Private Lands Where Landowners Authorize Licensed Hunting Outfitters to Operate and **Elk Population Objective Status by Hunting Districts** (2012 Hunting Season) NOTE:
This map depicts 6.79 million acres of private lands where the landowner has authorized a licensed hunting outfitter to operate during the 2012 hunting season. The data used to create this map were reported to the Montana Board of Outfitters on "Land Use/Permission" forms completed by the licensed hunting outfitters and the private landowners. Acreage is reported in parcels of not less than 40 acres (quarter-quarter sections), although acreage used may be less. Factors that are not accounted for in this map include but are not limited to: The acreage reported may not have been actively used by an outfitter. If an outfitter is authorized to use a parcel of land, but does not use it, the acreage is nevertheless reported to the Montana Board of Outfitters and included on this map. 50 The acreage reported has no minimum time requirement. An outfitter authorized to use a parcel of land for any period of time will report the acreage, although the authorized use may be restricted to only a portion of a hunting season. Land Ownership Deer/Elk Hunting Districts 2012-2013 Miles Private Lands with Authorized Outfitting Private 3. The acreage reported has no minimum with respect to the type of game the outfitter is authorized to pursue. An outfitter authorized to use a parcel of land to hunt any game animal will report the acreage, although the outfitter's use may be restricted to certain types of game within the outfitter's operation plan and as approved by the landowner. Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks 2012 Elk Objective Status Outfitter use of private land is not necessarily exclusive. An outfitter authorized to use a parcel of land will report the acreage, although the same parcel of land may be used by other members of the public to **Below Objective** pursue the same or other types of game animals during the same period of time. At Objective Over Objective The production of this map is a cooperative effort between the Montana Board of Outfitters and the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks. Electronic copies of this map may be obtained by contacting the