

Applications for the 2021 big game draw will open soon! Have questions before you apply? We will be meeting virtually every week to discuss the 2021-2022 big game draw, how to apply, options for hunter education and the hunter mentor program and how to read the draw odds report. Over the next few months, we will have biologists on hand to answer questions.

Please register online and send us your questions through email (tristanna.bickford@state.nm.us) or add your questions to the Facebook event feed for the topic related to your questions.

Schedule and registration links: Big Game Draw 2021 - Meet the Biologists
TBD (this will be set with the RIB is finalized and set) - The Rules and Information Booklet (RIB) is out!!! Jeremy Lane, public information officer, and Kevin Rodden, SW area habitat biologist, to talk about reading the RIB and how to use the Draw Odds Report to help make educated decisions when applying for your big game hunt. Register a:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_weytg6GCQ02FMWcSFvr1cA

January 13 - Youth under 18 years of age MUST take hunter education before going hunting, but hunter education is good for everyone. Join Jennifer Morgan, hunter education coordinator, to learn the ins and outs of hunter education. We will also talk about the Mentored Youth program and the recent changes made to the program. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AVy2m2UAS8Canw0kmskA2g

January 20 - Are you ready to apply but don't know where to start? Join Ross Morgan, public information officer, learn about the process and ask questions to help you get started. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_EHDrQXGaSumD_itlhze-6g

January 27 - Meet the Biologists - Casey Cardinal, resident bird biologist, and Rick Winslow, bear and cougar biologists, will be on hand to answer your questions about applying for the Bear and Turkey Draw as well as over-the-counter opportunities. Don't forget that the deadline for applying for the bear and cougar turkey deadline is February 10 at 5:00 p.m. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eRI_7NH6R2ykohu-4IpZ1A

February 3 - Meet the Biologists – Orrin Duvuvuei, deer program manager, will be on hand to answer questions about applying for and hunting deer in New Mexico. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Nd2YXoneS7-O5Cf3veWfZg

February 10 - Meet the Biologists – Travis Zaffarano, elk program manager, will be on hand to answer questions about applying for and hunting elk in New Mexico. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bpMha6-ZSI6ve7qbPK1HUg

February 17 - Meet the Biologists – Tony Opatz, pronghorn biologists, will be on hand to answer questions about applying for and hunting pronghorn in New Mexico. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_oyattkmCTeOJpHhiLpY96Q

February 24 - Meet the Biologists – Nicole Tatman, big game program manager, and Austin Teague, SE area biologist, will be on hand to answer questions about applying for and hunting ibex and Barbary sheep in New Mexico. Register at

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ktkD9KwfSDiA9BNg8RC0cA

March 3 - Meet the Biologists – Caitlin Ruhl, bighorn sheep program manager, will be on hand to answer questions about applying for and hunting bighorn sheep in New Mexico. Register at

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bqTdtYIbR1K-H5j2BLCHbQ

March 10 – Did you miss your opportunity for hunter education? Learn about the Mentored Youth program and small game hunting opportunities in New Mexico. Jennifer Morgan, hunter education coordinator, and Casey Cardinal, resident game bird biologist, will discuss opportunities and answer your questions. Register at

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_g9tUOsgzSsq2CmOsK0thPA