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I've seen a decline of elk dramatically over the past 10 years. I've since stopped hunting elk in the rogue unit all together. The elk numbers don't justify the cost of the tag and I choose to buy tags elsewhere.

We need better predator management & hounds are the most effective way to manage predators that threaten our ungulate population.

We've seen cougars on our property and have had our pets taken as recently as 02-10-2024.

Encounters are far more common in rural/urban areas as well. Constantly on the community page warning live stock owners.