

Information about CWD continues to pour in. I have selected four significant story lines to highlight..

- 1) 1) Sweden has now discovered the presence of CWD inside of its border. It was detected in a wild moose. See link to article below.

- 2) There is a claim coming out of Pennsylvania suggesting that a Researcher has discovered that a **bacterium** is actually responsible for CWD and other prion diseases and that a cure can be expected within 12 to 18 months. As you might expect, there is considerable debate over this claim and a significant number of scientists are voicing skepticism over both the claim and the projected cure. See Links below. Also, the Association of Fish and Wildlife have weighed in on the debate and provided their official position in the matter (see attached file).

- 3) There is more discussion happening around the topic of import regulations and requirements when it comes to moving carcasses across borders.

- 4) Lastly, the latest maps have come out of Saskatchewan, as of March 1, 2019, showing the distribution of CWD in the province. See attached file.

Moose with CWD found in Sweden:

<http://www.promedmail.org/post/6390297>

Link to the claim of a bacterium causing CWD and potential cure for prion diseases in 12 to 18 months:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gdtFXriMx00&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR1RFyjsPBqY0NZtpLQ-hWbxaa3XIYIN91HhTYfEU2f9GpORPdFBg3mhsmc>

PN Game Commission response:

<https://www.media.pa.gov/Pages/Game-Commission-Details.aspx?newsid=283>

NDA response:

<https://nationaldeeralliance.com/editorial/nda-urges-caution-when-considering-cwd-research-claims>

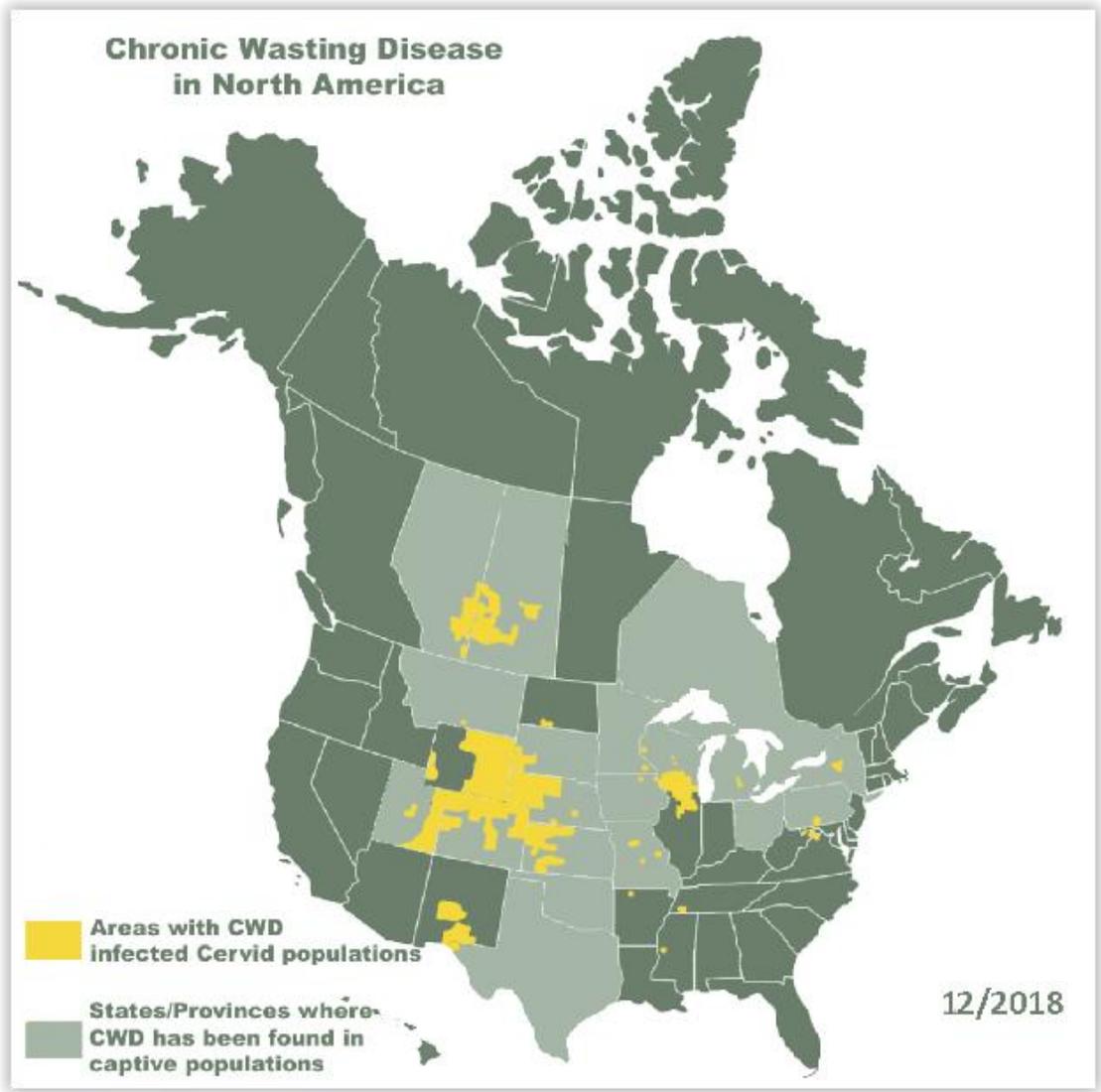
Map showing Distribution of CWD in North America and the accompanying article identifying a need for uniform import requirements for out-of-province hunters to minimize risk of CWD introduction to new jurisdictions:



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<https://wildlifemanagement.institute/outdoor-news-bulletin/january-2019/uniform-carcass-transport-rules-could-help-slow-spread-chronic>