New Mexico: Elk Management

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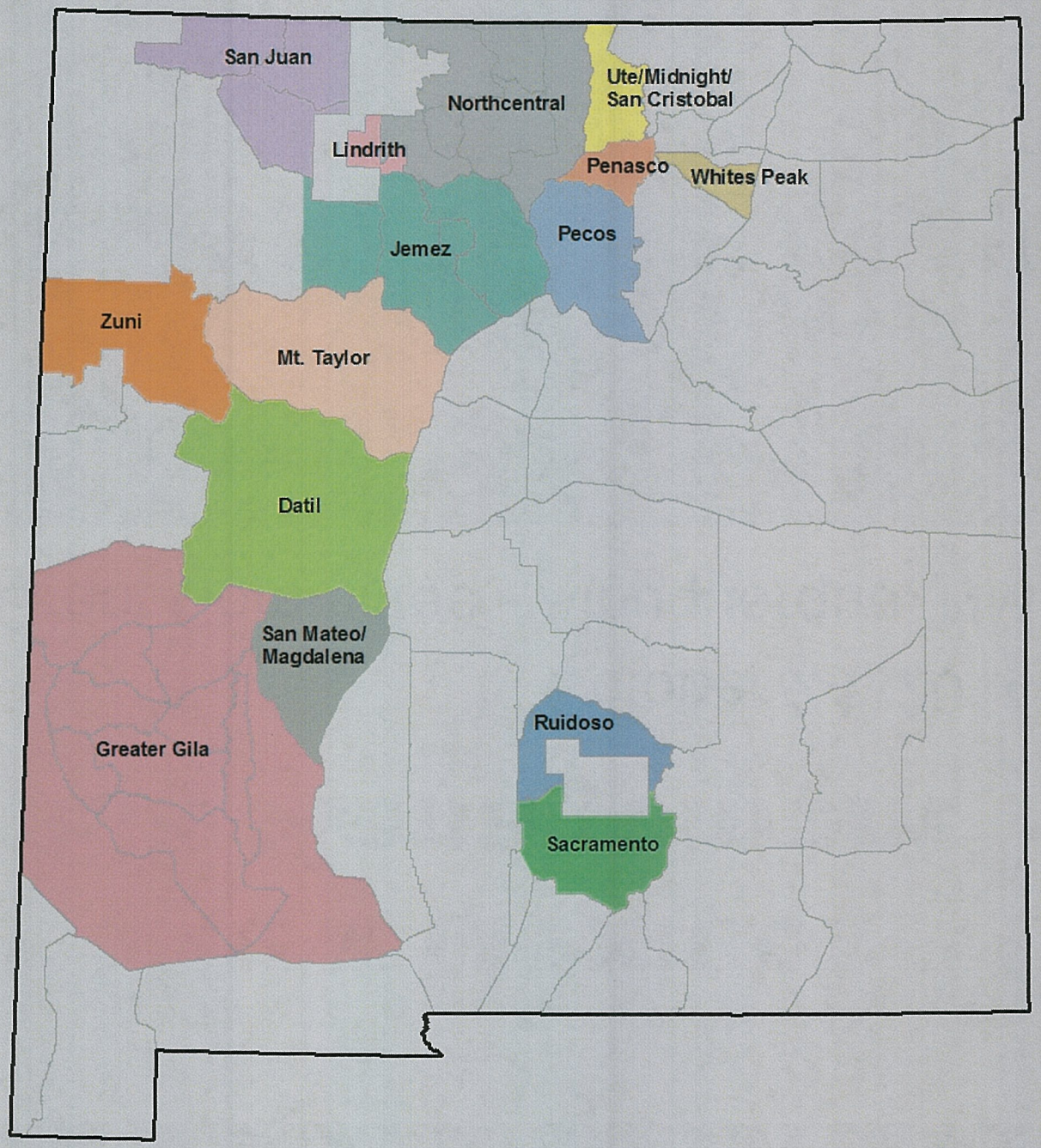
NMDGF elk herd units



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Elk Status Statewide

2008-2013 STATEWIDE ELK HARVEST STATISTICS					
	# licenses sold/ converted	Male harvest	Female harvest	Success rate	Satisfaction
Trend	Increasing	Increasing	Increasing	Stable	Stable
Range	30,500-36,000	6,000-8,000	4,200-6,200	0.34-0.40	3.5-3.6

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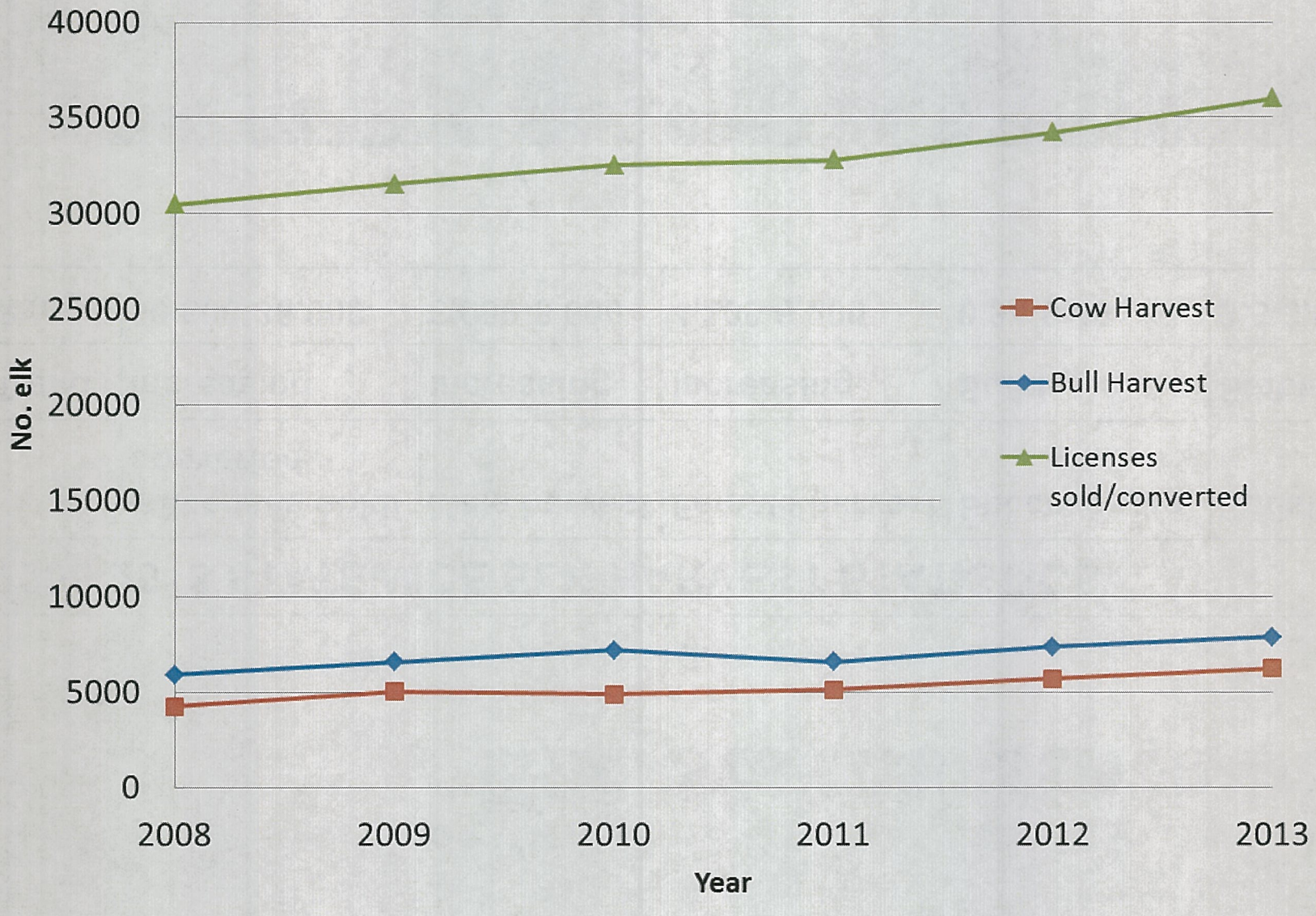
Statewide Elk Statistics



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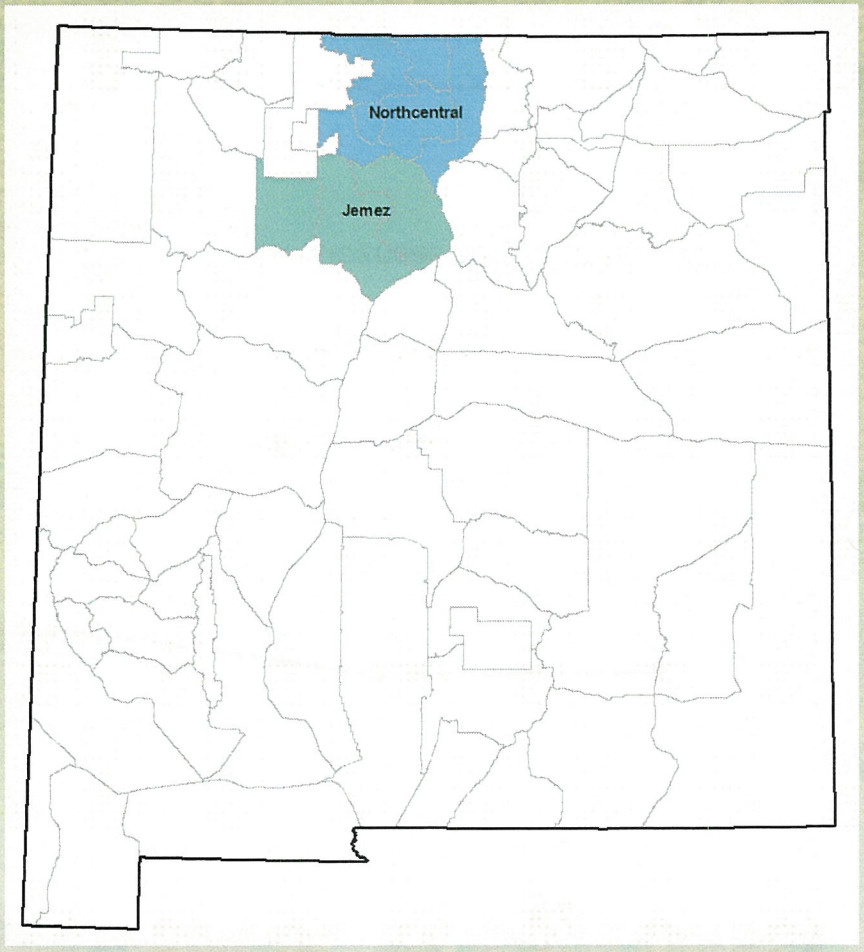
North central & Jemez Regions

- **Population statistics**
  - Pop: 29,600-31,700
    B:C:C: 39:100:34
- **Quality**
  - GMU's 6A, 6B
- **Optimal opportunity**
  - GMU's 6C, 7, 4, 5B, 50, 51, 52



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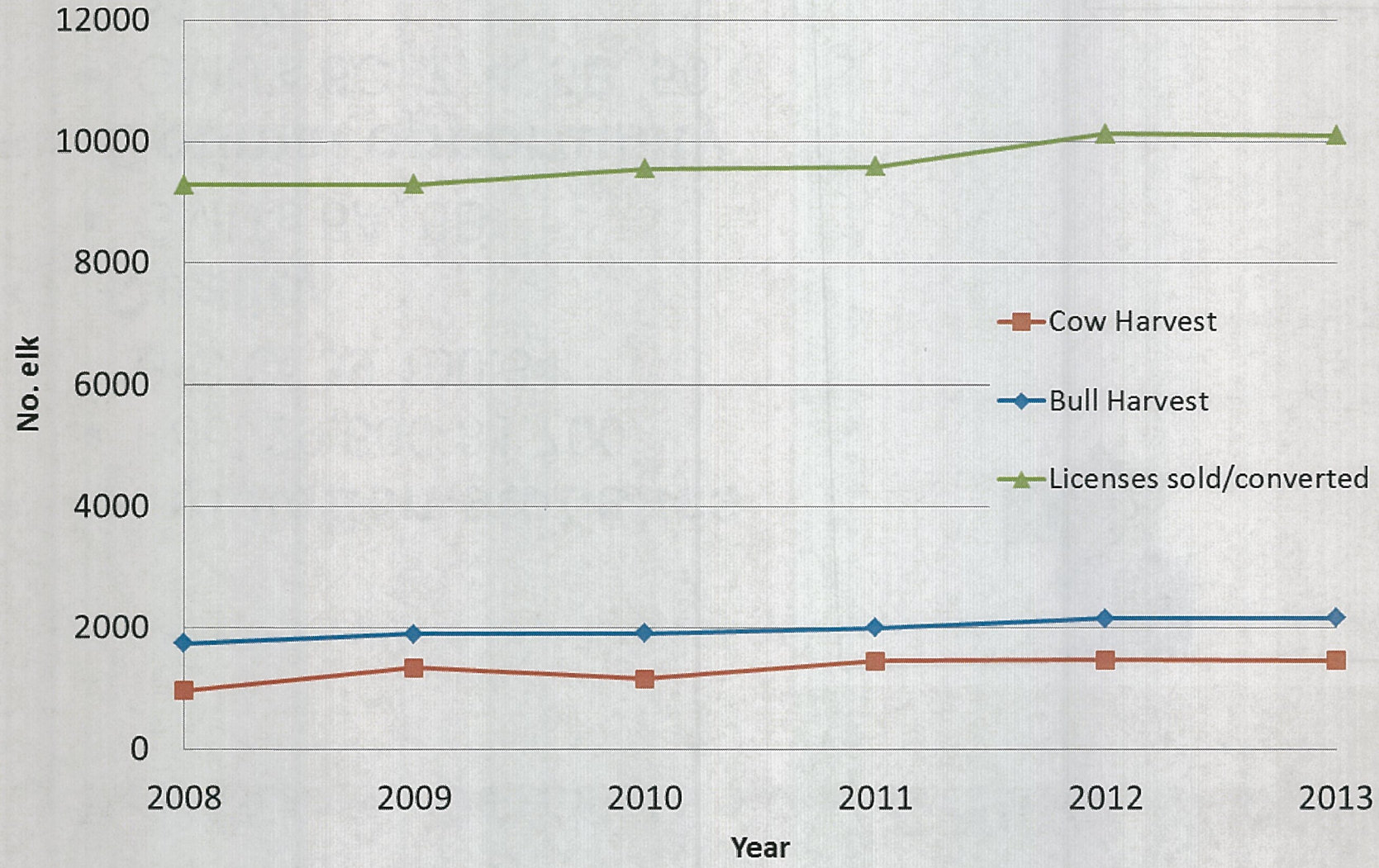

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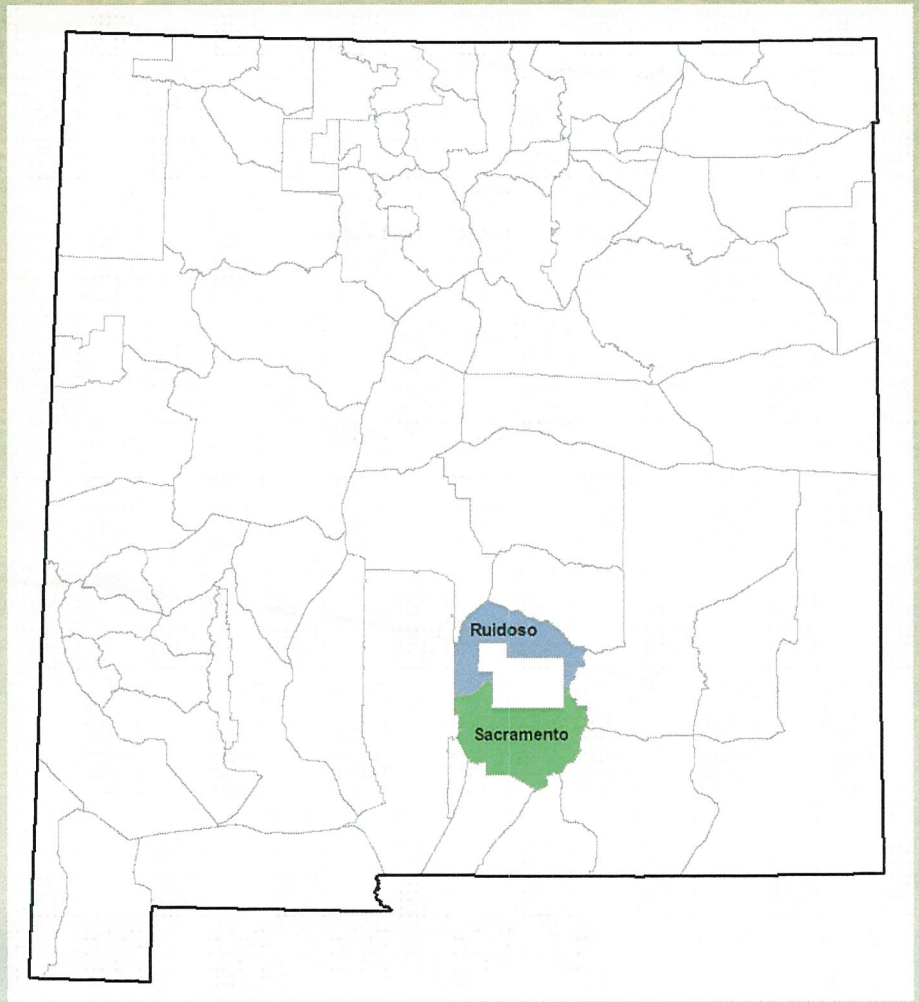
South central Region

- **Quality**
- GMU 36 (Ruidoso herd)
  - Pop: 4,654-4,816
  - B:C:C: 58:100:43
- **Optimal opportunity**
- GMU 34 (Sacramento herd)
  - Pop: 6,010-6,262
  - B:C:C: 49:100:46



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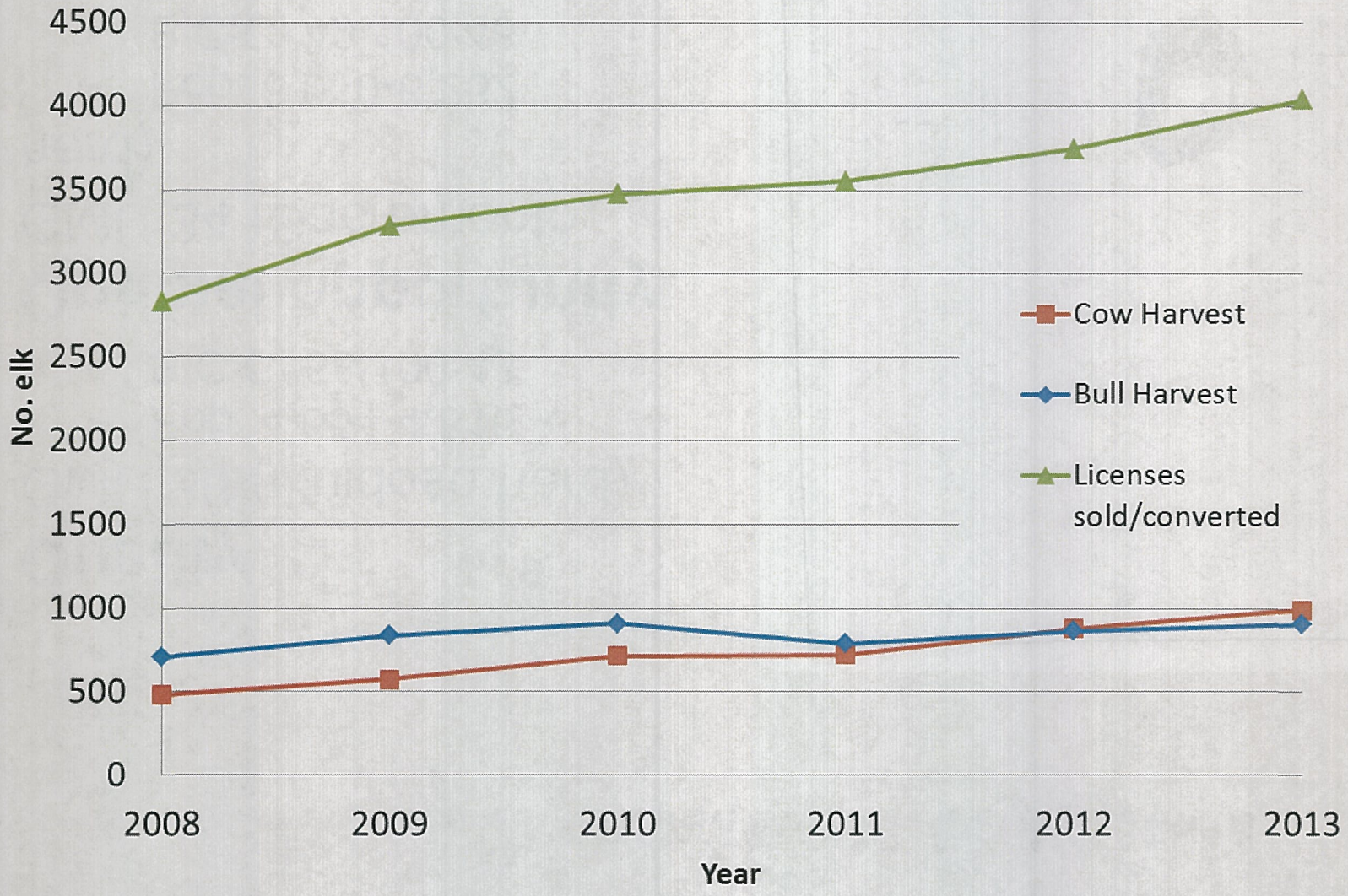

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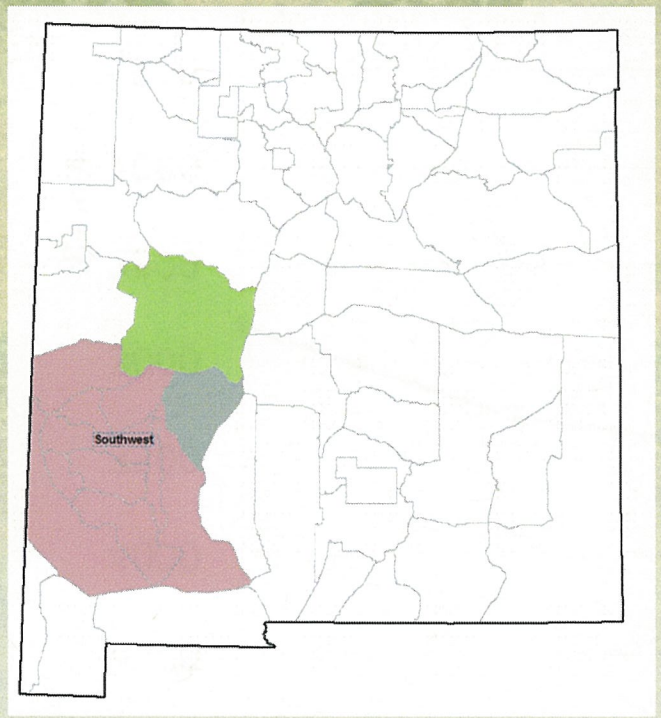
Southwest Region



- **Quality**
  - GMU's 15, 16A-E (Greater Gila herd)
    - Pop: 20,693-21,923
    - B:C:C: 37:100:36
  - GMU 13 (Datil herd)
    - Pop: 2,939-3,313
    - B:C:C: 41:100:40
  - GMU 17 (San Mateo herd)
    - Pop: 2,066-2,155
    - B:C:C: 48:100:40
- **Optimal opportunity**
  - GMU's 21A, 21B, 23 (Lesser Gila herd)
    - Pop: 1,046-4,258
    - B:C:C: 33:100:30

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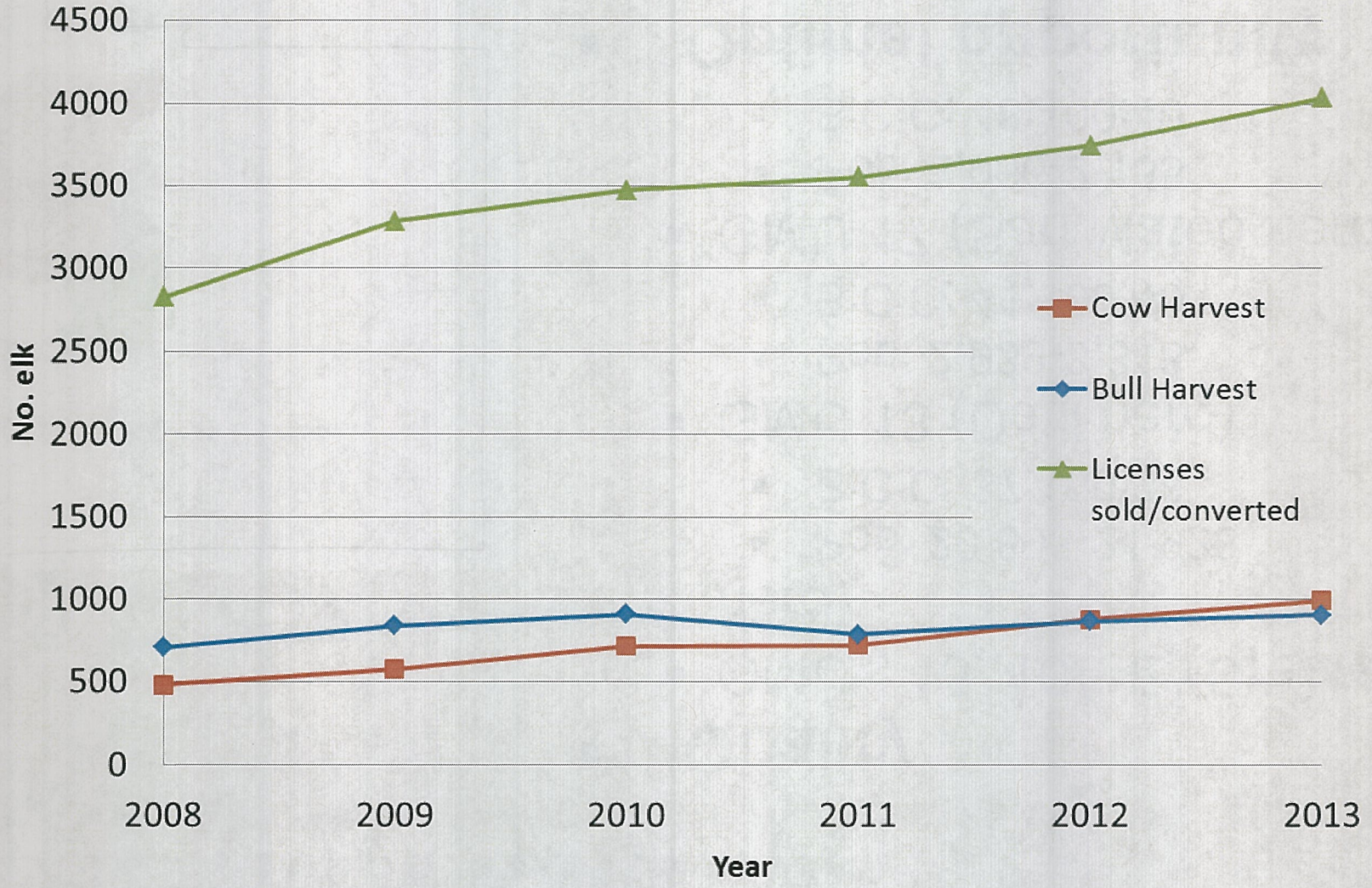

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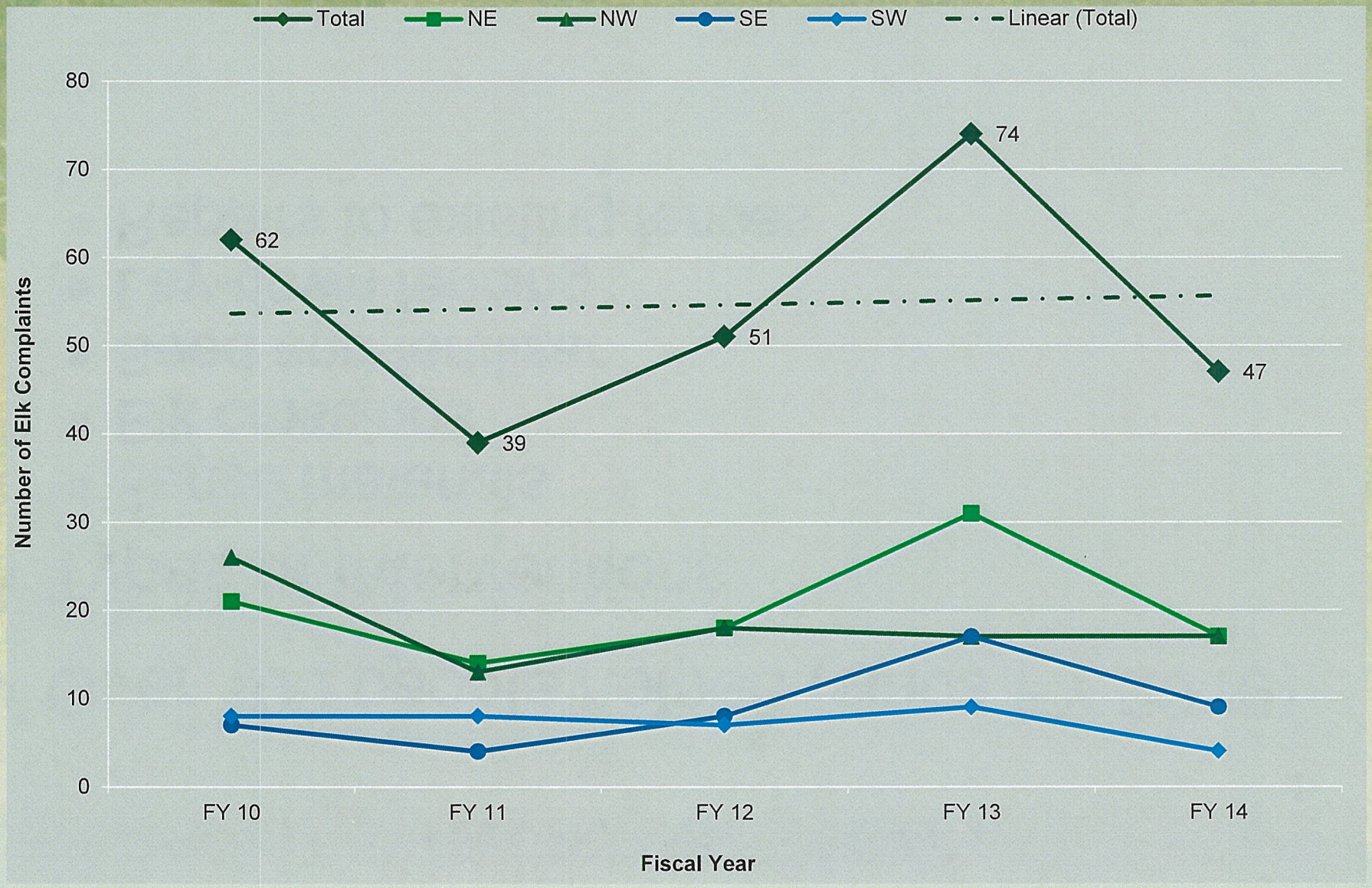
Depredation Program Summary



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Interventions

- Over 100 people helped (since FY 2010)
- Types of Interventions
  - Fence materials
  - Elk crossings
  - Seed and fertilizer
  - Lay-down fencing
  - Repairs to existing fences