

HUNTER INFORMATION SHEET
MULE DEER
Unit 261, Unit 262, Unit 263, Unit 264, Unit 265, Unit 266, Unit 267, Unit 268

LOCATION: Central, western and southern Clark County.

ELEVATION: Within the limits of mule deer distribution, elevations range from roughly 2,600' to over 11,000' in the Mt. Charleston Wilderness.

TERRAIN: Topographic features vary from rolling hills to sheer, vertical cliffs on the Red Rock escarpment.

VEGETATION: Vegetative types include creosote bush scrub and blackbrush scrub at lower elevations, and mountain shrub, pinion-juniper woodland, fir-pine forest, bristlecone pine forest and pseudo-alpine at progressively higher elevations.

LAND STATUS: Mule deer populations occur on lands managed by the United States Forest Service (Spring Range), the Bureau of Land Management (Spring Range, McCullough Range, Highland Range, Bird Spring Range and Newberry Mountains) and to a limited extent, the National Park Service (Newberry Mountains).

HUNTER ACCESS: Due to proximity to Las Vegas and other urban centers, adequate access exists throughout most of the areas with mule deer populations. **Note:** Please be aware that sections of Unit 262, Unit 263, Unit 264, Unit 265, Unit 266, Unit 267 and Unit 268 are in wilderness areas. 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 REFERENCE: Maps are available for purchase from USFS, BLM, or through private vendors such as Mercury Blueprint & Supply Co. (Las Vegas), Desert Outfitters (Las Vegas) or Oakman's (Reno). At a minimum, hunters should possess the United States Geologic Survey, **Las Vegas** 1:100,000-scale topographic map (30 x 60 minute quadrangle).

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: Full services are available in Las Vegas and Pahrump, and some services are available in Searchlight. Generally, primitive camping is the rule.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR MULE DEER: The mule deer population in the Spring Range (Unit 262) is the largest in Management Area 26, and attracts the majority of the deer hunters. Many tagholders hunt near the community of Cold Creek, Wheeler Pass or in the major canyons on the west side (Pahrump Valley) of the range.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: In addition to Unit 262, mule deer populations occur in low densities in units 263 and 264.