

Species: Pronghorn

Unit Group: 032,034

Hunt Geometry ID: 109

Hunt ID: [299, 439, 493, 8375983, 678, 739]

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. Within the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area (NCA) signed into law 12/21/2000, there are several wilderness areas. No motorized or mechanical vehicles or equipment are allowed inside these areas. Please refer to the NDOW or BLM websites for maps, fact sheets and other information. Unit 034 is affected in that the Paiute Peak area south to Harden City is now a wilderness area. Another wilderness area, the North Black Rock Wilderness Area, involves that country from the Slumgullion drainage north to Coleman Creek and east into the headwaters of Battle Creek. Access to the headwaters of Snow Creek, Coleman and Battle Creek is restricted from the top of Summit Lake Mountain. The access through Battle Creek Basin, Mahogany Creek, Summer Camp Creek and Dry Lake is open and not influenced by the wilderness area.

Recommended Hunting Areas:

Some of the areas to consider within the 032-unit portion of this area would be those areas around Leonard Creek Basin. This area offers a large area with multiple drainages to consider. Also, within this unit don't overlook some of the drainages on the east side of the Pine Forest Range. Pronghorn will use the ridgelines that run to the east along those drainages such as Big Creek and Pass Creek. Low density areas for this unit would be near the Pueblo Mountains along the Oregon border near Alberson Basin. When water is in Continental Lake, sometime pronghorn associate with those areas. For the 034-unit portion of this area, consider the very north end of the Black Rock Range. Areas from behind Bartlett Peak up towards dry lake offer most of the uses area. From dry lake north, pronghorn will use many of those isolated springs. Pronghorn in this area can also be found as high as Big Mountain towards the south end of the range to Rough Canyon area. Pronghorn in this unit can be very spread out due to the number of springs in the area.

Biologist Comments:

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