

## **2011–2012 Emergency Hunt Summary**

The Department relies heavily on district-approved emergency hunts to solve severe animal damage situations. District emergency hunts are implemented on the recommendation of the local biologist with authorization from the Regional Manager or Watershed Manager. This process allows the local biologist to respond to severe damage situations quickly and effectively. Districts are allocated 250 emergency hunt tags per county. Once the allotment of tags is exhausted, biologists must request a Director-Approved Emergency Hunt.

During 2011-2012, 10 district emergency hunts were authorized, 6 for elk, 2 for pronghorn and 2 for turkey (Table 3). As a result, 32 hunters harvested 5 elk, 0 pronghorn and 4 turkeys. Compared with 2010–2011, the number of emergency hunts decreased 23 percent, participating hunters decreased 74 percent, elk harvest decreased 93 percent, no change in pronghorn harvest and turkey harvest decreased 20 percent.

Table 3. Emergency Hunts 2011-2012

Region/District	County	Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	# of Hunts	Master Hunter		LOP Hunters		Other Hunters		Total Harvest	Species
					# Hunters	Harvest	# Hunters	Harvest	# Hunters	Harvest		
NW Region												
North Coast	Lincoln	Cline Hill US20	2/17/12-3/4/12	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	Elk
South Willamette	Lane	Neumeister	9/2/11-9/20/11	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	Turkey
High Desert												
Deschutes	Deschutes	Tabor	10/9/11-10/28/11	2	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	Pronghorn
NE Region												
Grande Ronde	Union	Parsons	12/3/11 –12/18/11	1	5	2	0	0	0	0	2	Turkey
Baker	Baker	Dunbar	8/1/11-8/31/11	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	Elk
Baker	Baker	Delcurto	10/17/11-11/21/11	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	Elk
Baker	Baker	Allen Farms	2/22/12-3/31/12	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Elk
Wallowa	Enterprise	Allen Canyon	8/19/11-8/25/11	1	5	3	0	0	0	0	3	Elk
Wallowa	Enterprise	Zumwalt	9/1/11-10/15/11	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	Elk
<u>HUNT SUMMARY</u>												
Total Elk				6	13	4	4	1	0	0	5	
Total Deer				0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
Total Pronghorn				2	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	
Total Turkey				2	8	4	0	0	0	0	4	
Grand Total				10	21	8	6	1	5	0	9	