

Nevada Hunter Information Sheet



CALIFORNIA BIGHORN SHEEP Unit 035

LOCATION: Unit 035 is located in Humboldt County north and northwest of the town of Winnemucca. The unit is bounded on the north by Unit 031, the east by Unit 051, the south by Units 044 and 042, and on the west by Units 034 and 032.

ELEVATION: Elevations range from 8,900 feet at the top of the Jackson Mountains to 4,100 ' along the valley floor.

TERRAIN: The Jackson Mountains run from north to south and are very rugged with steep canyons. The Black Rock Desert and Desert Valley surround the majority of the Jackson Mountains. The Bloody Run Hills, on the extreme eastern end of the unit, is another north/south range that offers some limited deer hunting opportunities. That range, particularly the south end, is very steep and rugged.

VEGETATION: The majority of the basins and slopes to the 6,500-foot elevation are dominated by sagebrush. The Jackson Mountains above 6,500 ' typically have aspen in the drainages, islands of mahogany, and a considerable amount of juniper covering the slopes. The Bloody Run Range is dominated primarily of sagebrush.

LAND STATUS: Approximately 85% of the unit is BLM land. The majority of the private lands are associated with agriculture or mining.

HUNTER ACCESS: Within the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area (NCA) signed into law 12/21/2000, there are a number of newly created Wilderness Areas. No motorized or mechanical vehicles or equipment are allowed inside these areas. Please refer to the NDOW or BLM web sites for maps, fact sheets and other information. Unit 035 is affected in that the south Jackson Mountain (King Lear Peak area) and the north Jackson Mountain (Parrot Peak area) are now wilderness areas. The Jackson Creek- Trout Creek road is still open for access. The Iron King, Bottle Creek, and Trout Creek Spur areas outside the wilderness areas are not subject to access restrictions.

MAP REFERENCES: U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps: 1:100,000 scale - **Jackson Mountains and Osgood Mountains**. There are numerous 7.5-minute scale topographic maps of the area as well. Visit the Map Resources section under Hunting Areas & Unit descriptions on the NDOW web site for more information. For additional information or map orders write: Winnemucca Bureau of Land Management, 705 East 4th Street, Winnemucca, NV 89445, or call (775) 623-1500. The DeLorme Nevada Atlas and Gazetteer is available at most book or sporting goods stores or by phone at 1-800-452-5931.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: Winnemucca provides gas, food, lodging, and emergency medical services. No services are available in Denio – the closest services to this town are in Fields, OR.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREA FOR BIGHORN: The bighorn hunting opportunities are confined to the Jacksons Mountains at this time. The King Lear Peak, Parrot Peak, and Deer Creek areas support the majority of the bighorn populations.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: Bighorn sheep hunting can be very difficult. Therefore, it is recommended that the hunter be familiar with the hunt unit, be physically prepared, and have all equipment associated with the hunt in good working order.