

HUNTER INFORMATION SHEET
MULE DEER
Area 22, Units 221,222,223

LOCATION: Northern Lincoln and Southern White Pine Counties. See unit description in the big game brochure.

ELEVATION: 4,900 feet at Dry Lake Valley to 10,800 on Ward Mountain in the Egan Range and 10,990 on Mt. Grafton in the Schell Creek Range.

TERRAIN: Variable. Valley bottoms to high mountain peaks.

VEGETATION: Sagebrush in lower valley bottoms to pinyon/juniper, mahogany, some aspen and Subalpine Fir at the upper elevations.

LAND STATUS: The majority of lands within the management area are public lands administered by Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service.

HUNTER ACCESS: Good throughout the entire management area. Off-road vehicles are recommended when traveling away from the county roads. Some Wilderness Study Areas are found throughout the hunt units. **Note:** Please be aware that sections Unit 221, Unit 222 and Unit 223 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: Topographical maps available from U.S. Geological Survey and possibly from B.L.M. local offices and sporting good stores. The 1:100,000 topographical maps that cover this area are: **Ely, Nevada-Utah; Garrison, Utah-Nevada; Wilson Creek, Nevada-Utah; Caliente, Nevada-Utah.**

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: The towns of Ely, Pioche and Caliente provide most services. Camping facilities are available not far from the eastern side of the management area at four Nevada State Parks. They are located at Spring Valley, Echo Canyon, Cathedral Gorge, and Cave Lake. For more information, please contact Region Five Visitor Center at 775-728-4460, or Region Five District Office at 775-728-4467, at Panaca, Nevada. Primitive camping is available throughout public lands within the management area.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR MULE DEER: During the archery, muzzleloader and early part of the general rifle season, hunt in the upper elevations of the Egan and Schell Creek ranges. If weather conditions remain dry locate water sources with good escape cover. As weather conditions cool, deer will start moving from their summer ranges, in the higher elevations, to the lower benches surrounding the major mountain ranges. If weather conditions remain warm, deer can be found using the heavy pinyon/juniper trees for cover, making hunting very challenging. The benches along the west side of the Egan and Fairview Ranges support the majority of wintering deer.