $1,000 fine. The DFW’s BLE investigates bear feeding complaints and issues warnings and citations when warranted. The DFW has long recommended that trash be controlled so that it is not available to bears. For example, trash should not be put out for disposal until the morning of pickup and should be stored at other times in areas not accessible to bears.

Council and DEP recognize that bear-resistant garbage containers can be successful at keeping bears out of garbage, but they do not stop the bears from remaining in the area and utilizing containers that are not bear-resistant. The benefits and limitations of garbage management are discussed in detail in the CBBMP at section B. Control of Human Derived Food (p.6). Bear-resistant containers also do not decrease or stabilize the bear population. The State and federal park systems in bear country have implemented bear-resistant garbage cans and dumpsters at their facilities. Bear resistant garbage cans and food storage containers were installed at several state parks in Northern New Jersey.
as part of a substantial donation from Mr. Bill Anderson. These food storage containers and garbage cans have been effective in mitigating some nuisance bear behavior within the park system. Even though these bear-resistant garbage cans and dumpsters have been effective at minimizing garbage related incidents within the parks, they have not reduced the number of bears in the area nor have they eliminated nuisance bear behavior within the parks or recreational areas.

The DFW has been working cooperatively with the Division of Parks and Forestry (DPF) to develop educational programs and regulations that preclude bear feeding, maintaining clean picnic and camp sites and keeping food inaccessible to bears in State parks and forests (see, for example, N.J.A.C. 7:2-2.7 and 7:2-6.1). The Council and DEP believe that enforcement of State and local ordinances banning the feeding of bears should help reduce human/bear conflicts. However, human/bear conflicts are increasing as the bear population grows and expands its range into new and inadequate habitats, including urban and suburban areas. Black bears are attacking and killing livestock and pets, damaging agricultural crops, damaging and entering homes and directly threatening humans. Black bears are also involved in increasing numbers of collisions with motor vehicles. The feeding ban does nothing to control the black bear population.

Council and DEP respectfully disagree with the statement that DFW’s BLE has failed to enforce the black bear feeding ban. The law enforcement effort regarding this feeding ban is discussed in Section B. of the CBBMP, Control of Human-Derived Food. The CBBMP acknowledges the difficulty in enforcing this law and recommends that the
law be amended to clarify when un-intentional feeding of bears warrants a fine. The
Council and DEP note that intensive sweeps of neighborhoods in bear country shows that
98 percent of households inspected are complying with this statute and are making a
genuine effort to prevent bears from feeding on household garbage and other human
derived food sources. The Council and DEP disagree with the comment that anyone who
reports to DFW that a bear has gained access to their garbage or bird feeder should be
issued a summons. DFW educates these callers on how to prevent future occurrences.
The BLE has received 155 complaints from citizens reporting violations of the beer
feeding ban since its adoption in 2003. Individuals suspected of feeding bears must first
be given a written warning before a summons can be issued for repeat offenses. Upon
investigation of these complaints, 32 written warnings and 9 summons were issued.
DFW’s experience is that most people respond to the educational discussion with the
conservation officer and that only a small number of people ignore the written warning,
thus conservation officers have only had to issue a minimal number of summonses for
repeat offenses. Additionally, the commenter wrongly assumes that the law enforcement
bear budget was strictly used for enforcement of the feeding ban. As the CBBMP
indicates, DFW conservation officers were involved with investigating incidents
involving the illegal shooting of bears, assisting the DFW’s Wildlife Control Unit (WCU)
with bear nuisance complaints, and training over 950 police officers on the protocol for
response to problem bears.

6. COMMENT: Commenters stated that they wished that DFW would implement
more non-lethal techniques to control the bear problem, as opposed to lethal control (6, 7,
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RESPONSE: As stated in the CBBMP (pps. 7-8), the Council and DEP recognize the importance of a multi-faceted approach to black bear management which includes the use of non-lethal techniques. The Council and DEP recognize that the use of non-lethal techniques is widely accepted to mitigate nuisance behavior in black bears, especially within communities and park environments and the CBBMP recommends its continued use when appropriate. The DFW and properly trained law enforcement agencies will continue to use less than lethal rubber projectiles, pyrotechnics and specially trained dogs as a means of aversive conditioning to mitigate nuisance bear behavior. However, non-lethal techniques are not effective at controlling a growing black bear population. DFW has determined, as have other state and federal agencies and institutions, that aversive conditioning can deter a bear from returning to the treatment location, but treated bears continue nuisance activity at other locations and, in some cases, return to the original location after a period of time. Aversive conditioning reduced but did not eliminate foraging by nuisance bears in human-developed areas. DFW research has determined that
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aversive conditioning has limited short-term effectiveness, does not eliminate nuisance behavior in bears and does nothing to reduce or stabilize the bear population.

7. COMMENT: Commenters opposed the black bear hunting season and indicated that the black bear season would not solve damage/nuisance problems or conflicts caused by bears, referencing a document “Correlation of reduction in nuisance black bear complaints with implementation of (a) a hunt vs. (b) a non-violent program” written by Dr. Edward Tavss of Rutgers University in 2007.
8. COMMENT: One commenter referenced the Tavss report and submitted an analysis by a recognized bear expert which refuted the correlations, statistics and conclusion in the Tavss report (325).

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS 7 AND 8: Hunting has been proven to be an effective method to reduce negative human/bear interactions. Ten percent of the tagged bears in the 2003 and 2005 harvests were known nuisance bears; an additional ten percent were bears tagged at nuisance sites or in urban situations. Because 70 percent of the harvested bears were untagged, this 20 percent of nuisance bears in the harvest likely represents a minimum number of nuisance bears that were harvested in the 2003 and 2005 hunting seasons.

The Black Bear Management Handbook (Black Bear Conservation Committee, 1996. Black bear management handbook for Louisiana, Mississippi, southern Arkansas and east Texas. BBCC, Baton Rouge, LA. 28 pp.), a broad-based cooperative effort by representatives from State and Federal agencies, private conservation groups, the forestry, agricultural organizations and the academic community, states that hunting is commonly recommended as a damage control tool because it reduces bear populations and associated problems to acceptable levels and elicits human-avoiding behavior. According to a report commissioned by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (IAFWA, 2005. Potential Costs of Losing Hunting and Trapping as Wildlife Management Methods, 444 North Capitol Street, NW Suite 725, Washington, DC. 55
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in areas without hunting, (e.g., national parks and jurisdictions which ban hunting), bears can lose their wariness of people, resulting in unfortunate encounters and negative human/bear interactions. Based on tag returns, nuisance bears such as daytime-active, food-conditioned, human-habituated bears were harvested in the 2003 and 2005 New Jersey seasons. The home range of bears in New Jersey average about two square miles for females and about 60 square miles for males. Daily movements confirmed by radio-telemetry reveal that black bears can travel between three and 15 miles in circuitous or linear routes throughout their home range. Bears living in close proximity to people also travel through woodlands and forested wetlands surrounding and adjacent to human developed areas. Many of these adjacent areas are open to hunting. Therefore, it is anticipated that these problem bears will be available for harvest by hunters. It is acknowledged that bears not causing damage will also be harvested. The reduced densities of bears that will result from the harvest of non-problem bears will slow the emigration of bears from suitable habitat into non-suitable habitat, thereby further reducing bear associated problems. Damage and nuisance calls to DFW decreased by 40 percent and Category I reports to DFW decreased by 37 percent in 2004, after the 2003 season; damage and nuisance calls to DFW decreased by 13 percent and Category I reports to DFW decreased by 7 percent in 2006, after the 2005 season.

In regard to the Tavss report, which concluded that the hunting approach had no effect in reducing the human complaints/conflicts but, the non-violent approach was “markedly effective in reducing human complaints/conflicts,” the Council and DEP have
determined that the Tavss report ignored the various factors which may influence the relationship between management options and human/bear interactions. Further, the Council and DEP found the report did not consider the effects on nuisance complaints of natural food availability, human population increases, differences in human habitat/wildlife habitat interfaces and management protocols in populated areas such as New Jersey versus national parks. Also, the report discounted data that did not fit Dr. Tavss’ theory, such as the decrease in bear complaints after the 2003 and 2005 bear hunting seasons in New Jersey and the reduction in bear complaints in northeastern Pennsylvania after implementation of extended bear hunting in 2002. Council and DEP note that bear complaints in New Jersey had been rising since the 1990’s and the Council and DEP believe this trend would have continued if the DFW had not implemented the integrated black bear management strategy in 2001, which utilized all the tools such as DFW's bear education program, training local police for bear response, lethal control on Category I bears, and the short term population reduction from the 2003 and 2005 black bear hunting seasons. The Council and DEP believe that the high complaint numbers of 2008 and 2009 are not “statistical outliers” but reflect the actual increased negative human/bear interactions which have occurred in New Jersey since the termination of the hunting season.

Biologists across the Eastern North American continent have documented an increase in bear populations concurrent with an increase in the human population, which, along with other factors such as food availability, can account for an increase in bear complaints. States with increasing bear populations have also experienced an increase in
human/bear conflict. In an effort to reduce human-bear conflicts, many states have liberalized regulations, harvesting more bears, thereby decreasing nuisance bear complaints. The Tavss report mentions Virginia harvests and complaints up to 1998, but fails to continue the analysis. Biologists from Virginia reported that, after a record bear harvest in 2003, the number of bear complaints decreased from over 600 to less than 200 in 2004. Regarding the northeastern region of Pennsylvania, this area had high bear densities, high human densities, and a very high numbers of conflicts. Starting in the fall of 2002, bear hunting seasons in the northeast Pennsylvania region were extended to include the first week of Pennsylvania's deer rifle season with the goal of increasing bear harvest and reducing bear densities. Human/bear conflicts that had increased 95 percent between 1998 and 2002, before extended hunting seasons were put in place, declined 70 percent between 2002 and 2005, after extended bear seasons were implemented. A similar result has been seen in New Jersey where it was documented that damage and nuisance calls to DFW decreased by 40 percent in 2004, after the 2003 season; and damage and nuisance calls to DFW decreased by 13 percent in 2006, after the 2005 season. Regarding Minnesota, according to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) documents, policy changes by the Minnesota DNR, where agents more readily destroy a nuisance bear and DNR refers complainants to the United States Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services, have resulted in a decrease in complaint calls to DNR. These policies have greatly reduced the amount of time DNR personnel spend dealing with bear complaints relative to the 1990’s. Also, harvests in Minnesota went from 1,915 in 2002 to 3,290 in 2006, and have averaged over 3,100 bears per year from 2003 to
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2009. The Council and DEP believe these examples all support the premise that a regulated harvest, in conjunction with other bear management tools, can lead to a reduction in bear complaints.

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree that black bear education alone would resolve human/bear conflicts, but has stressed that education is one of the components of the CBBMP. An extensive black bear education effort has been conducted by the DFW since 1997 as part of its integrated bear management strategy. A primary message is “Do Not Feed Bears,” either intentionally or non-intentionally. The DEP and DFW regularly issue news releases alerting the public to safety issues regarding New Jersey's growing black bear population and providing bear information and bear-proofing techniques. The DFW’s Web Page (www.njfishandwildlife.com) provides information regarding: bear biology and natural history; tips to better manage trash; a brochure highlighting ways to prevent and minimize problems with bears; sources of bear-proof trash cans; brochures for those camping, hiking or fishing in bear country; how to report bear sightings; and, links to additional information. DEP and DFW have issued video
public service announcements on the DEP web page and through news outlets to provide information about black bears to help residents minimize bear problems around their homes and to help visitors while recreating in bear country.

As stated in the CBBMP, the DFW has produced and distributed over 3 million pieces of bear education material to the general public, including 295,000 park, campground and outdoor recreation brochures, 206,000 Garbage Bag Tags (plastic signs) with bear-proofing tips, 50,000 signs for use in parks and campgrounds, 35,000 waste hauler bill inserts, 350,000 “Do Not Feed the Bears” bookmarks and 45,000 “Do Not Feed the Bears” bumper stickers. Additional educational pieces distributed include: 566,000 residential household brochures, 40,000 educational coloring books and 110,000 educational book covers for distribution through schools, 200,000 educational bookmarks for distribution through libraries and 350,000 camper behavior in bear country cards for distribution in campgrounds. Radio public service announcements (PSA) are aired for the bear activity seasons in spring, summer and fall. A television PSA has been created to provide information on how to bear-proof homes and yards and to help prevent bears from becoming problems. DFW biologists and public information specialists also presented more than 120 programs to over 15,000 people, including school groups, camp groups, service organizations, clubs, boy and girl scouts, police and municipal meetings.

The DFW contracted and assisted in the production of the documentary Bear Country, New Jersey. The film explains the natural and historic perspective on the black bear in the Garden State and follows DFW biologists through their yearly cycle of black bear research. Approximately 200 copies of the film were distributed to schools,
environmental education centers statewide and other state's fish and wildlife agencies. It has been broadcast numerous times on PBS affiliates around the country and internationally.

Through a partnership with the DPF, the DFW distributed educational material and an eight-minute campground video that illustrates the do’s and don’ts while camping in black bear country. The video includes instructions on proper food storage and campsite maintenance, and general information on black bear behavior.

The DEP sends annual letters to all New Jersey mayors regarding the DFW’s black bear response protocols and bear response training opportunities for law enforcement. More than 75,000 households received information about landowner precautions to minimize negative encounters with bears through the municipal partnership. The DEP continues to address media-related inquiries and interviews regarding bears, as well as participating in numerous municipal meetings concerning bears, including discussing public safety issues, urging residents to properly “bear-proof” their surroundings and providing information on living with an expanding bear population. Finally, the DFW uses each telephone call from a citizen reporting a bear sighting or complaint as an opportunity to educate residents in and visitors to bear country about how to avoid negative encounters with bears.

Even with the DEP and DFW’s extensive public education programs and citizen advocacy groups conducting bear education programs, human/bear conflicts in New Jersey continue at high numbers. Although public education is important, education alone
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will not solve all the problems associated with an expanding bear population and does nothing to control the population.

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2910, 2911, 2940, 2944, 2956, 2964, 2971, 2998, 2999, 3000, 3022, 3023, 3025, 3027, 3035, 3037, 3038, 3047, 3059, 3060, 3071, 3113, 3143, 3154, 3155, 3160, 3161, 3162).

RESPONSE: Although the commenters did not define a trophy hunt, in general bear hunting terms, a trophy hunt would target large adult bears. The season was not designed to be a “trophy hunt.” The black bear hunting season allows for the harvest of bears of either-sex and any age, which will slow the rate of black bear population growth and provide data on black bear age, sex and physical condition. The harvest of tagged bears in the population will also provide information on movement and survival rates, and will provide important information for estimating the population. The sex and age structure of the 2003 and 2005 harvests matched that of bears captured during research and control activities. Seventy percent of the harvested bears were untagged, similar to the numbers that DFW personnel handle in research activities. In 2003 a total of 328 bears were taken by 5,450 permit holders; in 2005 a total of 298 bears were taken by 4,434 permit holders. For the 2003 harvest, 209 were females and 119 were males; in 2005, 174 were females and 124 were males. Twenty-six percent of the 2003 harvest was young of the year (cubs), 24 percent were yearlings and 50 percent were adults. Because the 2003 hunting season removed adult breeding females from the population, then the 2004 hunting season was canceled, the makeup of the harvest from the 2005 season was different than the 2003 season with 15 percent of the 2005 harvest being young of the year (cubs), 36 percent yearlings and 48 percent adults. The 2003 and 2005 bear seasons each produced a harvest that was representative of the bear population at the time.

RESPONSE: Bear Smart Communities are communities which take a proactive approach to managing human/bear conflicts, including identifying and reducing non-natural and natural bear attractants, educating the public, managing waste, implementing and enforcing by-laws and planning the community. The Council and DEP believe that the DFW has been effective at creating neighborhoods and communities where residents are aware of bears and methods to reduce negative bear interactions, without actually
enrolling these communities as Bear Smart or Bear Wise communities, as was accomplished in Whistler, British Columbia and Elliot Lake, Ontario, Canada and Wintergreen, Virginia. The DFW has gone to great lengths to educate as many communities as possible through distribution of literature, educational programs and face-to-face meetings with community leaders to ensure people are doing everything possible to minimize human/bear conflict within their perspective communities (see response to comment 9 above). In 2009 the DFW, in cooperation with East Stroudsburg University (ESU) and Bear Trust International, completed a research project in Great Gorge Village, Vernon, New Jersey which demonstrated the efficacy of bear-resistant dumpsters. The DFW has repeatedly worked with local garbage haulers, residents and local businesses to address then mitigate many nuisance bear situations.

12. COMMENT: Commenters opposed the black bear hunting season and stated that human/bear interaction problems were the result of man altered habitat and human encroachment on undeveloped land, and that protection of habitat would eliminate human/bear problems (78, 83, 99, 122, 144, 166, 199, 202, 211, 213, 214, 223, 315, 348, 359, 360, 452, 493, 531, 539, 542, 566, 593, 602, 617, 701, 858, 865, 870, 889, 911, 928, 934, 977, 988, 1009, 1010, 1117, 1127, 1188, 1199, 1236, 1260, 1296, 1362, 1385, 1397, 1409, 1418, 1430, 1451, 1471, 1499, 1515, 1521, 1532, 1548, 1564, 1600, 1611, 1613, 1647, 1654, 1675, 1730, 1731, 1747, 1772, 1788, 1797, 1799, 1821, 1855, 1856, 1885, 1903, 1936, 1961, 2104, 2119, 2160, 2161, 2164, 2222, 2257, 2265, 2296, 2313, 2316, 2324, 2342, 2364, 2405, 2421, 2458, 2467, 2500, 2507, 2566, 2615, 2637, 2683, 2699,
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RESPONSE: The Council and DEP recognize that habitat modification and loss, and human encroachment on open space are factors associated with negative human/bear interactions; as stated in the CBBMP (Section G. Habitat Protection, p. 21). The Council and DEP also note that the growing bear population and resulting high bear density contributes to negative human/bear interactions both in prime bear habitat and to those areas where dispersing bears are setting up new home ranges. Even if all remaining undeveloped land in private ownership could be purchased and preserved, human/bear conflicts would continue.

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to the “Rutgers study” which the commenter believed implied that the DEP had no additional information available on the use of aversive conditioning, nor had the DEP employed this strategy at any time (2628).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree that aversive conditioning alone would resolve human/black bear conflicts, but the Council and DEP have specified that non-lethal control, including aversive conditioning, is an important component of the CBBMP. DFW and ESU conducted an evaluation of aversive conditioning techniques and found that rubber buckshot and dogs used to deter bears from returning to the spot of nuisance activity have limited short-term effectiveness. DFW has determined, as have other state and federal agencies and institutions, that aversive conditioning can deter a bear from returning to the treatment location, but treated bears continue nuisance activity at other locations and, in some cases, at the same location. Aversive conditioning reduced but did not eliminate foraging by nuisance bears in human-developed areas.

Aversive conditioning is currently used by DFW to attempt to reduce or eliminate some nuisance bear behavior. In regards to the commenter’s OPRA request for the Rutgers study, the DFW referred the commenter to the study author because DFW did not have the data which the commenter requested. The Council and DEP note that DFW personnel have used aversive conditioning 200 times in the last 5 years. Law Enforcement Officers trained by DFW have used aversive conditioning 547 times in the last 5 years. The Council and DEP recommend in the CBBMP (Section F, Bear Control: Lethal and Non-Lethal, p. 17) that DFW continue to use this tool as part of its integrated black bear management strategy.
14. COMMENT: Commenters opposed the hunting season component of the CBBMP because it would endanger the black bear population; some specifically state that too many females or cubs would be killed (44, 63, 65, 66, 71, 78, 148, 232, 240, 261, 280, 335, 377, 401, 480, 539, 545, 559, 585, 656, 683, 744, 792, 851, 869, 932, 933, 1021, 1098, 1106, 1109, 1142, 1145, 1158, 1160, 1161, 1205, 1211, 1243, 1320, 1326, 1344, 1381, 1388, 1396, 1430, 1450, 1465, 1484, 1513, 1564, 1573, 1611, 1652, 1679, 1765, 1816, 1873, 1908, 1966, 1981, 2022, 2071, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2181, 2189, 2224, 2393, 2512, 2589, 2628, 2646, 2678, 2693, 2728, 2729, 2758, 2826, 2910, 2926, 3038, 3076, 3149, 3161).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree that the hunting season as provided for in the CBBMP and NJAC 7:25-5.6 will endanger the New Jersey black bear population. According to a 1987 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Biological Report, entitled “Habitat Suitability Index Models: Black Bear, Upper Great Lakes Region”, Dr. Lynn Rogers reported that “Well managed, sustained yield hunting has not been shown to jeopardize black bear populations.” (Rogers, L.L. and A.W. Allen. 1987. Habitat suitability index models: Black Bear, Upper Great Lakes Region. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Biological Report 82 (10.144). 54 pp.) For the 2003 harvest, 209 were females and 119 were males; in 2005, 174 were females and 124 were males. The 2003 and 2005 bear seasons each produced a harvest that was representative of the population at that time, as described in Comment 10. The sex and age structure of the harvest matched that of bears captured during DFW research and bear control activities. The harvest of females was proportional to their representation in the population at that time.
Twenty-six percent of the 2003 harvest was young of the year (cubs), 24 percent were yearlings and 50 percent were adults. Because of the effects of the 2003 hunting season and the cancellation of the 2004 hunting season, 15 percent of the 2005 harvest was young of the year (cubs), 36 percent were yearlings and 48 percent were adults. The 2003 and 2005 bear seasons each produced a harvest that was representative of the population at the time. Harvesting young of the year (cubs) in the same proportion to their representation in the population does not threaten the black bear population at this time. A further mechanism provided in N.J.A.C. 7.25-5.6 authorizes the Director of the DFW, after consultation with the Council, to stop the bear season if it is determined the number of bears being harvested exceeds that year’s management goals. The Council and DEP believe that the CBBMP and the Game Code provide protections that assure that the black bear population is not jeopardized.


RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree and note that there were no hunting accidents during the 2003 or 2005 bear hunting seasons. Over the last 10 years, New Jersey hunters averaged 11.5 hunting incidents with injury per year, while spending about 3,000,000 hunting days a field each year. These incidents were typically limited to a hunter shot and injured by a hunting partner. The low number of incidents is attributed to
mandatory hunter education and the use of fluorescent hunter orange. Every hunter, regardless of age, must successfully complete the hunter education course in order to purchase his or her first hunting license. Hunter education courses require that the perspective hunter complete a course of home study (which requires that students view a video, study a booklet and answer questions in a workbook), attend a field session. Before the license can be issued, every graduate must show safe and responsible firearms handling and pass the written examination. In the last 10 years, hunters in hunting incidents injured only one non-hunter. A non-hunter injured by a hunter is a rare occurrence. Hunters involved in irresponsible behavior, such as property damage, are issued summonses and fined pursuant to N.J.S.A. 23:7-3. According to accident statistics from the National Safety Council, hunting has fewer injuries per 100,000 participating than football, baseball, cycling, volleyball, swimming, golf, tennis, fishing, bowling, badminton, billiards and ping pong.

Additionally, N.J.A.C. 7.25-5.6 requires that properly licensed firearm hunters attend and successfully complete a mandatory black bear hunting seminar in order to qualify for obtaining a permit. The seminars include instruction that is specific to hunting black bears in New Jersey, including applicable rules and regulations, black bear hunting fundamentals, and safety.

16. COMMENT: Commenters opposed the black bear hunting season and indicated that the use of birth control, immuno-contraception, sterilization and neutering are viable non-lethal alternatives to a hunting season as a method of controlling the black bear population (155, 178, 395, 545, 740, 796, 851, 958, 1012, 1212, 1213, 1219, 1265, 480)
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RESPONSE TO COMMENTS 16 and 17: The Council and DEP have determined that non-lethal birth control is not a viable method for controlling the black bear population. DEP’s Division of Science and Research commissioned a literature review of fertility control on bears and other wildlife, which concluded that fertility control is very unlikely to be a feasible means of managing the black bear population in New Jersey due to the costs involved with field capture and the inability to capture enough bears to effect population control, even if a licensed fertility agent existed for bears. To date, sterilization, neutering and contraception have not been developed or tested to be feasible and/or effective tools for reducing wild, free ranging populations of any bear species. Surgical sterilization is permanent, expensive and poses concern for the individual animal during field surgery and recovery. Immuno-contraceptive vaccines, such as PZP, have not been proven in wild black bear populations. The Council and DEP believe that hunting remains the best and most cost effective management option for controlling the black bear population.

18. COMMENT: Commenters stated that baiting while hunting should be disallowed, as it draws bears into residential neighborhoods, makes them associate people with food, and creates nuisance bears (66, 71, 148, 323, 386, 396, 461, 545, 933, 1010, 1109, 1205, 1266, 1320, 1344, 1428, 1430, 1506, 1518, 1571, 1573, 1765, 1852, 1981, 2088, 2090, 2181, 2224, 2402, 2404, 2525, 2661, 2693, 2754, 2758, 2910, 2925, 2985, 2986).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree and have determined that hunters’ use of bait in all the states and provinces where legal for bear hunting has not drawn
bears into residential neighborhoods, made those bears associate people with food nor created nuisance bears because of the use of bait. Hunting from an elevated position or in a man-made structure (blind) within 300 feet of bait while pursuing bears in New Jersey is prohibited by Statute (N.J.S.A. 23:4-24.2), although hunting from the ground in the open while using bait is legal. The Council and DEP believe that the statutory prohibition of hunting from an elevated stand or blind within 300 feet of bait diminishes the success of hunting utilizing bait and affords the hunter little, if any, advantage.

19. COMMENT: Commenters questioned the validity of the black bear population estimates and complaint data (63, 89, 207, 403, 545, 575, 821, 1501, 1679, 1946, 1974, 2042, 2189, 2241, 2278, 2301, 2410, 2483, 2512, 2525, 2579, 2628, 2646, 2678, 2758, 2840, 2975, 2985, 2986, 2993, 3139) and one commenter stated that there are not too many bears (683).

RESPONSE: The DFW has conducted bear population monitoring showing bear population growth and range expansion. The DFW has conducted intensive and extensive research on bears since 1980 and the data represent a solid, long term and extremely valuable database. Based on the intensive population monitoring that DFW has conducted over the past 30 years, the Council and DEP have concluded that the New Jersey bear population is a robust and viable population that has maintained a high reproductive and survival rate. This finding is in concert with population parameters reported for other viable populations in the mid-Atlantic region. DFW personnel continue to monitor bears using radio telemetry to acquire information on reproduction, survival, mortality, home range size and habitat use. The DFW has also employed population monitoring by
determining individual identity using DNA analysis. The DFW has used cooperating university statisticians to generate population size estimates; DFW’s population estimates and projections were reviewed and supported by wildlife biologists familiar with bear population estimation as well as by university wildlife professors. These experts confirmed the validity of the methodology used by the DFW in reaching its population estimates. These experts include recognized biologists and statisticians from Penn State University, Rutgers University, University of Georgia and Colorado State University; the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, state wildlife agencies and private organizations. All of these experts have recommended improvements in modeling techniques and data collection and several have pointed out the difficulties of collecting sufficient samples in BMZs 2 and 4. Additionally, they have pointed out the problems of handling data collected during the intermittent bear hunting seasons for population estimates, the most commonly used method by state wildlife agencies. The DFW recognizes these issues and continues to work with statisticians to improve the bear population models. Most recently, East Stroudsburg University used black bear DNA genetic data to estimate the 2009 population size of black bears in a portion of New Jersey, to evaluate population structure and to determine landscape-genetic relationships. The results are consistent with earlier studies which showed an expanding bear population. Regarding the bear complaint data, the Black Bear Rating and Response Criteria (BBRRC) was established using protocols developed by bear experts across the continent. DFW personnel receive reports about black bear complaints through the DEP’s New Jersey Environmental Data Management System (NJEMS) as a “Communication Center Notification Report” and
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log these reports into a computer database. DFW personnel make attempts to interview the complaintants for all Category I complaints, conduct on-site inspections and verify the details of the incident. The record of these reports is on file with the DEP Communication Center and the database tracking the complaints is archived at the Clinton Wildlife Management Area office.

20. COMMENT: Commenters contended that a black bear hunt was not necessary because black bears had not reached their biological carrying capacity (2678, 3161).

RESPONSE: Biological carrying capacity can generally be defined as the maximum number of animals an environment can support without damage to the environment and while maintaining the animals in a healthy and vigorous condition. The Council and DEP recognize that no state agency manages any wildlife species for biological carrying capacity. Managing a species for biological carrying capacity would be irresponsible to the species as well as the environment in which they live. The Council and DEP disagree that a black bear hunt should be contingent solely upon bears reaching their biological carrying capacity. Instead, the CBBMP’s goals for black bear management reflect the legislative mandate of the DEP and the Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1B-28 et seq. and the mission and goals of DEP and DFW. The Legislature mandated that the Council has the responsibility of protecting and conserving game birds, mammals and fish and providing an adequate supply for recreational and commercial harvest. The mission of DFW is to protect and manage the state’s fish and wildlife to maximize their long-term biological, recreational and economic values for all New Jerseyans. Thus, the black bear population management goals of the CBBMP consider
the cultural carrying capacity, which is the number of bears that can co-exist compatibly with the local human population in a given area in concert with the biological carrying capacity of the land to support bears, just as it does for all wildlife species under the jurisdiction of the Council and DFW. DFW’s management of wildlife based on cultural carrying capacity has been upheld by the New Jersey judiciary.

21. COMMENT: Commenters opposed the black bear hunting season and stated that black bears are not a serious threat or dangerous to humans (317, 821, 855, 1055, 1151, 1514, 1676, 1682, 1769, 2014).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree with the commenters that black bears are not a threat or dangerous to humans. Black bears have been documented to attack, injure, kill and consume humans. New Jersey’s 1997 Black Bear Management Plan, quoted Dr. Steven Herrero, who documented that from 1969 to 1997 black bears have killed an average of one person a year in North America. A minimum of 61 people have been killed by black bears in North America since 1900; at least 18 people have been killed since 2000, which is about two people per year. Between 2005 and 2009, ten people were killed by black bears in North America, four in the United States. In 2005, there were multiple black bear attacks on humans in North America, including one each in New Jersey, Colorado, Minnesota, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania and eight in Canada (three fatal, in the Northwest Territories, Manitoba and Ontario). In 2006, a fatal black bear attack occurred in Tennessee, while two non-fatal black bear attacks occurred in Canada, and one non-fatal attack in both Utah and New Jersey. In 2007, there were fatal black bear attacks in Minnesota, Utah and British Columbia. In 2008, a fatal black
bear attack occurred in Quebec and non-fatal attacks in Tennessee and New Jersey. In 2009, there were fatal black bear attacks in Colorado and Quebec, and non-fatal attacks in Alberta and New Jersey. Thus far in 2010, black bears have attacked humans in Colorado, Maine, Michigan, Montana, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Washington with two attacks in New Mexico.

Although factors such as food shortages and drought may affect the number of bear complaints, the number of complaints and the amount of damage caused by bears has increased steadily with the bear population increase. The DFW’s WCU received 953 Category I and II complaint calls in 2001, compared to the 1,753 Category I and II complaint calls in 2009. The complaint calls do not include the over 1,000 calls each year that residents place to local police departments which have been trained in bear control by the DFW, nor do they include the Category III calls such as sightings or bears at bird feeders. The 2009 calls included, but were not limited to, 34 home entries, 36 attempted home entries, 57 large livestock kills, 29 pet rabbit kills, 11 dog attacks, 134 incidents of property damage, 35 incidents of aggressive behavior toward humans and one bear attack on a human. There was a dramatic decrease in the number of severe complaints filed in 2004 as compared to 2003 and again in 2006 as compared to 2005, indicating that the 2003 and 2005 bear hunting seasons were indeed successful in lessening human/bear conflicts through bear population reduction and aversive conditioning through hunting. From January 1 through September 20 of this year, there have been 1,779 nuisance and damage complaints involving black bears. During the January 1 through September 20,
2010 period, the number of Category I incidents, which include attacks or threats to humans, livestock and pet attacks, and property damage exceeding $500, numbered 201.

22. COMMENT: Commenters opposed bears being relocated and accused the DFW of moving bears to “South Jersey” for the purpose of promoting fear and supporting bear hunting (337, 339, 399, 536, 647, 830). One commenter suggested moving bears to Southern New Jersey as a method of mitigating bear nuisance behavior (2677).

RESPONSE: The DFW does capture and remove bears that enter urban and suburban areas and relocates them to the nearest publicly owned, suitable habitat. The DFW has not moved bears to Southern New Jersey for the reasons explained in the CBBMP (Sections C, D.,G., H.), stating that relocation is not a viable option for population control or mitigation of nuisance behavior by bears.

23: COMMENT: Commenters opposed the hunting component of the CBBMP and stated that black bear meat was not good to eat (744, 980, 1574, 2584, 3023).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP respectfully disagree; hunters do eat bear meat. Ninety-six percent of successful hunters surveyed in the past New Jersey bear hunting seasons stated that they would consume the bear meat.

24. COMMENT: Commenters stated that hunters would wound bears (548, 1126, 1305, 1640, 1907).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP does recognize that there is a chance of bears being wounded just as there is with all hunted species. A wounded bear does not pose any significant threat to the public. Hunters make every effort not to wound any species while
hunting because the hunter desires to take the intended game animal into possession.

There were no reported incidents of wounded bears causing problems during the 2003 or 2005 bear hunting seasons.

25. COMMENT: Commenters stated that DFW should create bear sanctuaries where bears would be protected from hunting (86, 1328, 1486, 2104, 2337, 2924). One commenter suggested to put aside some State-owned park land and create a Bear Reserve where the alleged "nuisance bears" can be kept (1267).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP believe that it is not feasible, neither logistically nor economically, to place bears in sanctuaries. Black bear sanctuaries are primarily used as a form of spatial hunter harvest control, i.e. areas to provide protection from overharvest, provide a core population of breeding females, and provide surplus bears for harvest. The Council and DEP believe that it is not necessary to provide sanctuaries because the hunting season is designed to protect the bear population from overharvest by its timing and the in-season closure mechanism and Council and DEP do not desire to produce surplus bears. Also, there is a significant amount of private and public land that is not open to hunting of any kind which is occupied by black bears at the present time. These areas serve as de facto sanctuaries within the State. The Council and DEP have determined that it is not good policy to place nuisance bears in State-owned parkland. These areas would have to be vast in size and secured such that the bears could not leave these areas. Research has documented that translocated bears will attempt to return to their original home range. Also, placing nuisance bears in a reserve will not
alleviate the problem of controlling the bear population. Several hundred bears must be
removed from the population annually to stabilize or reduce the population.

26. COMMENT: Commenters stated that youth hunters should not be able to hunt
black bears (1266, 2499).

RESPONSE: Youth hunters that have fulfilled the hunter education requirements
and attended the mandatory bear training seminar are allowed to participate in the bear
season, just as they can participate in all other New Jersey hunting seasons. Youth
hunters participated in the 2003 and 2005 bear hunting seasons without incident.

27. COMMENT: One commenter stated that the DFW was required to complete a
more extensive environmental review, regarding the impact of a hunt on the black bear
population of the State and region. The commenter also stated that the DFW provided no
information about the direct or indirect impact of the hunt on cultural resources,
endangered or threatened species and their habitats, or other environmentally critical
areas; and, claimed the rule was an emergency action and subject to additional
administrative requirements (3088).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP complied with all applicable requirements in
promulgating these rule amendments. The black bear hunting season was purposely
scheduled to occur concurrently with the six-day firearm buck season, a season which
results in more hunters afield than any other time of year. The Council and DEP is
unaware of any direct or indirect impact on cultural resources, or any harm to
environmentally critical areas, endangered, threatened species or their habitats resulting
from this season. Data from the 2003 and 2005 bear seasons indicated that the number of
hunters did not increase as a result of scheduling the bear season at this time of year, and no negative impacts were noted.

28. COMMENT: One commenter believed the CBBMP was improperly proposed, stating that the Council did not comply with Executive Order (EO) Number 2 because advance notice of the rule was not given and the public was not given an opportunity to comment on a draft rule prior to proposal (3088).

RESPONSE: DEP and the Council disagree with the comment that the adoption process did not comply with EO 2. The Council and DEP have been working since 2005 on the development of the CBBMP. In 2005, a CBBMP was drafted by DFW personnel, with input from the Council’s Black Bear Policy Committee, incorporating an integrated approach to black bear management based on the DFW’s decades of experience with black bear management. The fundamental components of the 2010 CBBMP are the same as the CBBMP first drafted in 2005: i.e., education, control of human-derived food, research, bear control, habitat analysis and protection, and bear population management. Earlier drafts of the CBBMP which is being incorporated into the DFW Game Code rules (NJAC 7:25-5.6) as an appendix at this time, specifically the 2005 and 2007 versions, were made available on the DFW webpage and public comment was solicited. Additionally, bear management and the status of the CBBMP have been discussed at the monthly Council meetings which are open to the public. Bear management and bear policy issues have, from time to time, been the subject of public comment received at the monthly meetings. The agenda for the March 9, 2010 Council meeting was posted on the DFW website and included the draft CBBMP. The agenda was widely reported by the
media. At the meeting, a presentation by DFW was given regarding the status of bears in
New Jersey as well as recent research efforts which the Council incorporated into the
draft CBBMP. Prior to discussion by the Council, the public was given time to comment.
Therefore the Council and DEP are satisfied that the requirements of EO 2 were met.

29. COMMENT: One commenter believes that the proposed CBBMP did not include an economic analysis (3088).

RESPONSE: The economic analysis is contained in the section of the proposal entitled “Economic Impact.”

30. COMMENT: Commenters stated that bear populations are self-regulating and that a hunt is not necessary (1173, 1754, 1833, 1923, 2610, 2724, 3061).

RESPONSE: New Jersey’s black bear population continues to increase and expand, and reports of black bear sightings have been received from all counties. Both Pennsylvania and New York report captures and mortalities of bears which were originally tagged in New Jersey. Reproductive rates have been documented to be among the highest in North America. The black bear population already exceeds the “cultural carrying capacity,” or the level that a significant number of farmers and home owners will tolerate, in much of northwestern New Jersey. Young black bears are also dispersing into suburban and urban areas which are not suitable for bears because of the high human population density and resulting lack of open space and suitable bear habitat. Allowing the black bear population to continue to increase to a level where the reproductive rate may decline would be irresponsible and would increase nuisance complaints and threaten
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public safety. No scientific literature was presented in support of the commenters’ position that black bears self-regulate as a population control mechanism.

31. COMMENT: One commenter objected to the use of taxpayer funds for a bear hunt (1012). One commenter disagreed with the economic analysis that the bear hunt would generate approximately 1 millions dollars to the New Jersey general economy (11). Other commenters suggested that the primary reason for the hunting season was to raise revenue for the DFW (117, 612, 1529, 2111, 2582).

RESPONSE: The DFW will not utilize general taxpayer funds to pay for the 2010 bear hunting season because the DFW did not receive General Treasury funds for bear management in Fiscal Year 2011. The DFW will administer the bear hunting season related activities by redirecting available staff and resources within the DFW. Funds used to cover the cost of the hunting season will come from the Hunters’ and Anglers’ Fund, which is derived from the sale of hunting, fishing and trapping licenses and permits and Federal Excise Tax revenue (Federal Aid to Wildlife Restoration grant), which is derived from the sale of firearms, ammunition and archery equipment. No general treasury funds will be used for the implementation of the 2010 hunting season by DFW, but the costs incurred by other agencies, which may rely on General Treasury funds to administer bear hunting should be minimal. The costs for land management agencies, such as DPF, for the bear hunting season will not show substantial increases because the Council scheduled the bear hunting season to be concurrent with the Six-Day Firearm Buck Hunting Season, a time when the maximum number of hunters are afield and bear hunting will occur on lands which are already open for deer hunting.
The Council and DEP believe that postponing efforts to control the bear population will result in increased costs for the abatement of nuisance and damage incidents and removing bears from suburban and urban areas and will place increased risk onto the public and property. Based on experience with special area deer hunts on Federal Refuges, and State and County Parks, the costs associated with a black bear season will decrease if the hunt is conducted annually. The estimated benefit of 1 million dollars to the New Jersey economy was derived from hunter surveys taken during the 2003 and 2005 bear hunting seasons. DFW queried successful bear hunters about their expenditures in preparation for and while participating in the bear hunting season. Council supports legislation that would establish a fee of $28 for a bear permit (CBBMP Section H. Recommendation 7).

32. COMMENT: One commenter opposed the black bear hunting season and advocated euthanizing individual bears only when other non-lethal alternatives do not work (1116).

RESPONSE: Euthanizing Category I bears is a component of the existing black bear control policy. A total of 27 Category I bears were euthanized in 2009. Through September 20 of 2010, 27 Category I bears were killed by DFW personnel, police officers and landowners. Although euthanizing Category I bears is necessary for public safety and for the protection of livestock, pets and property, not all Category I bears are captured and euthanized. The number of Category I bears euthanized each year is small and does not contribute significantly to the objective of controlling the bear population.
Several hundred bears must be removed from the population annually to stabilize or reduce the population.

33. COMMENT: Commenters questioned the habitat designation and BMZ’s and stated that the DFW should re-evaluate the BMZs using the most recent land use/land cover data. It was suggested that a portion of BMZ 7 be included into BMZ 6 (2244, 2337).

RESPONSE: The DFW used the 2002 land use/land cover data, which is the most current version. The Council and DEP have recommended that DFW continue to evaluate bear habitat use and available habitat analysis, and that DFW make the appropriate revisions to the BMZs as necessary. Regarding the suggestion of including a portion of BMZ 7 located in Salem County into BMZ 6, the Council and DEP disagree. The DFW has specifically reviewed this suggestion and has found the area to be deficient in suitable upland habitat to support a viable bear population.

34. COMMENT: One commenter stated that the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area (DWGNRA) should be considered its own BMZ and that this area should be allowed a higher density of bears for the enjoyment of the general public (754).

RESPONSE: The DWGNRA is located in BMZ 1, adjacent to several human populated municipalities and lake communities in Warren and Sussex Counties. Radio telemetry data from bears which reside in that area show that the bears regularly traverse between the DWGNRA and the surrounding areas. A higher density of bears in the DWGNRA would increase human/bear conflict in the communities around the DWGNRA. The Council and DEP also recognize that DWGNRA administers land in
Pennsylvania and have determined that the Pennsylvania Game Commission does not have a separate bear management strategy for the DWGNRA different than the management in the surrounding Wildlife Management Unit. For these reasons the Council and DEP did not separate the DWGNRA as a separate BMZ.

35. COMMENT: One commenter claimed that the Council has not determined the need for the implementation of a black bear hunt on the basis of scientific investigation and research, as mandated by New Jersey statute and also stated that DFW did not support its claims that hunting should increase the effectiveness of non-lethal techniques (2628).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP relied on the volume of reported literature and scientific investigation and research reported in the 2005 and 2007 CBBMPs, which have been available on the DFW webpage. The DFW has published annual Federal Aid Performance Reports and Status Reports for the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee and filed annual scientific investigators reports with the US National Park Service. As an example, the 2005 CBBMP stated, “After conducting a review of the scientific literature, Conover (2001) determined that hunting reduces wildlife damage by reinforcing an animal’s fear of humans and causing animals to avoid areas where they might come into contact with humans. Conover also stated that hunting should increase the effectiveness of non-lethal techniques because the animals learn to associate humans with negative consequences,” (Conover, M.R. 2001. Effect of hunting and trapping on wildlife damage. Wildlife Society Bulletin 29(2):521-532). The Council and DEP have established that the DFW has produced scientific investigation and research sufficient to
implement the black bear hunting season as one tool in the comprehensive management strategy for bears and has met the mandate of the statutes.

36. COMMENT: One commenter stated that the implementation of Trap, Neuter and Release feral cat colonies (TNR) in bear habitat would increase nuisance bear behavior and elevate bear human conflicts resulting from the subsidized feeding of these cats (231).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP believe that the creation of TNR colonies may increase nuisance bear behavior and therefore, human/bear conflict incidents. But the Council and DEP note that the issue of feral cats and TNR colonies represent a broad wildlife issue beyond the scope of this policy. The Council and the Endangered Species Advisory Committee have signed a joint resolution expressing their concern regarding the negative effects that feral cats and TNR colonies have on native wildlife, and have formed a joint committee to investigate this problem and make recommendations to the DEP on how to deal with this issue.

37. COMMENT: One commenter expressed concern that poaching of bears for their gall bladders or other body parts would be more common during these troubling economic times (555).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP disagree that poaching will have any effect on New Jersey’s black bear population. The poaching of bears for their gall bladders and selling them for economic gain has not been a significant problem since Maine legalized the sale of gall bladders. Currently there is no evidence of any poaching activity for the sale of gall bladders or other body parts in New Jersey. All known forms of bear
mortality, both legal and illegal are considered when modeling the New Jersey bear population abundance estimates.

38. COMMENT: One commenter questioned why more depredation permits were issued in 2006 than in 2005 (2244).

RESPONSE: It is not uncommon to have more depredation permits issued during years where there is very poor mast (acorns, beechnuts, etc.) crop production, as was the case in 2006. During years of poor mast production bears, as well as other wildlife species, will focus on agricultural crops to supplement their diets. Even though more permits were issued during 2006 than in 2005 only one bear was euthanized during each of these years. Additionally, through the educational efforts of the DFW, the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, and the New Jersey Farm Bureau, farmers have become more aware of the availability of depredation permits to control black bear related agricultural damage, resulting in an increase in the number of permits requested by farmers.

39. COMMENT: Commenters stated that they do not agree with the Category System used to classify black bear behavior as established in the BBRRC Policy (2244, 2579, 2879) and one commenter questioned the literature cited that indicated non-lethal aversive conditioning of bears does not abate their nuisance behavior (2579).

RESPONSE: The BBRRC was derived after examining behavioral rating systems for black bear behavior used successfully by other states. Based on the experience of DFW personnel and the knowledge of other professionals in the field of black bear management, DFW classified bear behavior into three categories based on the severity of the behavior. Bears threatening the safety of New Jersey residents, their property, pets,
livestock or economic livelihood are deemed the greatest risk to the general public and classified as exhibiting Category I behavior. The rating and response criteria used to identify potentially dangerous bears is not unlike that of any other wildlife species that poses a threat or causes damage to agriculture crops or property. Bear biologists from across the eastern seaboard agree that certain learned bear behavior such as home entries, killing of livestock and beehive damage cannot be changed and the only way to stop an animal from continuing this type of behavior is to euthanize the animal. The Council and DEP disagree with the comment that aversive conditioning can permanently alter nuisance behavior in bears. Bears exhibiting nuisance behavior are classified as a Category II. The experience gained from the research cited, as well as the results of DFW cooperative research with ESU evaluating aversive conditioning of bears indicate that bears will temporarily avoid the area where conditioned but continue to exhibit nuisance behavior at other locations. Nevertheless the Council and DEP recognize that aversive conditioning is useful to temporarily abate a problem at a particular location, and recommends continued research in this area (Section F. Bear Control: Lethal and Nonlethal, p. 17).

40. COMMENT: One commenter wished to know why no bears were killed during the 2003 and 2005 seasons in Hunterdon County (2244).

RESPONSE: Only the portion of Hunterdon County located north of Route 78 is in a BMZ open to hunting (BMZ 4). There is very little public property located in this BMZ and the bear densities are lower than the other BMZs open to bear hunting resulting
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in less hunter pressure. Due to the expanding bear population, it is anticipated that bears will be harvested in Hunterdon County in 2010.

41. COMMENT: Commenters stated that the DFW should receive state funding to continue non-lethal management techniques and black bear education programs (2579, 2879).

RESPONSE: The Council and DEP agree that non-lethal management efforts benefit all citizens and hunters alone should not bear the cost of this program (Section F. Recommendation 11., p. 20).

42. COMMENT: One commenter indicated that there was a lack of density, reproductive and cooperative research data listed in the CBBMP (2579).

RESPONSE: The CBBMP is a policy document and was not intended to be a detailed discussion of the over 30 year bear research effort by DFW. However, the broad implications of this research effort which indicated that the New Jersey bear population is a healthy, robust and expanding population are mentioned throughout the CBBMP. The DFW in cooperation with East Stroudsburg University has conducted a significant amount of research pertaining to bear behavior and the general health of New Jersey’s black bear population. Supporting scientific literature regarding New Jersey’s black bear population used to establish the CBBMP is listed in the Literature Cited (Section VI, p. 30) and whenever possible the full text of the studies cited were posted on the DFW website.
43. COMMENT: One commenter stated that a poll conducted by the Humane Society of the United States indicated that the general public is not in favor of a bear hunting season (2579).

RESPONSE: The referenced poll and methodology were not submitted as part of the comment so it is not possible to verify its authenticity or reliability. Nevertheless, the Council and DEP based the CBBMP on sound scientific research as mandated by New Jersey statutes and the direction of the New Jersey Supreme Court to consider the best management tools available (Sections I. Introduction, p. 6 and II., Decision Making, p. 7).

44. COMMENT: Commenters objected to the makeup of the Fish and Game Council (947, 2985).

RESPONSE: The Council was established by the Legislature in 1945; and the Council’s current makeup of 11 members was established in 1979. The makeup and authority of Council were upheld by the New Jersey Supreme Court in 1976 (Humane Society of the U.S. vs. NJ State Fish and Game Council, 70 N.J. 565 (1976), appeal dismissed 429 U.S. 1032, 50 L.Ed. 2d 744.) and more recently the Appellate Division in 2002 (Mercer Cty. Deer Alliance vs. NJDEP, 349 NJ Super. 440). The Governor, with advice and consent of the Senate, appoints each member. Three members of the Council are farmers, recommended by the Agricultural Convention; six members are sportsmen, recommended by the State Federation of Sportsmen’s Clubs; one member is a public member knowledgeable in land use management and soil conservation practices, and the final member is the Chairperson of the Endangered and Nongame Advisory Committee (N.J.S.A 13:1B-24).
Comments Beyond the Scope of the Proposal

45. COMMENT: One commenter submitted a letter to EPA regarding his concerns regarding lead contamination in the environment but did not address the CBBMP (1290).

46. COMMENT: One commenter opposed the issuance of 2 bear hunting permits (480).

Federal Standards Statement

Executive Order No. 27 (1994) and N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. (as amended by P.L. 1995, c.65) requires State agencies that adopt, readopt or amend State regulations that exceed any Federal standards or requirements to include in the rulemaking document a Federal standards analysis.

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service regulates hunting in National Wildlife Refuge areas in New Jersey pursuant to National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act, 16, U.S.C. §668dd (1966), and regulations (50 CFR 32.49). The adopted CBBMP does not contain any standards or requirements that exceed federal regulations involving National Wildlife Refuge areas.

The Council and DEP have determined that the adopted CBBMP does not contain any standards or requirements that exceed any standards or requirements imposed by Federal law. Accordingly, Executive Order No. 27(1994) and N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq. does not require further analysis.

Summary of Agency Initiated Changes

One error in the published proposal is corrected and one figure was updated as follows:
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1. In Figure 2. Bear Complaints Calls by Year, the data for 2009 for police reports was added to the figure based upon data which became available after the proposal was published. In 2009, police departments reporting bear complaints reported receiving 2001 calls. The total number of calls received for 2009 was updated to 3804 calls based upon this additional information.

2. In Table 1. Bear Calls Received by NJDFW by type, the total number of calls for 2004 was changed from 1196 calls to 1176 calls to correct the error of summation.

Full text of the adoption follows (additions to proposal indicated in boldface with asterisks *thus*; deletions from the proposal indicated in brackets with asterisks *[thus]*):

Subchapter 5.

7:25-5.6 Appendix

Comprehensive Black Bear (*Ursus americanus*) Management Policy
Figure 2. Bear Complaint Calls by Year
Table 1. Bear Calls Received by NJDFW by Type

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Based on consultation with staff, I hereby certify that the above statements, including the Federal Standards Analysis addressing the requirement of Executive Order 27 (1994), permit the public to understand accurately and plainly the purpose and expected consequences of the adopted CBBMP. I hereby authorize this adoption.

___________________  Jeannette A. Vreeland, Acting Chair
Fish and Game Council

Date

Approved:

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Date      Bob Martin, Commissioner
            Department of Environmental Protection