## **Bison Management Operations Winter 2019-20:**

**Table 1. Removal Summary.** Number of Yellowstone bison removed through state and treaty harvests and culled through consignment to slaughter or quarantine facilities, or dying within containment. Table abbreviations are adult (A), yearling (Y), calf (C), and unknown sex (Unk). Harvest numbers are preliminary, in-season totals that may change.

Date	Removal Method		NORTH				WEST						
		Male		Female		Unk		Male		Female		Unk	
		A	Y	A	Y	Unk	C	Α	Y	A	Y	Unk	C
	Harvest (Mont)	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Harvest (CSKT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	1
	Harvest (NPT)	10	0	11	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	16	0
	Harvest (CTU)	4	0	4	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
HARVEST	Harvest (SB)		0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Harvest (YN)		0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Harvest (BT)	0	0	1	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Harvest (NA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Observed and unreported <sup>1</sup>	20	0	15	0	24	6	0	0	0	0	37	0
	NPS <sup>2</sup>	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MTFWP <sup>3</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Captured and Consigned	30	22	135	18	0	62	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Removed to Quarantine <sup>4</sup>	0	20	0	28	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	0
CULL	Capture Pen Mortality	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MTDOL Management Shooting	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Year to Date	HARVEST	47	0	36	0	49	25	2	0	5	0	53	1
	CULL	32	42	135	46	0	102	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	79	42	171	46	49	127	2	0	5	0	53	1
							514						61

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> - Harvests observed by wardens and unreported by the date of this report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> - Being held for potential enrollment in quarantine program

Disposition of Captured Bison:	Year to Date
Transferred to Tribes:	267
Transferred for research:	0
Being held for potential quarantine enrollment:	87
Mortalities within the Stephens Creek Facility:	1
Released:	0
Animals being held within the Stephens Creek Facility for consignment or release	190

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> - Wounded animals shot within Yellowstone by YNP personnel

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> - Wounding loss reported by MTFWP

Table 2. Brucellosis Testing Summary Test results are pending.

**Table 3. Bison in Gardiner Basin** Numbers of bison counted in the Gardiner basin by ground observers during

winter 2018-19. Bison held within the Stephens Creek Capture Facility are not included in counts.

Date	Mammoth	North Entrance Station	Stephens Creek	North of	Eagle	Total
	to	to Stephens Creek	Facility to Park	Park	Creek	
	Gardiner	Facility	Boundary	Boundary	SMA	
12/2/2019	0	0	0	0	0	0
12/5/2019	200	0	0	0	0	200
12/10/2019	0	0	0	0	0	0
12/12/2019	11	0	0	0	0	11
12/16/2019	0	0	0	0	0	0
12/19/2019	1	0	0	0	0	1
12/31/2019	1	0	0	0	0	1
1/2/2020	1	0	0	0	0	1
1/6/2020	1	0	0	0	0	1
1/10/2020	31	0	0	0	0	31
1/13/2020	1	0	0	0	0	1
1/16/2020	6	0	0	0	0	6
1/21/2020	36	0	0	0	0	36
1/23/2020	1	0	0	0	0	1
1/27/2020	12	0	0	0	0	12
1/30/2020	28	10	0	0	0	38
2/3/2020	13	0	0	0	0	13
2/10/2020	119	13	0	0	0	132
2/13/2020	74	129	11	0	0	214
2/18/2020	95	9	87	0	0	191
2/24/2020	80	199	139	96	7	521
2/27/2020	69	189	13	182	12	465
3/2/2020	131	295	179	1	11	617
3/5/2020	107	345	200	7	11	670
3/9/2020	74	239	16	0	11	340
3/13/2020	91	227	9	0	11	338
3/17/2020	194	248	40	0	7	489
3/20/2020	114	532	166	127	0	939