

**MOUNTAIN LION MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES  
FOR  
LION DAU L-3  
GAME MANAGEMENT UNITS  
6, 16, 161, 17, & 171**

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**BACKGROUND**

This DAU encompasses all of Jackson County. Currently there is a low-density population of mountain lions in North Park. Sightings are reported, but rare. There is no harvest, no game damage, and no conflicts reported. There is interest in hunting lion in North Park, and lion season was opened in 2000 with a quota of 3. As of the date of this document there has been no hunter harvest. Two lion kittens were killed by a motor vehicle south of Walden.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Continue the hunting seasons in North Park with a quota of 3. Interview lion hunters to gather information on the lion population.

Mountain lions are a predator on deer, elk, and bighorn sheep. This is a natural relationship and no control measures are determined to be necessary at this time. Sport hunting harvest shall be maintained to provide recreational opportunity.

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