MULE DEER
Unit 032

LOCATION: Unit 032 is located northwest of the town of Winnemucca. The unit is bounded on the north by the Oregon state line, on the east by State Route 140/291, on the south by Unit 034 and on the west by the Sheldon NWR boundary.

ELEVATION: The elevations range from a high of 9,458 feet at Duffer Peak in the Pine Forest Range to 4,000 feet along the Black Rock Desert or the base of the Pine Forest Range.

TERRAIN: The Pine Forest Range runs north and south with steep canyons draining into the flats. The valley floors have some agricultural development.

VEGETATION: The majority of the basins and slopes up to 6,500-foot elevation. Above this elevation, sites are typically characterized by aspens in the drainages, mahogany groves and dense stands of brush and grass. There are some limber pine stands at the higher elevations around Duffer Peak.

LAND STATUS: Approximately 85% of the unit is public-owned. Private land is mostly associated with agriculture or mining.

HUNTER ACCESS: From Winnemucca drive north on Highway 95 and west on Highway 140. Primary and secondary road access is relatively good. Four-wheel drive (high clearance) vehicles are recommended to access most of the unit for hunting purposes. The Blue Lakes Wilderness Study Area covers 24,000 acres the Duffer Peak area and is closed to all motorized travel. Access on some roads may be restricted by private landowners in the Leonard Creek drainage. Ask permission before accessing private parcels in this area.

MAP REFERENCES: U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps: 1:100,000 scale - Quinn River Valley and Denio. There are numerous 7.5-minute scale topographic maps of the area as well. Maps may be purchased at various vendors throughout the state. 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.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: Winnemucca provides gas, food, lodging, and emergency medical services. There are no services in Denio: the closest services to this area are in Fields, OR. No developed campgrounds are available in this unit; however, undeveloped campsites are available throughout the unit.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR MULE DEER: The Pine Forest Range provides the bulk of the deer hunting opportunities for this unit. The deer population here is currently at a low to moderate level. Deer occupy the range from the foothills to the upper peaks. Heavier snow accumulations result in deer moving to the lower elevations. Deer do not migrate out of the unit.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: Seasons for chukar and other upland species are generally open during the regular deer season. Trout fishing opportunities are available at Onion Valley Reservoir, Blue Lakes and Knott Creek Reservoir. You should check regulations to determine which waters are open.