CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

CWD UPDATE

February: Communications
March: Research Consortium
April: Privately-owned Cervidae
May: Science-based Management
June: Science-based Plans
WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATION

- Employ science-based strategy for regulations and CWD management
- Develop state-wide science-based management plans

- Statewide ban on feeding and baiting
- Statewide ban on sale of bait
- Best management practices for carcass handling and disposal
- Expand CWD sampling protocol statewide
- Deer surveillance goals

- Consider all management and regulatory tools including season timing, length, antler point restrictions, etc.
- Aggressive surveillance in prevalent and emerging disease areas
- Metrics for deer population management for disease transmission and risk reduction

CWD MANAGEMENT GOALS

- Preserve deer hunting opportunities for future generations
- Slow the spread of disease
- Maintain low prevalence rate
- Continue a strong and transparent communication process
- Fill information gaps in our knowledge of CWD science and management
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Focus groups
- Public engagement meetings
- Tribal consultations
- Customer survey

REGULATIONS, SURVEILLANCE, AND MORE

- Length of seasons
- Antlerless quotas
- Antler point restrictions
- Special licenses/discounts
- Harvest incentives, bag limits
- Baiting and Feeding
- Registration requirements
- Deer Processing
- Carcass movement and disposal
- Disease control permits
- Live animal movement
- Privately owned cervids
- Biosecurity and handling of hazardous materials
- Sharpshooting
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