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I am hunter. I get a cougar tag every year. I have had multiple encounters with them, some very very close. I hope I never have to use that tag though. I oppose this because it will only open up more ways for people to bend and disregard the rules that are set for it. Cougars don't need more pressure between habitat loss, disease, fire and poisons. If anything maybe ban rat poison before you consider this, that stuff goes up the food chain and kills everything when enough of its consumed over time. Then maybe come back to opening up the use of hounds.