

APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS

Access & Habitat Program
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
4034 Fairview Industrial Dr SE
Salem, OR 97302

I/We, Gary and Kathy Bloomer of Baker City, Oregon, hereby make application for financial assistance under the terms and conditions of the Access and Habitat program in the amount \$40,105. The total cost of the project is \$42,605.

I/We understand that if this project is approved for funding by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission, before we receive project funds we will be required to:

- Sign a Grant Agreement containing the terms and conditions upon which funds will be released including submission of necessary permits;
- Obtain landowner and maintenance agreements if needed;
- Sign a certification to comply with state, federal and local regulations if needed;
- Submit a completion report to the Board on project performance.

I/We understand that if this application results in an access grant, ODFW will publicize my/our property via printed documents and internet for the purpose of helping hunters locate private lands that may be open to hunting. I/We will cooperate with ODFW to post signs indicating public hunting access at the project location.

I certify that either:

I am the sole landowner of the Property where the Access and Habitat Project will occur.

I am an authorized representative of the landowner of the property where the Access and Habitat project will occur.

I am leasing the property from the landowner and the lease allows me to enter into this agreement.

I have the legal authority to enter into a grant agreement for this Access and habitat project because: _____

(Fill in details – for example: "The project is on three parcels; one is owned by me, one is owned by my wife, and one is owned by our family farm business").

Grantee Signature: Gary Bloomer

Date: November 1, 2025

Position: Landowner

ACCESS & HABITAT PROGRAM

Application for Grant Funds

1. Project Title: Iron Mountain Access Area
2. Applicant: Gary & Kathy Bloomer Phone: (541)523-4712
Grantee: Gary Bloomer (As will appear on contract/payments)
If private nonprofit, attach IRS letter of 501(c) (3) status
Address: 2411 Main Street
City/State/Zip: Baker City / Oregon / 97814 Phone: (541)523-4712

Email: kjbloomer@yahoo.com
3. Location: ODFW Region East Region
Watershed District / Wildlife Management Unit: Grande Ronde Watershed District / Lookout Mountain Wildlife Management Unit
County: Baker County Township/Range/Section: T10S, R43E, R44E and T11S, R43E multiple sections (See Attached Map)
4. Type of Project:
Habitat Improvement Access Damage
5. Number of acres of habitat to be improved: N/A
6. Number of acres of access to be provided: 3,342 acres private and 4,215 acres of completely landlocked BLM
Welcome to Hunt By Permission Other _____
7. Proposed Start Date: 08/01/2026
8. Proposed End Date: 01/31/2031
9. Estimated Cost of Project: \$42,605
10. Access and Habitat Fund Request: \$40,105
11. Briefly explain what the project proposes to do:
This project proposes to continue to pay Gary and Kathy Bloomer \$2.40/acre for "Welcome to Hunt" access on 3,342 acres of private land in the Lookout Mountain Wildlife Management Unit for a period of 5 years to hunt big game (i.e. mule deer, pronghorn antelope, Rocky Mountain elk, bear, cougar, coyote) and upland game birds (i.e. Hungarian partridge, chukar, California quail, turkey and grouse). The Iron Mountain Access Area also provides the only access point to 4,215 acres of completely inaccessible public lands.
12. Habitat and Landscape: Describe the habitat and landscape of the project area.

The Iron Mountain Access Area contains several different habitat types inhabited by big game and upland game birds. The property is characterized primarily as rolling sagebrush steppe habitat with hilly terrain and numerous springs, seeps and rock outcroppings.

13. **Background:** Describe the project area and explain the wildlife habitat and/or access challenge or opportunity this project will address. Address how current management actions benefit public access and/or wildlife and their habitat needs.

The Iron Mountain Access Area is located in the Lookout Mountain Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) in Baker County, Oregon. The Lookout Mountain WMU offers a variety of different hunting opportunities, including Rocky Mountain elk, trophy mule deer, pronghorn antelope and excellent upland bird hunting. The unit is characterized by lower and mid elevation sagebrush steppe, riparian habitats and high elevation conifer and aspen forests. Land ownership in the unit is comprised of 62% private lands and 38% public lands. Despite the constant efforts by ODFW personnel, a large percentage of private lands in the unit remain inaccessible to the public. Of the public land that is available in the Lookout Mountain Unit, at least 5,000 acres are completely "land-locked" by private lands and are not available to public hunters.

The Iron Mountain Access Area provides "Welcome to Hunt" public access to 3,342 acres of private land and 4,215 acres of completely landlocked public lands in the Lookout Mountain WMU. The Lookout Mountain WMU is the highest priority area for the ODFW Baker District to maintain or open private land public hunting access. Until recently, elk tag numbers in this unit have remained constant. However, thanks to the partnership between several private landowners and the Access and Habitat program (A&H), ODFW (the Department) has added a late season cow hunt structure that helps address big game distribution and damage concerns throughout the unit. The continued partnership between the Department and private landowners enrolled in the A&H program is necessary to help alleviate the overcrowding of hunters on the limited public lands. Attachment A shows a map of all the A&H lands currently enrolled in the program and where those lands lay on the landscape. The bottom line, there is still a tremendous amount of private lands closed to the public and access is extremely limited unit wide.

14. **Past A&H History:** Describe any past Access & Habitat project, especially if the proposed project deals with continuation or amendment to a past project.

Past A&H projects include the 2011-07, 2013-03, 2014-02, 2016-05 and 2021-16 projects. Through its inception, the Iron Mountain Access Area has provided "Welcome to Hunt" access for big game, predators and upland game birds. Over the last 15 years, both the Department and Mr. Bloomer have been extremely satisfied with the partnership and the level of hunter use and satisfaction on the access area.

Of the 5 current A&H properties located in the Lookout Mountain WMU, the Department receives an extremely high number of inquiries from the public regarding the Iron Mountain Access Area. Historically, the only way to access these landlocked BLM lands was via helicopter or by gaining permission from adjacent private landowners. These 4,215 acres of

BLM lands were, and still are, one of the most highly desired tracts of public land in the entire unit. The sheer remoteness and the quality of big game and upland game bird opportunity that these properties provide are what attract so many hunters annually (Attachment D).

15. **Hunter Use Data:** New Projects: Must give estimates of expected usage and how usage will be assessed. Old Projects: Use Access Area Permit data, vehicle or pedestrian counts, hunter interviews, etc.

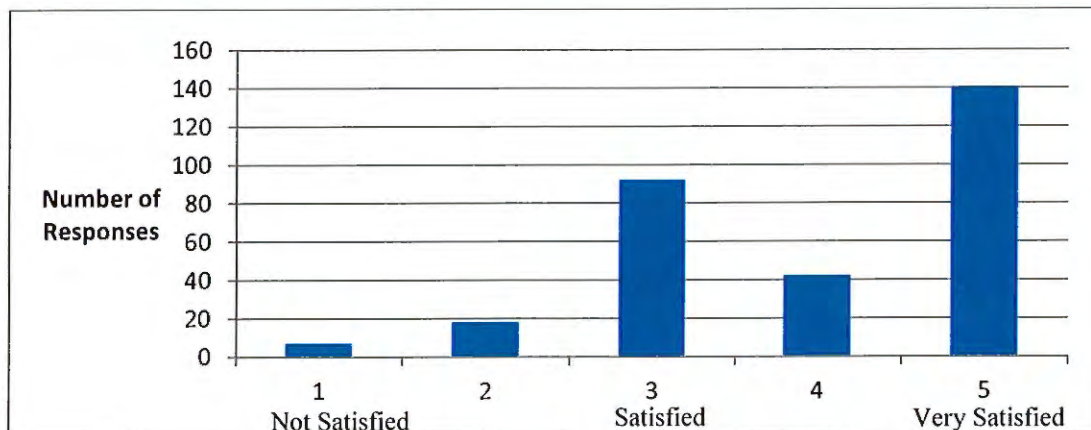
Hunter use data for Iron Mountain Access Area is solely generated through a “voluntary” check-in / check-out station. The results for 2016-2024 are discussed in detail below.

“Voluntary” Check-in / Check-out Station

The Iron Mountain Access Area has one “voluntary” check-in / check-out station to help collect hunter use information (please see Attachment B). Due to the nature of the “voluntary” check-in / check-out system, hunter compliance has averaged just over 70%. On several occasions, Mr. Bloomer, ODFW and the Oregon State Police staff have visited the property only to find numerous vehicles and individuals recreating on the area and no permits were filed. Staff have done their best to educate users on the importance of this data and the necessity behind collecting hunter use information. Attachment C summarizes the 2016-2025 “voluntary” check-in / check-out data.

During the 2016-2024 seasons, a total of 417 permits were collected from the check-in / check-out station at the access area, with only 299 permits being filled out completely. A permit is “complete” when both parts A and B have been filled out completely, and the necessary sections have been returned to the check-in / check-out station. Incomplete permits typically lack the return of section B or the individual user did not fill out all pertinent information of section B. One of the most useful pieces of information that is collected via the permitting process is the “Overall Satisfaction” rating. “Overall Satisfaction” ratings provide an opportunity for users to give valuable feedback concerning the property and their experience(s). Figure 1 below shows that most hunters reported a satisfied to very satisfied rating. The average rating over the past 10 years is 3.97 on a scale of 1-5, with 5 indicating most satisfied.

Figure 1 Hunter satisfaction ratings on Iron Mountain Access Area, 2016 – 2024



16. Project Objective(s):

(a) What is the objective of the proposed project?

Continue to provide "Welcome to Hunt" public hunting access to 3,342 acres of private land and 4,215 acres of completely inaccessible public lands in the Lookout Mountain WMU for 5 consecutive years beginning in August 2026 and ending in January 2031.

(b) How will the project benefit wildlife habitat?

N/A

(c) Select species that will benefit from habitat improvements:

Big Game

- Deer
- Elk
- Bear
- Cougar
- Pronghorn
- Bighorn Sheep
- Mountain Goat

Upland Bird

- Chukar
- Mountain Quail
- Valley Quail
- Pheasants
- Forest Grouse
- Turkey
- Gray Partridge
- Sage Grouse

Migratory Game Bird

- Ducks
- Geese
- American Coot
- Wilsons Snipe
- Mourning Dove
- Band Tailed Pigeon

(d) Length of time benefits provided <3yr 3-6yr >6yr

Examples of Project Benefit Duration

Noxious weed.....2yrs	Forage planting.....5yrs	Aspen fencing.....10yrs
Range fertilization...2yrs	Forest thinning.....5yrs	Aspen plant/fence.....10yrs
Rx Fire-grassland.....2yrs	Aspen (conifer removal)....5yrs	Road closure.....10yrs
Rx Fire-forested.....3yrs	Juniper removal.....7yrs	Road decommission....10yrs
Fence Removal.....10yrs	Water Dev/Enhancement.10yrs	

(Source: Blue Mountains Elk Initiative Project Evaluation Criteria)

(e) How will the project benefit public access? If limited access, how many hunters will be permitted?

The project will provide "Welcome to Hunt" public hunting access to 3,342 acres of private land in a Wildlife Management Unit (Lookout Mountain 62% Private Land) that suffers from minimal public hunting access opportunities. In addition, access to 4,215 acres of completely inaccessible public land will also be provided. Public access to the completely landlocked BLM lands is only available through the Iron Mountain Access Area or by helicopter. Please see the attached A&H access area map for specifics.

(f) Select species for which public access will provided:

Big Game

- Deer
- Elk
- Bear
- Cougar
- Pronghorn
- Bighorn Sheep
- Mountain Goat

Upland Bird

- Chukar
- Mountain Quail
- Valley Quail
- Pheasants
- Forest Grouse
- Turkey
- Gray Partridge
- Sage Grouse

Migratory Game Bird

- Ducks
- Geese
- American Coot
- Wilsons Snipe
- Mourning Dove
- Band Tailed Pigeon
- Other: Coyote

(g) If damage related, how will the project alleviate/eliminate the problem?

There is a long history of wildlife damage on this property. This project will help ODFW Baker Wildlife District in dealing with elk damage that is currently occurring on surrounding private lands by providing public hunting access to private land in an area where access is otherwise very limited. ODFW is using hunters to help address these damage complaints. A hunt structure that allows hunters to pursue elk from early October through the end of January is currently in place. Continuing to provide greater access to private lands can increase hunter success and assist ODFW in addressing private lands damage complaints and elk distribution issues. Hazing supplies/permits and Landowner Damage Tags are just a few examples of how the applicant and ODFW have worked together to address big game damage in the past.

17. **Project Location:** Attach a map and provide description of the location and how to get there from a major highway.

The project area is located approximately 25 miles southeast of Baker City, Oregon. To access the property, take I-84 east out of Baker City and exit at Durkee, Oregon. Upon exiting I-84, take Highway 30 north to Lang Road. At Lang Road, continue traveling north to Hindman Road. Take Hindman Road north to Iron Mountain Road and follow Iron Mountain Road to the property boundary. See attached A&H map.

18. **Procedure:** Specifically describe how the project will be conducted--use separate page for additional information, drawings, or pictures.

“Welcome to Hunt” Access Area

Open public hunting access will be allowed August 1 – January 31 annually, beginning August 1, 2025 and ending January 31, 2031. This time period encompasses all big game hunts and upland game bird seasons. A color map will be produced by ODFW and available to public hunters. The landowner will be provided with the standard A&H signs such as: “Welcome to Hunt”, “Safety Zone”, “Closed to Motorized Vehicles”, “Opportunity provided in Cooperation with the A&H Program”, etc. ODFW staff will assist Mr. Bloomer with the posting of signs on his property. Access will be restricted to foot traffic only and no ATV’s, ebikes or motorized vehicles will be allowed to access any part of the lands off the main access roads. ODFW East Region Staff will continue to monitor hunter use via the voluntary check-in/check-out stations (See Attachment B).

19. **Permits:** Have all of the appropriate permits been secured or applied for? Examples: Water Resources Department for water rights, Division of State Lands for fill-removal or wetlands projects.

There are no permits necessary for this project.

20. **Scheduling:** What is the estimated project schedule?

- a. Habitat Work Start Date: N/A
Habitat Work Completion Date: N/A
- b. Access Agreement Start Date: 8/1/2026
Access Agreement End Date: 1/31/2031
- c. List major project activities and time schedule for each:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Time (month/year)</u>
1. <u>"Welcome to Hunt" Access</u>	<u>August 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027</u>
2. <u>"Welcome to Hunt" Access</u>	<u>August 1, 2027 – January 31, 2028</u>
3. <u>"Welcome to Hunt" Access</u>	<u>August 1, 2028 – January 31, 2029</u>
4. <u>"Welcome to Hunt" Access</u>	<u>August 1, 2029 – January 31, 2030</u>
5. <u>"Welcome to Hunt" Access</u>	<u>August 1, 2030 – January 31, 2031</u>
6. <u>Maintain kiosk & Check-in / Check-out Stations</u>	<u>August – January each year</u>
7.	

21. **Participation and Funding:** Will other organizations or individuals participate in the project? If so, list and describe participation, and attach letters of commitment or verification of grant awards. Costs listed here must be included in "Other Funds" column of the Project Budget (Section 20).

<u>Participant</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
1. <u>Gary Bloomer</u>	<u>Hunting Administration & Habitat Project Administration</u>	<u>\$2,500 (500/year) (In-kind)</u>
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

\$2,500

Have any conditions been placed on the funds listed above which may affect the completion of the project? If so, identify and explain. YES NO

22. **Project Maintenance and Monitoring:**

- (a) Who will maintain the project and fund long-term maintenance and/or operation if needed?

ODFW and the landowner will work cooperatively to post signs on the property and resolve any issues that may arise from the use of the property.

ODFW and the Oregon State Police will include the property in the areas that are being patrolled during the hunting and access seasons.

(b) What element(s) of the project will be monitored, how often, for how long?

Hunter use, satisfaction, and harvest information will be monitored annually by ODFW East Region Staff. Entry point kiosks and “voluntary” check-in / check-out stations will be monitored monthly during the hunting and access seasons to collect and resupply A&H Access Area Daily Permits and area maps.

23. **Project Budget Narrative:** (Provide details; describe in-kind funding; provide narratives here of non-itemized entries in your worksheet.)

It is anticipated that Mr. Bloomer will contribute at a minimum of \$500 annually of in-kind services in the form of hunting and project administration. These in-kind services could be in the form of posting of signs, patrol efforts, litter removal and hunter contacts.

Project Budget
(provide as much detail as possible)

<u>Category</u>	<u>A&H Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds¹</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<u>Administration & Technical Support</u> Gary Bloomer (\$500/year In-kind)	_____	<u>\$2,500</u>	<u>\$2,500</u>
Total	_____	<u>\$2,500</u>	<u>\$2,500</u>
<u>Contract Services</u>	_____	_____	_____
<u>Access Payment</u> \$8,021/year for 5 years	<u>\$40,105</u>	_____	<u>\$40,105</u>
<u>Habitat Improvement</u>	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL COSTS	<u>\$40,105</u>	<u>\$2,500</u>	<u>\$42,605</u>

¹ List detail in funding (section 18).

² Provide amounts and cost per unit.

³ Attach subcontractor estimates.

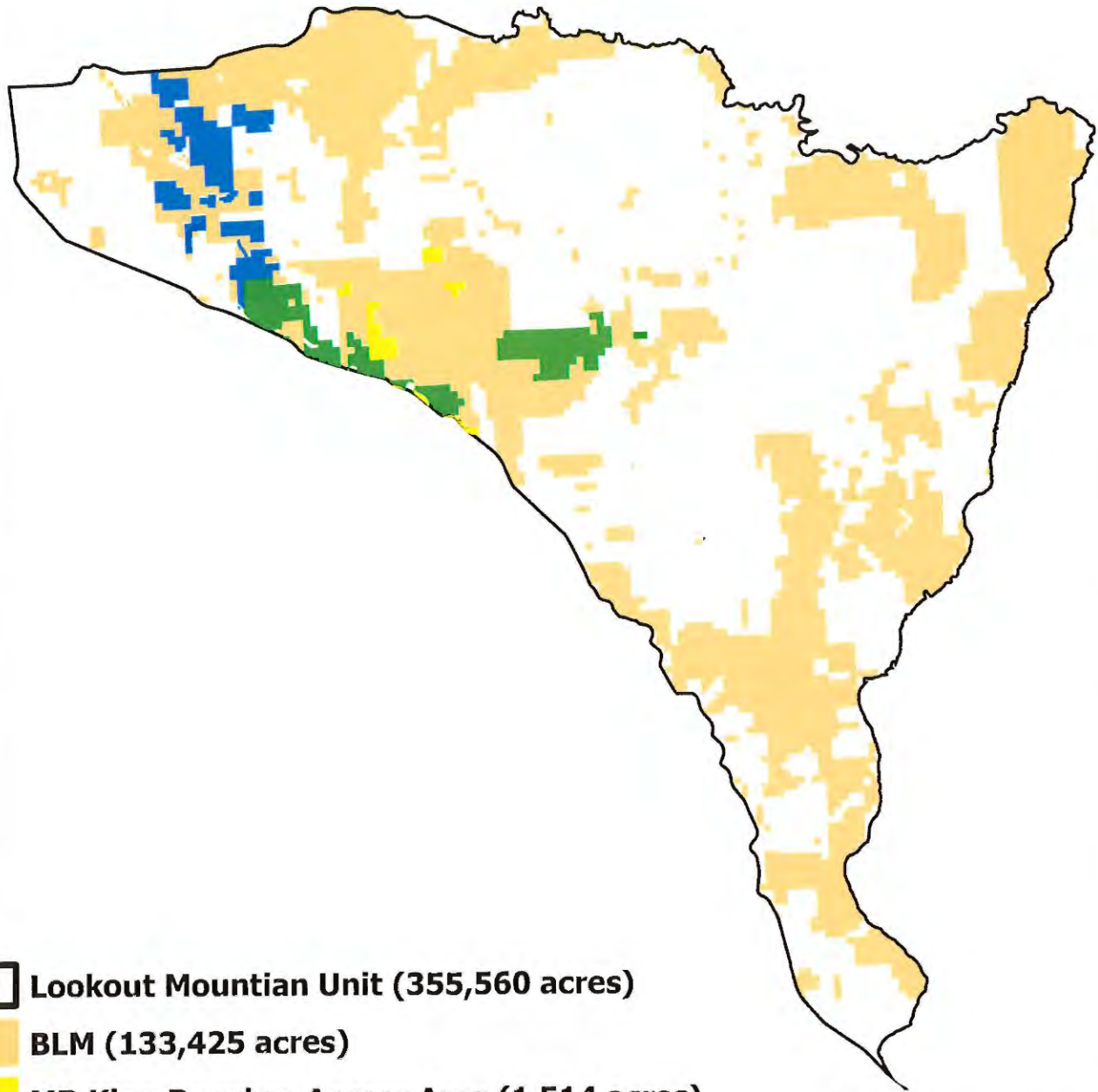
⁴ Individual pieces of equipment costing over \$100.00.







ACCESS PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Access Year	Payment	Request for Funds Submitted:
August 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027	\$8,021	No earlier than August 1, 2026
August 1, 2027 – January 31, 2028	\$8,021	No earlier than August 1, 2027
August 1, 2028 – January 31, 2029	\$8,021	No earlier than August 1, 2028
August 1, 2029 – January 31, 2030	\$8,021	No earlier than August 1, 2029
August 1, 2030 – January 31, 2031	\$4,010.50	No earlier than August 1, 2030
(10% withheld until receipt of completion report)		
Final Payment	\$4,010.50	No earlier than February 1, 2031

Attachment A

Lookout Mountain Access Areas



-  Lookout Mountain Unit (355,560 acres)
-  BLM (133,425 acres)
-  MR King Ranches Access Area (1,514 acres)
-  Virtue Flat Access Area (7,087 acres)
-  Iron Mountain Access Area (3,342 acres)
-  Troy Ranches Access Area (5,696 acres)



Attachment B



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A **A&H Access Area Daily Permit**

1) Complete Part A, detach, and leave in box.
2) Complete Part B and deposit in box when leaving area.

Date: _____ Vehicle Lic #: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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B **A&H Access Area Daily Permit**

Please remember to deposit when leaving area

Principle Purpose of Visit:

Waterfowl hunting Upland hunting

Big Game hunting Predators/Small Game hunting

Other: _____

What did you harvest?: _____

Overall Satisfaction: 1 2 3 4 5

(circle number) Not Satisfied Satisfied Very Satisfied

Attachment C Iron Mountain Access Area Permit Collection 2016-2024

DATE	PERMIT NUMER	PURPOSE OF HUNTING	HARVEST RESULTS	SATISFACTION RATING
8/5/2016	29624	SCOUTING	0	4
8/6/2016	29625	SCOUTING	0	5
8/7/2016	29626	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/13/2016	29627	PREDATORS/SMALL GAME	0	3
8/19/2016	29629	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/31/2016	29633	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/8/2016	29364	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/24/2016	29637	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/6/2016	29638	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
9/24/2016	29643	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/25/2016	29645	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
9/25/2016	*29646	BIG GAME HUNTING	N/A	N/A
10/2/2016	29647	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/4/2016	29648	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/2/2016	29649	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
N/A	29650	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/2/2016	29651	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/4/2016	29652	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/4/2016	29654	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/18/2016	29660	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/21/2016	*29661	BIG GAME HUNTING	N/A	N/A
10/21/2016	*29662	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/21/2016	*29663	BIG GAME HUNTING	N/A	N/A
10/27/2016	29666	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2016	29667	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2016	29668	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2016	29669	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2016	29670	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2016	29671	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2016	29674	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/5/2016	34472	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
9/5/2016	34473	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/5/2016	34474	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/6/2016	34475	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/26/2016	34478	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/26/2016	34479	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/26/2016	34480	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/26/2016	34481	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/26/2016	34482	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/27/2016	34483	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2

11/27/2016	34484	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
12/6/2016	34487	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
12/7/2016	34488	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 COW ELK	3
12/7/2016	34489	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
12/9/2016	34490	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/25/2106	34491	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/6/2016	34495	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/18/2016	34497	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
11/18/2016	34498	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
11/18/2016	34499	PREDATORS/SMALL GAME	0	5
11/18/2016	34861	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/8/2016	*29635	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/14/2016	*29639	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/4/2016	*29636	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/10/2016	*29641	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/18/2016	*29640	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/10/2016	*29655	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/24/2016	*29644	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/12/2016	*29657	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/11/2016	*29656	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/5/2016	*34471	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	*29659	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/2/2016	*34485	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	79			

8/5/2017	38261	BIG GMAE HUNTING	0	3
8/5/2017	38262	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/12/2017	38263	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/16/2017	38265	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/21/2017	38266	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/26/2017	38267	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 COW ELK	5
10/14/2017	38277	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/25/2017	38284	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2017	38285	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2017	38286	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2017	38287	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2017	38288	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2017	38289	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2017	38290	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2017	38291	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/28/2017	38292	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2017	38299	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/27/2017	38300	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
12/4/2017	38310	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3

12/3/2017	38311	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
12/2/2017	38312	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
12/2/2017	38314	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
12/9/2017	38319	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
12/10/2017	38322	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
1/24/2018	38323	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
8/16/2018	38325	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
12/1/2017	38732	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
1/27/2018	38273	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
8/5/2018	36950	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/25/2017	38320	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/21/2017	38280	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/26/2017	38321	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTALS	35			

11/28/2018	43100	BIG GMAE HUNTING	0	5
11/28/2018	43099	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/16/2018	43097	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/16/2018	43096	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/11/2018	43095	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/16/2018	43094	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/30/2018	43093	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/27/2018	43092	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/27/2018	43091	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/24/2018	43090	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	0	3
11/24/2018	43089	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/15/2018	43088	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/15/2018	43087	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/15/2018	43086	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/14/2018	43085	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/14/2018	43084	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/13/2018	43083	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/13/2018	43082	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/12/2018	43081	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/12/2018	43080	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/12/2018	43079	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/14/2018	43078	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/11/2018	43077	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/10/2018	43076	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/10/2018	43074	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/11/2018	43073	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/13/2018	43072	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/7/2018	43070	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/6/2018	43069	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3

11/6/2018	43068	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/6/2018	43067	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/5/2018	43066	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
11/4/2018	43065	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/4/2018	43060	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2018	43058	SCOUTING	0	3
10/27/2018	43057	PREDATORS/SMALL GAME	0	5
10/25/2018	43056	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/24/2018	43055	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/24/2018	43054	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
10/23/2018	43053	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/25/2018	43050	BIG GAME HUNTING	SPIKE BULL	5
10/21/2018	43049	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/24/2018	43047	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/23/2018	43046	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
10/21/2018	43045	SCOUTING	0	5
10/21/2018	43044	SCOUTING	0	5
10/21/2018	43043	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/21/2018	43042	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/16/2018	43041	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/16/2018	43040	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/16/2018	43039	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/13/2018	43037	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 COW ELK	5
10/1/2018	43034	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/25/2018	43032	SCOUTING	0	3
8/29/2018	43027	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/28/2018	*43033	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/2/2018	*43052	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/16/2018	*43030	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTALS	61			

9/28/2019	50071	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
9/29/2019	50072	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/29/2019	*50073	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/29/2019	*50074	N/A	N/A	N/A
9/30/2019	50075	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
10/12/2019	*50080	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/17/2019	50081	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/17/2019	50082	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/13/2019	*50085	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/13/2019	*50086	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/13/2019	50087	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/15/2019	50088	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/15/2019	50089	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5

10/16/2019	50090	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/16/2019	50091	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/19/2019	50092	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/22/2019	*50094	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/19/2019	50095	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/22/2019	*50097	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/24/2019	50098	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/24/2019	50099	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/25/2019	50100	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/23/2019	50101	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/25/2019	50102	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/24/2019	50103	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/23/2019	50104	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
11/2/2019	50107	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/3/2019	*50108	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/3/2019	*50110	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/28/2019	50125	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
TOTALS	40			

10/30/2020	50129	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/30/2020	50130	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/13/2020	50132	SCOUTING	0	5
8/13/2020	50133	SCOUTING	0	5
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8/13/2020	50135	SCOUTING	0	5
8/14/2020	50136	SCOUTING	0	4
8/22/2020	50138	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/22/2020	50139	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/30/2020	50140	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/10/2020	50141	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
9/10/2020	50142	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
9/24/2020	50143	SCOUTING	0	3
10/6/2020	50144	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/6/2020	50145	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/20/2020	50148	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/28/2020	50155	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/29/2020	50156	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
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10/29/2020	50158	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/31/2020	50159	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/31/2020	50160	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/1/2020	50161	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	0	3
11/1/2020	50162	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/1/2020	50163	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5

11/7/2020	50164	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
11/7/2020	50165	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	1
11/8/2020	50169	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/30/2020	50170	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/14/2020	51601	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
12/5/2020	51603	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
12/6/2020	51604	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	0	3
12/12/2020	51611	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
8/1/2020	*50131	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/29/20	*50154	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/4/2020	*50146	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/11/2020	*50166	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/4/2020	*51602	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/12/2020	*51600	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/10/2020	51627	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/11/2020	51628	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
11/12/2020	51629	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
TOTALS	55			

3/8/2021	51622	N/A	N/A	N/A
8/13/2021	57256	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	35457	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
N/A	35458	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
N/A	57256	SCOUTING	0	5
9/4/2021	57257	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
9/4/2021	57258	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/2/2021	57263	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
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11/7/2021	57291	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/7/2021	57292	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/7/2021	57293	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/6/2021	57294	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/22/2021	57295	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
11/24/2021	57296	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
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12/3/2021	57310	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
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12/6/2021	57314	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/6/2021	57315	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/6/2021	57316	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/6/2021	57317	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
12/7/2021	57318	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
12/12/2021	57330	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	1 GROUSE	3
1/9/2021	57331	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
1/9/2021	57332	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	2
1/22/2022	57333	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
1/22/2022	57334	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
1/24/2022	57335	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
12/7/2021	57437	BIG GAME HUNTING	N/A	N/A
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N/A	57441	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
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TOTALS	59			

6/25/2022	55702	SCOUTING	0	5
	55704	SCOUTING	0	5
10/22/2022	55705	BIG GAME HUNTING	N/A	N/A
10/24/2022	55706	SCOUTING	0	5
10/25/2022	55707	SCOUTING	0	5
10/26/2022	55708	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/26/2022	55711	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	2 CHUKARS	5

10/27/2022	55712	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/25/2022	55713	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	1 CHUKAR	5
10/28/2022	55714	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/30/2022	55716	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/29/2022	55717	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/26/2022	55718	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/27/2022	55719	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/28/2022	55720	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/29/2022	55721	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	0	5
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10/06/2022	57339	SCOUTING	0	5
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10/28/2022	59003	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
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10/30/2022	59009	UPLAND BIRD HUNTING	0	5
	59035	N/A	N/A	N/A
8/21/2022	59041	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTALS	35			

11/24/2023	59042	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/25/2023	59046	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
12/21/2023	59047	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/24/2025	59551	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/25/2022	59552	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/24/2023	59553	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/21/2023	59554	N/A	N/A	N/A
11/10/2023	59556	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/8/2023	59557	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/20/2023	59558	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
11/1/2023	59559	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/7/2023	59562	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/16/2023	59565	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
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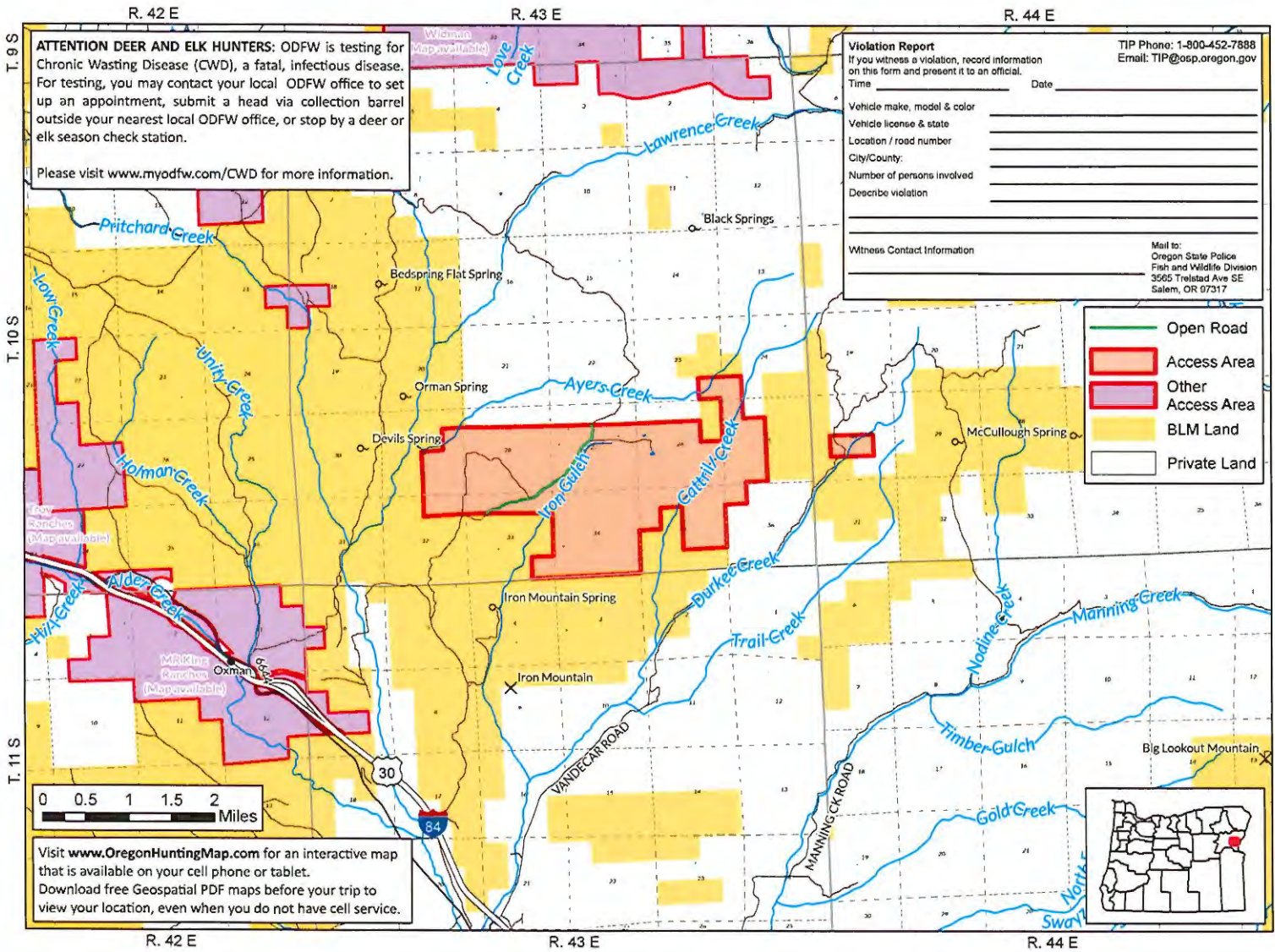
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12/1/2023	58307	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
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8/24/2023	58318	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/12/2023	58333	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
TOTALS	27			

9/2/2024	58322	PREDATOR	1 COYOTE	5
9/2/2024	58351	PREDATOR	0	5
12/8/2024	58324	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
1/25/2025	58334	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1/2024	58337	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1/2024	58338	N/A	N/A	N/A
1/30/2025	58341	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
N/A	58345	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
12/3/2024	58352	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
1/25/25	58358	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/12/2024	61910	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	4
10/16/2024	61912	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/30/2024	61914	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/16/2024	61916	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	3
10/30/2024	61917	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/30/2024	61920	N/A	N/A	N/A
10/31/2024	61923	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
11/1/2024	61924	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/31/2024	61926	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/31/2024	61927	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/30/2024	61928	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/30/2024	61929	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/30/2024	61930	BIG GAME HUNTING	N/A	N/A
10/31/2024	61931	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
10/30/2024	61932	BIG GAME HUNTING	0	5
10/31/2024	61933	BIG GAME HUNTING	1 BULL ELK	5
TOTALS	26			

*Indicates an "Incomplete Permit". Permits are considered incomplete if they are not completely filled out and both sections A and B have not been returned.

Attachment D





Iron Mountain Access Area



The Iron Mountain Access Area is a cooperative program between a private landowner and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Access and Habitat Program to maintain public hunting access on private lands and increase access to public land. The Iron Mountain Access Area southeast of Baker City, OR provides public hunting opportunities for deer, elk, pronghorn, predators, chukar, Hungarian partridge, forest grouse, and quail. All Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Regulations and Seasons apply.

Access Allowed:
Aug. 1 - Jan. 31

No permission is required to hunt on the Iron Mountain Access Area. The area is surrounded by both public and private lands and you are responsible for knowing property boundaries. Do not trespass on surrounding private lands.

Hunting on private lands is a privilege, not a right. Private land hunting opportunities will remain in the future only if the property and rights of private landowners are respected! Abuse it and you will lose it!

Area Regulations:

- Motorized vehicles only on open roads
- No camping or night-time use of private land
- No fires, be careful with cigarettes
- Respect landowners rights and needs
- Leave all gates as you found them
- No littering, pick up any trash
- Report unlawful activities



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November 1, 2025

Access & Habitat Board
4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE
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Dear A&H Board:

I am writing to support the application for renewal of the Iron Mountain Access Area. I strongly recommend the Board approve this project due to the lack of public land hunting opportunities that exist in the Lookout Mountain Wildlife Management Unit and the continued access to land locked public lands this project provides.

Since 2011, the Iron Mountain Access Area has become a location for the financially average hunter to access high quality hunting opportunities on over 3,000 acres of private land and the overarching ability to provide access to 4,215 acres of some of the most desirable land locked BLM land.

If approved as proposed, the Iron Mountain Access Area will continue to provide important access to 7,557 acres for big game, upland game birds, predators and small game in a Wildlife Management Unit that is dominated by private lands. Maintaining public access and continuing to foster the relationship between hunters, landowners and the Access & Habitat Program is a high priority for the Baker Wildlife District.

If you would like to discuss this project or the importance of maintaining access to the area, please feel free to contact me at (541)523-5832.

Sincerely,

Brian Ratliff
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Baker District Wildlife Biologist

Access and Habitat Program Project Evaluation Form



Program Objective: The Access and Habitat Program's motto, "Landowners & Hunters Together for Wildlife," conveys the program's basic mission to foster partnerships between landowners and hunters for the benefit of the wildlife they value. The program also seeks to recognize and encourage the important contributions made by landowners to the state's wildlife resource.

Project Name: Iron Mountain Access Area

Project #: 2026

	Access Acres	Habitat Acres	Habitat Category: 0	Total Score: 18
"Welcome" Private	3,342		(range: 1-6; see flow chart on page 4. Not applicable to Access-only projects)	Total Possible: 36
By-Permission Private				
Inaccessible Public*	4,215			
Accessible Public*				

Instructions:

Project Type	Complete these sections			
	General Criteria	Access Criteria	Habitat	Criteria
Access Only	X	X		
Habitat Only	X		X	
Access & Habitat	X	X	X	

Mark 1 point in the corresponding "Project Score" box for EACH criterion that is met. Example: for question 2, if partnerships include 4 sports groups, award points for the first 2 criteria. Do not mark more than 1 point per box. Point schedule is designed to weigh access-only and habitat-only projects equally.

Definitions:

Inaccessible Public*: Access will be provided through private land to public land that is completely landlocked (surrounded) by private land, legally precluding public hunting access. Total area includes only public land within the boundary of private ownership.

Accessible Public*: Access through private land will improve accessibility to public land. Public land may be extremely difficult to access otherwise, but is not legally surrounded by private land. Total area includes only public land that is closer (in linear distance) to the landowner's access point(s) than any other public access point.

*** Access to public land MUST be provided on a "Welcome to Hunt" basis**

General Criteria

(mark a "1" in the "Project Score" box for EACH criterion that is met)

1. Habitat Condition

Score 1 point only if the property contains the resource in sufficient abundance/quality to support target species referenced in questions 11, 15, 16 and 19 (during at least one season of the year). For habitat projects, use the predicted future condition. Justify your score.

Food:	Excellent browse and forage species			
Water:	Several springs, seeps and seasonal creeks			
Cover:	Heavy shrub component with deep canyons			

Project Score	Access Fee Assessment		
	Private Land	Inacc. Public	Acc. Public
1	1	1	n/a
1	1	1	n/a
1	1	1	n/a

2. Partnerships

Partners contributing financial or in-kind support:

1 or more Sports groups.....			
3 or more Sports groups.....			
Educational programs / non-governmental organizations.....			
Other government agencies or ODFW programs (i.e. OWEB, R&E).....			

0			
0			
0	1	1	n/a
1			

3. Matching Funds	Total matching funds (monetary and in-kind)	Project Score	Access Fee Assessment		
	> 1% matching funds.....	1			
	> 25% matching funds.....	0	0	0	n/a
	> 50% matching funds.....	0			
4. Damage	Project would mitigate current damage to private property:				
	Wildlife damage occurring on private property.....	1			
	Landowner participates in ODFW damage control programs.....	1			
General Total		7	4	4	0
<i>General Possible</i>		<i>12</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>5</i>

Access Criteria - Applies to private land access that would be provided under the proposed project.
(mark a "1" in the "Project Score" box for EACH criterion that is met)

5. Public Land	Project located in Wildlife Management Unit with <50% public land.....	1	1	1	n/a
6. Private access	Private land access type:				
	Project would provide access to private land.....	1			
	Private land access would be on a "Welcome to Hunt" basis.....	1			
7. Public access	Access through private lands would:				
	improve access to public land.....	1			
	provide access to otherwise inaccessible public land.....	1			
8. Special Access	Project would provide special youth or disabled hunter access opportunities.....	0	0	0	n/a
9. Species Permitted	Species groups include big game, waterfowl, upland birds, turkey, and predators/varmints.				
	2+ species groups available and permitted.....	1	1	1	n/a
	4+ species groups available and permitted.....	1	1	1	n/a
10. Under-rep. Species*	Project provides access to under-represented species in the watershed.....	1	1	1	n/a
11. Harvest Restriction	Landowner would not restrict sex or species permitted for lawful harvest.....	1	1	1	n/a
12. Season Restriction	Landowner would not restrict access to any hunting season(s).....	1	1	1	n/a
13. Dispersion	Property would provide access to animals pushed off of publicly accessible land during hunting season.....	1	1	1	
Access Total		11	7	7	0
<i>Access Possible</i>		<i>12</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>
Payment Fee Total			11	11	n/a

* lists of under-represented species will be created by A&H state coordinator and approved by A&H Board

Habitat Criteria

(mark a "1" in the "Project Score" box for EACH criterion that is met)

Project Score

14. Department Priorities Project is located within target area and will benefit target species identified in any of these Department programs: Mule Deer Initiative, Sage Grouse Initiative, Black-tailed Deer Plan Implementation..... 0

15. Location importance: Applies to species that the habitat work will benefit. Question structured to equally weigh big game and game bird projects - score "1" if either item in each bracket is true:

{ Area populations < 90% of management objective (deer and elk)..... 0
or:
Project will increase wintering populations of upland birds/waterfowl.....

{ Area populations < 75% of management objective (deer and elk)..... 0
or:
Project will increase breeding populations of upland birds/waterfowl.....

16. Conservation Strategy Project addresses Oregon Conservation Strategy (OCS) concerns:
 Project action benefits Strategy Habitat or Strategy Species..... 0
 [above] AND action occurs in Conservation Opportunity Area (COA)..... 0

17. Critical Habitat Applies to the specific GAME habitat that the project will maintain or enhance. Use accompanying flow chart and definitions to determine habitat category. Definitions are slightly amended from OAR Division 415 to be game-specific.

Project meets requirements of Habitat Categories 1-4..... 0
 Project meets requirements of Habitat Categories 1-2..... 0

18. Habitat Connectivity Project will help facilitate local animal movement (fence removal, etc.)..... 0
 Project will help establish or maintain a wildlife habitat corridor or otherwise reduce fragmentation on landscape level..... 0

Description of habitat connectivity benefit (required):

19. Habitat Impact Describes the predicted impact that the project will have on the habitat. Habitat work must benefit game species.

Project will increase the habitat quantity/quality >25% per unit treated..... 0
 Project will increase the habitat quantity/quality >50% per unit treated..... 0

Description of habitat impact:

20. Population Impact Describes the predicted impact that habitat improvements (excluding external variables such as weather, etc.) will have on game species on the project site. Provide estimates for all targeted species.

Local abundance of at least one targeted game species should increase >25%..... 0

<u>Estimated Abundance</u>			
Species	Pre-treatment	Post-treatment	
			Habitat Total
			<i>Habitat Possible</i>
			0
			12
			Grand Total
			<i>Total Possible</i>
			18
			36

21. Miscellaneous Describe other project details that may help with prioritization or fee assessment (i.e. current market value of similar hunting leases in the vicinity)..... **NO POINTS**

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Under-represented Species

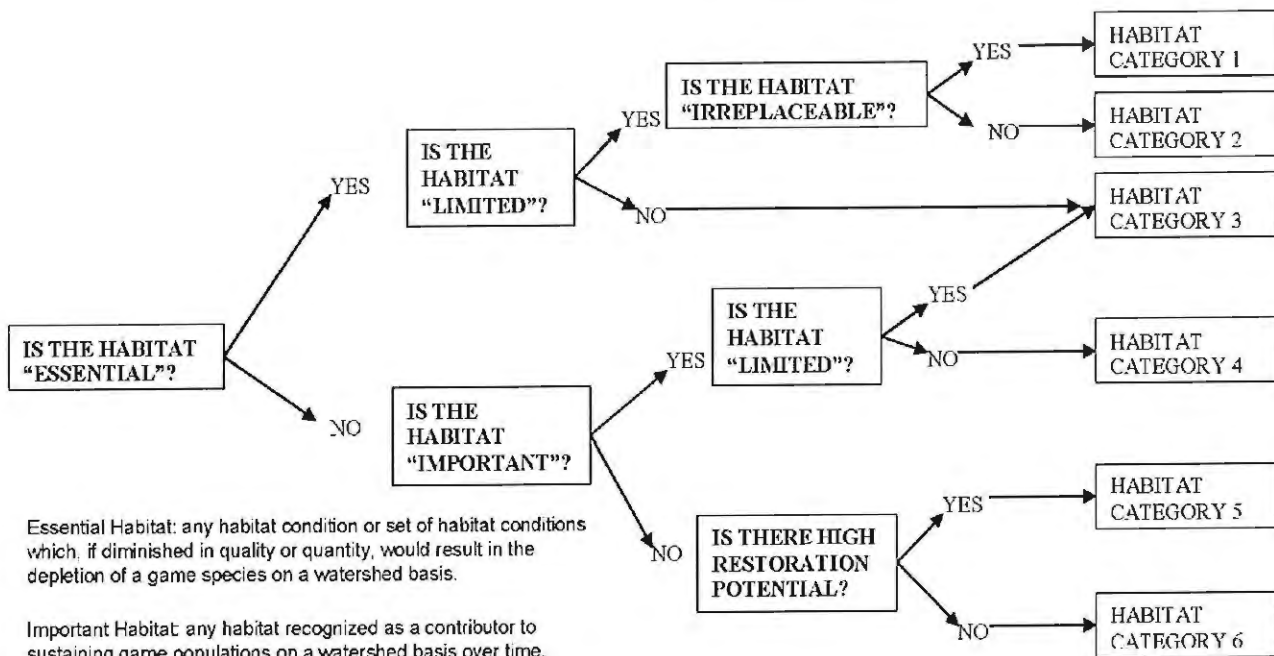
Definition: game species that exist in the watershed district in huntable numbers, but that the general public does not have reasonable hunting access to (via public land, current A&H properties, etc.)

Watershed	Species
Malheur	pheasant, waterfowl, turkey
South Willamette	waterfowl, turkey, valley quail
North Coast	predators, waterfowl
Grande Ronde	upland game birds
Rogue	dove, waterfowl

Watershed	Species
Deschutes	waterfowl, valley quail, chukar, dove
John Day	upland game birds
Umpqua	waterfowl, dove, turkey
Klamath	waterfowl, quail
North Willamette	waterfowl

A&H Habitat Category Flow Chart

Note: These definitions have been amended from OAR Division 415 to be game-specific and applied on a watershed basis. Habitat Category designations made on this Evaluation Form are for Access & Habitat Program use only, and do not have any legal implications associated with OAR 415.



Essential Habitat: any habitat condition or set of habitat conditions which, if diminished in quality or quantity, would result in the depletion of a game species on a watershed basis.

Important Habitat: any habitat recognized as a contributor to sustaining game populations on a watershed basis over time.

Limited Habitat: an amount of habitat insufficient or barely sufficient to sustain game populations on a watershed basis over time.

Irreplaceable Habitat: successful in-kind habitat mitigation to replace lost habitat quantity and/or quality is not feasible within an acceptable period of time or locations, or involves an unacceptable level of risk or uncertainty, depending on the habitat under consideration and the game populations that are affected. "Acceptable", for the purpose of this definition, means in a reasonable time frame to benefit the affected game species.

Payment Tables

Table 1: Proposed Per-acre Access Payment

Total Score:	Private Welcome to Hunt (\$/acre)	Private By-Permission (\$/acre)	Inaccessible public land (\$/acre)	Accessible public land (\$/acre)
	100%	60%	40%	20%
1-3:	\$0.60	\$0.36	\$0.24	\$0.12
4-6:	\$1.20	\$0.72	\$0.48	\$0.24
7-9:	\$1.80	\$1.08	\$0.72	\$0.36
10-11:	\$2.40	\$1.44	\$0.96	\$0.48
12-13:	\$3.00	\$1.80	\$1.20	\$0.60

Table 2: Proposed Total Access Payment Calculator

Access Type	Score	\$/Acre	Acres	Payment
Private Welcome	11	\$2.40	3,342	\$8,020.80
Private Permission	11	\$1.44	0	\$0.00
Inaccessible Public	11	\$0.96	4,215	\$4,046.40
Accessible Public	n/a	n/a	0	n/a
Total Payment:				\$12,067.20



ACCESS & HABITAT PROGRAM

Regional Advisory Council Project

Proposal Review

ODFW Region / A&H Regional Council: East Region / Northeast Council

Project Proposal Title: Iron Mountain Access Area

Applicants(s): Gary Bloomer

Date of Council Review: December 10, 2025

Type of Project: Access X Habitat _____ Other Damage

Motion: Tom Baker made a motion to approve the project as proposed. Chris Panike seconded the motion.

<u>Council Member</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Tim Campbell	Chairman	Yes
Tim Brown	Landowner Representative	Absent
Doug Hopper	Landowner Representative	Yes
Chris Panike	Landowner Representative	Yes
Tom Baker	Hunter Representative	Yes
Calvin Davis	Hunter Representative	Yes
Russ Elms	Hunter Representative	Yes

Disposition of Vote: Motion passed 6:0

Project Strengths:

- Project provides “Welcome to Hunt” access to 7,557 acres (3,342 acres of private and 4,215 acres of landlocked public land) for big game, predator and upland game bird hunting.
- These pieces of private and public land are the highest priority for Baker Wildlife District for improving hunter access in the Lookout Mountain Unit. The BLM lands identified in this proposal have consistently produced trophy class mule deer and Rocky Mountain elk over the years.
- This project will vastly improve public hunting opportunities in the Lookout Mountain Unit.
- In a unit that is 62% private lands, this project provides important access to hunters who would otherwise have a very difficult time finding opportunities to hunt.
- This is a renewal project which received a tremendous amount of use over the last 10 years- extremely high-quality area with valuable hunting opportunities.

Project Concerns:

- None