

**PRONGHORN ANTELOPE
HUNTER INFORMATION SHEET
Units 101-104, 108**

LOCATION: Southern Elko County/Northwestern White Pine County. See descriptions in the **Nevada Hunt Book**.

ELEVATION: From 5,850' in the vicinity of Newark Lake (Unit 108) to 6,700' in the southern portions of Long and Butte valleys (Unit 104).

TERRAIN: Valley bottoms to mountain alluvials.

VEGETATION: Desert shrub in lower valley bottoms to black sagebrush and Pinyon/Juniper at the upper end of mountain alluvials.

LAND STATUS: The vast majority of land within this unit group is public land administered by the Bureau of Land Management. In Clover Valley (Unit 101) and the northern third of Ruby Valley (Unit 104) there are significant tracts of private land where access is somewhat limited.

HUNTER ACCESS: Generally good throughout the majority of the harvest units. Public access is limited along the western portions of Clover Valley and Ruby Valley due to private lands. It is important to seek permission from private landowners or be familiar with land ownership patterns prior to hunting.

MAP REFERENCES: Topographical and land status maps are available from the BLM (Elko & Ely) or private vendors. USGS 1:100,000 topographical maps that cover the area include: **Elko, Ruby Lake, Currie, Newark Lake, and Mount Hamilton**. USGS 1:250,000 topographical maps that cover the 102 unit group include: **Elko and Ely**.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES: Towns of Elko, Ely, Eureka provide most services. Primitive camping is allowed throughout public lands within the unit group. One developed campground exists in Unit 103 at the Ruby Marshes and is operated by the USFS on a "first-come-first-served" basis.

RECOMMENDED HUNTING AREAS FOR ANTELOPE: Ruby Valley and Newark Valley presently provide habitat for the majority of antelope within the 101-104, 108 unit group. Small antelope populations can be found in Butte Valley and Long Valley. Antelope are generally associated with water sources during August. Sources of water vary from relatively large bodies of water such as the Ruby Marshes and Franklin Lake in Ruby Valley to small spring sources and artificial water developments. In Ruby Valley north of the Ruby Marshes, antelope are generally found associated with the lower portions of native hay meadows (in the vicinity of the Franklin River westward onto private lands) and near various private alfalfa fields which are scattered throughout the northern part of the valley. No antelope hunting is allowed on the Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge, but antelope do range back and forth across the Refuge boundary. In Butte, Long and Newark Valleys antelope can be located by hunting in the vicinity of water sources such as springs and artificial water developments. In addition, antelope might be found near meadows or agriculture in Newark Valley. Hunters should pay attention to recent rainstorms that tend to leave

pools of water in playas, on roads or in rock depressions that can also provide water for antelope at this time of year.