

For the Record - April 25, 2018 Meeting

Agenda Item # 12 Public Comments

In item # 17 of the January 22, 2018 approved minutes,
I was offended by
Comments by ^{NDOW} biologist (Chris Hampton) when he said
the reason 014 (Mantle) had more deer during a 10 year
span was because it had more rainfall and less
evaporation -

This is witchcraft: there is no science to what he told
the Board to prove this. Only his unscientific guess.

Show us your rainfall and snowfall total data to prove
what you claimed in unit 014.

AND this Board just took whatever was said by
an NDOW employee as gospel and never challenged
his nonsense. This is very ^{perplexing} ~~unfortunate~~ of this
Board NOT to make NDOW substantiate what they are
saying!

He refuses to admit that the 10 year predator project in
this area where greater than 50 lions were removed had
anything to do with the huge increase in the mule deer
population in this area. It's always drought or weather.

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He also stated the population peaked in 2012
with a drop in 2013 of 30-40%

False: Peaked in 2014 & dropped in 2015.

According to Dow's data!