

Species: Desert Bighorn Sheep

Unit Group: 272

Hunt Geometry ID: 21

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Access: Unit 272 is in northeastern Clark County and includes the Virgin Mountains and to the south, the Gold Buttes. Topography varies from level expanses and rolling hills between ridges to the extremely rugged and near vertical face of Iceberg Canyon above Lake Mead. The unit offers opportunities to hunt bighorn sheep on lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management Las Vegas District (BLM) and the National Park Service, Lake Mead National Recreation Area. BLM designated the Gold Butte National Monument in 2016 which encompasses the majority of the BLM lands in Unit 272 but still permits hunting. Hunter access varies from poor to very good. Some hunters opt to use boats to learn their area, and to access points which would otherwise be more difficult to reach on foot. Included within the unit are 2 Wilderness Areas: Lime Canyon and Jumbo Springs. Motorized equipment, mechanized transport, including wheeled game carriers and chainsaws, are prohibited in wilderness areas. Contact the BLM for more information.

Recommended Hunting Areas: Areas to hunt include Bitter Ridge, Iceberg Canyon, Indian Hills, Lime and Tramp Ridges.

Biologist Comments: Full services are available in Mesquite and Las Vegas. Some services are available at Temple Bar Marina (AZ). Primitive camping is the rule. All bighorn sheep hunters should contact the National Park Service (702) 293-8908 or (702) 293-8905 for information on rules and regulations. Cell phones are recommended, as many areas within the unit are remote.