

HUNTER INFORMATION SHEET
DESERT BIGHORN
Unit 266

LOCATION: Unit 266 is situated in southern Clark County and comprises the northern portion of the Eldorado Mountains.

ELEVATION: Elevations range from 656' at lake level (Lake Mohave) to 3,773' above Oak Creek Canyon.

TERRAIN: Topographic features vary from rolling hills on the western margin of bighorn sheep habitat to the sheer, vertical cliffs characteristic of Black Canyon.

VEGETATION: Vegetation is typical of the Mojave Desert's creosote bush scrub community. Prominent vegetative types within this community include creosote and white bursage.

LAND STATUS: The majority of the area that offers opportunities to hunt bighorn sheep lies within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area, and is administered by the National Park Service. A minor portion of bighorn sheep habitat is within the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas District.

HUNTER ACCESS: Hunter access is considered good given the network of National Park Service approved roads. Some hunters opt to use boats to learn their area, and to access points which would otherwise be more difficult to reach on foot. **Note:** Please be aware that sections of this unit 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 REFERENCE: Maps are available for purchase from 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, **Boulder City** 1:100,000-scale topographic map (30 x 60 minute quadrangle).

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: Full services are available in Henderson and Las Vegas, and many are available in Boulder City. Generally, primitive camping is the rule.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR BIGHORN SHEEP: Areas to hunt include Boy Scout Canyon and Burro Wash.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: All bighorn sheep hunters should contact the National Park Service (702) 293-8908 or (702) 293-8905 for information on rules and regulations.