



25 March 2024

Chapter 20, Wild Turkey Hunting Seasons
C/O Wyoming Game & Fish
Department Headquarters
5400 Bishop Blvd
Cheyenne, WY 82006

Re: Chapter 20, Wild Turkey Hunting Seasons

Dear Commissioners and Director Nesvik:

On behalf of Safari Club International, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Chapter 20, Wild Turkey Hunting Seasons.

The proposed changes to the Chapter 20, Wild Turkey Hunting Seasons generally demonstrates responsible and sustainable management of turkeys while maintaining high levels of opportunity for hunters. Specifically, SCI appreciates the simplification of turkey hunting units within the state from five units to one statewide unit and allowing additional options for evidence of sex instead of just one. Both changes will be beneficial to hunters in planning and conducting turkey hunts.

Further, SCI believes that sound science-based conservation involving hunting as the primary management tool, while maximizing opportunities for all huntable species, is necessary to the long-term health of wildlife. Hunters have long paid the way for conservation, both game and non-game wildlife, and maximizing opportunity for hunting is also key to long-term funding for all conservation. Hunting benefits wildlife conservation.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the Chapter 20, Wild Turkey Hunting Seasons. SCI is dedicated to protecting the freedom to hunt and we appreciate the continued partnership with the Department and the Commission. SCI is always first for hunters.

Sincerely,

W. Laird Hamberlin
Chief Executive Officer
Safari Club International