Antler Point Restrictions

• Alberta: 3-pt & 6-pt seasons
• Arizona: no antler point restrictions
• British Columbia: 6-pt seasons (previously 3-pt as well)
• Colorado: 4-pt seasons
• Idaho: 6-pt seasons (also brow-tine bull and spike only)
• New Mexico: 6-pt seasons (late archery only)
• Oregon: 3-pt seasons
British Columbia
East Kootenays

Population Estimate

- The population estimate for the East Kootenays in British Columbia shows fluctuations over time.
- The population rose significantly around 1985 and remained relatively stable until 1995.
- A decline occurred around 2000, followed by a recovery towards 2010.
NOTE: Declining calf ratios and decreased adult cow survival means population may be declining now.
Total Bull Harvest - East Kootenay

- Sept 10-Oct 20: 3-pt
- Oct 21-Nov 5: 6-pt
- Sept 10-Nov 5: 3-pt
- Sept 21-Oct 20: 3-pt
- Sept 25-Oct 9: 6-pt
- Oct 10-Oct 20: 3-pt
- Sept 10-Oct 9: 6-pt
- Oct 10-Oct 20: 3-pt
- Sept 10-Oct 20: 6-pt
NOTE: Bull harvest depends upon population size, and population size depends upon calf recruitment.
NOTE: These are post-season calf ratios (we saw 26-28:100 in August in Thorofare)
Elk Management Goals
East Kootenays

• Ensure healthy elk populations over the short and long term
• Manage elk populations to meet First Nations needs for sustenance, social and ceremonial purposes
• Maximize sustainable hunting and wildlife viewing opportunities over the short and long term
• Reduce grazing pressure where elk populations exceed allocated forage supply
• Reduce elk crop depredation on private agricultural land
Jackson Elk
What’s Going On?

• Population: 15,000+ in 2000 to 12,000 now
• Hunt Area 79 (Yellowstone Migratory Elk)
  – Cut 1,750 Type 1 any elk tags
• Hunt Area 70 (Teton Wilderness)
  – Sept 20–Nov 15 General season shortened to Sept 20–Oct 31
  – Spikes excluded (in 2010)
• Hunt Area 82 (Gros Ventre)
  – Sept 26–Oct 31 shortened to Sept 26–Oct 25
  – Spikes excluded (in 2009)
Bull Harvest