

# NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

Division of Law Enforcement



Trail Cameras and Hunting Blinds

# Trail Cameras

- SD card
- Remote uplink to computer



# Current Status

- Trail cameras are legal in Nevada
- NDOW has authority to regulate as it directly relates to hunting
  - Similar to aerial scouting
- USFS & BLM have no restrictions



# Trail Cameras

## Pros

- Year round hobby
- See secretive wildlife
- Can be used to sell trophy hunts
- Allow non-hunters to enjoy wildlife

## Cons

- Get stolen
- Can restrict wildlife access if habitat manipulated to funnel wildlife
- Tend to cause baiting
- Can be used to sell trophy hunts



# States Survey

Does your state allow the use of trail cameras for purposes of hunting?

## YES

- California
- Utah
- Colorado
- Idaho
- Wyoming
- Oregon
- New Mexico
- Arizona

## NO

- None Surveyed

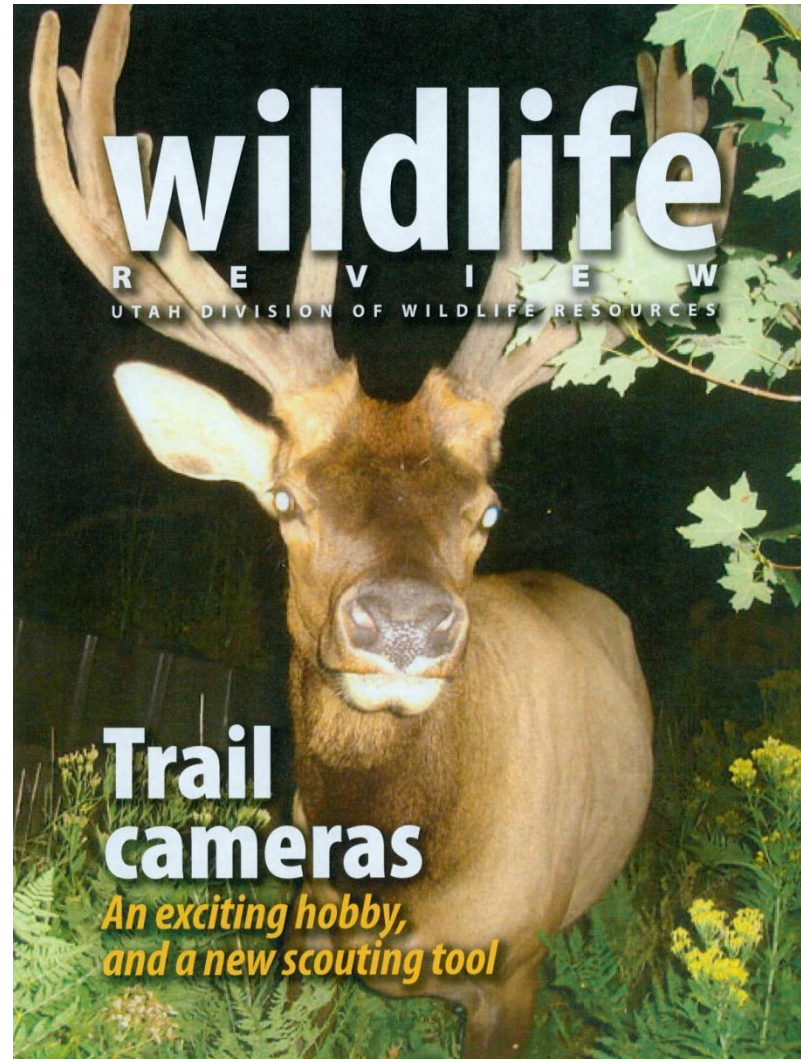


## Arizona Game & Fish



- If you're not a subscriber, here is just a taste of what you have been missing: **using trail cameras**, hunting tips, fishing tips, important dates, department news and announcements, elk hunting and draw odds, owls of Arizona, and much more.

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# Conclusions/Recommendations

- Baiting will likely be the future issue
- Propose a baiting of big game regulation



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Water Development Barriers/Blinds

# Current Status

- NRS 503.660
  - No camping within 100 yards of water hole
  - No restriction with regards to blinds and barriers



# Water Development Barriers

- Concerns
  - Impedes wildlife access to water
  - Habitat destruction
    - Junipers around guzzlers
  - Esthetics
  - Clorox Bleach/Disable guzzlers
  - Mannequins
  - Confrontations between hunters
    - Fist fights
    - Shots fired
    - Roads blocked



# Blind at Guzzler



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# Does your state restrict camping near water holes/guzzlers?

## YES

- New Mexico (man made)
- California
- Nevada
- Arizona (1/4 mile)

## NO

- Oregon
- Colorado
- Idaho
- Utah
- Wyoming



# Does your state restrict blinds near water holes/guzzlers?

## YES

- California (200 yards)

## NO

- Oregon
- New Mexico
- Colorado
- Idaho
- Utah
- Wyoming
- Arizona
- Nevada

# Conclusions/Recommendations

- **It a Social & Ethical Issue**
- What does the public want regarding use of blinds?
  - Distance restriction?
  - Time restriction?
  - Must be artificial?
- With regards to guzzlers we may want to define water hole in NAC

