



Regulation Position Statement

1. **Subject:** Definition of "Take" in Sec. 08.54.760 and "Harvest" on Section Five on Hunt Record 08-0011 (Rev. 12/2017).

2. **Applicability:** This policy applies to all registered or master guide-outfitters when completing Hunt Record 08-0011 (Rev. 12/2017).

3. **Statutes and Regulations Affected:**

12AAC75.210 Hunt Record.

08.54.760. Hunt records; confidentiality of hunt records and activity reports.

(a) The department shall collect and maintain hunt records provided by a registered guide-outfitter. A registered guide-outfitter shall submit to the department a hunt record for each contracted hunt within 60 days after the completion of the hunt. A hunt record must include a list of all big game hunters who used the guiding or outfitting services of the registered guide-outfitter, **the number of each big game species taken**, and other information required by the board. The department shall provide forms for reporting hunt records.

4. **Intent:**

To satisfy the requirement of Sec. 08.54.760, "list the number of each big game species taken", the word "harvest" is used under Block 5 of the Hunt Record. The word "take" is used and defined under multiple statutes and not intended to possess the same definition under 08.54.760. For the purposes of the Hunt Record, the intent for annotating species taken is for Division of Occupational Licensing record keeping only.

5. **Position:**

The position of the Big Game Commercial Services Board, for the purposes of Sec. 08.54.760, is to list the number of big game species **killed** in "harvest" block five of the big game Hunt Record 08-0011 (Rev. 12/2017).

6. **Recommendations-** Wounding loss does not need recorded on the Hunt Record since ADF&G has other means to capture this information. When Hunt Record 08-0011 (Rev. 12/2017) stock is depleted the board will revise the hunt record terminology and draft a new position statement to define "taken".