

**PRONGHORN ANTELOPE
HUNTER INFORMATION SHEET
See unit description Unit 015**



LOCATION: Unit 015 is located north of the city of Reno and west of the town of Gerlach. It is bounded on the west by the California - Nevada state line, on the south by Union Pacific Railroad track, and on the east and north by Highway 447.

ELEVATION: Elevations vary from 4,000' at the valley floors to 6,958' at Poodle Mountain.

TERRAIN: This unit is typical of terrain found in the Great Basin. The area is composed of rugged rims and large plateaus broken by canyons and draws. Much of the area is volcanic in origin, thus vehicle travel is slow and rough.

VEGETATION: Antelope habitat is characterized by bitterbrush, big sagebrush and western juniper. During August antelope will be found near perennial water sources. Antelope will also be found in association with western juniper stands in this area, making observation more of a challenge than that typically encountered on most pronghorn hunts.

LAND STATUS: This unit encompasses approximately 750 square miles, of which less than 5 percent is private. Hunter access in this area is considered to be good.

HUNTER ACCESS: From Alturas and Cedarville, California, go south on Highway 447. From Reno and Gerlach, Nevada, go north on Highway 447. Many of the hunting areas, particularly during inclement weather, are accessible only by four-wheel drive. Carry extra gas and spare tires.

MAP REFERENCES: U.S. Geological Survey 1:100,000 scale metric topographic maps which give a broad overview are as follows: **Gerlach and Kumiva Peak**. Several 7.5 minute topo maps which provide the best detail are as follows: Duck Lake, Burnt Lake, Rye Patch Canyon, Hillside Spring, Hole In The Ground, Eddies Garden, Poodle Mountain, Mixie Flat, Buffalo Creek, Horse Canyon, Smoke Creek Ranch, Red Rock Canyon, Sheepshead Spring and Parker Canyon. Topo maps are sold in Reno at the Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology at (775)784-6691 and Mark, Fore & Strike at (775)322-9559. The DeLorme Nevada Atlas and Gazetteer is available at most book or sporting goods stores, or by calling them direct at 1-800-452-5931. Link to Map Resources.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: Hospitals are located in Cedarville and Susanville, California and Reno. Gas, food, vehicle repair facilities, and motels are located in Cedarville and Gerlach. There are no developed campgrounds. Hunters typically take advantage of tree cover and or perennial water sources adjacent to the area that they are hunting. Tent-type camps are recommended. In most cases, drinking water must be hauled from the nearest town.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR ANTELOPE: Water is important to antelope during the hunting season. Any upland areas that have natural water sources should hold antelope. Willow Lake, Garden Lake, SOB Lake, middle and west forks of Buffalo Creek and Painter Flat are all good areas to look for pronghorn. Paul's Camp, Jones Flat and Boulder Flat could also be considered. During wet years, the Dry Valley Rim will support antelope.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: Access in this unit can be difficult, particularly during the late season deer hunt. Hunters should be prepared to get off established roads in order to find game. Although mature antelope bucks are available in this unit, hunters should expect a certain degree of difficulty in locating these animals.