
ELEVATION: The valleys range from 5000' in Railroad Valley to 6500' in Antelope Valley.

TERRAIN: Large broad flat valleys to mountain benches with some low hills

VEGETATION: The antelope habitat is dominated by sagebrush and desert scrub in the valleys with pinon/juniper trees on the benches.

LAND STATUS: The majority of the antelope habitat is public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The Battle Mountain District Office of the BLM manages the eastern half of the hunt area, unit 145 while the BLM Ely District Office manages the unit 131 portion of the hunt area. The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest (USFS), Ely Ranger District manages the White Pine Range of unit 131 with antelope habitat along the boundary with the BLM.

HUNTER ACCESS: Access is excellent to all hunting areas with many roads. Private alfalfa farms and native pastures are found in the valleys but do not block access to public lands. Off-road vehicles are recommended when traveling away from the main county roads and four-wheel drive may be necessary in some areas. Note: Please be aware that sections of Unit 131 are in a wilderness area. Motorized equipment, mechanized transport, including wheeled game carriers and chainsaws, are prohibited in wilderness areas. Contact the Federal Management Agency responsible for this area for more information.

MAP REFERENCES: The U.S. Geological 1:100,000 scale topographical and land status maps that cover the area are: Duckwater, Mt. Hamilton, Simpson Park Mtns. And Summit Mtn. Private map vendors and local BLM and USFS offices often carry topographic, land status and USFS Ranger District maps.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: The towns of Ely and Eureka have all supplies and a full range of services. There are no services or supplies available at Currant. There are developed public campgrounds with tables and portable toilets, but no running water at Illipah Reservoir (BLM) and White River (USFS) in unit 131. Primitive camping is allowed throughout the public lands.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS: Antelope are generally found in Antelope Valley of unit 145 and Little Smokey Valley and Railroad Valley in unit 131. In Antelope Valley antelope are scattered throughout the valley and hunters need to be aware of the southern and western unit boundaries that separate several hunt areas. In Little Smokey Valley antelope can be found near the three alfalfa farms just south of Highway 50 to the Fish Creek Ranch. The area from Green Springs south to Currant in Railroad Valley generally contains several antelope herds during the season. Small herds may also be found in Jakes and Newark Valleys. Antelope are usually concentrated around water during both the archery and rifle seasons.

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