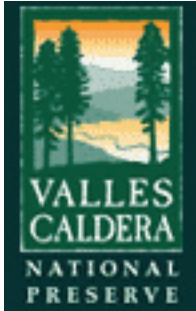


VALLES CALDERA NATIONAL PRESERVE (UNIT 6B)-2012 ELK HUNT



*An experiment
in public land
management...*

A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE

The Valles Caldera National Preserve (VCNP), Unit 6B, is one of New Mexico's premier elk hunting locations and possibly the best place in the U.S. to harvest a trophy bull on public land. An abundant elk herd occupies the VCNP much of the year for breeding, calving

and foraging. Our hunts are designed to pay homage to man's oldest relationship with animals.

SOLITUDE BY DESIGN

At the mandatory orientation session, you will draw a specific area of the VCNP for your hunt. There will be time to scout the VCNP before the hunt begins. Prime locations are abundant and we've eliminated the stress of competing with other hunters. You'll share your 3,000-6,000 acre area with a limited number of hunters.

TWO CHANCES TO HUNT NEW MEXICO

You may enter the Department's public elk draw and the VCNP lottery at the same time. The VCNP lottery will be conducted first. Applicants selected to hunt the VCNP will be removed from the Department's public elk drawing. Applicants for the Valles Caldera lottery DO NOT have to purchase a **Game-hunting or Game-hunting and Fishing License before** applying.

DIRECT ENTRIES

Once you have your Department Customer ID Number, there are three ways to apply for this year's lottery.

- Apply online at www.vallescaldera.gov/comevisit/elk
- Apply over the phone by calling 1-866-382-5537
- Apply by mail using the VCNP lottery ticket form

STATE QUOTA SYSTEM WILL BE APPLIED

The state quota (84% to residents, 10% to residents or nonresidents with an outfitter and 6% to nonresidents without an outfitter) will be applied to this lottery. Only New Mexico residents may apply for antlerless (A) hunts.

INCREASE YOUR CHANCES

You may purchase up to 20 tickets per hunt code and enter as many hunt codes as you like.

LOTTERY WINNERS

The Valles Caldera Trust will send you an access authorization that enables you to purchase an elk hunting license from the Department for Unit 6B. Authorizations are non-transferable. VCNP hunts ARE NOT once-in-a-lifetime hunts.

AFFORDABLE FEES

You must purchase at least one lottery ticket. Ticket prices are \$30 per ticket for bull/either-sex hunts and \$20 per ticket for antlerless hunts. There are discount packages for purchasing more than one ticket. There are no other required VCNP fees.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All state laws, federal laws and all Department rules apply on the VCNP. For a complete description of the VCNP rules and regulations, please visit our website.

LOTTERY DEADLINE

The deadline for the VCNP lottery is **midnight, March 28, 2012.**

**Call now to apply (866) 382-5537 or visit
www.vallescaldera.gov/comevisit/elk**



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Sporting Arm Type

Sporting Arm Type	Hunt Date	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Bow Only	Sept. 4-10	Q	15	ES
Bow Only	Sept. 14-18	Q	15	ES
Muzzleloader Only	Oct. 6-10	Q	15	MB
Muzzleloader Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	S	10	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm	Oct. 13-17	Q	15	MB
Any Legal Sporting Arm, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	S	10	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm	Oct. 20-24	Q	15	MB
Any Legal Sporting Arm, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	S	10	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm, Mobility Impaired Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-29	S	15	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm, Youth and Mentor Only*, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-5	S	20	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm, Veterans Only**, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-12	S	20	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-19	S	20	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 24-26	S	20	A
Any Legal Sporting Arm, 2 Person*, N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-3	S	26	A

*Two persons are required to apply for each of these hunts. Both are able to hunt.

** Active Duty or Honorably Discharged U.S. Military Veterans only.

Public Land Draw Licenses

General Information

To hunt elk in New Mexico, all residents and nonresidents first must purchase a **Game-hunting** or **Game-hunting and Fishing License** before applying for an Elk Draw License. Application deadline for the drawing is **March 28, 2012**.

Only New Mexico residents may apply for Antlerless (A) Elk Draw Licenses. Nonresident hunters may NOT apply for any hunts held exclusively on State Game Commission-owned WMAs.

There are four types of Elk Draw Licenses available to hunters. There are standard hunts (S), quality hunts (Q) and high-demand (HD) hunts for rifle, bow and muzzleloader. Some hunts are both quality and high-demand hunts (Q/HD).

Each Elk Draw License is valid only for a specific hunt in a specific area and for the dates designated on the license issued. **DRAW LICENSES MAY NOT BE TRADED FOR A PRIVATE LAND LICENSE, RETURNED FOR A REFUND, TRANSFERRED, SOLD OR BARTERED.** See page 6 for exceptions.

It is illegal to apply for, buy or use more than one license or tag for any big-game species during any license year, except as permitted by rule.

Application and License Fees

See page 9 for all Elk License Fees.

New Mexico residents pay the same fee for standard, quality or high-demand hunts. Nonresidents pay a higher fee for quality and high-demand hunts. Fees differ for mature bull, either sex and antlerless elk. A Habitat Stamp is required if hunting on U.S. Forest Service and BLM lands and must be purchased separately. A \$4 Habitat Management and Access Validation must be purchased separately and possessed in the field. See page 7.

To apply for an elk hunt, all residents and nonresidents must first purchase a **Game-hunting** or **Game-hunting and Fishing License**. Up to four persons may apply per application for an Elk Draw License. It is unlawful to submit more than one application per species per year. If a hunter submits more than one application for the same species, all applications may be rejected. Incomplete applications will be rejected. Application deadline for the drawing is **March 28, 2012**.

If the license fees of your various hunt choices are different, you must submit the **HIGHEST** fee. If the license you are allotted in the drawing is a lower cost license, you will receive a refund for the difference. The application fee is nonrefundable.

Mobility-impaired Hunts

Applicants for Mobility-impaired licenses must be registered with the Department prior to applying. See page 10 for the definition of a Mobility-impaired hunter or call the Department at 505-476-8087 for more information.

Youth-only Hunts

Youth-only hunts are open only to those younger than 18 years of age on the opening day of the hunt. A Hunter education certification number is required to apply for Youth-only hunts.

Late Season Over-the-Counter Licenses For Bow Only

An opportunity to bow hunt elk continues in Units 12, 34 and 37. Hunting elk outside the rut can be difficult and harvest success could be very low. Harvest is restricted to an APRE/6. See page 41 for open units, hunt dates and hunt codes. See page 9 for license fees.

Legal Sporting Arms

Any Legal Sporting Arm:

Centerfire rifle or handgun, .24 caliber or larger; shotgun no smaller than 28 gauge, firing a single slug; bow and arrow; crossbow and bolt; or muzzleloading rifle no smaller than .45 caliber.

Bow Only:

Bow and arrows.

Muzzleloader:

Muzzleloading rifle no smaller than .45 caliber, scopes and sabots are legal for all elk hunts. Bows and crossbows are legal sporting arms.

Bag Limit (See Definitions and Terms)

MB One mature bull. A spike bull is not legal.

A One antlerless elk.

ES Any one elk.

APRE/6 An elk with six or more points on at least one antler.

Valle Vidal

It is unlawful for anyone to apply for an elk license for the Valle Vidal Unit of the Carson National Forest (Unit 55A) if they held an elk license for the Valle Vidal since 1983. Exceptions: A person who has held a license for an antlered bull may apply for an antlerless elk license and vice versa; or a person who has held a Valle Vidal license issued through the incentive authorization program. Youth hunters are eligible for a Valle Vidal elk license once when they are younger than 18, and once again when they are older than 18.

Fourth Choice Elk Hunts

An applicant marking fourth choice indicates that they will accept an elk hunting license for ANY HUNT in a specific quadrant of the state. The fourth choice assignment will always be for the same sporting arm type as the first choice on an application.

Hunters should be aware that success rates for 4th choice hunts may be low due to small, localized populations of elk. Hunters that apply for and receive their 4th choice hunt will NOT receive a refund if they are dissatisfied with the hunt they draw. Not all hunts are available in the fourth choice hunt pool.

A hunter drawing a fourth choice could receive a license with an antlerless bag limit even if their first three choices were for bull licenses and vice versa.

If applying for a 4th choice hunt, applicants must choose one of the 4 quadrants of the State listed below:

- NW** May include Units 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 or 14
- NE** May include Units 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58 or 59
- SW** May include Units 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 or 27
- SE** May include Units 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39 or 40.

Win An Elk Or Oryx Incentive Authorization For CWD Testing

Hunters may be selected by drawing to receive an elk or oryx incentive authorization. To participate, hunters must bring in freshly harvested deer or elk heads to any Department office or field collection station so tissues can be collected for chronic wasting disease testing. To be eligible, hunters are required to deliver the head within 48 hours of killing the animal.

Private Land Hunts

All residents and nonresidents must purchase a **Game-hunting** or **Game-hunting and Fishing License** before purchasing a Private Land-only Elk License.

To purchase a Private Land Elk License, the hunter negotiates with a qualified landowner. The landowner will provide the hunter the information to complete a PLUS License Request form (available on our website on the Apps/Permits page or at Department offices).

The completed form may be mailed with required fees to the Department's Santa Fe office. Hunters may NOT hold both a private land and public elk license in the same year. Hunters may NOT exchange a public draw license for a private land license. Please note: Landowner participation in Private Land programs is voluntary. Their experience with hunters may affect access to private land in future years. Contacting landowners before accessing a unit wide property is a courtesy the Department strongly encourages.

Ranch Only or Unit Wide

Check with the landowners to see if authorizations are Ranch only or Unit wide before negotiating. Report hunting violations by hunters or access restrictions by landowners to a conservation officer.

Unit Wide: Unit wide landowners must allow free, unrestricted and equal access, including vehicular access, to any legally licensed public or Unit wide private land elk hunter to their entire ranch during each public elk hunt in that unit. This permission does not constitute permission to hunt any other species or during any other time period.

Ranch Only: The ranch only private land hunter is restricted to the property's deeded acreage. In units 4, 5A, 46, 54, 55A, 56, 57 and 58, the hunter also may obtain valid written landowner permission to hunt other private lands within that unit. No public or state land can be hunted using a Ranch Only elk license.

Private Land Elk License Fees

	Resident	Nonresident
Antlerless elk	\$70	\$354
Mature Bull or Either-sex elk	\$100	\$564
Quality Antlerless elk	\$70	\$789
Quality Mature Bull or Either-sex elk	\$100	\$789
Junior/Senior elk license	\$68	Not Available

In addition to the above fees, a hunter must purchase a **Game-hunting** or **Game-hunting and Fishing License**. A Habitat Stamp is required for hunting, fishing and trapping on U.S. Forest Service and BLM lands and must be purchased separately unless hunting only on private land. A Habitat Management and Access Validation is required and must also be purchased separately. High-Demand (HD) fees do not apply to private land hunts.

Quality Ranch only Elk Hunt Fees

Quality elk license fees shall apply to any mature bull (MB) or either sex (ES) private land authorization, except Youth Only, that include any hunt dates from Sept. 15-Oct. 15 for private lands that lie within the COER in Units 13, 15, 16 and 17, but shall not apply to private lands outside COER areas. **COER** is that portion of a Game Management Unit that contains the majority of routine and substantial elk use.

Quality Unit wide Elk Hunt Fees

Quality elk license fees shall apply to any mature bull (MB) or either sex (ES) private land license, except Youth Only, for the following hunts:

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts:

ELK-1-238, ELK-1-245, ELK-1-251, ELK-1-259, ELK-1-237 (MI), and ELK-1-258 (MI).

Bow Only Hunts:

ELK-2-218, ELK-2-227, ELK-2-236, ELK-2-244, ELK-2-249, ELK-2-257, ELK-2-265 and ELK-2-273.

Muzzleloader and Bow Hunts:

ELK-3-220, ELK-3-229, ELK-3-267 and ELK-3-275.

Private Land (Ranch Only) Hunts

Elk hunters hunting on **inside** COER ranch only properties are restricted to the following hunt dates and sporting arm types. For hunting **outside** COER properties, check directly with the landowner for hunt details since bag limits, season dates and sporting arm types vary from ranch to ranch.

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts

License limited to any five consecutive days within the hunt period

Dates	Units
Oct. 1-Nov. 30	41, 42, 43, 47 and 59 (either sex)
Nov. 1-Dec. 31	41, 42, 43, 47 and 59 (antlerless elk)
Oct. 1-Dec. 31	4
Oct. 1-Jan. 31, '13	46, 54, 55A, 56, 57 and 58 (Jan. 1-31 is restricted to antlerless elk only)
Nov. 3-Dec. 31	9 (antlerless elk only)
Oct. 6-Dec. 31	5A, 5B, 49, 50, 51
Oct. 13-Dec. 31	2, 6A, 6C, 7, 10, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 21A, 21B, 36, 45, 52 and 53
Oct. 18-Dec. 31	34
Oct. 20-Dec. 31	16E, 23, 24 and 48
Jan. 1-31, '13	36 and 48 (Rifle only, antlerless elk only, restricted to specific ranches with prior written Department approval)

Bow Only Hunts

License valid for the entire hunt period

Sept. 1-10	13, 15, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 16E, 17, 23, 34 and 36
Sept. 1-15	2, 5B, 6A, 6C, 7, 9, 21A, 21B, 48, 51 and 52
Sept. 1-22	4, 5A, 10, 24, 41-43, 45-47, 49, 50, 53, 54, 55A, 56, 57, 58 and 59
Sept. 11-18	13, 15, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 16E, 17, 23
Sept. 13-22	34 and 36
Sept. 16-22	2, 5B, 6A, 6C, 7, 9, 48, 51 and 52
Sept. 16-24	21A and 21B
Sept. 19-24	13, 15, 16A, 16B/22, 16C, 16D, 16E, 17 and 23

Muzzleloader and Bow Hunts

License limited to any five consecutive days within the hunt period

Oct. 6-Dec. 31	2, 6A, 6C, 7, 10, 36, 45, 48, 52 and 53
Oct. 13-Dec. 31	9, 13, 15, 16E, 17, 23, 24 and 34
Jan. 1-31, '13	13 (Muzzleloader only, antlerless elk only, restricted to specific ranches with prior written Department approval)

Youth-only Hunts License limited to dates below

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts

Oct. 6-10	16C, 16E, 23, 24 and 34
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Muzzleloader or Bow Only Hunts

Oct. 6-Dec. 31	13, 15 and 17
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Mobility-impaired Hunts License limited to dates below

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts

Oct. 6-10	16A, 16D, 34 and 52
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Muzzleloader and Bow Hunts

Oct. 6-10	9
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Draw Licenses, Seasons for Any Legal Sporting Arm

What You Must Know Before You Hunt

Youth-only Hunts: Applicants must be younger than 18 on the opening day of the hunt, provide proof of hunter education certification to apply and carry their certificate number while hunting with a firearm. **Unit 10 and 13:** These units are subject to closure by the U.S. Forest Service and/or the military during missile firings. **Unit 34:** Grapevine Canyon (McGregor Range Buffer Zone) is accessible with military permission only.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 2					
2	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-103	S	75	MB
2 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-104	S	100	A
2 Youth Only, N.M. Resident Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-105	S	50	A
Unit 4					
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-140	Q	10	MB
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-141	Q	10	MB
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-142	Q	10	MB
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-143	S	10	MB
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-144	S	10	A
4 Sargent WMA, Youth Only, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-145	S	10	A
4 Humphries/Rio Chama WMAs, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-148	S	15	MB
4 Humphries/Rio Chama WMAs, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-149	S	15	MB
4 Humphries/Rio Chama WMAs, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-150	S	10	A
4 Humphries/Rio Chama WMAs, Youth Only, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-151	S	15	A
Unit 5					
5A Public Land Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-107	S	10	MB
5A Public Land Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-108	S	10	A
5A Public Land Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-109	S	10	MB
5A Public Land Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-110	S	10	A
5A Public Land Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-111	S	10	MB
5A Public Land Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-112	S	10	A
5A Public Land Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-113	S	10	MB
5A Public Land Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-114	S	10	A
5B	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-154	S	165	MB
5B N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-155	S	100	A
5B	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-156	S	165	MB
5B N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-157	S	100	A
5B	Dec. 15-19	ELK-1-158	S	15	MB
Unit 6					
6A	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-187	S	100	MB
6A	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-188	S	100	MB
6A N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-189	S	100	A
6C	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-207	S	105	MB
6C	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-208	S	105	MB
6C N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-209	S	130	A
6C N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 24-28	ELK-1-210	S	130	A
Unit 7					
7	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-214	S	30	MB
7 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-215	S	50	A
Unit 9					
9 including Water Canyon but not Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-130	S	200	A
9 including Water Canyon but not Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-1-131	S	200	A
9 including Water Canyon but not Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-132	S	200	A
Unit 10					
10	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-135	S	70	MB
10 Youth Only, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-136	S	120	A
10 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-137	S	100	A
Unit 12					
12	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-345	HD	30	MB
12 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-346	S	30	A

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 16					
16A Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-237	Q	25	MB
16A	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-238	Q/HD	75	MB
16A	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-239	S	125	MB
16A N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-240	S	75	A
16A N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-241	S	75	A
16B and 22	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-245	Q/HD	160	MB
16B and 22	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-246	S	160	MB
16C Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-250	S	25	ES
16C	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-251	Q	50	MB
16C	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-252	S	95	MB
16C N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-253	S	50	A
16C N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-254	S	50	A
16D Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-258	Q/HD	25	MB
16D	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-259	Q/HD	55	MB
16D	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-260	HD	50	MB
16D N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-261	S	50	A
16D N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-262	S	50	A
16E Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-266	S	25	ES
16E	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-268	S	70	MB
16E N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-269	S	75	A
16E N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-270	S	75	A
Unit 21					
21A	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-283	HD	50	MB
21A	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-284	HD	50	MB
21B	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-287	S	25	MB
21B	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-288	S	25	MB
21B N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-289	S	15	A
21B N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-1-290	S	15	A
21B N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-291	S	15	A
21B N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-292	S	15	A
Unit 23					
23 Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-296	S	25	ES
23	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-298	S	75	MB
Unit 24					
24 except Fort Bayard Special Management Area	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-301	S	15	MB
24 Fort Bayard Special Management Area Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-302	S	5	ES
Unit 28 (Some animals in this unit have tested positive for CWD)					
28 Mc Gregor Range Military Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-348	HD	10	ES
28 Mc Gregor Range	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-349	S	10	ES
Unit 30					
30	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-350	S	30	ES
Unit 34 (Some animals in this unit have tested positive for CWD)					
34 Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-305	S	75	ES
34 Youth Only, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-306	S	75	A
34 Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-307	S	50	ES
34	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-309	S	150	MB
34 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 24-28	ELK-1-310	S	250	A
34 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-311	S	250	A
34 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-1-312	S	150	A
Unit 36					
36	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-316	HD	100	MB
36	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-317	HD	100	MB
36 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 24-28	ELK-1-318	S	100	A
36 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-319	S	100	A
Unit 37					
37	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-353	S	30	MB
37 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 24-28	ELK-1-354	S	45	A
Unit 38					
38	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-355	S	15	ES
Unit 43					
43	Sept. 22-26	ELK-1-356	S	60	ES
Unit 45					
45	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-322	S	140	MB
45	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-323	S	140	MB

continued **Draw Licenses, Seasons for Any Legal Sporting Arm**

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 48					
48	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-329	S	30	MB
48 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-330	S	45	A
48	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-331	S	30	MB
48 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-332	S	50	A
Unit 49					
49	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-334	S	80	MB
49	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-335	S	75	MB
49 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-336	S	80	A
49 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-337	S	75	A
Unit 50					
50	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-160	S	130	MB
50 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-161	S	45	A
50	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-162	S	125	MB
50 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-163	S	45	A
Unit 51					
51	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-166	S	220	MB
51	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-167	S	220	MB
51	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-168	S	220	MB
51 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-169	S	240	A
51 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-170	S	240	A
51 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-1-171	S	175	A
Unit 52					
52	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-178	S	230	MB
52	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-179	S	230	MB
52 Youth Only, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-180	S	100	A
52 Mobility Impaired Only, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-1-181	S	75	A
52 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-1-182	S	75	A
52 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-183	S	150	A
Unit 53					
53 except the Cerro portion	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-340	S	75	MB
53 except the Cerro portion	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-341	S	125	MB
53 except the Cerro portion, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-342	S	90	A
53 except the Cerro portion, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-343	S	90	A
Unit 54					
54 Colin Neblett WMA-south, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-358	S	20	MB
54 Colin Neblett WMA-south, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-359	S	20	MB
54 Colin Neblett WMA-south, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-360	S	20	MB
54 Colin Neblett WMA-south, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-361	S	20	A
Unit 55					
55 Colin Neblett WMA-north, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-363	S	20	MB
55 Colin Neblett WMA-north, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-364	S	20	MB
55 Colin Neblett WMA-north, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-365	S	20	MB
55 Colin Neblett WMA-north, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-366	S	20	A
55 Urraca WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-369	S	10	MB
55 Urraca WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-370	S	10	MB
55 Urraca WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-371	S	10	MB
55 Urraca WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-1-372	S	10	MB
55 Urraca WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-373	S	15	A
55 Urraca WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-1-374	S	15	A
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-378	Q	15	MB
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas, Youth Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-379	Q	20	MB
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas	Oct. 20-24	ELK-1-380	Q	35	MB
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas, Youth Only, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-381	Q	35	A
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-1-382	Q	35	A
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-1-383	Q	50	A
Unit 56					
56	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-384	S	10	MB
56 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-1-385	S	10	A
Unit 57 and 58					
57 and 58*	Oct. 6-10	ELK-1-387	S	10	MB
57 and 58* N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-1-388	S	10	A

* Except the northeast portion of Union County located in T32N, R35E, R36E and R37E

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What You Must Know Before You Hunt

Youth-only Hunts: Applicants must be younger than 18 on the opening day of the hunt, provide proof of hunter education certification to apply and carry their certificate number while hunting with a firearm. **Units 10, 13 and 18:** These units are subject to closure by the U.S. Forest Service and/or the military during missile firings. **Unit 34:** Grapevine Canyon (McGregor Range Buffer Zone) is accessible by military permission only.

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 2					
2	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-100	S	120	ES
2	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-101	S	120	ES
Unit 4					
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-138	Q	10	ES
4 Sargent WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-139	Q	10	ES
4 Humphries WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-146	S	10	ES
4 Humphries WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-147	S	10	ES
Unit 5					
5A Public Land Only	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-106	S	10	ES
5B	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-152	S	75	ES
5B	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-153	S	75	ES
Unit 6					
6A	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-184	S	150	ES
6A	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-185	S	105	ES
6C	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-204	S	150	ES
6C	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-205	S	105	ES
Unit 7					
7	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-211	S	15	ES
7	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-212	S	15	ES
Unit 9					
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-115	S	5	ES
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-116	S	5	ES
9 including Water Canyon, but not the Marquez WMA	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-124	S	160	ES
9 including Water Canyon, but not the Marquez WMA	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-125	S	160	ES
Unit 10					
10	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-133	S	250	ES
Unit 12					
12	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-344	HD	30	ES
Unit 13					
13	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-216	S	125	ES
13	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-217	S	100	ES
13	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-218	Q/HD	75	ES
Unit 15					
15	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-225	HD	250	ES
15	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-226	HD	200	ES
15	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-227	Q/HD	150	ES
Unit 16					
16A	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-234	HD	150	ES
16A	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-235	HD	150	ES
16A	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-236	Q/HD	100	ES
16B and 22	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-242	S	130	ES
16B and 22	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-243	HD	130	ES
16B and 22	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-244	Q/HD	130	ES
16C	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-247	S	100	ES
16C	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-248	HD	75	ES
16C	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-249	Q/HD	75	ES
16D	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-255	HD	60	ES
16D	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-256	HD	50	ES
16D	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-257	Q/HD	40	ES
16E	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-263	S	50	ES
16E	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-264	S	50	ES
16E	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-265	Q/HD	50	ES

16B is almost entirely wilderness, no motorized travel allowed.

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Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 17					
17	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-271	HD	75	ES
17	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-272	HD	75	ES
17	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-273	Q/HD	50	ES
Unit 18					
18	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-347	S	50	ES
Unit 21					
21A	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-281	HD	50	ES
21A	Sept. 16-24	ELK-2-282	HD	50	ES
21B	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-285	S	25	ES
21B	Sept. 16-24	ELK-2-286	S	25	ES
There is limited public land access in Unit 21B					
Unit 23					
23	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-293	S	75	ES
23	Sept. 11-18	ELK-2-294	S	75	ES
23	Sept. 19-24	ELK-2-295	S	50	ES
Unit 24					
24 except Fort Bayard Special Management Area	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-299	S	25	ES
Unit 34 (Some animals in this unit have tested positive for CWD)					
34	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-303	HD	200	ES
34	Sept. 13-22	ELK-2-304	HD	200	ES
Unit 36					
36	Sept. 1-10	ELK-2-313	HD	100	ES
36	Sept. 13-22	ELK-2-314	HD	100	ES
Unit 37					
37	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-351	S	75	ES
Unit 45					
45	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-320	S	150	ES
Unit 48					
48	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-325	S	85	ES
48	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-326	S	85	ES
Unit 49					
49	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-333	S	120	ES
Unit 50					
50	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-159	S	120	ES
Unit 51					
51	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-164	S	180	ES
51	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-165	HD	180	ES
Unit 52					
52	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-173	S	230	ES
52	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-174	S	230	ES
Unit 53					
53	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-338	S	120	ES
Unit 55					
55 ES Barker WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-367	S	10	ES
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas	Sept. 1-15	ELK-2-375	Q/HD	20	ES
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas	Sept. 16-22	ELK-2-376	Q/HD	20	ES
Unit 57					
57 Sugarite Canyon State Park	Sept. 1-22	ELK-2-386	S	5	ES



Do Not Bring Firewood Into New Mexico From Another State

The movement of firewood from one state to another has become the principal method of introducing new damaging insect pests and diseases to forests. Emerald ash borer, sirex woodwasps, gypsy moth, Asian longhorn beetle, and oak wilt disease can be transported in firewood and are the cause of significant damage to forests in other states.

These pests are almost always fatal to trees and will decimate forested areas as well as riparian areas if they are allowed to get established. **If you brought firewood into New Mexico from another state, burn all of it immediately.** Purchase or collect firewood within New Mexico. Call the New Mexico Department of Agriculture at 505-646-3207 or the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Plant Protection and Quarantine at 505-761-3189 for additional information.

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Hunt Area	Hunt Date	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 2					
2	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-102	S	125	MB
Unit 6					
6A	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-186	S	110	MB
6C	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-206	S	155	MB
Unit 7					
7	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-213	S	25	MB
Unit 9					
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-117	S	5	MB
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-118	S	5	MB
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 20-24	ELK-3-119	S	5	MB
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 27-31	ELK-3-120	S	5	A
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 3-7	ELK-3-121	S	5	A
9 Marquez WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-3-123	S	5	A
9 including Water Canyon, but not the Marquez WMA, Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-126	S	40	ES
9 including Water Canyon, but not the Marquez WMA	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-127	S	70	MB
9 including Water Canyon, but not the Marquez WMA	Oct. 20-24	ELK-3-128	S	70	MB
9 including Water Canyon, but not the Marquez WMA	Oct. 27-31	ELK-3-129	S	40	MB
Unit 10					
10	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-134	S	70	MB
Unit 13					
13 Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-219	S	25	ES
13	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-220	Q	75	MB
13	Oct. 20-24	ELK-3-221	S	115	MB
13	Nov. 17-21	ELK-3-222	S	100	MB
13 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 24-28	ELK-3-223	S	100	A
13 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-3-224	S	100	A
Unit 15					
15 Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-228	HD	25	ES
15	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-229	Q/HD	200	MB
15	Oct. 20-24	ELK-3-230	HD	245	MB
15	Nov. 17-21	ELK-3-231	HD	250	MB
15 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-3-232	S	250	A
15 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-3-233	S	250	A
Unit 16					
16E	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-267	Q	70	MB
Unit 17					
17 Youth Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-274	HD	25	ES
17	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-275	Q/HD	100	MB
17	Oct. 20-24	ELK-3-276	S	100	MB
17	Nov. 17-21	ELK-3-277	S	25	MB
17 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 17-21	ELK-3-278	S	25	A
17 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 1-5	ELK-3-279	S	100	A
17 N.M. Residents Only	Dec. 8-12	ELK-3-280	S	100	A
Unit 23					
23	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-297	S	75	MB
Unit 24					
24 except Fort Bayard Special Management Area	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-300	S	15	MB
Unit 34 (Some animals in this unit have tested positive for CWD)					
34	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-308	S	250	MB
Unit 36					
36	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-315	HD	135	MB

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Hunt Area	Hunt Date	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 37					
37	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-352	S	30	MB
Unit 45					
45	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-321	S	140	MB
45 N.M. Residents Only	Nov. 10-14	ELK-3-324	S	50	A
Unit 48					
48	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-327	S	35	MB
48	Oct. 13-17	ELK-3-328	S	65	MB
Unit 51					
51	Dec. 1-5	ELK-3-172	S	145	ES
Unit 52					
52 Mobility Impaired Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-175	S	50	MB
52	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-176	HD	120	MB
52 N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-177	S	50	A
Unit 53					
53 except Cerro portion	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-339	HD	50	ES
Unit 54					
54 Colin Neblett WMA-south, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-357	S	20	MB
Unit 55					
55 Colin Neblett WMA-north, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-362	S	20	MB
55 ES Barker WMA, N.M. Residents Only	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-368	S	10	MB
55 Valle Vidal and Greenwood areas	Oct. 6-10	ELK-3-377	Q/HD	35	MB

Late Season Bow Hunting Opportunities - Online Application Only

What You Must Know Before You Hunt

DO NOT apply for these hunts during the regular public draw. These hunts MAY or MAY NOT be offered depending on harvest rates during the regular season. To receive information about how to obtain one of these licenses, visit our website www.wildlife.state.nm.us after Oct. 15, 2012.

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 12	Nov. 17-21	ELK-2-433	S	25	APRE/6
Unit 34 (Some animals in this unit have tested positive for CWD)	Dec. 15-19	ELK-2-434	S	200	APRE/6
Unit 37	Dec. 1-5	ELK-2-435	S	50	APRE/6

Chronic Wasting Disease Rules Apply to Units 19, 28 and 34

It is unlawful to transport dead deer, dead elk or their parts taken from any chronic wasting disease (CWD) control area designated by the Director. The exceptions are:

- Meat that is cut and wrapped either privately or commercially.
- Quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the head or spinal column attached.
- Meat that has been boned out.
- Hides with no heads attached.
- Clean skull plates with antlers attached.
- Antlers with no meat or tissue attached.
- Upper canine teeth, also known as "ivories."
- Finished heads mounted by a taxidermist. You may not remove the whole head and spinal column. You must keep proof of sex with all game species until you get the game to the place where it will be consumed or placed in cold storage.

Win An Elk Or Oryx Incentive Authorization For CWD Testing

Hunters may be selected by drawing to receive an elk or oryx incentive authorization. To participate, hunters must bring in freshly harvested deer or elk heads to any Department office or field collection station so tissues can be collected for chronic wasting disease testing. To be eligible, hunters are required to deliver the head before brain and lymph tissues decompose, which is less than 48 hours in warm weather. Incentive authorizations may be used either by the recipient or any individual of the recipient's choice through sale, barter or gift.

Mandatory Harvest Reporting

By Feb. 15, anyone who is licensed to hunt deer or elk must report the results of their hunting season. By April 7, anyone who is licensed to take furbearers, must report the results of their trapping or hunting season. This is true whether or not they hunted, trapped or harvested animals. Harvest reports filed after these deadlines will be charged \$8. Beginning Jan. 4, 2013, hunters and trappers may call (888) 248-6866 or anytime visit www.wildlife.state.nm.us to report their results. Deer, elk and furbearer hunters and trappers who do not report, will be ineligible for ALL draw hunts, population management authorizations, private land authorizations or trapper licenses the following year.

Youth Encouragement Hunts - Online Application Only

- Only New Mexico resident youth hunters that successfully fulfilled all application requirements and responsibilities for draw hunts for deer, elk, antelope, ibex, oryx, or bighorn sheep in the current license year and were unsuccessful in drawing any licenses or permits will be eligible to apply for these hunts for the first fourteen (14) days of the posting on the Department's website.
- After fourteen days, all remaining licenses shall be available to ANY (resident and nonresident) youth hunter eligible to purchase an elk license. Youth hunters that hold any current elk license, either draw or private land, are ineligible to purchase a Youth Encouragement Elk License.
- These hunts will be offered first-come, first-served through an Internet registration process and web sale, rather than the random draw process. To receive information about how to obtain one of these licenses, visit the Department's website.
- The number of licenses available for these hunts may be adjusted due to changes in population levels, harvest rates and available habitat.

Any Legal Sporting Arm Hunts

Hunt Area	Hunt Dates	Hunt Code	Fee Type	Licenses	Bag Limit
Unit 5B	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-401	S	20	A
Unit 6A	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-402	S	50	A
Unit 6A	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-403	S	50	A
Unit 6C	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-404	S	50	A
Unit 6C	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-405	S	50	A
Unit 10	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-408	S	35	A
Unit 16A	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-413	S	75	A
Unit 16A	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-414	S	75	A
Unit 16C	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-415	S	75	A
Unit 16C	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-416	S	75	A
Unit 16D	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-417	S	75	A
Unit 16D	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-418	S	75	A
Unit 16E	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-419	S	75	A
Unit 16E	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-420	S	75	A
Unit 34 (Some animals in this unit have tested positive for CWD)	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-423	S	80	A
Unit 36	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-424	S	60	A
Unit 36	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-425	S	60	A
Unit 49	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-426	S	50	A
Unit 50	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-427	S	60	A
Unit 51	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-428	S	75	A
Unit 51	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-429	S	75	A
Unit 52	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-430	S	50	A
Unit 53 except Cerro portion	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-1-431	S	60	A
Unit 53 except Cerro portion	Dec. 26-30	ELK-1-432	S	60	A

Muzzleloader Hunts

Unit 9	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-3-406	S	75	A
Unit 9	Dec. 26-30	ELK-3-407	S	75	A
Unit 13	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-3-409	S	60	A
Unit 13	Dec. 26-30	ELK-3-410	S	60	A
Unit 15	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-3-411	S	75	A
Unit 15	Dec. 26-30	ELK-3-412	S	75	A
Unit 17	Nov. 30-Dec. 4	ELK-3-421	S	60	A
Unit 17	Dec. 26-30	ELK-3-422	S	60	A

