Proposal to change application deadline for Draw 2, 2011-2012

- October SGC meeting, application deadlines set for both Draw 1 & Draw 2, 2011-2012;
- Draw 2 (public land deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, ibex, Barbary sheep, bighorn sheep, javelina) deadline set, April 6, 2011;
- Procedural change for payment requirements: pay for application and license fees at the time the application is submitted;
- The purpose of the procedural change was to alleviate the issue of providing general hunting/fishing authorizations prior to the start of the license year.

 System development of the procedural change to collect all fees at the time of application began several weeks ago.

 Development team identified several issues with the implementation of this change; the change requires the application process to become more restrictive and inequitable treatment of applicants.

- Once the application is paid for, the change requires the following restrictions:
 - No changes to the application will be allowed once it has been submitted;
 - Application can be deleted, but not allowed to submit another application;
 - If application is deleted or unsuccessful, refunds will be distributed after the draw is held (June);
 - Deer applications will have to be "locked-down" on March 23rd. No deletions of the applications will be allowed.

- Change the application deadline to March 28th:
 - Maintain flexibility of last year's special hunts online system (ability to change application until deadline date and charge license fee after the application deadline)
 - Allows Department to charge credit cards prior to the start of the license year and distribute general hunting/fishing authorization for use on April 1st.
 - Equitable treatment of all applicants

Questions