

**Rocky Mountain Elk**  
**HUNTER INFORMATION SHEET**  
**Units 104, 108, 121**



**LOCATION:** Units 104, 108, and 121 are located in north-central White Pine County and protrude slightly into Elko County at the very northern end. The very northern portion of 104 is not included in this hunt unit group. See the unit description in the **Nevada Hunt Book** for a more detailed description of the area.

**ELEVATION:** Elevations range between 6,000' on the valley floors to 10,420' on peaks in the Cherry Creek Range. Most elk are found at elevations between 6,500 and 9,000 feet during the hunting season.

**TERRAIN:** The topography ranges from gentle rolling hills to steep canyon country.

**VEGETATION:** Vegetation types include sagebrush, mountain brush, aspen, pinyon/juniper and mahogany. Pockets of white fir are present in the higher basins.

**WEATHER AND CLIMATE:** Be prepared for all types of weather including snow. Weather patterns are unpredictable and sometimes extreme. Road conditions can be impassable during wet weather. A good portion of the hunt area is inaccessible from December through March.

**LAND STATUS:** The majority of this hunt unit is public land administered by the BLM. Some private land does exist. Private property associated with active ranches will be marked but some parcels are scattered throughout the open rangeland. Ask permission before crossing marked private land. BLM Surface Management Maps are an excellent source for determining land status.

**HUNTER ACCESS:** Hunter access is excellent except for some isolated areas where private land or mining blocks entry. An example of limited access is McDermid Canyon. Most of the roads are unimproved dirt or jeep trails, many requiring four-wheel drive. Road conditions change dramatically with changing weather and seasons.

**MAP REFERENCES:** Topographical and land status maps are available from the BLM (Elko, Ely), USFS (Elko), local USGS, or private vendors. U.S. Geological Survey 1:100,000 topographical or land status maps that cover the area include: Ruby Lake, Newark Lake, Currie and Kern Mountains. Other maps with different scales are also available.

**FACILITIES AND SERVICES:** The towns of Ely, McGill and Wells provide services.

**RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR ELK:** Elk are well distributed throughout the hunt units in low numbers. This is a relatively new herd and is still expanding and pioneering into suitable habitat. There are no key areas or "hot spots" simply due to the elk's wandering nature. During the fall hunting seasons single bulls or small bachelor groups tend to remain somewhat isolated from the larger cow-calf groups. Water sources

are plentiful but widely scattered. Animals will be dependent upon limited water during drier periods. Hunter congestion is not a problem as elk and hunters are generally well dispersed.

**SPECIAL COMMENTS** This area is very isolated, be sure to leave word of your hunting plans and locations.