

Moose Population Dynamics in Montana

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In 2013, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP) began a 10-year moose study that included a detailed assessment of population growth rates, vital rates, and limiting factors in three focal study areas. We will discuss the results of this study, including detailed assessment of adult female survival, calf survival, recruitment (pregnancy * litter size), what drives these vital rates (and doesn't), and their relative roles in ultimate rates of population growth.