

STAFF PROPOSALS

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INTRODUCTION

This document contains information regarding the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) proposed seasons and regulation changes for the 2020 Big Game Regulations, including tables of controlled hunts with tag numbers for 2020 hunts. The 2020 Oregon Big Game Regulations are expected to be available at License Agents and Department offices in November 2019.

Soon after distribution of the 2020 Big Game Regulations, the process of developing seasons and regulations for 2021 will begin. Following is the tentative Big Game Regulation development timeline for 2021 seasons. Dates cannot be finalized until after Commission Meeting dates for 2021 have been set.

NOTE: Dates may shift a week or two depending on the final dates of 2020 Commission Meetings.

- November 2019 – March 2020: Districts conduct field surveys
- April 1, 2020: Deadline for canceling 2020 hunts or making emergency tag changes
- May 15, 2020: District proposal deadline
- June 8-12, 2020: Division meets with Biologists to discuss 2021 seasons, tag numbers, and regulations
- June 30, 2020: Information for public outreach/meetings distributed to Districts
- July 1-19, 2020: Districts conduct public outreach/meetings
- August 2020: Commission packet due to Division Administrators
- September 2020: Commission Adoption of 2021 seasons and tag numbers
- November 2020: 2021 Big Game Regulations printed and delivered to vendors

2019 WILDLIFE DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETINGS

At public meetings held throughout the state during July (Table 1), the Department’s Wildlife Districts provided information including regulation concepts and Big Game Regulation Review Proposals for discussion and comment. Those proposals are part of this packet and if adopted, they will be incorporated into the 2020 Big Game Regulations.

Table 1. Location, date, and time for 2018 Oregon big game regulation public meetings.

City	Date	Time	Location
Burns	July 2	7:00 pm	Harney County Community Center 484 N Broadway, Burns OR
Pendleton	July 2	4:00-7:00 pm	Pendleton Convention Center 1601 Westgate, Pendleton OR
Lakeview	July 8	8:00 am – 5:00 pm	ODFW Lakeview 18560 Roberta Rd., Lakeview OR
Newport	July 8	6:00 pm	ODFW Newport 2040 SE Marine Science Dr., Newport OR
Clackamas	July 9	5:00-8:00 pm	ODFW Clackamas District Office, Large Conference Rm 17330 SE Evelyn St., Bldg. 16, Clackamas OR
Charleston	July 9	6:00 – 8:00 pm	OIMB Boathouse 63466 Boat Basin Rd., Charleston OR
Gold Beach	July 9	6:00 pm	Gold Beach Library 94341 3 rd St., Gold Beach OR
John Day	July 9	5:30 – 7:00 pm	Grant County Extension Service Office 116 NW Bridge St. Ste. 1, John Day OR
Redmond	July 9	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Redmond High School 675 SW Rimrock Way, Redmond OR
Roseburg	July 9	6:00 – 7:30 pm	Backside Brewing 1640 NE Odell Ave., Roseburg OR
Heppner	July 10	6:00 – 9:00 pm	ODFW Heppner 54173 Hwy 74, Heppner OR
Springfield	July 10	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Gateway Sizzler 1010 Postal Way, Springfield OR
Albany	July 11	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Old Armory Building 104 4 th Ave SW, Albany OR
Central Point	July 11	7:00 pm	ODFW Central Point 1495 East Gregory Rd., Central Point OR
Klamath Falls	July 11	6:00 pm	Shasta Grange Hall 5831 Shasta Way, Klamath Falls OR
La Grande	July 12	6:00 – 9:00 pm	La Grande City Library, Community Rm 2006 Fourth St., La Grande OR
Grants Pass	July 18	7:00 pm	Elmer’s Restaurant 175 NE Agness Ave., Grants Pass OR
Ontario	July 18	7:00 pm (MDT)	OSU Extension 710 SW 5 th Ave., Ontario OR
Seaside	July 18	4:00 – 7:00 pm	Seaside Convention Center 415 First St., Seaside OR
The Dalles	July 18	6:00 pm	The Dalles Screen Shop 3561 Klindt Dr. , The Dalles OR

GENERAL TOPICS and UPDATES

Legislatively Required Regulation Changes

- **House Bill 2067** removed the Sunset Dates for The Access and Habitat Program and the Oregon Landowner Damage Program (OLDP). Under OLDP elk damage tags are issued to hunters of the landowner's choice. These well-established programs will continue to be reviewed by the Legislative Assembly in the future on an as needed basis.
- **House Bill 2068** increased the nonresident cap for Spring Bear controlled hunts tags from 3% to 5% of the tags authorized by the Commission. The original concept would have also raised the cap for pronghorn hunts but that was removed from the Bill. The cap for controlled cougar hunts was also increase from 3% to 5% but has no immediate effect since there are no controlled cougar hunts at this time.
- **House Bill 2069** modified the statute language that required leftover tags be sold on first-come, first-served basis to allow the flexibility to specify in rule that leftover controlled hunt tags are only available to hunters who have not already purchased a tag for the species (most commonly elk). The result of this modification is that regulations are consistent and equitable across species opportunity, and Big Game Hunting Regulations are easier to read and understand
- **House Bill 2071** modifies the statute to create an exemption for bighorn sheep ewe hunts from the "once in a lifetime" limitation for mountain sheep hunts. Ewe hunts in Oregon would be rare and limited in number, but an important tool to maintain herd health. The Department would first look at continued opportunities to relocate bighorns over implementing ewe harvest, but on an as needed basis the Commission could review and potentially authorize proposed ewe hunts as part of the annual big game season and tag setting process. Other western states, including Washington, Nevada, Montana, and Colorado, allow for harvest of bighorn sheep ewes without a "once in a lifetime" limitation to address similar concerns.
- **House Bill 2294** bans the possession and use of "commercial cervid attractants" which sometimes contain the source of chronic wasting disease. "Commercial cervid attractant" means a marketed product that contains or is derived from cervid urine and is designed for use in luring, attracting or enticing a cervid. The law will go into effect January 1, 2020. The Department developed the regulation proposal based on the statute for Commission consideration in this exhibit and has provided guidance for hunters on proper disposal of commercial cervid attractants. Dumping it out or down a drain is not a viable option; the prions can persist in the environment for decades.

Big Game Regulation Review

The Department initiated a project to conduct a complete review of all big game hunting seasons. The goals of the review are to:

- Improve customer service through more consistent and simpler big game hunting seasons, bag limits, boundaries and associated regulations,
- Allocate hunting opportunity fairly and consistent with hunter preferences,

- Review hunting season structure and allocation of hunting opportunity to promote hunter recruitment, retention and reactivation (R3), and
- Ensure hunting seasons meet biological objectives and maintain or improve overall hunter opportunity.

Many regulation changes under consideration for 2020 are the results of the Big Game Regulation Review Project. Regulation changes under consideration for 2020 are detailed in the controlled hunt Tag Tables for each hunt series.

General Winter Conditions

Western Oregon: Winter 2018-2019 started with temperatures in December and January generally warmer than average. February was the opposite with average temperatures several degrees below average. In general, western Oregon had slightly below normal snowpack by the peak of the season. The lowest snowpack was in the Hood and Sandy Basins, where the snowpack never fully recovered from early season deficits, despite record-breaking snow in February. Deer and elk survival appears to have been good with no reports of major mortality incidents.

Eastern Oregon: Fall was slightly cooler and wetter than normal. November and December had several winter storm events but overall eastern Oregon entered winter warmer and drier than average. Winter was a non-issue for wildlife until February. February was the snowiest on record for all of Oregon and temperatures dropped well below average across eastern Oregon, as much as 15°F to 20°F below normal. Snow accumulation was significant at higher elevations. Lower winter ranges received less snow with some areas receiving primarily rain. Heavy snow and rain later in the winter into spring resulted in flood conditions with standing and running water in places it had not been seen for decades. Deer and pronghorn recruitment was low in many areas heading into winter. This is likely due to drought conditions last fall resulting in little/no fall green-up in many areas.

Statewide: The winter of 2018–2019 was generally warmer and drier than average for the state followed by one of the wettest and coldest Februarys on record. March saw areas of the state experience record or near record low temperatures. The early spring was generally wetter and colder than average for the state.

HUNTING SEASONS and SPECIES SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Proposed General Season Bag Limits and Dates

Annually most big game season dates follow a cycle in which they progress one day earlier each year then “jump” a week later, starting the cycle over again. A key date is the opening of buck, deer rifle (“Any Legal Weapon”) season, which is the Saturday nearest October 1. For 2020, which is a leap year, most hunts are proposed to be adjusted five days later than in 2019 (Table 2). For example, archery season which opens on August 24 in 2019 is proposed to open on August 29 in 2020, which is the “latest” date in the cycle.

Table 2. Proposed general season dates and bag limits for 2020.

Species/Season	Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Dates
DEER		
Coast Buck	Buck with visible antler	Oct. 3–Nov. 6
Cascade Buck	Buck with visible antler	Oct. 3–Oct. 16 & Oct. 24–Nov. 6
BEAR (Cubs, sows with cubs protected)		
General Fall Bear Season	1 Bear	Aug. 1 – Dec. 31
Additional Statewide Bear	1 Bear	Aug. 1 – Dec. 31
COUGAR (Spotted kittens and females with spotted kittens are protected)		
Statewide Tag	1 Cougar	Jan. 1 – Dec. 31
Additional Statewide Tag	1 Cougar	Jan. 1 – Dec. 31
ELK (Note: Antler restrictions apply in certain units)		
Coast First	Any Bull ^a	Nov. 14–17
Coast Second	Any Bull or Spike Only ^a	Nov. 21–27
Cascade	Any Bull ^a	Oct. 17–23
Rocky Mtn. First	Any Bull ^a	Oct. 28–Nov. 1
Rocky Mtn. Second	Any Bull or Spike Only ^a	Nov. 7–15
General Season Elk Damage Tag	Antlerless Elk	Western Oregon and Elk De-emphasis Areas, Aug. 1 – Mar. 31 ; Eastern Oregon outside Elk De-emphasis Areas Aug. 1 – Nov. 30
ARCHERY (Note: Antler restrictions apply in certain units)		
Western Deer	Buck with visible antler or One Deer (varies by Unit) ^b	Aug. 29–Sept. 27
NW Deer Late Season	Buck with visible antler or One Deer (varies by Unit) ^b	Nov. 21 - Dec. 13
SW Deer Late Season	Buck with visible antler or One Deer (varies by Unit) ^b	Nov. 14 – Dec. 6
Eastern Deer	Buck with visible antler ^b	Aug. 29–Sept. 27
Elk	Legal Bull, (varies by unit) ^a	Aug. 29–Sept. 27
WESTERN GRAY SQUIRREL		
North-central Oregon	3/day - 6 in possession	Sept. 15 – Oct. 31
Remainder of Oregon	5/day - 15 in possession	Sept. 1 – Nov. 15

^a Bag limit for archery hunters and hunters with disabilities permits may be changed to include antlerless elk, no changes are proposed at this time for 2020.

^b Bag limit for archery hunters and hunters with disabilities permits may be changed to include antlerless deer; no changes are proposed at this time for 2020.

Proposed Application and Tag Sale Deadlines

Controlled hunt application deadlines are set to occur the same date each year (Table 3). Tag sale deadlines (Table 4) are set at 11:59 pm the day before each respective season opens, except general bear and general cougar tags which have the same tag sale deadline as for buck deer.

Table 3. Controlled hunt application and tag sale deadlines proposed for 2020.

Controlled Hunt Drawing	Application Deadline	Tag Claim Deadline
Spring Bear Draw	February 10	Day Before Hunt Opens
Big Game Draw ^a	May 15	Day Before Hunt Opens

^a Excludes Spring Bear.

Table 4. General season tag sale deadlines in place for 2019 and proposed for 2020.

Species or Season	2019 Deadline	2020 Deadline
Bear	Sept. 27	Oct. 2
Additional Bear	See Footnote*	See Footnote*
Cougar	Sept. 27	Oct. 2
Additional Cougar	See Footnote*	See Footnote*
Deer & Elk Archery	Aug. 23	Aug. 28
Western Deer Any Legal Weapon	Sept. 27	Oct. 2
Cascade Elk	Oct. 11	Oct. 16
General Coast 1 st Season	Nov. 8	Nov. 13
General Coast 2 nd Season	Nov. 15	Nov. 20
Rocky Mt. 1st Elk	Oct. 22	Oct. 27
Rocky Mt. 2nd Elk	Nov. 1	Nov. 6
General Antlerless Elk Damage Season		No Deadline

*May be purchased after deadline if first general season tag was purchased by the deadline.

Proposed Controlled Hunt Tag Numbers

A direct comparison between 2019 and 2020 controlled hunt tags is not possible due to several proposals to change controlled hunt areas to general seasons or vice versa. Total proposed controlled hunt tags for 2020 seasons (134,859) are down less than 1% from 136,015 in 2019 (Table 5). Within species, proposed controlled deer tags are down 2.2%, controlled elk tags are up slightly (0.4%), controlled bighorn tags are down 7.3%, and pronghorn tags are down 1.7%. Spring bear tags are increasing 1.2% and Rocky Mountain Goat tags are increasing 12.5%. See species-specific information including controlled hunt tag tables for details.

Table 5. Summary of proposed controlled hunt tag numbers for 2020.

Species/Hunt Type	2019 tags	Proposed 2020 tags	% Change 2019 - 2020
TOTAL DEER	64,169	62,735	-2.2%
Buck/Either Sex	50,611	49,067	-3.1%
Bow/Muzzleloader	4,376	4,397	0.5%
Antlerless (600 Series)	7,872	7,875	0.0%
Youth	1,243	1,329	6.9%
Premium	67	67	0.0%
TOTAL ELK	60,028	60,240	0.4%
Bull/Either Sex	35,640	37,619	5.6%
Bow/Muzzleloader	8,957	7,735	-13.6%
Antlerless	14,094	13,464	-4.5%
Youth	1,273	1,358	7.5%
Premium	64	64	0.0%
BIGHORN	82	76	-7.3%
Rocky Mountain	10	9	-10.0%
California	72	67	-6.9%
MTN. GOAT	24	27	12.5%
TOTAL PRONGHORN	2,326	2,286	-1.7%
Buck/Either Sex	1,376	1,346	-2.2%
Bow/Muzzleloader	719	703	-2.2%
Doe	164	170	3.7%
Youth	40	40	0.0%
Premium	27	27	0.0%
TOTAL SPRING BEAR	9,386	9,495	1.2%
Controlled Spring Bear	9,188	9,297	1.2%
Youth Spring Bear	198	198	0.0%
GRAND TOTAL TAGS	136,015	134,859	-0.8%

Bear Season Summaries and Recommendations

2018 Spring Bear Harvest

A total of 8,480 spring bear tags were sold during 2018. Of these, 4,176 were for controlled spring hunts and 4,304 were sold first-come, first-served for the Limited SW Oregon hunt. Mandatory harvest surveys indicate 310 bears were taken during the spring controlled hunts and 317 bears were taken during the Limited SW Oregon hunt for a total of 627 spring bear taken by 4,681 hunters during 2018. The average success rate of Controlled Spring Bear hunters and SW Oregon Limited hunters was about 13% (up from 11% in 2017). Most of the bears harvested (73%) were males.

2018 General Fall Bear Season Harvest

The number of general season black bear tags issued increased from 53,113 (52,525 General Season tags, 588 SW Additional tags) in 2017 to 54,071 (53,456 General Season tags, 615 SW Additional tags) in 2018. Mandatory harvest surveys indicate 37% of General Season tag holders hunted taking 1,103 bears. Of those, 27 were harvested with a SW Additional Fall Bear Tag (2% total harvest). The general season bear harvest was slightly higher in western Oregon (60% of harvest). In 2018, 70% of the bears taken by hunters (spring + fall) were males.

Bear Population Monitoring

Continued monitoring of harvested bear ages, as directed by the 2012 Bear Management Plan and consistent with other states, suggests bear populations are not being over-harvested.

According to these criteria a bear population is considered over harvested when the median age of all harvested bears is ≤ 3.0 , the median age for harvested males is ≤ 3.0 , and the median age of harvested females is ≤ 4.0 . In 2018, the median age for all harvested bears was 4.0, the median age for harvested males was 4.0, and the median age for females was 5.0.

In addition to assessing level of harvest based on median ages, the 2012 Bear Management Plan directs the Department to monitor the 3-year average percent of adult males (greater than or equal to 5 years old) of known mortalities and percent of all females in known mortalities to help ascertain take levels (light, moderate, or high based on Plan criteria). The 2016-2018 average for adult males in documented mortalities was 27% and is indicative of a moderate take levels (light $>35\%$, moderate 25-35%, heavy $<25\%$). For females (greater than or equal to 1 years old), the 2016-2018 average percent of the harvest was 30%. These values are indicative of moderate take levels (light $<30\%$, moderate 30-40%, heavy $>40\%$).

Because of previous low black bear tooth return rates, the Department implemented a mandatory check-in of bear skulls beginning in 2008 as directed by the Bear Plan. Specifically, successful hunters are required to bring the unfrozen skull of any bear they harvest to a Department office or a designated check-in site within 10 days of harvesting their bear. Biologists or trained volunteers collect a premolar tooth for aging. This information is important for monitoring population structure and as part of efforts to develop a methodology for estimating black bear populations. A total of 1,529 teeth were submitted by bear hunters in 2018 (Table 6). Tooth return rates are high again for 2018 (88%).

Table 6. Trend in reported bear harvest and actual tooth check-in, 2005–2018.

Year	Spring		Check-In Rate	Fall		Check-In Rate	Total		Check-In Rate
	Harvest	Teeth		Harvest	Teeth		Harvest	Teeth	
2005	371	127	34%	716	185	26%	1,087	312	29%
2006	307	112	36%	989	237	24%	1,296	349	27%
2007	477	138	29%	748	246	33%	1,225	384	31%
2008	363	357	98%	911	826	91%	1,274	1,183	93%
2009	461	386	84%	698	841	120%	1,159	1,227	106%
2010	448	464	104%	1,235	1183	96%	1,683	1,647	98%
2011	488	444	91%	931	906	97%	1,419	1,350	95%
2012	464	426	92%	1,155	894	77%	1,619	1,320	82%
2013	460	420	91%	1,081	824	76%	1,541	1,244	81%
2014	553	510	92%	1,088	836	77%	1,641	1,346	82%
2015	577	533	92%	1,028	833	81%	1,605	1,366	85%
2016	580	549	95%	1,003	825	82%	1,583	1,374	87%
2017	607	545	90%	1,134	943	83%	1,741	1,488	85%
2018	627	594	95%	1,103	935	82%	1,730	1,529	88%

Complaints and Other Mortalities

The total number of complaints recorded for black bear decreased from 464 in 2017 to 308 in 2018 (Table 7). Of the total number of complaints, garbage or nuisance-related complaints accounted for 55%, 27% of the complaints were associated with human or pet safety, conflicts with livestock accounted for about 11%, agricultural damage accounted for 6%, and timber damage accounted for 2%. The number of bears killed as a result of damage to timber, livestock,

or property decreased from 267 in 2017 to 160 in 2018. The recorded 2018 complaints and damage mortalities are the fewest in over a decade (Table 7). Most conflict-related mortality (92%) continues to occur in western Oregon, where human and bear populations are highest, resulting in damage, human safety concerns, and nuisance problems.

Table 7. Trends in black bear complaints and mortality in Oregon during 1992–2018. Data is current through 8/8/19. Numbers may change as late data is added.

Year	Complaints ^a	Tags Sold ^b	Mortalities				Total
			Hunter- Harvest ^c	Damage ^d	Human Safety ^e	Other ^f	
1992	291	17,838	960	215	0	9	1,184
1993	436	18,355	1,346	135	0	4	1,485
1994	327	18,412	1,450	154	3	2	1,609
1995	537	14,685	686	200	5	4	895
1996	561	23,364	1,007	226	12	9	1,254
1997	599	25,893	812	241	8	8	1,069
1998	828	29,743	1,053	271	21	10	1,355
1999	904	34,723	1,037	268	24	19	1,348
2000	322	41,060	1,223	225	14	9	1,471
2001	461	44,661	888	210	35	24	1,157
2002	479	46,980	1,196	181	39	18	1,434
2003	326	48,130	1,167	190	24	18	1,399
2004	326	43,716	-	221	15	20	-
2005	298	44,785	1,087	274	19	19	1,399
2006	275	46,482	1,296	199	18	15	1,528
2007	323	51,720	1,225	207	10	18	1,460
2008	602	53,847	1,188	272	49	55	1,564
2009	365	50,387	1,236	222	22	54	1,534
2010	921	57,711	1,647	394	30	86	2,157
2011	465	55,305	1,350	372	23	48	1,793
2012	382	56,243	1,320	283	17	36	1,656
2013	337	57,850	1,244	317	11	37	1,609
2014	457	58,334	1,345	322	13	54	1,734
2015	371	58,324	1,367	245	7	55	1,674
2016	335	61,357	1,378	281	15	45	1,719
2017	464	61,593	1,488	267	33	46	1,838
2018	308	62,551	1,529	160	26	47	1,762

^aNumber of complaints received during the calendar year. Sightings not associated with damage or a public safety concern are included as complaints prior to 2000.

^bIncludes controlled spring, general fall, and additional tags (including Sports Pac licenses).

^cNo harvest survey conducted during 2004. Hunter-harvest data based on mandatory check-in during 2008–present. Additional bear tags not surveyed 2005–2007.

^dNumber of animals killed as a result of damage during a calendar year.

^eAnimals killed as a result of real or perceived threat to humans or pets.

^fIncludes roadkill, accidental, found dead, nuisance, or illegal kill.

2020 Spring Bear Season/Tag Recommendations

Currently, Spring Bear controlled hunts are April 1 to May 31 in all of western Oregon and parts of eastern Oregon, and April 15 to May 31 in the remainder of eastern Oregon. Staff propose statewide, consistent controlled Spring Bear season dates of April 1 to May 31. This change will make the regulations simpler and is expected to have minimal biological impact.

The Department is proposing 9,495 controlled tags in 17 hunts for 2019 (Table 8). Staff propose consolidating the Saddle Mt–Scappoose (710A), Wilson–Trask (712A) and N. Cascade (hunt 716A, Santiam and McKenzie Units) hunts, and the Willamette Unit into one NW Oregon, Spring Bear controlled hunt. Staff also propose consolidating the White River (741) and Hood (742) into the White River-Hood (741A) controlled hunt.

Table 8. Recommendations for 2020 Spring Bear Hunts and Tag Numbers.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Dates	Proposed 2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Western Oregon									
	710A	NW Oregon	New hunt in 2020		900	990	New hunt in 2020	Apr. 1 - May 31	Replaces 710A, 712A, 716A, Expanded Area
710A		Saddle Mountain - Scappoose*	150	165			Apr. 1 - May 31	Delete in 2020	Included in 710A
712A		Wilson-Trask*	400	440			Apr. 1 - May 31	Delete in 2020	Included in 710A
716A		N Cascades*	350	385			Apr. 1 - May 31	Delete in 2020	Included in 710A
717A	717A	Alsea-Stott Mountain*	200	214	200	214	Apr. 1 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	
722A	722A	SW Oregon*	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,400	Apr. 1 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	
		Western OR Total	5,500	5,604	5,500	5,604			
Eastern Oregon									
731A	731A	South Central*	275	303	300	330	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
	741A	White River - Hood	New hunt in 2020		300	330	New hunt in 2020	Apr. 1 - May 31	Replaces 741, 742 Expanded Area
741		White River Unit	150	165		0	Apr. 1 - May 31	Delete in 2020	Included in 741A
742		Hood Unit	150	165		0	Apr. 1 - May 31	Delete in 2020	Included in 741A
746A	746A	S Blue Mountains*	700	770	700	770	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
752A	752A	Starkey-Ukiah*	250	275	250	275	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
754A	754A	Mt. Emily-Walla Walla	200	212	200	212	Apr. 1 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	
756	756	Wenaha Unit	225	248	250	275	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
757A	757A	Sled Springs -Chesnimnus*	250	275	275	303	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
759A	759A	Snake River Unit	400	440	400	440	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
760A	760A	Minam-Imnaha*	225	248	250	275	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
762A	762A	Pine Cr - Keating - Catherine Cr*	400	440	400	440	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
764	764	Lookout Mountain Unit	40	43	40	43	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
		Eastern OR Total	3,265	3,584	3,365	3,693			
Youth Hunts									
756T	756T	Wenaha Unit	50	55	50	55	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
757T	757T	Sled Springs-Chesnimnus*	80	88	80	88	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
760T	760T	Minam-Imnaha*	50	55	50	55	Apr. 15 - May 31	Apr. 1 - May 31	Expanded Dates
		Youth Total	180	198	180	198			
		Grand Total	8,945	9,386	9,045	9,495			

** Tag numbers adjusted up by each hunt's 4-yr average un-redemption rate to compensate for un-redeemed tags (max adjustment = 10%).

2020 General Bear Season Recommendations

Currently, General Fall Bear Season dates are Aug. 1 to Dec. 31 in Western Oregon and Aug. 1 to Nov. 30 in Eastern Oregon. Staff propose statewide, consistent General Fall Bear season dates of August 1 to December 31. This change will make the regulations simpler and is expected to have little biological impact.

Currently hunters in an 11 Wildlife Management Units area of southwest Oregon can purchase and fill an additional fall bear tag if they fill their first tag. Staff propose expanding the ability to purchase an additional fall bear tag to statewide. This change would make the additional fall bear tag hunt area consistent across the state, similar to the additional cougar tag. This change would simplify regulations and is expected to have little biological impact. In 2017, in the 11 SW Oregon units combined, 238 hunters harvested 40 bear, an average of less than 4 bear per unit. The additional tag may be purchased throughout the season; however, hunters must purchase the general season tag prior to the deadline to be eligible to purchase an additional tag.

Cougar Season Summaries and Recommendations

Target Areas

Four Cougar Target Areas were initiated January 1, 2016 and three (East Umpqua, Interstate, and Steens) concluded in 2018. The Warner Target Area is a five-year (2016-2020) effort with an annual objective of removing five cougar; to date in 2019 four cougar have been taken. After Target Area activities are completed the results will be evaluated.

Population Overview

The Department uses a deterministic, density-dependent population model (Keister and Van Dyke 2002) to estimate annual cougar abundance in Oregon from 1987 to present at the statewide level, and 1994 to present at the zone level. Like most state-level population models for cougars, this model relies on harvest data to develop estimates. The statewide population across all age classes for 2018 was estimated to be 6,471. The population has been increasing slowly since 2006 with an average annual increase of about 1%, but stable around 6,500-6,600 in recent years. The quota (i.e. mortality cap) of 180 cougars for Zone A was reached on November 27, 2018, closing the zone to cougar hunting for the rest of 2018. No other zones reached their respective quotas (Table 9). As of July 10, 2019, a total of 186 cougar mortalities had been reported for 2019 including 93 by hunters, 50 taken on damage complaints, 18 taken on human safety-pet conflict, 4 due to Target Area efforts, and 21 others including roadkill.

Table 9. Trend in total cougar mortality by cougar management zone in Oregon 2008 – 2018.

Zone	Zone Quota	Total Mortality							Zone Quota	Total Mortality			
		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014		2015	2016	2017	2018
A Coast/N Casc.	120	95	99	103	120	121	130	101	180	117	177	157	193
B SW Cascades	165	106	90	96	109	106	143	100	200	98	131	140	156
C SE Cascades	65	25	25	20	15	24	21	17	80	25	42	43	40
D Col. Basin	62	35	38	31	36	38	50	26	100	41	27	38	39
E Blue Mtns.	245	174	158	163	169	164	135	93	270	106	114	142	117
F SE Oregon	120	57	63	69	57	77	52	45	140	42	55	51	45
Total	777	492	473	482	506	530	531	383	970	427	546	571	591

Also included in the Cougar Management Plan, when the average proportion of 3+ year old female cougars in the total mortality exceeds 35% in a zone the Department considers a zone cougar population to be exceeding mortality levels. In the past decade, no cougar zone has exceeded these criteria (Table 10).

Table 10. Three-year averages of annual proportions of adult (≥ 3 year old) females of known ages for all sources of mortality by cougar management zone in Oregon, 2004–2017.

Year	Zone					
	A: Coast/N. Cascades	B: SW Cascades	C: SE Cascades	D: Columbia Basin	E: Blue Mountains	F: SE Oregon
2004–2006	12.2	16.0	24.7	13.1	20.0	14.7
2005–2007	12.5	16.0	25.8	18.0	20.9	21.1
2006–2008	11.9	17.0	16.5	23.2	22.6	26.1
2007–2009	15.3	19.2	14.7	26.2	24.2	28.1
2008–2010	17.2	18.9	11.4	26.4	26.7	24.3
2009–2011	17.1	18.5	13.8	27.1	28.6	22.6
2010–2012	15.9	14.1	16.4	23.5	25.9	22.0
2011–2013	13.7	14.0	21.0	20.0	22.0	21.1
2012–2014	12.1	12.4	20.2	17.4	21.5	14.4
2013–2015	12.2	12.7	16.6	22.6	22.2	12.3
2014–2016	14.0	12.1	19.0	21.3	23.9	15.0
2015–2017	16.1	13.4	20.1	18.5	22.7	20.1

Table 11 provides information regarding trends in damage complaints and known cougar mortalities from 1992 through 2018. The total number of statewide damage complaints received increased considerably from 462 in 2017 to 666 in 2018 (Table 20). 2018 cougar tag sales increased from 57,950 tags in 2017 to 61,030 in 2018; however hunter harvest decreased to 270 in 2018 (Table 20). Cougar tags sold as part of a Sports Pac average around 70% of tags sold in recent years. Non-hunting mortalities increased from 276 in 2017 to 321 in 2019.

Table 11. Trends in cougar complaints and mortality in Oregon during 1992–2018. Data current through 6/14/19. Numbers may change as late data is added.

Year	Number of Complaints ^a	Tags Sold ^b	Hunter-Harvest	Damage ^c	Human Safety ^d	Administrative Removals ^e	Other ^f	Total
1992	184	517	184	17	3	0	22	226
1993	276	560	162	20	7	0	21	210
1994	554	588	199	29	11	0	20	259
1995	742	385	22	41	22	0	12	97
1996	840	779	43	64	34	0	25	166
1997	798	935	61	82	20	0	18	181
1998	954	11,761	111	93	20	0	17	241
1999	1,072	14,564	169	91	39	0	25	324
2000 ^g	942	22,386	188	120	27	0	17	352
2001	829	28,447	221	97	27	0	21	366
2002	765	32,126	229	111	25	0	35	400
2003	697	34,135	248	111	28	0	25	412
2004	545	34,071	265	95	28	0	35	423
2005	622	38,079	224	125	28	0	30	407
2006	451	38,719	289	106	26	0	32	453
2007	453	41,813	309	114	21	52	41	537
2008	515	43,211	272	109	23	34	54	492
2009	432	45,375	274	110	31	21	37	473
2010	465	48,776	240	99	25	79	39	482
2011	500	50,889	241	139	23	71	32	506
2012	419	53,698	253	130	46	56	45	530
2013	359	55,072	292	148	24	36	31	531
2014	404	56,114	209	124	27	0	25	385
2015	444	57,387	233	134	22	0	44	433
2016	421	58,091	267	152	18	71	37	544
2017	462	57,950	292	151	27	60	25	571
2018	666	61,030	270	178	39	68	36	591

^aNumber of complaints received during the calendar year. Sightings not associated with damage or public safety concerns are not included.

^bIncludes general and additional tags (including Sports Pac licenses).

^cNumber of animals killed as a result of damage during a calendar year.

^dAnimals killed as a result of real or perceived threat to humans or pets.

^eAdministrative removals on cougar target areas (2007–present only).

^fIncludes roadkill, accidental, found dead, and illegal kill.

^gHunting season changed to calendar year.

2020 General Cougar Season Recommendations

There are no proposed changes to the 2020 cougar season (January 1-December 31). Although Zone A reached the quota in 2018, it was the first time since quotas were increased in 2015 and no other zones have reached their quotas. Therefore, there are no proposed changes to the 2020 cougar zone quotas (i.e. mortality caps).

Bighorn Sheep Season Summaries and Recommendations

Population Overview

California bighorn are found primarily in the high desert areas of southeast Oregon and in the John Day and Deschutes River canyon systems. Most bighorn populations continue to remain relatively stable. The statewide California bighorn population estimate is 4,000 – 4,200. The herd, in the Lower Owyhee River canyon, continues to struggle with an outbreak of bacteria (*Mycoplasma ovipneumonia*) induced respiratory disease. The Rattlesnake/Ten-mile herd, shared with Nevada, also has the same disease present. The Department continues work, in cooperation with an OSU Ph.D. student, to evaluate the extent, severity, and potential options for addressing the issue. Currently the student on this project is working on analysis of all field data. Results and recommendations should be available by summer 2020.

Rocky Mountain bighorn are found primarily in northeast Oregon, populations are estimated to be 600 – 800. Latent respiratory disease health issues also persist in some herds of Rocky Mountain bighorns. ODFW continues its collaboration with the Hells Canyon Restoration Initiative (HCI) in the tri-state area of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. Through this process the Department is aggressively researching the bighorn sheep disease issue and evaluating active management solutions. The HCI now supports a resident landowner outreach position focused on solutions to interactions between wild and domestic sheep in the area.

2018 Bighorn Harvest

Oregon bighorn hunters continued to enjoy high success rates. Six of seven Rocky Mountain bighorn tag holders harvested sheep (86%), and the special auction tag and special raffle tag holders both took Rocky Mountain bighorns. Seventy-two California bighorn sheep were taken by 77 tag holders (94%). Six of the 84 bighorn tags (7%) were issued to non-resident hunters.

Bighorn Sheep Tag Recommendations

A number of changes are proposed to the 2020 bighorn sheep seasons. Most proposed changes reflect the “once-in-a-lifetime” nature of the bighorn sheep hunting opportunity. Proposals focus on improving hunters experience with longer season, moving or extending many hunts to a cooler time of the year, and simplifying hunt boundaries. Major proposed changes are as follows.

- Three east and three west John Day River hunts combined into three consecutive John Day River hunts;
- Two Aldrich hunts combined into one longer duration hunt;
- Twenty-one hunt periods changed to establish consistent, set dates with longer seasons;
- Four hunt areas expanded to the entire unit or hunt boundaries made simpler.

For 2020 the Department is proposing 76 Bighorn Sheep tags (67 California, 9 Rocky Mountain) in 32 hunts (26 California, 6 Rocky Mountain) (Table 12). This represents a six tag reduction from 2019. The Hart Mountain sheep hunt is proposed to be deleted because of a long-term decline in the sheep population. Five tags (one Rocky Mountain, four California) are proposed for non-resident hunters (7% percent). For 2020, most hunts will move five days later with many hunt periods being expanded.

Table 12. Recommended 2020 Bighorn Sheep Hunts and Tags. Bag Limit: One Bighorn Sheep Ram.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags		Proposed 2020 Tags		2019 Dates	Proposed 2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
			Res.	Non-Res.	Res.	Non-Res.			
Rocky Mountain Bighorn									
556	556	Wenaha	1				Oct. 10 - Oct. 22	No Tag in 2020	Next Tag in 2022
559A1	559A1	N Snake River *	1		2		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Aug. 15 - Oct.31	Date Change
559A2	559A2	S Snake River *	1		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Aug. 15 - Oct.31	Area & Name change
560A	560A	Hurricane Divide*	2		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Aug. 15 - Oct.31	Date Change
560B	560B	Bear Creek*	2		2		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Aug. 15 - Oct.31	Date Change
564A1	564A1	Lookout Mountain No. 1	1		1		Aug. 24 - Sept. 4	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
564A2	564A2	Lookout Mountain No. 2	1	1	1	1	Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept.15 - Oct 14	Date Change
Rocky Mtn Total			9	1	8	1			
California Bighorn									
	543A1	John Day River No. 1			6			Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Combined E & W
	543A2	John Day River No. 2			4	2		Nov. 2 - Nov. 13	Combined E & W
	543A3	John Day River No. 3			6			Nov. 14 - Nov. 27	Combined E & W
543A1		E John Day River No. 1	3				Oct.12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	Included in 543A1
543A2		E John Day River No. 2	2	1			Oct. 28 - Nov. 5	Delete in 2020	Included in 543A2
543A3		E John Day River No. 3	3				Nov.9 - Nov.17	Delete in 2020	Included in 543A3
543A4		W John Day River No. 1	3				Oct.12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	Included in 543A1
543A5		W John Day River No. 2	2	1			Oct. 28 - Nov. 5	Delete in 2020	Included in 543A2
543A6		W John Day River No. 3	3				Nov.9 - Nov.17	Delete in 2020	Included in 543A3
543B1	543B1	E Deschutes River No. 1*	3		2		Sept. 7 - Sept. 15	Sept. 12 - Sept. 20	
543B2	543B2	E Deschutes River No. 2*	2		2		Oct.12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
543B3	543B3	E Deschutes River No. 3*	2		2		Oct. 28 - Nov. 5	Nov. 2 - Nov. 13	
543C1	543C1	W Deschutes River No. 1*	3		3		Sept. 7 - Sept. 15	Sept. 12 - Sept. 20	
543C2	543C2	W Deschutes River No. 2*	2		2		Oct.12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
543C3	543C3	W Deschutes River No. 3*	3		3		Oct. 28 - Nov. 5	Nov. 2 - Nov. 13	
546A1	546A	Aldrich*	2		3		Aug. 15 -Aug. 31	Aug. 15 - Oct. 31	Date Change
546A2		Aldrich No. 2	1				Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Delete in 2020	Included in 546A
546B	546B	McClellan*	2		2		Aug. 15 - Oct. 31	Aug. 15 - Oct. 31	
548	548	Potamus*	1		1		Aug. 10 -Aug. 21	Aug. 15 - Oct. 31	Date and Area expansion
551A	551	Burnt River Canyon*	1		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Area Expansion

Table 12 Cont. Recommended 2020 Bighorn Sheep Hunts and Tags. Bag Limit: One Bighorn Sheep Ram.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags		Proposed 2020 Tags		2019 Dates	Proposed 2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
			Res.	Non-Res.	Res.	Non-Res.			
568A1	568A1	Sheepshead Mtns No. 1*	1		1		Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
568A2	568A2	Sheepshead Mtns No. 2*	2		2		Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Sept. 15 - Oct. 14	Date Change
568B1	568B1	E Whitehorse No. 1*	3		2		Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
568B2	568B2	E Whitehorse No. 2*	2		2		Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Sept. 15 - Oct. 14	Date Change
569A1	569A1	Steens Mountain No. 1*	2		3		Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
569A2	569A2	Steens Mountain No. 2*	3		2		Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Sept. 15 - Oct. 14	Date Change
569B	569B	N Catlow Rim*	1		1		Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
570A		Hart Mountain Refuge*	2	1			Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Delete in 2020	Population Decline
570B1	570B1	E Beatys Butte/ Alvord Peaks No. 1*	2		2		Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
570B2	570B2	E Beatys Butte/ Alvord Peaks No. 2*	1	1	1	1	Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Sept. 15 - Oct. 14	Date Change
570C	570C	Coleman - E Guano*	2		2		Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
574	574	Warner Unit	3		3		Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
575A1	575A1	S Central No. 1*	2	1	2	1	Aug. 17 - Aug. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 14	Date Change
575A2	575A2	S Central No. 2*	3		3		Sept. 3 - Sept. 16	Sept. 15 - Oct. 14	Date Change
California Total			67	5	64	5			
Grand Total			76	6	71	5			
Nonresident % =				7%		7%			

Rocky Mountain Goat Season Summaries and Recommendations

Population Overview

Rocky Mountain goat populations have remained stable or increased in recent years. The total population is estimated to be ~1,200 animals, with the largest established populations found in northeast Oregon and the Strawberry Mountains. One population is found in the Cascades, primarily on Mount Jefferson and Three Fingered Jack. This herd continues to increase and biologists are seeing good kid production.

2018 Rocky Mountain Goat Seasons

Rocky Mountain goat hunters continue to have high success rates and the required field orientation provided by biologists continues to be useful to help hunters minimize harvest of female goats. In 2018, the Commission authorized 24 Rocky Mountain goat tags in 14 controlled hunts and two special tags (one auction tag and one raffle tag). All controlled tag holders and both special tag holders were successful for a 100% success rate in 2018.

Rocky Mountain Goat Tag Recommendations

For 2020, the Department is proposing a three tag increase to 27 Rocky Mountain goat tags in 16 hunts (Table 13). This includes two new hunts proposed for next year. Two tags (7.4%) will be issued to non-resident hunters. Season dates for 13 hunts will be changed to longer, set periods. In five hunts, the hunt areas has either been simplified or expanded to include the entire Wildlife Management Unit.

Table 13. Recommended 2020 Rocky Mountain Goat Hunts and Tags. Bag Limit: One Rocky Mt. Goat.

2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags		Proposed 2020 Tags		2019 Dates	Proposed 2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
		Res.	Non-Res.	Res.	Non- Res.			
946A	Strawberry Mtns*	1		1		Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	
951A1	Elkhorn No. 1*	3		3		Sept. 7 - Sept. 15	Aug. 1 - Aug. 31	Date Change, Boundary Expansion
951A2	Elkhorn No. 2*	1	1	1	1	Sept. 16 - Sept. 24	Sept. 1 - Sept. 30	Date Change, Boundary Expansion
951A3	Elkhorn No. 3*	3		3		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change, Boundary Expansion
953A	S Wallowa Mtns	New hunt in 2020		1		New hunt in 2020	Aug. 1 - Oct. 31	New hunt, all of units 53, 62, 63, and a portion of unit 60
956A	N Wenaha*	1		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change
959A1	Hat Point No. 1*	1	1	1	1	Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Sept. 30	Date Change
959A2	Hat Point No. 2*	2		3		Oct. 12 - Oct. 22	Oct. 1 - Oct. 31	Tag & Date change
959B1	S Snake River No. 1*	2		2		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Sept. 30	Date Change
959B2	S Snake River No. 2*	1		1		Oct. 12 - Oct. 22	Oct. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change
960A1	E Hurricane Cr*	1		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change, Boundary Clarification
960A2	W Hurricane Cr*	1		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change
960B1	Goat Mountain No. 1*	2		2		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Sept. 30	Date Change
960B2	Goat Mountain No. 2*	2		2		Oct. 12 - Oct. 22	Oct. 1 - Oct. 31	Date change
960C	Copper Creek	New hunt in 2020		1		New hunt in 2020	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	New hunt
961A	Cusick Mountain*	1		1		Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change, Boundary Expansion
Total		22	2	25	2			
		Non res % =	8.3%		7.4%			

Premium Hunts

In October 2015, the Commission adopted three new controlled hunt series to create the “Premium Hunts”: one for deer, one for elk, and one for pronghorn. The number of applications for the 2019 Premium Hunts increased 8% to 67,869, including 25,657 for deer hunts, 26,615 for elk hunts, and 13,578 for pronghorn hunts. Not all hunters who drew Premium Hunt tags in 2018 purchased the tag; two deer tags and four elk tags were not sold (Table 14).

Premium tag holders continue to have much higher success rates compared to other controlled and general season tag holders with premium deer tag holders having 67% success, premium elk tag holders having 71%, and premium pronghorn tag holders enjoying 90% success. Seventy-six percent of successful hunters with premium deer tags harvested a 4 point or larger buck and 66% of premium elk tag holders harvested a 6 point or larger bull (Table 14).

Table 14. Hunter effort and harvest for Premium Hunts in 2018.

Species	Tags		Hunted		Total Days	Days/ Hunter	Antlerless/ Doe	Spike/ Buck*	2 Pt	3 Pt	4 Pt+	5 Pt	6 Pt+	Total Harvest
	Sold	Reports	No	Yes										
Deer	65	59	2	57	557	10	0	1	3	5	29			38
Elk	60	59	1	58	597	10	6	3	1	0	0	4	27	41
Pronghorn	27	23	3	20	164	8	0	18						18

*Buck applies to pronghorn, otherwise the column represents spike deer and elk.

4 Pt+ applies to deer with 4 or more points on one antler

6 Pt+ applies to elk with 6 or more points on one antler

There are 67 Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) in Oregon, 20 in western Oregon, and 47 east of the crest of the Cascade Mountain Range. Most of the Premium Hunts are for a single WMU, a few are for two adjacent WMUs. For 2020, one Premium Deer Tag is proposed for each of the 67 WMUs. Additionally, Hart Mountain National Antelope Refuge will now be open for the Beatys Butte (L70) and Juniper (L71) premium deer tags. One Premium Elk Tag is proposed for each WMU except for three hunt areas that include two WMUs, the Owyhee/Whitehorse hunt area, Steens Mtn/Beatys Butte hunt area, and Juniper/Wagontire hunt area, resulting in 64 elk tags. There are 27 Premium Pronghorn Tags proposed (Table 15). To make boundary descriptions simpler for two Premium Pronghorn hunts; hunt N40 will be expanded to include the entire Biggs WMU and renamed the Maupin – Biggs hunt, and Hunt N44 will subsequently be renamed the Columbia Basin hunt. In total for deer (67 tags), elk (64 tags), and pronghorn (27 tags) there are 158 premium tags are proposed.

Table 15. Premium pronghorn hunt tags proposed for 2020.

Premium Pronghorn Hunts				
N32	Klamath Falls	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N33	Sprague	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N35	Paulina	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N36	Maury	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N37	Ochoco	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N38	Grizzly	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N40	Maupin/Biggs	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N44	Columbia Basin	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N45	Fossil/Heppner	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N46	Murderers Cr	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N47	Northside	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N51	Sumpter	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N63	Keating	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N64	Lookout Mountain	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N65	Beulah	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N66	Malheur River	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N67	Owyhee	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N68	Whitehorse	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N69	Steens Mountain	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N70A	E Beatys Butte	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N70B	W Beatys Butte	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N71	Juniper	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N72	Silvies	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N73	Wagontire	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N74	Warner	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N75	Interstate	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
N77	Fort Rock/Silver Lake	1	One Pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Nov. 30
Pronghorn Hunt Total		27		
Grand Total Premium Tags		158		

Pronghorn Antelope Season Summaries and Recommendations

Pronghorn Population Overview

Pronghorn populations continue to do well in south central Oregon reflecting the variable summer and winter conditions across the landscape during the last year. Populations in Baker, Malheur and northern Harney Counties continue to struggle with impacts from winter 2016–2017. Generally, the spring and early summer of 2019 has been very favorable for the desert portions of southeast Oregon. Spring green-up and summer moistures conditions this year have been very good, and forage conditions going into summer are excellent in some areas. Currently pronghorn populations are estimated to be 16,000 to 19,000.

2018 Pronghorn Harvest

Mandatory harvest survey data indicate that in general, pronghorn hunters continue to enjoy good success. Any Legal Weapon hunters (1,720) harvested 1,168 pronghorn (68% success), muzzleloader hunters (119) took 57 animals (48% success), and archery hunters (359) took 137 (40% success).

Pronghorn Antelope Tag Recommendations

A number of pronghorn season changes are proposed for 2020. Seven existing hunts are proposed for consolidation into four hunts. For three hunts, dates have been expanded to include later hunting opportunity that increases flexibility to work around high summer temperatures and risks of high fire danger or active wildfires. Hunt areas are proposed for expansion or simplification in 12 hunts. Finally, one bag limit was made simpler and one new hunting opportunity is proposed.

The Department is proposing 2,286 tags in 55 hunts in 2020, for a drop of 1.7% from 2019 tag numbers (Table 16). The slight tag reduction is due to tag decreases in the Owyhee and Malheur River WMUs where populations continue to struggle with impacts of winter 2016–2017.

Table 16. Recommended 2020 Pronghorn Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Any Legal Weapon Hunts											
435	435	Paulina Unit	15	16	15	16	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
436	436	Maury Unit	25	27	25	27	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
437	437	Ochoco Unit	90	95	90	95	One buck pronghorn	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	Bag Limit Change
438	438	Grizzly Unit	10	11	10	11	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
440		Maupin - W Biggs*	10	10			One pronghorn either sex		Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Delete in 2020	Included in 440A1
	440A1	Columbia Plateau No. 1*	New in 2020		50	55	New in 2020	One doe or fawn pronghorn	New in 2020	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Expanded Area
	440A2	Columbia Plateau No. 2*	New in 2020		20	20	New in 2020	One buck pronghorn	New in 2020	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Expanded Area
443A1		Columbia Plateau No. 1*	50	55			One doe or fawn pronghorn		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	Included in 440A1
443A2		Columbia Plateau No. 2*	20	20			One buck pronghorn		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	Included in 440A2
	445A	Fossil Unit No. 1	New in 2020		25	28	New in 2020	One doe or fawn pronghorn	New in 2020	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
	445B	Fossil Unit No. 2	New in 2020		10	11	New in 2020	One buck pronghorn	New in 2020	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
445A		S Fossil-Winlock No. 1*	20	22			One doe or fawn pronghorn		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	Expand area, New name
445B		S Fossil-Winlock No. 2*	10	11			One buck pronghorn		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	Expand area, New name
446	446	Murderers Cr Unit	50	54	50	54	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
447	447	Northside - Ritter*	6	6	6	6	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
451	451	Sumpter Unit	5	5	5	5	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
	462	Pine Cr - Keating	New in 2020		5	5	New in 2020	One buck pronghorn		Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	Expand area, New name

Table 16 Continued. Recommended 2020 Pronghorn Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
463		Keating Unit	5	5			One buck pronghorn		Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Delete in 2020	Included in 462A
464	464	Lookout Mountain Unit	7	8	7	8	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
465	465	Beulah Unit	25	27	25	27	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 22 - Sep. 6	Date Change
466A1	466A1	Malheur River No. 1	80	86	75	80	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	Winter Pop'n Effects
466A2	466A2	Malheur River No. 2	80	86	75	80	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Aug. 26 - Sept. 3	Winter Pop'n Effects
466B	466B	Harney Basin*	50	55	50	55	One doe or fawn pronghorn	One doe or fawn pronghorn	Aug. 31-Sept. 15	Sept. 5 - Sept. 20	
467	467	Owyhee Unit	60	64	50	54	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
	468	Whitehorse Unit	New in 2020		140	153	New in 2020	One pronghorn either sex	New in 2020	Aug. 22 - Sep. 6	Replaces 468A1, A2
468A1		Whitehorse Unit No. 1	70	76			One pronghorn either sex		Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Delete in 2020	Combining Hunts
468A2		Whitehorse Unit No. 2	70	75			One pronghorn either sex		Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Delete in 2020	Combining Hunts
469A	469A	Steens Mountain*	100	106	100	106	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
470A	470A	E Beatys Butte*	80	86	80	86	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
470B	470B1	W Beatys Butte No.1*	50	53	35	37	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
	470B2	W Beatys Butte No.2*	New in 2020		35	37	New in 2020	One buck pronghorn		Aug. 26 - Sept. 3	New hunt
470C	470C	Hart Mountain*	40	41	40	41	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Sept. 7 - Sept. 13	Sept. 12 - Sept. 18	
471A	471A	Juniper*	80	84	60	63	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 22 - Sept. 6	
472A1	472A1	Silvies Unit No. 1	40	42	40	42	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	

Table 16 Continued. Recommended 2020 Pronghorn Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
472A2	472A2	Silvies Unit No. 2	40	42	40	42	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Aug. 26 - Sept. 3	
472B	472B	Riley*	30	32	30	32	One doe or fawn pronghorn	One doe or fawn pronghorn	Aug. 31-Sept. 15	Sept. 5 - Sept. 20	
473A	473A	N Wagontire*	30	31	30	31	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
473B	473B	S Wagontire*	10	10	15	15	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
474A	474A	Warner Unit No. 1	60	62	60	62	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
474B	474B	Warner Unit No. 2	60	62	60	62	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Aug. 26 - Sept. 3	
475A	475A	E Interstate*	25	26	25	26	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
476A	476A	Ft Rock - Silver Lake*	40	44	40	44	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	Bndry Exp., New Name
Any Legal Weapon Total			1,443	1,535	1,423	1,516					
Bow Hunts											
435R	435R	Paulina Unit Bow	5	6	5	6	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 24 - Sept. 1	Aug. 29 - Sept. 6	
436R	436R	Maury Unit Bow	30	33	30	33	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 24 - Sept. 1	Aug. 29 - Sept. 6	
464R	464R	Lookout Mtn Unit Bow	10	11	10	11	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 31-Sept. 8	Sept. 5 - Sept. 13	
466R	466R	Malheur River Unit Bow	50	55	50	55	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 31-Sept. 8	Sept. 5 - Sept. 13	
467R	467R	Owyhee Unit Bow	50	55	40	44	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 24 - Sept. 1	Aug. 26 - Sept.3	
470R1	470R1	Hart Mountain Bow*	25	26	25	26	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 1 - Aug. 9	Aug. 6 - Aug. 14	
470R2	470R2	W Beatys Butte Bow*	35	38	35	38	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Sept. 4 - Sept. 11	Date Change
	473R	Wagontire Unit	New in 2020		5	6	New in 2020	One buck pronghorn		Aug. 29 - Sept. 6	New Unit wide Hunt

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
473R		N Wagontire Bow*	5	6			One buck pronghorn		Aug. 24 - Sept. 1	Delete in 2020	
474R	474R	Warner Unit Bow	45	49	45	49	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 1 - Aug. 9	Aug. 6 - Aug. 14	
475R1	475R1	E Interstate Bow*	50	55	50	55	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 31 - Sept. 8	Sept. 5 - Sept. 13	
475R2	475R2	Gerber Reservoir Bow*	150	165	150	165	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 3 - Aug. 11	Aug. 8 - Aug. 16	Boundary Clarification
477R	477R	E Slope Bow* Read hunt description note before applying.	50	55	50	55	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
Bow Total			150	165	150	165					
Muzzleloader Hunts											
435M	435M	Paulina Unit Muzzleloader	5	6	5	6	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 24 - Sept. 1	Aug. 29 - Sept. 6	
470M	470M	E Beatys Butte Muzzleloader*	40	44	40	44	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Aug. 26 - Sept. 3	
	473M	Wagontire Unit			10	11		One pronghorn either sex		Aug. 29 - Sept. 6	New unit wide hunt
473M1		S Wagontire Muzzleloader*	10	11			One pronghorn either sex		Aug. 21- Aug. 29	Delete in 2020	
473M2		N Wagontire Muzzleloader*	5	5			One pronghorn either sex		Aug. 24 - Sept. 1	Delete in 2020	
475M	475M	Gerber Reservoir Muzzleloader*	50	55	50	55	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 31 - Sept. 8	Sept. 5 - Sept. 13	Boundary Clarification
476M	476M	Fort Rock-Silver Lake Muzzleloader*	40	44	40	44	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 31 - Sept. 8	Sept. 5 - Sept. 13	Bndry exp., New name
Muzzleloader Total			150	165	145	160					

Table 16 Continued. Recommended 2020 Pronghorn Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Youth Hunts											
432T	432T	Swan Lake*	3	3	3	3	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
	453T	Catherine Cr Unit			3	3		One buck pronghorn		Aug. 1 - Aug. 31	Replace 453T
453T		Thief Valley*	3	3			One buck pronghorn		Aug. 1 - Aug. 31	Delete in 2020	
470T	470T	Hart Mountain*	3	3	3	3	One buck pronghorn	One buck pronghorn	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
475T	475T	Gerber Reservoir*	30	31	30	31	One pronghorn either sex	One pronghorn either sex	Aug. 17 - Aug. 25	Aug. 22 - Aug. 30	Boundary Clarification
Youth Total			39	40	39	40					
Grand Total			2,137	2,294	2,102	2,259					
** Tag numbers adjusted up by each hunt's 4-yr average un-redemption rate to compensate for un-redeemed tags (max adjustment = 10%).											

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Population Overview

Mule deer populations dropped slightly to an estimated 190,445 in 2018 as a result of winter conditions. Most WMUs remain below population management objectives. Two management units, West Biggs and Wagontire, are at or above management objective. No reliable population estimate is available for black-tailed deer and subsequently there are no established management objectives. Department research staff and District Wildlife Biologists continue to develop genetic sampling methods expected to produce reasonable deer population estimates for western Oregon in the future. Following is a summary of the ongoing deer research.

Mule Deer Movements & Survival Monitoring

Between winter 2014–2015 and winter 2017–2018 the Department has deployed GPS collars on 1,101 mule deer throughout most of eastern Oregon. The primary objectives of this effort are to delineate population boundaries and monitor annual overwinter survival. Additional products from this data include identification of critical migrations corridors and potential barriers.

Initial analysis of winter and summer animal distributions, combined with spring and fall migration movements suggests northeastern Oregon from the Prineville area to the Wallowa Mountains contains seven mule deer populations. There is limited movement across population boundaries.

The Department now has four complete years of survival and mortality monitoring for much of the Blue Mountains. During this period 408 collared deer have died. Of the total mortalities where a cause could be identified (n=250, 63%), predation (55%), disease and starvation (11%), vehicle strikes (11%), and harvest (6%) are the most common causes.

Mortality data indicate that survival varies dramatically across Oregon's landscape and through time. Generally speaking, 80% annual survival is needed to maintain a deer population. Average annual survival at the population level was 80% during winter 2015–2016 ranging from 68% to 89%. Average survival dropped to 73% during the harsh winter of 2016–2017 (65% – 82%) and remained low (75%) during winter 2017-2018. For the last complete year (winter 2018–2019) average survival improved to 89% and ranged from 85% to 100% depending on area.

Mule Deer Limited Landowner Preference Tags

In 2013, House Bill 2027A authorized the Commission to limit mule deer buck tags in WMUs where the mule deer population is below the Management Objective (MO). Beginning in 2015, Landowner Preference (LOP) tags for mule deer buck hunts (100 Series) in WMUs with estimated populations below 100% of the population MO were limited to five tags or 10% of the total controlled hunt tags authorized for each hunt, whichever is greater. In March 2017, the Commission adopted revised formulas with the total number of LOP tags available in a hunt based on how close the population is to the MO.

Districts are working on finalizing mule deer population estimates for 2019. When the population estimates are finalized the number of Limited Landowner Mule Deer Tags available for each hunt in 2020 will be determined and the information will be made available to landowners and the public. Landowners will also receive tag number information in the packet of LOP materials sent out by Licensing during February of each year. Final Limited Mule Deer LOP tag numbers will be adopted by Temporary Rule prior to the June 2020 controlled hunt draw.

2018 General and Controlled Deer Season Harvest

Based on mandatory harvest survey results, Western General Season black-tailed deer Any Legal Weapon hunter participation remained stable with 61,114 hunters harvesting 13,179 deer in 2018 (22% success), an increase of 4% in harvest over 2017. The number of general early season bow hunters increased 8% to 24,419 with a corresponding increase in harvest of 25% to 3,204 deer (13% success). Late season bow hunters remained stable but harvest declined slightly to 1,376 deer (12% success).

The number of controlled buck deer hunters declined 5% to 41,980 hunters. However, corresponding harvest increased 6% to 13,280 animals for an overall controlled buck hunting success rate of 32%. Controlled doe hunters (7,752) harvested 3,713 animals for 48% success.

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Proposed general deer season dates will shift five days later for 2020. The general archery bag limit is a legal buck except in units identified by the Commission each year. At this time, the Department is not proposing any changes to the list of units that would have an expanded bag limit during the general bow season. Similarly, no changes are proposed to the list of WMUs where hunters with disabilities would have an expanded bag limit.

Staff are proposing a bag limit change for western Oregon buck deer hunts from the current “one buck deer having not less than a forked antler” to “one buck with visible antler”. The proposed change is coupled with a proposal to change western Oregon 600 series bag limits with a “one antlerless or spike deer” to “one antlerless deer”. These changes would make buck deer and antlerless deer bag limits consistent throughout Oregon. The proposed changes would also make identification of a legal deer easier and resolve some enforcement concerns. Additionally, the change to 600 series bag limits will ensure that affected hunts are focused on damage resolution and population control rather than providing a second buck harvest opportunity. The proposed change to a bag limit of “one buck with visible antler” is expected to increase harvest opportunities for hunters by allowing the harvest of spike bucks. Although some hunters may choose to hunt for larger bucks, it is anticipated this bag limit change would support R3 efforts by allowing spike bucks to be harvested by hunters eager to successfully harvest a buck.

Spike harvest would not be completely additive to the harvest of bucks. Harvesting spikes allows some larger antlered bucks to escape because some hunters who harvest a spike would have harvested a buck with more antler points later in the season. Additionally, if proposals are adopted, some of the spikes taken during buck season would have been taken during hunts with the current “one antlerless or spike deer” bag limit.

The Department has received numerous comments regarding changing the bag limits for deer in western Oregon, particularly changing the buck bag limit to one buck with a visible antler. Some hunters support the proposal; others oppose the idea or have concerns. One common misconception is that all yearling bucks are spikes and that protecting spikes increases the number of branch antlered bucks in following years. Some hunters believe you can tell the age of a deer by counting antler points and do not understand that antler size and points also reflect the deer’s nutritional state as well as genetics. The Southwest Oregon Research Unit examined 72 yearling deer, and only 51% were spikes. From 2014-2017 the Department Population Lab received 504 teeth from

yearling deer, 180 (36%) were reported as having two or more points on at least one antler. This data indicates more than 1/3 of yearling black-tailed deer are hunted currently as a buck with at least a forked antler.

Because of the behavior of black-tailed deer, and the dense cover they tend to inhabit, some hunters believe there are few deer and even fewer mature bucks. For a recent project, herd composition for Oregon was compiled for 2007-2013. The post hunting season antler class of black-tailed deer in western Oregon was 18% spikes, 38% two point, 24%, three point, and 14% four point; for eastern Oregon mule deer: 16% spikes, 36% two point, 25%, three point, and 23% with four or more points on one antler. Note, it is very common for mature black-tailed deer to be forked horns or three points, and spikes are included in the bag limit in eastern Oregon.

The proposed change may result in an increase in total buck harvest, but there are sufficient bucks in the population to support increased harvest. All but one Western Oregon unit has met or exceeded the benchmark for observed post-hunting season buck ratio (bucks per 100 does) in at least two of the last three years when surveys are conducted using a spotlight. The buck ratio observed during the traditional spotlight surveys is lower than observed by trail cameras in the same Southwest Oregon WMUs. Additionally, initial information from research using fecal DNA to identify deer has consistently shown more than 50 males per 100 does from samples collected during early spring, before fawns are born.

Fecal DNA research is also finding more deer than many people would expect. Although the results are preliminary, average deer densities in the WMUs completed to date (two in the Cascades, two in the Coast Range) range from around 10 deer per square mile on Federal land to around 20 per square mile on large private lands, primarily corporate timber holdings.

The Murderers Creek Unit is the only unit in the state that has a split weapon restriction in a portion of the unit during general archery season. Ninety-six percent of the unit is open to all legal archery equipment the entire season. The remaining 4% of the unit, known as the "Canyon Creek Area" is open to long or recurve ("Traditional") archery equipment only for the first week of archery season and then opens to all legal archery equipment for the remaining portion of the season. This regulation creates significant complication for such a small area and reduces archery hunter opportunity.

The initial archery hunting season for the Canyon Creek Archery area required each archer to check in and out as well as present their arrows for inspection by Department staff to assure they were "sufficiently sharp" (1935 Official Synopsis of Oregon Hunting Laws). We have all come a long ways together with the archery constituency. The Department believes the more meaningful types of opportunity meaningful for traditional archers are better represented by the hunt in the Trout Creek Mountains and the new proposal in the North Fork John Day Wilderness. The Department continues to celebrate and provide quality archery hunting opportunity throughout the state in both general archery seasons and controlled archery hunts.

Staff propose making the entire Murderers Creek Unit open to all legal archery equipment during General Archery Deer Season. This change simplifies hunting regulations and makes the Murderers

Creek Unit consistent with other units in the state for the General Archery Season. Simplified general seasons are a key component of successfully addressing the Department's R3 objectives. A number of changes are proposed for controlled buck deer hunts in 2020. Four existing hunts are proposed for consolidation into one hunt. Season dates for three hunts will be expanded, made simpler, or made consistent with other hunts. Hunt areas for 13 hunts have been simplified or expanded to include the entire WMU. Finally, bag limits are proposed to change in 13 hunts. Three new controlled hunt opportunities are proposed for 2020 and one hunt will move from an unlimited number of tags available to a set number established at approximately the number of tags to meet recent demand for the hunt.

Similar to buck hunting opportunities, there are a number of changes to the 600 series controlled antlerless deer hunts. Sixteen existing hunts are proposed for consolidation into seven hunts. Dates were expanded, simplified, or made consistent with other hunts for 16 existing hunts. Hunt boundaries are proposed for expansion to the WMU or simplification in 17 hunts, and 38 hunts are proposed for bag limit changes to be consistent with other hunts. One new controlled hunt opportunity is proposed for 2020.

Overall, the Department is proposing a net 2.2% decrease in controlled deer tag numbers for 2020 (Table 17, Table 18). This decline is largely a result of tag number decreases in several areas still struggling with latent effects of recent winters.

Table 17. Recommended 2020 Buck Deer Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Any Legal Weapon Hunts											
119A	119A	W High Cascade*	3,000	3,300	3,000	3,300	One buck having not less than a forked antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 7 - Sept. 15	Sept. 12 - Sept. 20	Bag Change
123A	123A	Umpqua*	20	22	20	22	One white-tailed or black-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler	One white-tailed or black-tailed buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	Bag Change
123B	123B	N. Bank Habitat*	3	3	3	3	One white-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler or one black-tailed deer	One white-tailed buck with visible antler or one black-tailed deer	Dec. 21 - Dec. 27	Dec. 26 - Jan. 1, '21	Bag Change
131	131	Keno Unit	900	990	900	990	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
132	132	Klamath Falls Unit	850	918	850	918	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
133	133	Sprague Unit	600	660	600	660	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
134	134	Upper Deschutes Unit	2,150	2,365	2,150	2,365	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
135	135	Paulina Unit	1,300	1,430	1,300	1,430	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
136	136	Maury Unit	350	382	350	382	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
137	137	Ochoco Unit	2,200	2,420	2,050	2,255	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
138	138	Grizzly Unit	1,000	1,070	900	963	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
139	139	Metolius Unit	350	350	350	350	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
140	140	Maupin Unit	400	440	400	440	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
141A	141A	Hood-White River*	100	110	100	110	One buck having not less than a forked antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 7 - Sept. 15	Sept. 12 - Sept. 20	Bag Change, No longer valid in General Season

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
141B	141B	White River Unit No. 1	1,500	1,650	1,500	1,650	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
141C	141C	White River Unit No. 2	10	10	10	10	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
142A	142A	Hood Unit No. 1	600	660	600	660	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
142B	142B	Hood Unit No. 2	10	10	10	10	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
143A	143A	E Biggs*	700	770	700	770	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
143B	143B	W Biggs*	700	763	700	763	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
	143C	John Day Canyon	New in 2020		20	20		One buck with visible antler		Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	New Hunt
144	144	Columbia Basin Unit	1,800	1,980	1,800	1,980	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
145	145	Fossil Unit No. 1	2,000	2,200	1,800	1,980	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
	145A	Fossil Unit No. 2	New in 2020		10	10		One buck with visible antler		Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	New Hunt
146	146	Murderers Cr Unit	800	880	800	880	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
147	147	Northside Unit	1,000	1,100	1,000	1,100	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
148	148	Heppner Unit No. 1	3,100	3,410	2,900	3,190	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
	148A	Heppner Unit No. 2	New in 2020		10	10		One buck with visible antler		Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	New Hunt
149	149	Ukiah Unit	1,700	1,870	1,700	1,870	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
150	150	Desolation Unit	900	990	900	990	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
151	151	Sumpter Unit	750	825	750	825	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
152A	152A	Starkey*	488	537	400	440	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
152B	152B	Starkey Exp Forest*	10	10	10	10	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 2**	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	Tag valid in Unit 52 entire season.
153	153	Catherine Cr Unit	260	276	260	276	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
154A	154A	E Mount Emily*	130	142	100	109	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
154B	154B	W Mount Emily*	450	495	450	495	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
154C	154C	Mount Emily	10	10	10	10	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	Nov. 14 - Nov.25	
155A	155	Walla Walla Unit*	225	245	225	245	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	Boundary Expansion
156	156	Wenaha Unit	450	495	450	495	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
157	157	Sled Springs Unit	1,750	1,925	1,750	1,925	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
157A	157A	Lower Wallowa Valley*	30	33	25	28	One buck with visible antler	One white-tailed deer	Nov. 11 - Nov. 20	Nov. 16 - Nov. 25	Change to any weapon.
158	158	Chesnimnus Unit	500	550	500	550	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
159	159	Snake River Unit	300	330	300	330	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
160	160	Minam Unit	600	660	600	660	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
161	161	Imnaha Unit	750	825	750	825	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
162	162	Pine Cr Unit	175	193	175	193	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
163	163	Keating Unit	250	275	250	275	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
164	164	Lookout Mountain Unit	150	161	150	161	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
165	165	Beulah Unit	1,080	1,188	900	990	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
165A	165A	SE Beulah*	270	297	225	248	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
166	166	Malheur River Unit	1,100	1,210	1,000	1,100	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
167	167	Owyhee Unit	340	367	275	297	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
167A	167A	NE Owyhee*	95	105	95	105	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
168A	168A	Trout Cr Mountains*	50	53	50	53	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
168B	168B	E Whitehorse*	250	275	250	275	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
169A	169A	Steens Mountain*	250	258	250	258	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
170A	170A	Beatys Butte*	150	165	150	165	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
171A	171A	N Juniper*	100	110	100	110	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
171B	171B	S Juniper*	100	110	75	83	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
172	172	Silvies Unit	700	749	700	749	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
173	173	Wagontire Unit	200	212	200	212	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
174A	174A	N Warner*	50	50	40	40	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
174B	174B	S Warner*	225	248	175	193	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
175	175	Interstate Unit	1,600	1,744	1,400	1,526	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
176	176	Silver Lake Unit	1,800	1,980	1,800	1,980	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
177	177	Fort Rock Unit	2,500	2,750	2,500	2,750	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
Any Legal Weapon Total			46,181	50,611	44,773	49,067					

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Archery Hunts											
123R1	123R1	Umpqua Bow*	50	55	50	55	One white-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler or one black-tailed deer	One white-tailed buck with visible antler or one black-tailed deer	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 22	Bag Change
123R2	123R2	N Bank Habitat Bow*	10	10	10	10	One white-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler or one black-tailed deer	One white-tailed buck with visible antler or one black-tailed deer	Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 12 - Sept. 27	Bag Change
131R	131R	Keno Unit Bow* (only archery deer opportunity)	100	108	125	135	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 19 - Nov. 18	Nov. 2 - Nov. 19	Date Shift
135R		Paulina Unit Bow (only archery deer opportunity)	5	5			One antlerless deer		Nov. 11 - Nov. 30	Delete Hunt	
	137R	Ochoco Unit	New in 2020		400	440		One buck with visible antler		Aug 29vSep 27	New Hunt
136R	136R	Maury Unit Bow	115	127	115	127	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug 29 - Sep 27	
139R1	139R	Metolius Unit Bow (only archery deer opportunity)	20	20	20	20	One deer	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	Bag Change
139R2		Metolius Unit No.2 Bow (only archery deer opportunity)	25	28			One antlerless deer		Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	Delete Hunt	
	154R	N Blue Mountains Bow	New in 2020		400	440	New in 2020	One buck with visible antler	New in 2020	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	New Hunt
154R		Mt. Emily Unit Bow	400	440			One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Delete Hunt	Included in new 154R
155R		Walla Walla Unit Bow	150	165			One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Delete Hunt	Included in new 154R
156R1		Wenaha Unit Bow	250	275			One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Delete Hunt	Included in new 154R

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
156R2		N Wenaha Bow * (only archery deer opportunity)	30	30			One white-tailed deer		Nov. 11 - Nov. 24	Delete Hunt	
165R	165R	Beulah Unit Bow (only archery deer opportunity)	20	20	20	20	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Nov 14 - Nov 30	
168R1	168R	Trout Cr Mountains Traditional Bow* (Long or recurve bow ONLY; compound bows prohibited)	Un-limited	Un-limited	300	300	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
168R2		SE Whitehorse Bow* (only archery deer opportunity)	20	20			One buck with visible antler		Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Delete hunt	
170R1	170R1	Hart Mountain No.1 Bow* (only archery deer opportunity)	15	17	15	17	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 1 - Aug. 9	Aug. 6 - Aug. 14	
170R2	170R2	Hart Mountain No.2 Bow* (only archery deer opportunity)	15	16	15	16	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 10 - Aug. 18	Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	
170R3	170R3	Hart Mountain No.3 Bow* (only archery deer opportunity)	5	5	5	5	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 1 - Nov. 7	Nov. 6 - Nov. 12	
174R1	174R1	N Warner Bow*	50	54	40	43	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
174R2	174R2	S Warner Bow*	75	83	65	72	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
Archery Total			1,355	1,478	1,580	1,700					

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Muzzleloader Hunts											
100M		N Muzzleloader	800	880			One Deer			Delete hunt	Split into WMU Hunts.
		Willamette Unit					One Deer		Sept. 28 - Nov. 29		
		Trask Unit					One deer		Nov. 2 - Nov. 15		
		McKenzie Unit & N Indigo					One Deer		Nov. 9 - Nov. 20		
114M		Trask Unit	New in 2020		200	220		One Deer		Nov. 7 - Nov. 20	New Hunt
119M		McKenzie Unit	New in 2020		350	385		One Deer		Nov. 14 - Nov. 25	New Hunt
121M		S Indigo*	50	53		0	One deer		Nov. 25 - Dec. 6	Delete Hunt	Combines N & S into one hunt.
121M		Indigo Unit			150	165		One Deer		Nov. 14 - Nov. 25	New Hunt
123M1	123M1	Melrose Unit	165	182	110	121	One deer	One Deer	Nov. 9 - Nov. 17	Nov. 14 - Nov. 22	Delete N Sixes from name
123M2	123M2	N Bank Habitat*	3	3	3	3	One white-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler or one black-tailed deer	One white-tailed buck with visible antler or one black-tailed deer	Nov. 23 - Nov. 29	Nov. 28- Dec. 4	Bag Change
125M		Sixes Unit	New in 2020		55	61	New in 2020	One Deer	New in 2020	Nov. 14 - Nov. 27	New Hunt
127M	127M	Chetco Unit	35	37	35	37	One buck having not less than a forked antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 9 - Dec. 1	Nov.15 - Nov.30	Bag Change
128M	128M	Applegate Unit	300	309	300	309	One deer	One Deer	Nov. 9 - Dec. 1	Nov.15 - Nov.30	
132M	132M	Klamath Falls Unit	25	27	25	27	One deer	One deer	Oct. 28 - Nov. 5	Nov 2 - Nov. 10	
135M		Paulina Unit	5	5			One antlerless deer		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete Hunt	
139M1	139M1	Metolius No. 1	30	32	35	37	One deer	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 19 - Oct. 25	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Bag Change
139M2		Metolius No. 2	20	21			One antlerless deer		Oct. 19 - Oct. 25	Delete Hunt	
141M	141M	Hood- N White River*	30	33	30	33	One deer	One Deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
145M	145M	Flatiron*	55	61	60	66	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
148M	148M	Ditch Cr*	175	193	175	193	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
151M	151M	Baker*	80	80	80	80	One white-tailed deer	One white-tailed deer	Nov. 11 - Nov. 24	Nov. 16 - Nov. 29	
	152M	Grande Ronde	New in 2020		470	517	New in 2020	One white-tailed deer	New in 2020	Nov. 16 - Nov. 29	New Hunt
153M		Union Co*	400	440			One white-tailed deer		Nov. 11 - Nov. 24	Delete Hunt	Included in 153M
156M		N Wenaha-E Sled Springs*	275	303			One white-tailed deer	One white-tailed deer	Nov. 30 - Dec. 8	Delete Hunt	Included in 157M
	157M	Sled Springs Unit	New in 2020		200	220	New in 2020	One white-tailed deer	New in 2020	Nov. 30 - Dec. 13	New Hunt
166M	166M	N Malheur*	50	55	50	55	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
168M	168M	NE Whitehorse*	25	25	25	25	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Nov 14 - Nov 30	
170M	170M	Hart Mountain*	15	15	15	15	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Sept. 28 - Oct. 9	Oct. 3 - Oct. 14	
171M		Juniper*	10	10			One buck with visible antler		Nov. 23 - Dec. 1	Delete in 2020	Hunter dissatisfaction
172M	172M	Silvies Unit	50	53	50	53	One buck with visible antler	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
175M	175M	Interstate Unit	25	28	20	22	One Deer	One deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
176M	176M	Silver Lake/E. Fort Rock*	50	53	50	53	One Deer	One buck with visible antler	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Bag Change
Muzzleloader Total			2,673	2,898	2,488	2,697					
Grand Total			50,209	54,987	48,841	53,464					

** Most proposed tag numbers adjusted up by each hunt's 4-yr average redemption rate to compensate for tags drawn but not sold (max adjustment = 10%).

Table 18. Recommended 2020 Antlerless Deer and Youth Deer Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Any Legal Weapon Hunts											
610	610	Saddle Mountain Unit	20	21	50	52	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season
611	611	Scappoose Unit	20	20	20	20	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season
612	612	Wilson Unit	20	20	50	51	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season
614	614	Trask Unit*	50	50	75	83	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season
615	615	Willamette Unit	3,000	3,201	3,100	3,308	One deer	One deer	Sept. 1 - Feb. 29 2020	Sept. 1 - Feb. 28 2021	
616A1	616A1	NW Santiam*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
616A2	616A2	SW Santiam*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
617	617	Stott Mountain Unit*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season
618	618	Alsea Unit	50	50	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season
619	619	W McKenzie*	550	578	550	578	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
	620	Siuslaw Unit	New in 2020		80	84		One antlerless deer		Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Combine 620A & 620B
620A		N Siuslaw*	50	53			One antlerless or spike deer		Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Delete in '20	Replace with 620
620B		S Siuslaw*	30	33			One antlerless or spike deer		Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Delete in '20	Replace with 620
620C	620C	Camas Swale*	300	324	300	324	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 3 - Nov. 6	Bag Change & Expand season

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags		Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
	621	West Indigo	New in 2020		130	140		One antlerless deer	New Hunt	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Combine 621A & 621B
621A		Dorena*	130	140			One antlerless or spike deer		Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Delete in '20	Replace with 621
621B		Calapooya*	30	33			One antlerless or spike deer		Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Delete in '20	Replace with 621
622A	622A	W Dixon*	30	32	30	32	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
623	623	Melrose Unit	250	263	250	263	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct 3 - Nov 6	Bag Change & Expand season
623A	623A	Central Melrose*	1,000	1,100	1,000	1,100	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct 3 - Nov 6	Bag Change & Expand season
623B1	623B1	N Bank Habitat No. 1* Master Hunter ONLY.	25	28	25	28	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 18	Oct. 17 - Oct 23	Bag Change
623B2	623B2	N Bank Habitat No. 2* Master Hunter ONLY.	25	28	25	28	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Nov. 9 - Nov. 15	Nov. 14 - Nov. 20	Bag Change
623B3	623B3	N Bank Habitat No. 3* Master Hunter ONLY.	25	27	25	27	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Dec. 7 - Dec. 13	Dec. 12 - Dec. 18	Bag Change
624A	624A	Tioga Unit	70	70	70	70	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct 3 - Nov 6	Bag Change & Expand season
625	625	Sixes Unit	100	103	103	106	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct 3 - Nov 6	Bag Change & Expand season
626	626	Powers Unit	70	70	70	70	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
627	627	Chetco Unit	35	35	35	35	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
628A	628	Applegate Unit	35	35	35	35	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change, Unit wide
629	629	Evans Cr Unit	25	25	25	25	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 1	Oct. 24 - Nov. 6	Bag Change
638A	638A	Lower Willow Cr Agricultural*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 - Nov. 30	Oct 17 - Nov 30	

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
640		Maupin Unit	5	5			One antlerless deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	
641A	641A	The Dalles Orchard*	30	33	30	33	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Aug. 31 - Sept. 8	Aug. 29 - Sept. 6	Boundary change, Eliminate weapon restriction.
641B	641B	Wamic Bench*	5	6	5	6	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
642A	642	Hood Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Boundary Change
	643	Biggs Unit Private	New in 2020		40	40		One antlerless deer		Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Combines 643A & 643B
643A		E Biggs*	20	20			One antlerless deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replace with 643
643B		W Biggs*	20	20			One antlerless deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replace with 643
	644	Columbia Basin Unit	New in 2020		150	165		One antlerless deer		Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Combines 644B1, B2, and C
644A1	644A1	Umatilla NWR No. 1* (Shotgun/Archery/Muzzle loader Only)	15	15	15	15	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Aug. 24 - Aug. 28	Aug. 29 - Sept. 2	
644A2	644A2	Umatilla NWR No. 2* (Shotgun/Archery/Muzzle loader Only)	15	15	15	15	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 7 - Sept. 11	Sept. 12 - Sept. 16	
644A3	644A3	Umatilla NWR No. 3* (Shotgun/Archery/Muzzle loader ONLY)	3	3	3	3	One Deer	One deer	Sept. 28 -Oct. 2	Oct. 3 - Oct. 7	
644B1		N Columbia Basin No. 1*	50	55			One antlerless deer		Oct. 19 - Oct. 27	Delete in '20	Combine into 644
644B2		N Columbia Basin No. 2*	50	55			One antlerless deer		Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Delete in '20	Combine into 644

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644C		S Columbia Basin*	50	50			One antlerless deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Combine into 644	
	645	Fossil Unit	New in 2020		20	20		One antlerless deer		Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Replaces 645A	
645A		N Fossil*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replace with Unit Wide	
647A	647A	John Day Valley*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct 23		
647B	647B	Middle Fork John Day*	25	26	25	26	One antlerless white-tailed deer	One antlerless white-tailed deer	Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct 23		
648A	648A	Heppner Private*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25		
	649A	N Ukiah	New in 2020		75	75		One antlerless deer		Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Combines 649A1 & A2	
649A1		N Ukiah No. 1*	50	54			One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Oct. 27	Delete in '20	Replace with 649A	
649A2		N Ukiah No. 2*	50	52			One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Delete in '20	Replace with 649A	
649B	649B	W Blue Mountains* (Archer/Muzzleloader ONLY)	120	120	120	120	One White-tailed Deer	One White-tailed Deer	Nov. 16 - Dec. 8	Nov. 21 - Dec.16		
654A	654A	Rawhide*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Nov. 10	Oct. 17 - Nov. 8		
655A	655A	Orchards*	20	20	20	20	One White-tailed Deer	One white-tailed deer	Dec. 1 - Dec. 10	Dec. 1 - Dec. 10		
655B1	655B1	Walla Walla No. 1*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Oct.17 - Nov.25		
655B2	655B2	Walla Walla No. 2*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless white-tailed deer	One antlerless white-tailed deer	Jan. 1 - Jan. 19 '20	Jan.1 - Jan. 17 '21		
657A1	657A	Flora*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless white-tailed deer	One antlerless white-tailed deer	Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25		
657A2		Flora No. 2*	20	22			One antlerless mule deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Delete Hunt	
	657B	Lower Wallowa Valley	New in 2020		110	121		One antlerless white-tailed deer		New in '20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Replaces 657B2 & 660B

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657B1		N Wallowa Valley No. 1*	15	16			One antlerless mule deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Delete Hunt
657B2		N Wallowa Valley No. 2*	75	77			One antlerless white-tailed deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replaced with 657B
657C		Upper Swamp Cr*	40	44			One antlerless deer		Oct. 12 -Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replaced with 660A
657D		Prairie Cr* (Centerfire Rifles Prohibited)	40	44			One antlerless white-tailed deer		Dec. 16 - Dec. 22	Delete in '20	Replaced with 660A
	660A	Upper Wallowa Valley	New in 2020		200	218		One antlerless white-tailed deer		Oct. 17 - Dec. 20	Replaces 657C, D, & 660A2, A3.
660A1		Upper Wallowa Valley No. 1* (Centerfire Rifles Prohibited)	15	17			One antlerless mule deer		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Delete Hunt
660A2		Upper Wallowa Valley No. 2* (Centerfire Rifles Prohibited)	150	165			One antlerless white-tailed deer		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replaced with 660A
660A3		Upper Wallowa Valley No. 3* (Centerfire Rifles Prohibited)	60	66			One antlerless white-tailed deer		Dec. 7 - Dec. 15	Delete in '20	Replaced with 660A
660B		South Wallowa Valley*	40	44			One antlerless white-tailed deer		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in '20	Replaced with 657B
665A	665A	SE Beulah Agricultural*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Eliminate firearm restriction
667A	667A	NE Owyhee Agricultural*	30	32	30	32	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	Eliminate firearm restriction
679A	679A	Harney Basin Agricultural*	10	11	10	11	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
Any Legal Weapon Total			7,393	7,872	7,396	7,875					

Table 18 Continued. Recommended 2020 Antlerless Deer and Youth Deer Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Youth Hunts											
610T	610T	Saddle Mountain Unit	50	50	50	55	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct. 3 - Nov. 8	Bag Change
611T	611T	Scappoose Unit	50	50	50	55	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct. 3 - Nov. 8	Bag Change
612T	612T	Wilson Unit	50	50	50	55	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct. 3 - Nov. 8	Bag Change
614T1	614T1	Trask Unit*	50	50	50	55	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct. 3 - Nov. 8	Bag Change
614T2	614T2	Upper Tualatin - Trask*	30	30	30	30	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Dec. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29	Dec. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20, 26-27	Weekends only
616T	616T1	SW Santiam*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One deer	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	No. 14 - Nov. 25	Bag change, Boundary clarification
	616T2	NW Santiam*	New in 2020		30	30		One deer	New in '20	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	New Youth Hunt
617T	617T	Stott Mountain Unit*	30	31	48	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct. 3 - Nov. 8	Bag Change
618T	618T	Alsea Unit	30	30	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct.3 - Nov. 8	Bag Change
619T	619T	McKenzie Unit	100	100	100	100	One Deer	One deer	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	Nov. 14 - Nov. 25	
620T1	620T1	Siuslaw Unit	40	41	50	50	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 28 - Nov 3	Oct. 3 - Nov. 8	Boundary & Bag change
620T2	620T2	Territorial*	10	10	10	10	One Deer	One deer	Nov. 2-3, 9-10, 16-17, 23-24	Nov 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29	Weekends only
621T	621T	N Indigo*	75	75	75	75	One Deer	One deer	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	Nov. 14 - Nov. 25	
623T1	623T1	N Bank Habitat Mgt Area No.1*	30	30	20	20	One white-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler or one black-tailed deer	One white-tailed buck having not less than a forked antler or one black-tailed deer	Sept. 28 - Oct. 6	Oct. 3 - Oct. 11	One white-tailed buck with visible antler or one black-tailed deer

Table 18 Continued. Recommended 2020 Antlerless Deer and Youth Deer Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
623T2	623T2	N Bank Habitat Mgt Area No.2*	30	31	30	31	One black-tailed deer	One black-tailed deer	Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Oct. 31 - Nov.8	
623T3	623T3	Melrose*	40	44	40	44	One Deer	One black-tailed deer	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '21	Bag Change
625T	625T	Sixes Unit	70	77	70	77	One antlerless or spike deer	One antlerless deer	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '21	Boundary & Bag change
627T	627T	Chetco Unit	25	25	25	25	One Deer	One deer	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '21	
628T	628T	Applegate Unit	25	26	26	27	One Deer	One deer	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '21	
629T	629T	Evans Cr Unit	50	55	55	61	One Deer	One deer	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '21	
630T	630T	Rogue Unit	50	55	55	61	One Deer	One deer	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 15 - Jan. 5 '21	
632T2		S Bryant Youth*	5	5			One Deer		Oct. 19 - Oct. 27	Delete in '20	
640T	640T	Mid-Columbia Private*	40	43	40	43	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Nov. 16 - Dec. 31	Nov. 21 - Dec. 31	
644T1	644T1	Umatilla NWR* (Shotgun/Archery/Muzzleloader ONLY)	8	8	8	8	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Aug. 17 - Aug. 21	Aug. 22 - Aug. 26	
644T2	644T2	Umatilla Co Private*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Nov. 9 - Dec. 1	Nov.14 - Dec. 6	
648T	648T	Morrow Co*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	No. 16 - Dec.1	Nov. 21 - Dec. 6	
651T1	651T1	Baker No. 1*	15	16	15	16	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Oct. 19 - Oct. 27	Oct. 24 - Nov. 1	
651T2	651T2	Baker No. 2*	30	33	30	33	One antlerless white-tailed deer	One antlerless white-tailed deer	Oct. 19 - Oct. 27	Oct. 24 - Nov. 1	
665T	665T	Malheur Co*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Aug. 1 - Sept 22, Oct. 12 - Oct. 31	Aug. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change
141T	141T	The Dalles Watershed*	7	7	7	7	One Buck with visible antler	One Buck with visible antler	Nov. 9 - Nov. 20	Nov. 14 - Nov. 25	100 Series Hunt
174T	174T	Warner Unit	20	20	20	20	One Deer	One deer	Sept. 14 - Sept. 22	Sept. 19 - Sept. 27	100 Series Hunt
175T	175T	Interstate Unit	30	30	25	25	One Deer	One deer	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov.21 - Nov. 29	100 Series Hunt

Table 18 Continued. Recommended 2020 Antlerless Deer and Youth Deer Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
675T		Paisley*	5	5			One antlerless deer		Sept. 1 - Sept. 9	Delete in '20	
679T	679T	Harney Basin*	25	28	25	28	One antlerless deer	One antlerless deer	Sept. 7 - Sept. 15	Sept. 12 - Sept. 20	
Youth Hunt Total			1,200	1,243	1,264	1,329					
Grand Total			8,593	9,115	8,660	9,204					
**Tag numbers adjusted up by each hunt's 4-yr average un-redemption rate to compensate for un-redeemed tags (max adjustment = 10%).											

Elk Season Summaries and Recommendations

There is a mixture of season structures used for elk hunting in Oregon. Hunters can participate in general season Roosevelt elk rifle (Any Legal Weapon) hunting in the Cascades and most of the Coast Range. Limited areas are available for general season Rocky Mountain elk hunting during both the first and second seasons in eastern Oregon. Most archery hunting for elk is general season.

Controlled seasons are used for many eastern Oregon bull and either sex hunts and some western Oregon bull hunts. Controlled bull hunting is practiced for several reasons, including achieving the bull ratio Management Objective (MO) in areas where vulnerability of bulls or high hunter numbers have led to low bull ratios under general seasons in the past; or where hunter numbers are limited to improve hunting quality. Antlerless elk hunting opportunity with firearms is primarily by controlled hunts. Antlerless hunts are generally used to address damage and reduce populations which are over MO.

Population Overview

In 2018 Rocky Mountain elk populations continued to do well in eastern Oregon. Twenty of 34 units or areas (56%) where population Management Objectives (MOs) are established have populations at or over MO. The eastern Oregon population estimate of approximately 72,300 elk is just above the Rocky Mountain elk population MO of 72,050 animals. Some Roosevelt elk populations, however, continue to struggle. While not all WMUs were surveyed in 2018, in Western Oregon the estimated elk population of ~60,000 is 83% of the established MO of 72,450.

2018 Elk Harvest

Based on mandatory harvest survey results, 102,543 elk hunters harvested 16,569 elk for an overall success rate of 16% (Table 19). Variability in weather led to high variability in success rates for many of the seasons.

Elk Season Summaries and Recommendations

Except for the Cascade Elk Season, general elk season proposals are unchanged for

2020, except for the five-day shift later in the calendar. On the east slope of the Cascades five WMUs and small portions of two WMUs are proposed to be removed from the Cascade Elk Season and included in four new controlled hunts (Hood/White River #1 and #2, East Central Cascades, Southeast Cascades). The change is to help elk populations in east slope Cascades WMUs reach bull management objectives. The general archery season bag limit is a legal bull except in units identified by the Commission each year. At this time, the Department is not proposing any changes to the list of units that would have an expanded bag limit during the

Table 19. Number of hunters, harvest and success rates for elk during the 2018 Oregon elk seasons.

Hunt/Weapon Type	2018 Hunters	2018 Harvest	2018 Success Rate
General Seasons			
Rocky Mountain 1 st	1,196	263	22%
Rocky Mountain 2 nd	7,290	651	9%
Coast 1 st	7,401	895	12%
Coast 2 nd	5,782	461	8%
Cascade	9,266	381	4%
Bow	26,175	3,169	12%
Controlled Seasons	45,433	10,749	24%
All Surveyed Elk Hunts	102,543	16,569	16%

general bow season. Similarly, no changes are proposed to the list of WMUs where hunters with disabilities would have an expanded bag limit. Consistent with the general archery deer season, staff proposes the entire Murderers Creek Unit be open to all legal archery equipment during General Archery Elk Season. This change simplifies hunting regulations and makes the Murderers Creek Unit more consistent with other units in the state for the General Archery Season.

The Department and landowners use a variety of tools to manage elk damage including hazing, controlled hunts, damage tags, kill permits, and emergency hunts. The primary tools used currently are controlled antlerless elk hunts and damage tags. Despite these tools, elk populations continue to increase in many of these chronic damage areas.

Staff is proposing piloting a new general season elk damage tag (GSEDT) with an antlerless elk bag limit for the 2020 hunting season. The GSEDT would be valid in specific areas throughout Oregon (Figure 1). Hunts in Western Oregon and in elk de-emphasis areas would be from Aug. 1 to Mar. 31; hunts outside elk de-emphasis areas in Eastern Oregon, would end Nov. 30, before migratory elk transition to winter range on or across many private land areas.

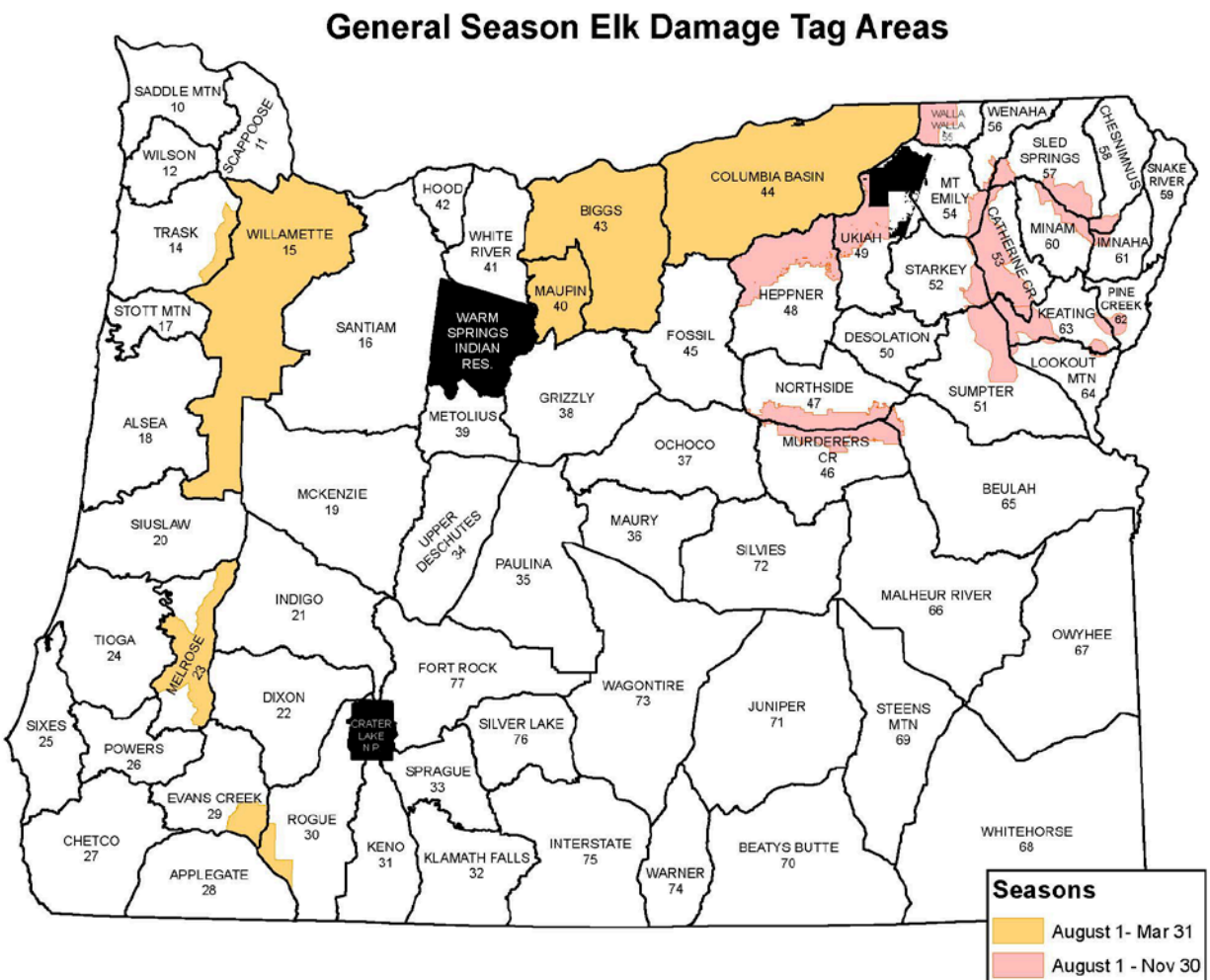


Figure 1. Proposed General Season Elk Damage Tag areas and seasons.

The GSEDT hunt areas would primarily be on or adjacent to private, row crop or irrigated agricultural lands. The hunts would replace nineteen controlled hunts and are expected to increase the overall number of elk hunters in the designated areas. The hunts would also replace the need for landowner damage tags during those timeframes. There would be no tag sale deadline for a GSEDT to provide the ability for hunters to respond immediately to damage situations.

Overall, the Department is proposing a slight increase in controlled elk tag numbers for 2020 (Table 20). Within hunt type, number of bull/either sex and youth hunting opportunities are increasing. The number of bow or muzzleloader and number of antlerless tags are declining. However, much of this decline is accounted for in controlled hunts being replaced with general season cow hunts. There also are a number of other changes proposed for controlled elk hunts in 2020.

To summarize the controlled elk table, 87 existing hunts are proposed for consolidation into 31 hunts. Twenty-five season dates are proposed for expansion, simplification, or establishment of consistency with other hunts. Hunt boundary simplification and/or expansion is proposed for 25 hunts and five more hunt will have bag limits change to be consistent with other hunts or for simplification. Six new controlled hunt opportunities are being proposed as well: Four new controlled hunts (Hood/White River #1 and #2, East Central Cascades, Southeast Cascades) and two additional hunts are providing new opportunity.

Table 20. Recommended 2020 Elk Hunts and Tags

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
Any Legal Weapon Hunts											
210	210	Saddle Mountain Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '21	
	210A1	W Saddle Mountain No 1*	New in 2020		30	33		One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Combines 210A1 & B1
	210A2	W Saddle Mountain No 2*	New in 2020		30	33		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31, '21	Combines 210A2 & B2
210A1		Onion Peak No. 1*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Dec. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29	Delete in 2020	Combine with 210B1
210A2		Onion Peak No. 2*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 210B2
210B1		Lewis & Clark No. 1*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Dec. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29	Delete in 2020	Combine with 210A1
210B2		Lewis & Clark No. 2*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 210A2
	210B1	Central Saddle Mountain No 1*	New in 2020		35	39		One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Combines 210F1 & G1
	210B2	Central Saddle Mountain No 2*	New in 2020		35	39		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31, '21	Combines 210F2 & G2
210C1	210C1	Upper Nehalem No. 1*	25	25	30	30	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Jan 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Jan 31 '21	Boundary Clarification
210C2	210C2	Upper Nehalem No. 2*	25	25	30	30	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Boundary Clarification
210D	210D	Lower Columbia* (Master Hunter Only)	25	28	35	39	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31, '21	Adds Young's River area
210E		Young's River*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Delete in 2020	Area added to 210D
210F1		Camp McGregor No. 1*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Dec. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29	Delete in 2020	Combined with 210G1
210F2		Camp McGregor No. 2*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined with 210G2
210G1		Central Saddle Mountain No. 1*	15	15			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Jan. 15 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined with 210F1
210G2		Central Saddle Mountain No. 2*	15	15			One antlerless elk		Jan. 16 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined with 210 F2

Table 20 Continued. Recommended 2020 Elk Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
210X	210X	Saddle Mtn Unit No. 1	1,200	1,320	1,200	1,320	One 3pt + bull elk	One 3pt + bull elk	Nov. 9 - Nov. 12	Nov. 14 - Nov. 17	
210Y	210Y	Saddle Mtn Unit No. 2	1,200	1,320	1,200	1,320	One 3pt + bull elk	One 3pt + bull elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 22	Nov. 21 - Nov. 27	
211	211	Scappoose Unit	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	
211A1	211A1	North Plains No. 1*	35	35	35	35	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	
211A2	211A2	North Plains No. 2*	35	39	35	39	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	
211A3	211A3	North Plains No. 3*	30	33	30	33	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Jan 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	
211A4	211A4	North Plains No. 4*	30	33	30	33	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 -21	
211B	211B	N Central Scappoose*	30	30	30	30	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	
211C	211C	Banks*	20	22	30	33	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Date Change
212	212	Wilson Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '21	
212A1	212A1	Miami-Nehalem No. 1*	25	25	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	Boundary Clarification
212A2	212A2	Miami-Nehalem No. 2* (Master Hunter Only)	25	25	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15 '21	Boundary Clarification
212B	212B	Buick Canyon*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 15 - Mar. 15 '20	Dec. 15 - Mar. 15 '21	
214	214	Trask Unit*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 15 '21	
214A1	214A1	W Trask No. 1*	20	20	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	
214A2	214A2	W Trask No. 2*	20	20	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15 '20	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15 '21	
214B1	214B1	Central Trask No. 1*	15	16	15	16	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Feb. 14 '20	Jan. 1 - Feb. 14 '21	Boundary Clarification
214B2	214B2	Central Trask No. 2*	15	16	15	16	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 15 - Mar. 31 '20	Feb. 15 - Mar. 31 '21	Boundary Clarification
	214C	SE Trask*	New in 2020		70	77	One antlerless elk			Dec. 1 - Mar. 31	Combines 214C, D, & E
214C		Wind River*	15	15			One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31 '20, '21	Delete in 2020	Combine with 214D & 214E
214D		Beaver Cr*	25	25			One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 214C & 214E
214E		Pike*	25	26			One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine 214C & 214D

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2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
214F1	214F1	NE Trask No. 1*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Date Change
214F2	214F2	NE Trask No. 2*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Date Change
214G	214G	Panther Cr*	10	11	10	11	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Date Change
215A1	215A	Willamette Plus*	75	75	75	75	One elk (Spike or antlerless elk from Aug. 23-Oct. 31' 19 in Monroe Subunit)	On elk (Spike or antlerless elk from Aug. 29 - Oct. 31 in Monroe Subunit.)	Aug.1-Mar. 31 '20	Aug. 1 - March 31'21	
215A2		Willamette Plus No. 2* (See W.L. Finley Refuge pg. 108)	200	220			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1-March 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
216B	216B	SW Santiam*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1-Jan. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	Boundary Clarification
	216C	Molalla	New in 2020		50	55		One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Mar. 31	Combines 216C1- C3
216C1		Molalla No. 1*	15	15			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 216C2 & C3
216C2		Molalla No. 2*	15	16			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 216C1 & C3
216C3		Molalla No. 3*	15	17			One antlerless elk		Feb. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 216C1 & C2
216D		Sandy*	15	16			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Added to NW Santiam
216E		Green Mountain*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Added to NW Santiam
216F	216D	NW Santiam*	20	20	50	53	One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Mar. 31, '21	Renumbered, add 216D & E
	217A	W Stott Mountain*	New in 2020		25	25		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Combines 217A & 217B
217A		Lower Siletz River*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Replace with 217

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217B		Upper Siletz River*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Replace with 217
217C	217C	Dallas*	10	11	10	11	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, '21	
	218A	N Alsea*	New in 2020		25	28		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Combines 218A & 218F
218A		NE Alsea*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined with 218F
	218B	S Alsea	New in 2020		30	33		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Combines 218B, C, & D
218B		SW Alsea*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Dec. 14 - Dec 31	Delete in 2020	Combined into S Alsea
218C		SE Alsea*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into S Alsea
218D		SW Alsea Private Lands*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into S Alsea
218E	218E	Central Alsea*	10	10	25	26	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Remove Private land restriction
218F		NW Alsea*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine with 218A
	219A	West McKenzie*	New in 2020		45	50		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, '21	Combines 219A-D
219A		S Central McKenzie*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 219A
219B		NW McKenzie*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 219A
219C		Horse Rock*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 219A
219D		Scott Mountain*	15	17			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 219A
219E	219E	Pengra*	10	11	10	11	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	
219F	219F	Oakridge Private Lands* (Shotgun /Muzzleloader Only)	20	21	20	21	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	

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	220	Siuslaw Unit	New in 2020		120	120		One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Combines 220A – D
220A		Noti-Saginaw*	20	22			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 220
220B		W Siuslaw*	50	50			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 220
220C		E Siuslaw*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combined into 220
220D		Elkton*	40	40			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 220
221A	221A	NW Indigo*	20	22	20	22	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 21 - Dec. 29	Dec. 19 - Dec. 27	
221C	221C	Harness Mountain*	20	21	20	21	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
221D	221D	S Indigo Private Lands*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1- Feb. 29 '20	Dec. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
221E	221E	Mosby*	15	15	15	15	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Feb. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Feb. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
222A	222A	Dixon Private Lands*	10	11	10	11	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 15-Mar. 31' 20	Nov. 15 - Mar. 31 '21	
223A1		Melrose Unit No. 1*	200	212			One antlerless elk		Aug 1 - Mar 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
223A2	223A	Melrose Unit	10	10	10	10	One elk	one elk	Aug 1 - Mar 31 '20	Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	
224C	224C	Tioga Private*	100	100	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Dec. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
224X	224X	Tioga Unit No. 1	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,200	One 3pt + bull elk	One 3pt + bull elk	Nov. 9 - Nov. 13	Nov. 14 - Nov. 18	
224Y	224Y	Tioga Unit No. 2	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,200	One 3pt + bull elk	One 3pt + bull elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
225A	225A	N Sixes*	200	200	200	200	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Dec. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
225B	225B	Curry Private*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Dec. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
225X	225X	Sixes Unit No. 1	140	140	140	140	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 9 - Nov. 13	Nov. 14 - Nov. 18	
225Y	225Y	Sixes Unit No. 2	140	140	140	140	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
226A	226A	Powers Unit Private*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Dec. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
226X	226X	Powers Unit No. 1	400	400	400	400	One spike elk	One spike elk	Nov. 9 - Nov. 13	Nov. 14 - Nov. 18	

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226Y	226Y	Powers Unit No. 2	100	105	105	110	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
227X	227X	Chetco Unit No. 1	70	77	70	77	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 9 - Nov. 13	Nov. 14 - Nov. 18	
227Y	227Y	Chetco Unit No. 2	70	76	70	76	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
228A	228A	Applegate-Evans Cr*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 15 - Mar. 31 '20	Nov. 15 - Mar 31 '21	
230A	230A	W Rogue *	25	25	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 15 - Mar. 31 '20	Nov. 15 - Mar 31 '21	
	231X	Southeast Cascades*	New in 2020		800	880		One bull elk		Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	Replaces General Season
232X	232X	Klamath Falls Unit No. 1	70	77	70	77	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23- Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
232Y	232Y	Klamath Falls Unit No. 2	50	55	50	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
233X	233X	Sprague No. 1*	200	220	200	220	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
233Y	233Y	Sprague No. 2*	100	110	100	110	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
234A		Little River*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Aug. 3 - Aug. 16 and Nov. 16 - Nov. 30	Delete in 2020	
234B	234B	Tumalo*	55	58	60	64	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 23 - Dec. 31	Nov. 21 - Dec. 31	
	234X	East-Central Cascades*	New in 2020		1,550	1,705		One bull elk		Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	Replaces General Season
235A	235A	Badlands*	65	68	40	42	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Oct. 15	Aug 15 - Oct 15	
235X	235X	Paulina-E Fort Rock No. 1*	550	605	550	605	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
235Y	235Y	Paulina-E Fort Rock No. 2*	350	385	350	385	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
236A	236A	Maury-Hampton Butte*	40	40	40	40	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Nov. 15	Aug. 15 - Nov. 15	
236X	236X	Maury Unit No. 1	50	55	50	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
236Y	236Y	Maury Unit No. 2	50	54	50	54	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	

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	237A	Ochoco Private*	New in 2020		300	330		One antlerless elk		Aug. 15 - Dec.31	Combines 237A & 237B
237A		N Ochoco*	100	110			One antlerless elk		Aug. 15 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combine with 237B
237B		Crooked River*	200	220			One antlerless elk		Aug. 15 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combine with old 237A
237C1		Ochoco Private No. 1*	50	50			One elk		Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Delete in 2020	
237C2		Ochoco Private No. 2*	50	50			One elk		Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Delete in 2020	
237X	237X	Ochoco Unit No. 1	175	187	200	214	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
237Y	237Y	Ochoco Unit No. 2	175	180	200	206	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
	238A	Grizzly Private*	New in 2020		500	550		One antlerless elk		Aug. 15 - Dec.31	Combining 238A & 238B
238A		SW Grizzly*	400	428			One antlerless elk		Aug 15 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combine with 238B
238B		N Grizzly Private*	100	110			One antlerless elk		Aug. 15 - Nov. 30	Delete in 2020	Combine with old 238A
238C1	238C1	Grizzly Private No. 1*	100	110	100	110	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
238C2	238C2	Grizzly Private No. 2*	125	138	125	138	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
238X	238X	Grizzly Unit No. 1	60	64	60	64	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
238Y	238Y	Grizzly Unit No. 2	60	61	60	61	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
240A		Maupin-W Biggs*	150	165			One antlerless elk		Oct. 12 - Nov. 30	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
240B		Maupin-W Biggs Private*	350	385			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
241A	241A	The Dalles Watershed*	30	33	30	33	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
241B	241B	White River-Hood*	50	52	50	52	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
	241C	White River Private*	New in 2020		150	165		One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Combines 241C1-2, D
241C1		N White River -Hood No. 1*	45	47			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Jan. 15 '20	Delete in 2020	Consolidate into 241C

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241C2		N White River -Hood No. 2*	45	50			One antlerless elk		Jan. 16 - Feb. 29 '20	Delete in 2020	Consolidate into 241C
241D		Larch Cr*	45	47			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Feb. 29 `20	Delete in 2020	Consolidate into 241C
	241X	White River - Hood No. 1*	New in 2020		500	550		One bull elk		Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	Replaces General Season
	241Y	White River - Hood No. 2*	New in 2020		1,100	1,210		One bull elk		Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	Replaces General Season
	242	Hood Unit Private*	New in 2020		75	83		One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	New Hunt
	244	Columbia Plateau*	New in 2020		1,000	1,100		One elk Oct. 28 - Nov. 30, One antlerless elk Dec. 1 - Mar. 31		Oct. 28 - Mar. 31	Replaces General Season
244A		Columbia Basin*	250	250			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
245A1	245A1	N Fossil Private No. 1*	300	330	300	330	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
245A2	245A2	N Fossil Private No. 2*	300	330	300	330	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
245B1	245B1	S. Fossil Private No. 1*	700	770	700	770	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
245B2	245B2	S. Fossil Private No. 2*	700	770	700	770	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
245C		N Fossil *	20	22			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Combined w/ 245D1
	245C	Fossil Unit	New in 2020		50	55		One antlerless elk		Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	Combines 245C & D1
245D1		S Fossil No. 1*	150	165			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Combined w/ 245C
245D2		S Fossil No. 2*	110	121			One antlerless elk		Nov. 30 - Dec. 8	Delete in 2020	Combined into 245E
245D3		S Fossil No. 3*	60	66			One antlerless elk		Dec. 14 -Dec. 22	Delete in 2020	Combined into 245E

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245E		Fossil - E Biggs Agricultural*	625	688			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combined into 245E
	245E	Fossil Unit Private*	New in 2020		625	688		One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Combines 245D2 – 245E
245X	245X	Fossil Unit No. 1*	300	330	300	330	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
245Y	245Y	Fossil Unit No. 2*	300	330	300	330	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
246	246	Murderers Cr Unit	400	440	400	440	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - 29	
246A	246A	W Murderers Cr*	450	495	450	495	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - 15	
246B	246B	E Murderers Cr*	250	275	250	275	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - 15	
246D		Upper John Day River*	100	105			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	No longer needed
246E	246E	Murderers Cr Private Lands Plus*	175	193	175	193	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec 31	Remove LOP Requirement
246X	246X	Murderers Cr Unit	425	468	425	468	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov 1	
247	247	Northside Unit	300	330	300	330	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - 29	
247A1	247A1	Northside Private Lands No. 1*	150	165	150	165	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov 1	Remove LOP Requirement
247A2	247A2	Northside Private Lands No. 2*	150	165	150	165	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - 15	Remove LOP Requirement
247B	247B	W Northside*	275	300	275	300	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - 15	
247C	247C	E Northside*	375	409	375	409	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - 15	
247D1	247D1	Northside - Ritter Private No.1*	600	600	600	600	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec 31	Remove LOP Requirement
247D2	247D2	Northside - Ritter Private No.2*	150	150	150	150	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '21	Remove LOP Requirement
247X	247X	Northside Unit	375	413	375	413	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
248A1	248A1	Heppner No. 1*	650	715	650	715	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov.1	
248A2	248A2	Heppner No. 2*	750	825	700	770	One spike elk	One spike elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov.1	
248B1	248B1	Ritter No. 1*	125	138	125	138	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
248B2	248B2	Ritter No. 2*	200	220	200	220	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - 15	
248C	248C	Monument*	60	62	70	73	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	

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248D	248D	Heppner	30	30	30	30	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	Expand Area
248E	248E	Willow Creek*	170	170	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Boundary change
249A1	249A1	Ukiah Unit No. 1	400	436	400	436	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
249A2	249A2	Ukiah Unit No. 2	900	990	900	990	One spike elk	One spike elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
249B		McKay Cr*	75	83			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 - Dec. 8	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
249C	249C	Central Ukiah*	60	62	60	62	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov.21 - Nov.29	
249D	249D	South Ukiah*	60	65	60	65	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov.21 - Nov.29	
250A		Desolation Unit	10	11			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	No longer needed
250X	250X	Desolation Unit	1,000	1,100	1,000	1,100	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
251A	251A	N Sumpter*	700	770	700	770	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
251B1	251B1	S Sumpter No. 1 *	125	138	125	138	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
251B2	251B2	S Sumpter No. 2*	125	138	125	138	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
251C		N Sumpter*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Delete in 2020	No longer needed
251D	251D	S Sumpter*	175	193	175	193	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Dec. 31	Oct. 17 - Dec. 31	
251E1	251E1	Elkhorn Mountains No. 1*	20	21	20	21	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct 17 - Oct. 25	
251E2	251E2	Elkhorn Mountains No. 2*	20	21	20	21	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
252A1	252A1	Starkey Unit No. 1*	375	413	325	358	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
252A2	252A2	Starkey Unit No. 2*	2,300	2,530	1,800	1,980	One spike elk	One spike elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
	252B	Starkey Unit Private*	New in 2020		200	220		One antlerless elk		Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	New Unit Wide hunt
252B		S Starkey*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Combined into 252B
252C		S Starkey Private*	100	110			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Combined into 252B

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252D1		Starkey Experimental Forest No. 1*	100	100			One antlerless elk		Oct. 5 - Oct. 9	Delete in 2020	No longer needed
252D2	252D1	Starkey Experimental Forest No. 1*	100	100	60	60	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 16	Oct. 10 - Oct 18	
252D3	252D2	Starkey Experimental Forest No. 2*	50	50	25	25	One elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov 1	Bag change
252D4		Starkey Experimental Forest No. 4*	100	100			One antlerless elk		Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Delete in 2020	No longer needed
252E1		Shaw Mountain No. 1*	100	104			One antlerless elk		Oct. 5- Oct. 27	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
252E2		Shaw Mountain No. 2*	100	110			One antlerless elk		Nov. 2- Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
252E3	252E	Peach Cr*	11	12	10	11	One Elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
252F		N Starkey*	10	10			One antlerless elk		Nov. 30 - Dec. 8	Delete in 2020	Combined into 252B
253A1		S Catherine Cr Private No. 1*	200	220			One antlerless elk		Sept. 1 - Oct. 31	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
253A2		S Catherine Cr Private No. 2*	200	212			One antlerless elk		Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
253B	253B	S Catherine Cr*	25	28	25	28	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
253C1		Mount Harris No. 1*	100	110			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
253C2	253C	Mount Harris*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 16 - Dec. 31	Dec. 19 - Dec. 31	
253X	253X	Catherine Cr Unit	250	275	250	275	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
254A		Pumpkin Ridge*	125	125			One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Sept. 22, Nov. 16 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
254X	254X	Mount Emily Unit No. 1	600	660	600	660	One spike elk	One spike elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov. 1	
254Y1	254Y1	Mount Emily Unit No. 2	55	57	55	57	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Nov. 10	Oct.28 - Nov.15	

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254Y2	254Y2	Mount Emily Unit No. 3	300	330	300	330	One spike elk	One spike elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov.7 - Nov.15		
255A	255A	Mill Cr Watershed*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless or 3pt+ bull elk	One elk	Oct. 26 - Nov. 3	Oct.31 - Nov.8	Bag change	
255B	255B	Walla Walla Private*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Dec.1 - Dec.31		
255X	255X	Walla Walla No. 1*	300	330	300	330	One spike elk	One spike elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct.28 - Nov.1		
255Y1	255Y1	Walla Walla No. 2*	25	26	25	26	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Nov. 10	Oct.28 - Nov.15		
255Y2	255Y2	Walla Walla No. 3*	175	193	175	193	One spike elk	One spike elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov.7 - Nov.15		
256A	256A	Bartlett Bench*	20	22	20	22	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Aug. 18, Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Aug. 1 - Oct. 31	Date Change	
256X	256X	Wenaha Unit No. 1	350	385	350	385	One spike elk	One Spike Elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1		
256Y1	256Y1	Wenaha Unit No. 2	40	40	40	40	One bull elk	One Bull Elk	Oct. 23 - Nov. 10	Oct. 28 - Nov.15		
256Y2	256Y2	Wenaha Unit No. 3	200	220	200	220	One spike elk	One Spike Elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15		
257A	257A	Elk Cr*	15	15	15	15	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Aug. 18, Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Aug. 1 - Aug. 31	Date Change	
	257B	Flora	New in 2020		45	50		One antlerless elk			Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	New Hunt
257B1		Flora No. 1*	30	31			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Aug. 18, Oct. 23 - Oct. 27, Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Delete in 2020	Combined into 257B	
257B2		Flora No. 2*	30	33			One antlerless elk		Oct. 23 - Oct. 27, Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Delete in 2020	Combined into 257B	
257C		Whisky Cr*	45	47			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Aug. 18, Nov. 23 - Dec. 8	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt	
	257D	Sled Springs Unit	New in 2020		120	132		One antlerless elk			Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	New unit wide hunt
257D		E Sled Springs*	50	50			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 - Nov. 22	Delete in 2020	Combined into 257D	
257E		W Sled Springs*	75	78			One antlerless elk		Nov. 16 - Nov. 22	Delete in 2020	Combined into 257D	
257F		Cricket Flat*	50	54			One antlerless elk		Nov. 2 - Nov. 24	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt	

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257X	257X	Sled Springs Unit No. 1	500	540	500	540	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
257Y	257Y	Sled Springs Unit No. 2	400	440	400	440	One spike elk	One spike elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
258A1	258A1	Zumwalt No. 1*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 24 -Sept. 4	Aug. 22 - Sept. 2	
258A2	258A2	Zumwalt No. 2*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Sept. 7 - Sept. 22	Sept. 5 - Sept. 20	
258A3	258A3	Zumwalt No. 3*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
258A4	258A4	Zumwalt No. 4*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 13 - Nov. 27	Nov. 18 - Dec. 2	
258A5	258A5	Zumwalt No. 5*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 30 - Dec. 11	Dec. 5 - Dec. 16	
258A6	258A6	Zumwalt No. 6*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 14 - Dec. 25	Dec. 19 - Dec. 30	
258A7	258A7	Zumwalt No. 7*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 28 - Jan. 8, '20	Jan. 2 - Jan. 13, '21	
258X	258X	Chesnimnus Unit No. 1	350	385	350	385	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
258Y	258Y	Chesnimnus Unit No. 2	350	385	350	385	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
259		Snake River Unit	150	165			One antlerless elk		Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Low population
259X	259X	Snake River Unit No. 1*	300	330	300	330	One spike elk	One spike elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
259Y	259Y	Snake River Unit No. 2*	250	275	250	275	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
260A		Alder Slope*	75	81			One antlerless elk		Oct. 12 - Oct. 20, Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
260X	260X	Minam Unit No. 1	500	550	500	550	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
260Y	260Y	Minam Unit No. 2	500	550	500	550	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
261	261	Imnaha Unit	250	275	250	275	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
261A1		Clear Lake - Deadhorse No. 1*	30	33			One antlerless elk		Nov. 11 - Nov. 15	Delete in 2020	
261A2	261A	Clear Lake - Deadhorse*	75	83	75	83	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	
261X	261X	Imnaha Unit	300	330	300	330	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
262	262	Pine Cr Unit	175	193	175	193	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
262X	262X	Pine Cr Unit	300	330	300	330	One Bull Elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
263	263	Keating Unit	80	86	80	86	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 -Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	

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263X	263X	Keating Unit	225	248	225	248	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
264A1	264A1	Lookout Mtn Unit No. 1	150	165	150	165	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Nov. 30	Oct. 17 - Nov. 30	
264A2	264A2	Lookout Mtn Unit No. 2	150	165	150	165	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Dec. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	
264X	264X	Lookout Mtn Unit No. 1	150	165	150	165	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
264Y	264Y	Lookout Mtn Unit No. 2	150	165	150	165	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
265A1	265A1	W Beulah No. 1*	350	385	350	385	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
265A2	265A2	W Beulah No. 2*	200	214	200	214	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
265A3	265A3	W Beulah No. 3*	100	110	100	110	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - 29	
265B1	265B1	E Beulah No. 1*	400	440	400	440	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
265B2	265B2	E Beulah No. 2*	400	440	400	440	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
265B3	265B3	E Beulah No. 3*	350	382	350	382	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Dec. 31	Nov. 21 - Dec. 31	
265C	265C	Bully Cr*	125	125	125	125	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Feb. 29. '20	Aug. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
266A1	266A1	Drewsey Valley No. 1*	80	88	80	88	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	
266A2	266A2	Drewsey Valley No. 2*	30	33	30	33	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	
266B	266B	N Malheur River*	375	413	375	413	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov. 21 - Nov. 29	
266C	266C	S Malheur River*	150	165	150	165	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	
266X	266X	N Malheur River No. 1*	400	440	400	440	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
266Y	266Y	N Malheur River No. 2*	400	440	400	440	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
267	267	Owyhee Unit	75	76	75	76	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Jan 31 '20	Oct. 17 - Jan. 31 '21	
268A	268A	E Whitehorse*	75	83	75	83	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Jan 31 '20	Oct. 17 - Jan. 31 '21	
271A1	271A1	Silvies - N Juniper No. 1*	150	165	150	165	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	
271A2	271A2	Silvies - N Juniper No. 2*	125	133	125	133	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	
271B1	271B1	N Juniper No. 1*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	Dec. 1 - Dec. 31	
271B2	271B2	N Juniper No. 2*	40	44	40	44	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	
272A	272A	Silvies Unit	650	715	600	660	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 16 - Nov. 24	Nov 21 - Nov. 29	
272B	272B	W Silvies*	125	138	125	138	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 30 - Dec. 8	Dec. 5 - Dec. 13	
272X	272X	Silvies Unit No. 1	500	550	500	550	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	

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272Y	272Y	Silvies Unit No. 2	500	545	500	545	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
273A	273A	North Wagontire*	25	28	25	28	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	Aug. 15 - Sept. 30	
274X	274X	Warner No. 1	50	55	50	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
274Y	274Y	Warner No. 2	50	55	50	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
275X	275X	Interstate Unit No. 1	300	330	300	330	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23- Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
275Y	275Y	Interstate Unit No. 2	150	165	150	165	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
276X	276X	Silver Lake Unit No. 1	350	350	350	350	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 27	Oct. 28 - Nov. 1	
276Y	276Y	Silver Lake Unit No. 2	200	200	200	200	One bull elk	One bull elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
277A	277A	North Lake*	150	150	150	150	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Aug.1 - Mar.31 '21	
278A1	278A1	High Desert No. 1*	400	440	400	440	One elk	One elk	Oct. 23 - Oct. 29	Oct. 28 - Nov. 3	
278A2	278A2	High Desert No. 2*	400	440	400	440	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
Any Legal Weapon Total			46,236	49,964	47,210	51,083					
Archery Hunts											
216R	216R	Santiam Bow*	800	880	800	880	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 23 - Dec. 8	Nov. 28 - Dec. 13	
217R	217R	Stott Mtn Unit Bow	250	275	250	275	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 23 - Dec. 8	Nov. 28 - Dec. 13	
218R	218R	Alsea Unit Bow	500	550	500	550	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 23 - Dec. 8	Nov. 28 - Dec. 13	
219R	219R	McKenzie Unit Bow*	700	770	550	605	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 23 - Dec. 8	Nov. 28 - Dec. 13	
221R	221R	N Indigo Bow*	500	550	350	385	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Nov. 23 - Dec. 8	Nov. 28 - Dec. 13	
224R	224R	Tioga Unit Bow	300	330	100	110	One 3pt + bull elk	One 3pt + bull elk	Jan. 4 - Jan. 19 '20	Jan. 2 - Jan. 17'21	
226R	226R	Powers Unit Bow	60	63	60	63	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24-Sept. 22	Aug. 22 - Sept. 20	
230R	230R	W Rogue Bow*	50	55	50	55	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Feb 29' 20	Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 '21	
234R	234R	Upper Deschutes Bow	85	92	85	92	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
236R	236R	Maury Unit Bow	100	110	100	110	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
237R1	237R	Ochoco Unit Bow	125	135	600	648	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	Delete tie to deer bow tag

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237R2		Ochoco Unit Bow No. 2 Deer bowhunter must also have a controlled Ochoco Unit elk bow tag (used or unused) to hunt deer in the Ochoco Unit.	525	572			One bull elk		Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Delete in 2020	
239R	239R	Metolius Bow	75	83	85	94	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
248R	248R	Heppner Bow	150	158	150	158	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Aug. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	Boundary expansion
249R	249R	Ukiah Unit Bow	300	321	300	321	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug.29 - Sept.27	
	250R	North Fork Traditional	New in 2020		50	55		One elk		Sept. 28 - Oct. 2	Traditional Equipment
252R1	252R	Starkey Exp. Forest Bow*	50	50	25	25	One elk	One elk	Sep. 7 - Sep 15	Sept. 12 - Sept. 20	
252R2		Shaw Mountain Bow*	100	110			One elk		Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Delete in 2020	Low interest
254R1	254R1	Mount Emily Unit Bow No. 1	55	55	55	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug.29 - Sept.27	
254R2	254R2	Mount Emily Unit Bow No. 2	160	176	160	176	One spike elk	One spike elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug.29 - Sept.27	
255R1	255R1	Walla Walla Bow No. 1*	25	25	25	25	One bull elk	One bull elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug.29 - Sept.27	
255R2	255R2	Walla Walla Bow No. 2*	50	55	50	55	One spike elk	One spike elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug.29 - Sept.27	
256R1	256R1	Wenaha Unit Bow No. 1	40	40	40	40	One bull elk	One bull elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
256R2	256R2	Wenaha Unit Bow No. 2	150	165	150	165	One spike elk	One spike elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
257R1	257R1	Sled Springs Unit Bow No. 1	200	208	200	208	One elk	One bull elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
257R2	257R2	Sled Springs Unit Bow No. 2	150	165	150	165	One antlerless or spike elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	Bag Change
258R1	258R1	Chesnimnus Unit Bow No. 1	300	324	300	324	One elk	One elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
258R2	258R2	Chesnimnus Unit Bow No. 2	75	83	75	83	One antlerless or spike elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	Bag Change

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259R		Snake River Unit Bow	100	110			One elk		Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Delete in 2020	
274R	274R	Warner Unit Bow	50	55	50	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Aug. 24 - Sept. 22	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27	
Archery Total			6,025	6,565	5,310	5,777					
Muzzleloader Hunts											
	200M	Cascades Muzzleloader	New in 2020		900	900		One elk** outside all USFS lands **One bull inside all USFS lands		Nov. 14 - Nov. 25	Combines 200M1 & 200M2
200M1		NW Cascades*	500	500			One elk** outside all USFS lands **One bull inside all USFS lands		Nov. 9 - Nov. 15	Delete in 2020	Combine into Cascades hunt
200M2		SW Cascades*	400	400			One elk** outside all USFS lands **One bull inside all USFS lands		Nov. 9 - Nov. 15	Delete in 2020	Combine into Cascades hunt
214M	214M	NE Trask*	40	42	40	42	One elk	One elk	Dec. 18 - Dec. 31	Dec. 16 - Dec. 31	
224M	224M	Tioga Unit	200	220	200	220	One bull elk	One bull elk	Dec. 7 - Dec. 22	Dec. 5 - Dec. 20	
234M	234M	E Cascade*	180	196	180	196	One elk	One elk	Nov. 2 - Nov. 10	Nov. 7 - Nov. 15	
235M	235M	Paulina - E Fort Rock*	70	77	70	77	One elk	One elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
248M	248M	Pole Cr*	25	27	25	27	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
251M1	251M1	Elkhorn No. 1*	50	55	50	55	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Oct. 15	Aug. 1 - Oct. 15	
251M2	251M2	Elkhorn No. 2*	50	55	50	55	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 16 - Dec. 31	Oct. 17 - Dec. 31	
254M1		Union Agricultural No. 1*	200	200			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Oct. 31	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt
254M2		Union Agricultural No. 2*	250	273			One antlerless elk		Nov. 1 - Jan. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Replaced w/ General Damage Hunt

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260M	260M	Eagle Cap*	50	55	50	55	One bull elk	One bull elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
265M	265M	E Grant*	175	193	175	193	One elk	One elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
278M	278M	High Desert*	125	138	125	138	One elk	One elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
Muzzleloader Total			2,315	2,431	1,865	1,958					
Youth Hunts											
210T	210T	Saddle Mountain Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
211T	211T	Scappoose Unit	10	10	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
212T1	212T1	Wilson Unit No. 1	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
212T2	212T2	Wilson Unit No. 2	30	31	40	41	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 21 - Dec. 29	Dec. 19 - Dec. 27	
212T3	212T3	Wilson Unit No. 3	30	32	40	42	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Dec. 28 - Jan. 5 '20	Dec. 26 - Jan. 3, '21	
214T	214T	Trask Unit*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
216T	216T	Santiam Unit*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
217T	217T	Stott Mountain Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
218T	218T	Alea Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
219T	219T	McKenzie Unit	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
220T	220T	Siuslaw Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
221T1	221T1	Indigo Unit	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
221T2	221T2	Sutherlin*	20	21	20	21	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Jan. 1 - Jan 31 '20	Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 '21	
222T	222T	Dixon Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
223T	223T	Melrose Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug 1 - Mar 31 '20	Aug. 1 - Mar 31 '21	
224T1	224T	Tioga Unit	10	10	30	30	one antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	224T2 + T3
224T2		Callahan*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan 4,5,11,12,18,19 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine into 224T
224T3		Old Blue*	10	11			One antlerless elk		Jan 4,5,11,12,18,19 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine into 224T
225T	225T	Sixes Unit	25	26	75	78	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Mar 31 '21	
225T2		Sixes Unit No. 2	50	52			One antlerless elk		Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Delete in 2020	Combine into 225T1
226T	226T	Powers Unit	25	25	25	25	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Mar 31 '21	

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227T	227T	Chetco Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
228T	228T	Applegate-Evans Cr*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
230T1	230T1	Rogue Unit	30	30	30	30	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
230T2	230T2	W Rogue*	35	35	35	35	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Mar. 31 '20	Aug. 1 - Mar 31 '21	
231T	231T	Keno Unit	15	15	15	15	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
233T	233T	Sprague Unit	15	15	15	15	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
234T	234T	E Cascade*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
235T	235T	Paulina-E. Fort Rock*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
236T	236T	Maury Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug 1 - Dec. 31	
237T1	237T1	Ochoco Unit No. 1	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug 1 - Dec. 31	
237T2	237T2	Ochoco Unit No. 2	100	100	100	100	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Oct. 12 - Oct. 20	Oct. 17 - Oct. 25	
238T	238T	Grizzly Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug 1 - Dec. 31	
241T	241T	White River-Hood*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug 1 - Dec. 31	
244T	244T	Umatilla*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug.1 - Dec.31	Boundary change
245T	245T	Fossil Unit	50	50	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
246T1	246T1	Murderers Cr - Northside*	50	50	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
246T2	246T2	Flat Cr*	30	33	30	33	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Aug. 23	Aug. 1 - Aug. 28	
248T	248T	Heppner Unit	50	50	50	50	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
250T	250T	Desolation Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
	251T	Baker	New in 2020		100	100		One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Combines 251T, 262T, & 263T
251T		Sumpter Unit	20	20			One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combine into new 251T
252T1	252T1	Starkey Unit*	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
252T2	252T2	Glass Hill*	3	3	3	3	One elk	One elk	Nov. 16 - Dec. 31	Nov. 21 - Dec. 31	

Table 20 Continued. Recommended 2020 Elk Hunts and Tags.

2019 Hunt #	2020 Hunt #	2020 Hunt Name	2019 Tags	Adj. 2019 Tags**	Proposed 2020 Tags	Adj. 2020 Tags**	2019 Bag Limit	Proposed 2020 Bag Limit	2019 Dates	2020 Dates	2020 Notes & Changes
	252T3	Starkey Exp Forest Youth	New in 2020		30	30		One antlerless elk		Aug. 15 - Aug. 23	New Hunt
253T	253T	Catherine Cr Unit	20	20	20	20	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
257T	257T	Sled Springs Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
258T	258T	Chesnimnus Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
259T	259T	Snake River Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
260T	260T	Minam Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
261T	261T	Imnaha Unit	55	55	55	55	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
262T		Pine Creek Unit	20	21			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combine into new 251T
263T		Keating Unit	20	22			One antlerless elk		Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Delete in 2020	Combine into new 251T
264T	264T	Lookout Mountain Unit	40	40	40	40	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
265T	265T	Beulah Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
266T	266T	N Malheur River*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
272T	272T	Silvies Unit	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
276T	276T	Silver Lake Unit	15	15	15	15	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
278T	278T	High Desert*	10	10	10	10	One antlerless elk	One antlerless elk	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	Aug. 1 - Dec. 31	
Youth Hunt Total			1,258	1,273	1,348	1,358					
Grand Total Elk			55,834	60,233	55,733	60,176					
** Tag numbers adjusted up by each hunt's 4-yr average un-redemption rate to compensate for un-redeemed tags (max adjustment = 10%).											

Western Gray Squirrel Season Recommendations

Proposed changes to the 2020 western gray squirrel seasons include expansion of the open hunting area and establishment of standard dates (Table 21). These changes allow hunting in Eastern Oregon units that do not currently have a squirrel season.

Table 21. Proposed western gray squirrel seasons and bag limits for 2020.

Hunt	Units	Bag Limit	2019 Dates	Proposed 2020 Dates
North-Central Oregon	34, 35, 39, 41, 42	3/day - 6 in possession	Sep. 7 - Oct. 13	Sept. 15 - Oct. 31
Remainder of the State	10-33, 36-38, 40, 43-77	5/day - 15 in possession	Aug. 24 - Nov. 6	Sept. 1 - Nov. 15

That portion of Unit 30 (Rogue) south of Rogue River and South Fork of Rogue River and north of Highway 140 is open year-round with no bag limit.