

Subject: : Paflyfish General Forum

Topic: : Fall, fishing or hunting?

Re: Fall, fishing or hunting?

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Quote:

pcray1231 wrote:

Mountain,

Nonetheless, the vast majority of does are harvested in the antlerless rifle season, and it's timing was designed to be after the rut, ensuring that essentially all does are pregnant for maximum effect.

It doesn't matter if a doe is killed in September or December, it will have the same effect. There is no maximum effect by killing a doe in December. A dead deer is a dead deer. A doe killed in September won't have any fawns the next year, the same as a doe killed in December. Your belief that it is somehow the goal to get does bred before they are killed makes no sense and is something I'm sure PETA would love to run with.

One of the reasons for the early doe seasons, which just started in the last decade, is to not only help control or reduce the population but to also condense the rut. Having more does bred in a shorter period of time benefits fawn recruitment the following spring by overloading predators of fawns. They can't keep up.

Your comments about a dead doe equals three dead deer on average (which is not the case), insurance companies, timber companies, ect. influencing deer management. Well, it sounds like the rhetoric spouted by the USP, a group that is trying it's darnedest to undo the current deer management plan.

There are plenty of places to debate the 'deer wars' on the internet so I'll end it with that. This is a fly fishing forum after all.

I will add that your idea on tranquilizing deer for fun and that it would have no harmful effects is laughable at best. Again...more ammo for the anti's. You guys do realize they are against fishing too right?