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The mule deer and elk population are dwindling. Last year my dad had a spring bear tag. We hunted the sled springs unit in eastern Oregon. I can speak on behalf of this unit. We saw just as many cougars as bears. This isn't an acceptable situation to be in. We spent a lot of days in the woods. We watched off the edge of Day ridge a grown female cougar with three kittens kill a doe and two fawn. And watching from a distance, there wasn't anything we could do. Imagine if there was. Hunting cougars with dogs will change the deer, elk, and every other game animal population we can hunt in eastern Oregon. This is a problem we should solve and there is an obvious solution to it... let the hounds man hunt these cats.