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TITLE: Consideration of Proposed Commission Orders 2, 5-10, and 26 for 2012–2013 Hunting Season, Commission Orders 11–18 for 2012–2013 and 2013–2014 Hunting Seasons, and Commission Order 23 for the 2012–2013 and 2013–2014 Trapping Seasons.

DESCRIPTION: The Commission will consider and may vote to approve Commission Orders 2 (deer), 5–10 (turkey, javelina, bighorn sheep, buffalo, bear, and mountain lion), and 26 (population management) establishing seasons and season dates, bag and possession limits, permit numbers, and open areas for the 2012–2013 season. The Commission will also consider and may vote to approve Commission Orders 11–18 (tree squirrel, cottontail rabbit, predatory and furbearing mammals, other mammals and birds, pheasant, quail, chukar partridge, and blue grouse) establishing seasons and season dates, bag and possession limits, and open areas for the 2012–2013 and 2013–2014 seasons. Additionally, the Commission will consider and may vote to approve Commission Order 23 (trapping), establishing season dates, legal species, open and closed areas, and bag and possession limits for the 2012–2013 and 2013–2014 seasons. A detailed description of proposals is available for public review at Department offices.

DATE: March 27, 2012

Summary:

The Department is recommending seasons, season dates, bag and possession limits, permit numbers, and open areas for Commission Orders 2 (deer), 5–10 (fall turkey, fall javelina, bighorn sheep, fall buffalo, fall bear, and mountain lion), and 26 (population management seasons) for 2012–2013 according to hunt guidelines approved by the Commission in August and December 2011. Small game (Commission Orders 11–18; tree squirrel, cottontail rabbit, predatory and furbearing mammals, other mammals and birds, pheasant, quail, chukar partridge, and blue grouse) and trapping (Commission Order 23) seasons are recommended for both 2012–2013 and 2013–2014 in accordance with the hunt guidelines. The current hunt guidelines were approved by the Commission for a 2-year period that extends through spring 2014. Public meetings to discuss harvest prescriptions for the 2012–2013 seasons were held in each Region prior to meeting with the Game Branch. Each Region also hosted an open house prior to the April Commission meeting where final recommendations were available for public review and

discussion. Public participation improved this year with 42 attendees at the 6 public meetings, which routinely see less than 10 attendees on average.

The Commission has provided the Department with direction through the hunt guidelines to offer specific hunting opportunities. Specifically, the Department was to allocate at least 5% of the general deer permits to juniors-only seasons, units with multiple deer hunts will have stratified 7-day seasons each region will offer a late mule deer season, and Units 3A and 3C will be managed under alternative guidelines for deer similar to Units 45A, 45B, and 45C.

Statewide, white-tailed deer hunting opportunity in December is limited to 5% of the total white-tailed deer permits, although alternative white-tailed deer units (Units 6A, 23, 30B, 31, and 36C) will be structured to harvest up to 30% of the expected take for that unit during December. Units 3A, 3C, 12A, 12B, 13A, 13B, 45A, 45B, and 45C are managed according to the alternative deer guidelines for mule deer. Archery deer seasons are recommended for season length adjustments or permitting to attain 10–20% of the total deer harvest by archers. Units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B have had permitted archery seasons for a few years; the archery hunt in Units 3A and 3C is recommended for permitting this year.

Fall turkey hunts are recommended as limited-weapon shotgun-shooting-shot seasons. Juniors-only turkey permits will be recommended as over-the-counter nonpermit tags in specific units. Archery turkey seasons have been adjusted to overlap with corresponding archery deer seasons.

Fall javelina hunts are to be offered during juniors-only seasons to strive for 10% of total tags (both fall and spring) for juniors hunters. Juniors-only seasons should coincide with a juniors-only deer season, and companion population management seasons are recommended to capitalize on juniors deer hunters in the field.

All bear seasons have specific female harvest limits that close a season on the following Wednesday when that number of female bears have been harvested. Each unit that provides a bear hunt will also have an annual female harvest limit. If the annual female harvest limit is met, this will close any open season on the following Wednesday or any subsequent season in that unit during the current calendar year, even if the subsequent season has not yet opened. The annual female harvest limit comprises female bears lethally removed through Department action (e.g., nuisance) and female bears harvested by hunters.

Daylong seasons are recommended to continue for coyote and mountain lion seasons in specific areas and during specific periods as adopted in December 2011, although some adjustments to open units are recommended. Other changes to mountain lion seasons are recommended in accordance with the new hunt guidelines, to include a minimal occurrence zone, similar to that established previously for elk. As with elk, mountain lion seasons within this zone are recommended for liberalization to meet management objectives.

Mearns' quail season is recommended to begin a week later than in prior years.

Hopi tribal members will be allocated a previously agreed upon small portion of deer tags in Units 4A, 4B (8 permits), 5A, and 5B (24 permits) according to the Hopi Trust Land allocation authorized through the hunt guidelines.

COMMISSION ORDER 2 – DEER

The Department is recommending 42,638 general deer permits in 2012, a decrease of 1,266 permits statewide from 2011. Archery deer seasons in Units 12A and 12B, 13A, and 13B for 2011 are recommended at 755 permits, no change from 2011; Units 3A and 3C are recommended as a permitted hunt with 125 permits. Permit recommendations in Unit 12A are designed to maintain a 5–7% adult population growth. Archers that draw a permit tag are not required to report their harvest through the phone line, and the 10% cap on nonresident participation applies to draw hunts.

Several changes are recommended for deer seasons. White-tailed deer permits are recommended for a decrease of 210 permits. Antlered mule deer and any antlered deer permits are recommended for a decrease of 1,071 statewide. Juniors permits are recommended at 2,320 (5.4% of general), an increase of 150 from 2011. This recommendation includes a 250-permit (increase of 175 from 2011) antlerless deer hunt for juniors-only in Unit 12AW, which is consistent with allowing population growth on the Kaibab described in the hunt guidelines. December general mule deer hunts are recommended in Units 7, 17A and 17B, 23, and 27. Muzzleloader permits are recommended at 1,200 permits, an increase of 195 from 2011. December any antlered deer muzzleloader seasons are again recommended in Units 35A and 35B and Units 39, 40A, 40B, 41, and 42. The December archery deer and general deer seasons are recommended to begin on December 14, 2012.

The archery deer over-the-counter nonpermit tag seasons in Unit 17A is recommended to include additional season length of December 14–31 because archery harvest in this unit is less than 10% of the total take. This additional season length is similar to existing seasons for many other archery seasons. The archery deer over-the-counter nonpermit tag seasons in Units 29 and 34A are recommended for removal from the December 14–31 timeframe because archery deer harvest is greater than 20% of the total harvest in Unit 29 and greater than 50% of the mule deer harvest in Unit 34A. These units will be included in the January 1-31 archery deer timeframe.

A 10-permit CHAMP hunt is again recommended for Unit 12AW for 2012; the season is recommended to shift from November to September 14–20, 2012.

Total permits for general (including Hopi), muzzleloader, CHAMP, and juniors-only seasons are 46,200, which is a decrease of 920 permits from 2011 levels. Total permits for archery deer draw permits are 880, an increase of 125 from 2011.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 2 – DEER AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 5 –TURKEY

The fall limited-weapon shotgun-shooting-shot turkey season is recommended to run October 5–11, 2012 with 5,300 permits, which is a decrease of 20 permits from 2011. There are 7 units (Units 1, 4A, 4B, 6A, 12A, 23, and 27) recommended for juniors-only seasons where over-the-counter nonpermit tags will be offered (no change from 2011). These seasons will run concurrently with the permitted turkey season in the unit. The archery fall turkey nonpermit tag season is recommended to run from August 24–September 13, 2012 with no change to open units from 2011.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 5 – TURKEY AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 6 – JAVELINA

For fall 2012, the Department again recommends fall juniors-only javelina seasons, with 850 permits, during season dates that coincide with a juniors-only deer season. Units within Region 5 allocate 15% of the annual permits to either an October 12–21 or a November 23–29, 2012 season. Additional units (Units 16A, 17B, 18B, 20A, 39, and 41) also offer juniors-only opportunity, with season dates typically overlapping a school holiday.

In accordance with the 2011 hunt guidelines, the Department is also recommending the juniors-only deer hunters in Units 16A, 28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, 32, 33, 36A, and 36B be provided with the opportunity to purchase over-the-counter "companion" tags for javelina, which must be authorized within Commission Order 26.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 6 – JAVELINA AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 7 – BIGHORN SHEEP

Bighorn sheep permits are recommended for a total of 95, a decrease of 1 from last year. Permit increases are recommended in Units 15C South (1 permit), 15D (2 permits), 46A (2 permits), and 46B (1 permit). The Upper San Francisco River Hunt Area in Unit 27 is being renamed as the Lower Blue River Hunt Area because the boundary has been changed to encompass a larger area; it is recommended for 1 permit. Permit decreases are recommended in Units 12B East (1 permit), 13A (1 permit), 13B North (1 permit), 13B South (1 permit), 24B South (1 permit), 37A (1 permit), and 44B North (1 permit). Units where recent declines have been detected or

suspected, specifically 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 45A, 45B, and 45C, are surveyed annually or bi-annually and hunt recommendations are based on these data.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 7 – BIGHORN SHEEP AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 8 – BUFFALO

Two yearling buffalo hunts for 2 permits each are recommended for the Raymond Wildlife Area herd in Units 5A and 5B. This is a reduction of 2 adult-cow-only buffalo hunts for a decrease of 4 permits. These hunts are recommended to run October 5–7 and November 9–11, 2012.

No general fall hunts are recommended on the House Rock Wildlife Area herd because structured hunts have been ineffective in harvesting buffalo during the fall. In accordance with the 2011 hunt guidelines, the Department is again recommending the general deer hunters in Units 12A West and 12A East and the archery deer hunters in Units 12A and 12B be provided with the opportunity to purchase over-the-counter "companion" tags for buffalo, which must be authorized within Commission Order 26.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 8 – BUFFALO AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 9 – BEAR

During 2012, fall bear seasons are recommended to occur during August 10–23, from August 24 for up to 38 days, or October 5 through the end of the 2012 calendar year. The season in Units 4A and 5A is recommended to begin on November 2 and run through the end of the calendar year. General seasons may occur during any of these season dates and archery seasons may occur during the 38 day season beginning on August 24, 2012. This structure maintains open seasons while allowing Regions to manage female harvest and maintain sites to relocate nuisance bears if necessary. The 2012 recommendation is for a cumulative female harvest limit of 94 for general and 19 for archery season, which is an overall increase of 2 female bears from 2011. The recommendation includes an increase to individual general season hunt female harvest limits in Units 22 South and 27, and a decrease to the individual archery season hunt female harvest limit in Unit 27.

The annual female harvest limit will again apply to fall seasons. Annual female harvest limits were established in August 2011 for the units with 2012 spring hunts. Those units that have both spring and fall hunts were considered in the spring 2012 hunt formulation. Harvest that applies to annual female harvest limits includes any take by a hunter or Department action that occurs

within a calendar year. Implementation of the annual female harvest limit may result in the closure of a hunt before it opens if the annual female harvest limit is reached before the start of a season. Annual female harvest limits are recommended to increase in the following open areas Unit 5B, Unit 6B, Units 7 and 9, Unit 8, Units 17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, and 20B, Unit 19A, Unit 22 North, Unit 22 South, and Unit 28. The annual female harvest limit is recommended to decrease in Units 10, 18A, and 19B and Unit 34A.

Hunters will need to contact the Department before they go hunting to determine if a specific hunt unit is open, and notification of this need will be plainly identified within the regulations. Compliance with the mandatory physical check for bear remains high.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 9 – BEAR AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 10 – MOUNTAIN LION

The Department recommends an open mountain lion season for daylight hours from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 in all open units in accordance with the hunt guidelines. Multiple bag limit seasons with daylong shooting hours are recommended for Units 13B South, Units 15B West, 15C, and 15D, Units 16A South and 18B South, Unit 22 South, the Aravaipa-Galiuro hunt area within Units 31 and 32, and Unit 37B North. Multiple bag limit seasons with daylight shooting hours are recommended for the Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27 and the Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 (the Lower Blue River Hunt Area corresponds with the larger area encompassed by bighorn sheep). In accordance with 2011 hunt guidelines and the establishment of minimal occurrence zones for mountain lions, Units 39 West, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B are recommended for daylong shooting hours with a bag limit of 3 mountain lions per year. The multiple bag limit seasons in Units 40A, 42 South, and 44A East are recommended for removal since these areas are included within the minimal occurrence zones. Unit 6A South is recommended for removal from the multiple bag limit season structure; the population triggers for the bighorn sheep population in that area have been achieved. Compliance with the mandatory physical check for harvested mountain lion remains high.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 10 – MOUNTAIN LION AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 26 – POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS

Population management seasons are recommended for buffalo (cow or yearling buffalo only) to be available to permitted general, muzzleloader, and archery deer hunters in Unit 12A. These

seasons are also recommended for javelina to be available to juniors-only muzzleloader deer hunters in Unit 16A and juniors-only general season deer hunters in Units 28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, 32, 33, 36A, and 36B. These permits are popularly known as "companion" tags. Buffalo population management restricted nonpermit tags are recommended at 840 for general seasons, 50 for muzzleloader seasons, and 700 for archery seasons. Juniors-only javelina population management restricted nonpermit tags are recommended at 500 for general and 25 for muzzleloader juniors-only seasons. These permits will be available only to hunters that successfully draw a deer tag in the coincidental deer hunt.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 26 – POPULATION MANAGEMENT SEASONS AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 11 – TREE SQUIRREL

The Department recommends no change to the tree squirrel seasons for 2012–2014.

COMMISSION ORDER 12 – COTTONTAIL RABBIT

The Department recommends no change to the cottontail rabbit seasons for 2012–2014.

COMMISSION ORDER 13 – PREDATORY AND FUR-BEARING MAMMALS

The Department recommends reestablishing the limited-weapon shotgun-shooting-shot season during daylight hours for coyotes in Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M (these units were inadvertently removed in December when an amendment was made to this Commission Order). The Department recommends maintaining daylong seasons for coyote within the months of March, April, and May for Units 2A, 4A, 10, 13A, 17A, 17B, 31, 32, 34B, 35A, and 35B; Units 28 and 30A are recommended for inclusion in the daylong season structure because of low pronghorn fawn recruitment, and Unit 36B is recommended for removal from the daylong season structure because coyotes may not be hunted in proximity to the pronghorn herd that resides on the Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge. There are no other changes recommended to the predatory and fur-bearing mammal seasons for 2012–2014.

COMMISSION ORDER 14 – OTHER BIRDS AND MAMMALS

The Department recommends no change to the other birds and mammals seasons for 2012–2014.

COMMISSION ORDER 15 – PHEASANT

The Department recommends 3, 7-day limited-weapon shotgun-shooting-shot seasons with 50 permits each for the 2012–2014 seasons. Although there are no changes recommended to the total number of permits, last year there were 4 seasons of 3 days each. All pheasant hunts in

Units 40B are draw hunts. Dates for the individual hunts are adjusted periodically to accommodate local agricultural practices and conditions to maximize hunter success. The juniors-only hunt is recommended with 40 permits (an increase of 10). The archery and falconry seasons remain unchanged. Dates for the hunts in 2012 and 2013 are specified in the attached Commission Orders.

COMMISSION ORDER 16 – QUAIL

The Department recommends that the Mearns' quail season begin 1 week later than during prior years in accordance with the hunt guidelines. No other change to the quail seasons is recommended for 2012–2014.

COMMISSION ORDER 17 – CHUKAR PARTRIDGE

The Department recommends no change to the chukar partridge seasons for 2012–2014.

COMMISSION ORDER 18 – BLUE (DUSKY) GROUSE

The Department recommends minor change to the blue (dusky) grouse seasons for 2012–2014. The Department continues to recommend Units 4A and 5A remain closed to allow grouse transplants to proceed in those units, and recommends the closure of Unit 31 to facilitate grouse transplants in the Pinaleno Mountains.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDERS 11–18 AS PROPOSED.**

COMMISSION ORDER 23 – TRAPPING

The Department recommends no change to the trapping seasons for 2012–2014.

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE COMMISSION ORDER 23 AS PROPOSED.**

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Attachments

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 2: Deer

General Deer

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012		1	Any antlered deer	275 15
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012		2A, 2B, and 2C	Any antlered deer	100 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	200 -150
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(26)	4A and 4B	Any antlered deer	217 24
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(18,20,26,36)	5A and 5B	Any antlered deer	376 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(18,36)	6A	Antlered mule deer	475 50
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(1,18,36)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Antlered mule deer	275 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(18,36)	7	Any antlered deer	875 25
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(18,36)	7	Any antlered deer	10 10
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(18,36)	8	Antlered mule deer	650 50
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(18,36)	9	Any antlered deer	400 50
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(36)	10	Any antlered deer	550 -50
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(2,3,17,36)	12A East (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	175 -50
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(2,3,17,36)	12A East (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	30 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(2,4,17,36)	12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	500 0
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(2,4,17,36)	12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	135 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(13,36)	12B	Any antlered deer	25 0
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(13,36)	12B	Any antlered deer	20 10
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(5,13,36)	12B West	Any antlered deer	150 30
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(5,13,36)	12B West	Any antlered deer	75 10
	Nov 16 - Nov 25, 2012	(13,36)	13A	Any antlered deer	60 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 18, 2012	(13,36)	13B	Any antlered deer	65 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(6,36)	16A (except Mohave County Park lands)	Any antlered deer	550 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(36)	17A	Any antlered deer	375 -25
	Dec 14 - Dec 23, 2012	(36)	17A and 17B	Any antlered deer	25 25
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(36)	17B	Any antlered deer	425 -25
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(36)	18A	Any antlered deer	650 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	18B	Any antlered deer	325 -25
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(36)	18B	Any antlered deer	325 -50
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012		19A	Any antlered deer	625 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(11,36)	19B	Any antlered deer	200 25
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(36)	20A	Any antlered deer	700 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(36)	20B	Any antlered deer	350 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	350 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	350 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(13,36)	21	Antlered mule deer	550 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(22,36)	22	Antlered mule deer	600 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(36)	23	Antlered mule deer	625 -75
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(36)	23	Antlered mule deer	20 20
	Nov 16 - Nov 25, 2012	(36)	24A	Antlered mule deer	300 0
	Nov 16 - Nov 25, 2012	(36)	24B	Antlered mule deer	600 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012		27	Antlered mule deer	725 -175
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012		27	Antlered mule deer	25 25
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(36)	28	Antlered mule deer	425 0

General Deer

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(36)	28	Antlered mule deer	425 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(11,36)	29	Antlered mule deer	75 0
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(11,36)	29	Antlered mule deer	75 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered mule deer	375 0
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered mule deer	375 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(11,36)	30B	Antlered mule deer	400 -50
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(11,36)	30B	Antlered mule deer	400 -50
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(21,36)	31	Antlered mule deer	100 -25
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(21,36)	31	Antlered mule deer	100 -25
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered mule deer	350 0
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered mule deer	350 0
No Hunt	Nov 11 - Nov 17, 2011	(31,36)	33	Antlered mule deer	0 -225
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(31,36)	33	Antlered mule deer	300 75
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(10,36)	34A	Antlered mule deer	25 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(31,36)	34B	Antlered mule deer	75 -25
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(31,36)	34B	Antlered mule deer	75 -25
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered mule deer	300 -50
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered mule deer	325 -100
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered mule deer	150 -75
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered mule deer	150 -75
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(6,31,36)	36C	Antlered mule deer	100 -50
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(6,31,36)	36C	Antlered mule deer	100 -50
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(13,30,31,33,36)	37A	Any antlered deer	75 0
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(13,30,31,33,36)	37A	Any antlered deer	75 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(19,36)	37B	Any antlered deer	450 50
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(19,36)	37B	Any antlered deer	450 50
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(7,13,25,36)	39, 40A, and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(7,13,25,36)	39, 40A, and 40B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 7)	Any antlered deer	200 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(8,36)	41	Any antlered deer	500 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(36)	42 (except White Tank Mountain Park)	Any antlered deer	250 -50
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(6,8,34,36)	43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B	Any antlered deer	500 -100
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(6,36)	45A, 45B, and 45C	Any antlered deer	275 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(18,36)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	150 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(18,36)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	175 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(18,36)	6A	Antlered whitetail deer	75 0
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(1,18,36)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Antlered whitetail deer	55 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,18,36)	6B (except Camp Navajo) and 8	Antlered whitetail deer	25 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(18,36)	8	Antlered whitetail deer	75 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(13,36)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	625 50
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(13,36)	21	Antlered whitetail deer	30 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(22,36)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	750 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(22,36)	22	Antlered whitetail deer	25 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	575 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(36)	23	Antlered whitetail deer	85 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	500 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	550 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(36)	24A	Antlered whitetail deer	45 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	425 25
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	425 25
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(36)	24B	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	600 100

General Deer

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012		27 and 28	Antlered whitetail deer	40 20
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	250 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	250 25
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	200 -25
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(11,36)	29	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	200 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(6,11,36)	30A	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	125 -25
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	125 -25
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	100 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(11,36)	30B	Antlered whitetail deer	75 -25
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	200 -50
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	200 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	200 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(21,36)	31	Antlered whitetail deer	125 -40
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	450 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	450 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	400 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(11,21,31,36)	32	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	700 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	700 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	700 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(31,36)	33	Antlered whitetail deer	50 10
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	675 25
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	675 25
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	600 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(10,36)	34A	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100 -50
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100 -50
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	100 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(31,36)	34B	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	350 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	350 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	300 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca)	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	425 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	425 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	350 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(36)	35B	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	450 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	500 0
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	400 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	800 -50
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	800 -50
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	750 -75
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(6,31,32,36)	36B	Antlered whitetail deer	40 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(6,31,36)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175 -25
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(6,31,36)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175 -25
	Nov 30 - Dec 9, 2012	(6,31,36)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	175 0

General Deer

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(6,31,36)	36C	Antlered whitetail deer	125 0
	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(26)	Hopi Hunt in Units 4A and 4B	Designated deer	8 1
	Nov 2 - Nov 11, 2012	(26,36)	Hopi Hunt in Units 5A and 5B	Designated deer	24 0
				Total	42670 -1265

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Deer hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Juniors-Only Deer

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	25 -100
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(18,36)	7	Any antlered deer	150 50
	Oct 12 - Oct 21, 2012	(36)	10	Any antlered deer	75 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 15, 2012	(2,4,12,36)	12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Antlerless deer	250 175
	Oct 12 - Oct 21, 2012	(36)	17A and 17B	Any antlered deer	100 0
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(36)	18B	Any antlered deer	75 -25
	Oct 12 - Oct 21, 2012	(36)	20A	Any antlered deer	100 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(36)	20B and 21	Any antlered deer	50 0
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(36)	20C	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(22,36)	22	Any antlered deer	100 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(36)	23	Any antlered deer	175 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012		27	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(6,11,17,21,31,36)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, and 32	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(17,31,36)	33	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(31,36)	33	Any antlered deer	175 0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(6,31,36)	36A	Any antlered deer	50 0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(6,17,31,36)	36A	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(6,17,31,32,36)	36B	Any antlered deer	125 75
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(36)	42 (except White Tank Mountain Park)	Any antlered deer	75 -25
	Nov 9 - Nov 25, 2012	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	
				Total	2275 150

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

When applying for a Juniors-Only Hunt, do not reapply for the same species with family on a separate application.

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Deer hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per ARS 17-335 (C).

CHAMP Deer

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
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CHAMP Deer

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Sep 14 - Sep 20, 2012	(2,4,36)	12A West (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED)	Any antlered deer	10 0
				Total	10 0

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Deer hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114, and a CHAMP permit. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Limited to individuals with a Challenged Hunter Access/Mobility Permit (CHAMP) as pursuant to R12-4-217. Qualified individuals should contact Fort Huachuca for hunt numbers, season dates, and other requirements.

Muzzleloader Deer

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012		3B	Any antlered deer	100 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(1,18,36)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any antlered deer	275 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(2,3,17,36)	12A East	Any antlered deer	50 50
No Hunt	Nov 4 - Nov 10, 2011	(5,13,36)	12B West	Any antlered deer	0 -30
	Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(6,36)	15A, 15B, 15C, and 15D	Any antlered deer	200 0
	Oct 26 - Nov 1, 2012	(36)	20B	Any antlered deer	150 0
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012		33	Any antlered deer	200 200
	Nov 16 - Nov 22, 2012	(10,36)	34A	Any antlered deer	75 -25
	Nov 2 - Nov 8, 2012	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	50 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(9,36)	35A (except Fort Huachuca) and 35B	Any antlered deer	50 0
	Dec 14 - Dec 31, 2012	(7,8,13,36)	39, 40A, 40B, 41, and 42 (except White Tank Mountain Park) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Footnote 7)	Any antlered deer	50 0
	Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer	
				Total	1200 195

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Muzzleloading weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Deer hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Juniors-Only (Muzzleloader) Deer

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(6,36)	15A, 15B, 15C, and 15D	Any antlered deer	20 0
	Dec 21 - Dec 31, 2012	(6,17,36)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any antlered deer	25 0
				Total	45 0

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

When applying for a Juniors-Only Hunt, do not reapply for the same species with family on a separate application.

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Muzzleloading weapons as prescribed in R12-4-101 and R12-4-318, crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Deer hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Juniors-Only (Muzzleloader) Deer

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per ARS 17-335 (C).					

Archery-Only Deer

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012		3A and 3C	Any antlered deer	125 125
	Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(2,14,17)	12A (NORTH KAIBAB HABITAT MANAGEMENT STAMP REQUIRED) and 12B	Any antlered deer	700 0
	Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(13,14)	13A	Any antlered deer	30 0
	Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(13,14)	13B	Any antlered deer	25 0
				Total	880 125

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Archery Deer hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag Required Deer

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,6,18,20,21,22,31,32)	1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B (except Camp Navajo), 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 16A (except Mohave County Park Lands), 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20A, 20B, 20C, 21 (except Cave Creek Recreation Area), 22, 23, 24A, 24B, 27, 28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, 32, 33, 34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), 35B, 36A, 36B, and 36C	Any antlered deer
Jan 1 - Jan 15, 2013	(18,27)	6B South	Any antlered deer
Jan 1 - Jan 31, 2013	(6,22,30,31,33)	8, 9, 16A (except Mohave County Park lands), 19A, 20A, 22, 23, 27, 29, 34A, 37A, 42, 45A, 45B, and 45C	Any antlered deer
Dec 14, 2012 - Jan 31, 2013	(6,7,8,9,10,13,15,16,19,21,23,24,28,29,30,31)	10, 15A, 15B, 15C, 15D, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19B, 20B, 20C, 21 (except Cave Creek Recreation Area), 24A, 24B, 25M, 26M (including McDowell Sonoran Preserve), 28, 30A, 30B, 31, 32, 33, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), 35B, 36A, 36B, 36C, 37B, 38M (including Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area), 39, 40A, 40B, 41, 43A, 43B, 44A, 44B, and 47M	Any antlered deer
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B	Any antlered deer
Aug 24, 2012 - Jan 31, 2013	(9)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Designated deer

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Archery Deer nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed hunters who meet the qualifications as "Authorized Participants" according to the installation hunting policies outlined on the Camp Navajo website. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Hunters must agree to the Camp Navajo hunting policies during the required registration at http://www.campnavajo.com/index.php?which_page=recreation. After registering, hunters will gain access to the hunt numbers required when submitting the application. All hunters are required to show proof of attendance to a hunter safety education course during paperwork submission for the Camp Navajo permit. Increases in Force Protection Conditions, training missions and industrial operations may result in partial or complete hunt cancellation at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
2. A Unit 12A (North Kaibab) Habitat Management Stamp is required for all Unit 12A (North Kaibab) deer hunters. Stamps are available at a cost of \$15.00 at all Arizona Game and Fish Department offices, online, or wherever hunting licenses are sold. All 12A North Kaibab deer hunters shall have this stamp attached to their hunting license. Stamps cannot be obtained through the draw process. Successful Unit 12A (North Kaibab) firearms deer hunters must check out and personally present their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308. A check station will not be operated during the Unit 12A (North Kaibab) CHAMP, muzzleloader, or archery deer seasons.
3. 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.
4. 12A West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located west of AZ Hwy 67 and also that portion of Unit 12A located north of U.S. Hwy 89A.
5. 12B West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12B beginning at the Arizona-Utah Stateline and BLM Rd. 1065; south on BLM 1065 to U.S. Hwy 89A; west on U.S. Hwy 89A to Kaibab National Forest boundary; north then west then south on the Kaibab National Forest boundary to Kanab Creek; north on Kanab Creek to the Arizona-Utah Stateline; east on the Arizona-Utah Stateline to BLM 1065.
6. The Buenos Aires, Cibola, Imperial, and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to deer hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
7. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
8. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to deer hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit and coordination with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must check in with the YPG Hunting Program by calling the toll-free number prior to conducting any hunting activities on the range. Hunting access permit holders are required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement and complete a Range Safety Briefing. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2630, or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
9. The Fort Huachuca Army Garrison in Unit 35A is open to deer hunting only to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Juniors only hunts are only open to properly licensed military and Fort Huachuca civilian dependents holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline.
10. The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
11. Hunter access is extremely restricted in this unit. Applicants should secure access before applying.
12. An "antlerless deer" is a deer, any age, without antlers.
13. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
14. Archery deer hunters who received a hunt permit-tag through the draw process are not required to call the toll free Archery Deer Harvest Reporting telephone number to report their deer kill. We encourage hunters to return the Hunter Survey they will receive in the mail. Unit 12A archery deer hunters are not required to check their deer for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station.
15. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
16. A portion of Unit 47M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 47M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
17. Individuals with permits for these hunts are eligible to purchase Restricted Nonpermit tags for the corresponding javelina or buffalo population management seasons listed in Commission Order 26.
18. The U.S. Forest Service has expressed concern regarding road damage during wet weather. The Department is working with the U.S. Forest Service to provide limited access via designated core roads in units 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7, 8, and 9 that will remain open during periods when other roads may be closed. When weather is deemed severe, the core roads may also be closed to prevent excessive road damage, provide for public safety, and protect natural resources. Roads that have been closed are closed to all users. Hunters should respect and obey road closures and drive responsibly during wet periods. It is recommended that hunters contact the appropriate Forest Service office to determine current road status for their hunt area (see the Index: Hunting on Public Lands).
19. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).

20. In the northern portion of Unit 5A, access is permitted on the Clear Creek Ranch by written permission only by contacting the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program via e-mail at hopihunts@hopi.nsn.us or by calling (928) 734-3606 or (928) 734-3605 from Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Please contact in advance to gain access for hunting and scouting. In Unit 5B North, access is permitted on the Hopi's Hart/Drye Ranch and in Unit 4A on the Hopi's Aja Ranch by signing in at designated sign-in boxes located at access points.
21. Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
22. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of deer during open season.
23. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
24. Tucson Mountain Park in Unit 38M is open to hunting for archery-only. Archery deer and javelina hunters planning to hunt in the Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area in Unit 38M must check in with the Arizona Game and Fish Department Tucson Regional Office prior to going afield. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
25. Unit 39 - Base and Meridian, Robbins Butte, and Powers Butte Wildlife Areas are closed to discharge of centerfire rifled firearms.
26. Hopi Trust lands in Units 4A, 5A, and 5B are open to both state and Hopi hunters under an agreement with the Hopi Tribe. A percentage of tags are set aside for Hopi Tribal member hunters. Hunt numbers for these hunts must be obtained from the Hopi Tribe Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program by calling (928) 734-3606 or (928) 734-3605. Non-Hopi Tribal members cannot apply for these hunts. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department on the standard form by the published deadline. The Hopi Wildlife and Ecosystems Management program has requested that all deer hunters for these hunts provide a sample for Chronic Wasting Disease testing. Please call 928-734-3606/3605 if you have any questions. If all permits for these hunts are not issued through the draw, the left-over permits will be available to all hunters (tribal and non-tribal) through the first-come, first-serve process.
27. 6B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 6B located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 89A (mp 371) and FR 152 (Dry Creek Rd.); north on FR 152 to FR 152C (Boynton Pass Rd.); west on FR 152C to FR 525 (Red Canyon Rd.); northwest on FR 525 to the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary at Gate 2 of 9999 Red Canyon Rd.; westerly along the Red Rock Secret Mountain Wilderness boundary to the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary (at the gate in section 18); southwest along the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness boundary to Dogie Trail (Forest Trail 116); northwest on Dogie Trail to Sycamore Creek.
28. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M, 26M, and 47M in the following described area: beginning at the junction of I-17 and Loop 303; west and south on Loop 303 to Bell Road; west on Bell Road to the Beardsley canal; south on the Beardsley canal to Indian School Road; west on Indian School Road to South Jackrabbit Trail; south on South Jackrabbit Trail to Tuthill Road; south on Tuthill Road to the Gila River; east along the Gila River to 115th Avenue/Salt River junction; east along the Salt River to 51st Avenue; south on 51st Avenue to Pecos Road; east on Pecos Road to the I-10/Loop 202 junction; east, north, and then west on the Loop 202 to Gilbert Road; north on Gilbert Road to AZ Highway 87; east on AZ Highway 87 to Fort McDowell Road; north on Fort McDowell Road to Rio Verde Drive; west on Rio Verde Drive to Dynamite Road; west on Dynamite Road to Pima Road; north on Pima Road to Cave Creek Road; west and south on Cave Creek Road to Deer Valley Road; west on Deer Valley Road to 7th Street; north on 7th Street to Happy Valley Road; west on Happy Valley Road to I-17; north on I-17 to the Loop 303. Base and Meridian Wildlife Area falls within the boundary described above but is open to hunting. County islands within this boundary are also open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
29. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area in the City of Maricopa: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
30. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M and 37A in the following described area in the Town of Eloy: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
31. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
32. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 36B in the following described area: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
33. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 37A in the following described area in the Town of Marana: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
34. Hunting is not permitted in Units 43A and 44B in the following described area in the Town of Quartzsite: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
35. The following Maricopa County parks and preserves are open to hunting for archery-only: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.

36. Areas of private property within municipal boundaries are closed to hunting during this hunt.

DEFINITION: ANTLERED - means having an antler fully erupted through the skin and capable of being shed as defined in R12-4-101.

DEER BAG LIMIT: One (1) deer per calendar year except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

ARCHERY DEER SPECIAL REGULATION: All Archery hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person, or by telephone (1-866-903-DEER [3337]), within ten (10) days of taking a deer pursuant to R12-4-308.

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 5: Turkey

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Turkey

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		1	Any turkey	200 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		3C	Any turkey	125 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		4A and 4B	Any turkey	500 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		5A	Any turkey	350 0
No Hunt	Sep 30 - Oct 6, 2011	(2)	5B North	Any turkey	0 -20
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012	(4)	5B South	Any turkey	150 25
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		6A	Any turkey	525 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012	(1)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any turkey	300 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		7	Any turkey	350 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		8 and 10	Any turkey	600 -50
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		9	Any turkey	100 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		12A	Any turkey	1000 0
No Hunt	Sep 30 - Oct 6, 2011	(3)	13A	Any turkey	0 -5
No Hunt	Sep 30 - Oct 6, 2011	(3)	13B (south of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any turkey	0 -5
No Hunt	Sep 30 - Oct 6, 2011		17A, 17B, and 18B	Any turkey	0 -15
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		22	Any turkey	200 0
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		23	Any turkey	600 50
	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		27	Any turkey	300 0
				Total	5300 -20

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-318 or crossbow or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Spring Turkey hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Juniors-Only Nonpermit Tag Required (Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot) Turkey

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012		1, 4A, 4B, 6A, 12A, 23, and 27	Any turkey

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-318 or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Turkey nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per ARS 17-335 (C).

Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag Required Turkey

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1)	1, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B (except Camp Navajo), 7, 8, 9, 10, 11M, 12A, 17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, 22, 23, and 27	Any turkey
Aug 31 - Sep 13, 2012	(1)	Camp Navajo in Unit 6B	Any turkey

Archery-Only Nonpermit Tag Required Turkey

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
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LAWFUL TAKING DEVICES: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.
 LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Archery Turkey hunt nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open to turkey hunting only to properly licensed hunters who meet the qualifications as "Authorized Participants" according to the installation hunting policies outlined on the Camp Navajo website. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Hunters must agree to the Camp Navajo hunting policies during the required registration at http://www.campnavajo.com/index.php?which_page=recreation. After registering, hunters will gain access to the hunt numbers required when submitting the application. All hunters are required to show proof of attendance to a hunter safety education course during paperwork submission for the Camp Navajo permit. Increases in Force Protection Conditions, training missions and industrial operations may result in partial or complete hunt cancellation at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
2. 5B North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located north of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.
3. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
4. 5B South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 5B located south of the following roads: Beginning at the junction of FH 3 (Lake Mary/Clints Well Road) and FR 125; east on FR 125 to FR 82; south on FR 82 to FR 69B; east on FR 69B to FR 69.

TURKEY BAG LIMIT: One (1) turkey per calendar year except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 6: Javelina

Juniors-Only Javelina

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits	
	Oct 12 - Oct 21, 2012	(2,13)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	50	0
	Oct 12 - Oct 21, 2012	(13)	17A and 17B	Any javelina	100	0
	Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(13)	18B	Any javelina	75	0
	Oct 12 - Oct 21, 2012	(13)	20A	Any javelina	75	0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(2,5,7,10,13)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, and 32	Any javelina	100	0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(10,13)	33	Any javelina	75	0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(1,4,10,13)	34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), and 35B	Any javelina	50	0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(1,4,10,13)	34A, 34B, 35A (except Fort Huachuca), and 35B	Any javelina	50	0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(2,10,11,13)	36A, 36B, and 36C	Any javelina	50	0
	Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(3,6,9,10,12,13)	37A and 37B	Any javelina	100	0
	Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(3,6,9,10,12,13)	37A and 37B	Any javelina	100	0
	Nov 9 - Nov 18, 2012	(8,13)	39 and 41	Any javelina	25	0
				Total	850	0

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm, crossbow, or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Javelina hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday, provided that persons between the ages 10 and 13 have satisfactorily completed a Hunter Education Course that is approved by the Director as per ARS 17-335 (C).

Notes:

1. The Fort Huachuca Military Reservation in Unit 35A is open to javelina hunting only to properly licensed Fort Huachuca military and civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: IMWE-HUA-PWB (Hunting), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010, www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html, (520) 533-7083, (520) 533-8763, (520) 533-1867 or dis-enrd@conus.army.mil.
2. The Buenos Aires Refuge is open to javelina hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
3. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
4. The Santa Rita Wildlife Area in Unit 34A is actively used for studies in wildlife management. Researchers are present all months and study sites are not always recognizable; hunters are urged to use caution while hunting and take care not to disturb study sites.
5. Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
6. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at (602) 267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
7. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
8. The Legal Method of Take for Arlington, Power's Butte, and Robbin's Butte Wildlife Areas is restricted to muzzleloader or archery-only.
9. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M and 37A in the following described area in the Town of Eloy: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.

10. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
11. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 36B in the following described area: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
12. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 37A in the following described area in the Town of Marana: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
13. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries are closed to hunting during the general, juniors-only, HAM, and muzzleloader seasons. These areas will be open statewide during the archery only season structure.

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 7: Bighorn Sheep

General Bighorn Sheep

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Oct 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,11,18)	9 and 10	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,7,8,11,14,18)	12A and 12B West	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,7,9,12,18)	12B East	Any ram	3 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,7,11,14,18)	13A	Any ram	1 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,7,12,18)	13B (north of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any ram	3 -1
	Nov 16 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,7,11,14,18)	13B (south of Wolfhole - Jacobs Well Road)	Any ram	1 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,11,18)	15A and 15B (east of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,18)	15B (west of Temple Bar Road)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,18)	15C (north of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	6 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,11,12,18)	15C (south of Cottonwood Road)	Any ram	2 1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,12,18)	15D	Any ram	9 2
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,12,18)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,12,18)	16B	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,18)	22	Any ram	3 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,18)	24B North (north and west of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,18)	24B South (south and east of AZ Hwy 88)	Any ram	1 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,18)	28 (south of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,13,16,18)	31 and 32	Any ram	3 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,16,18)	37A	Any ram	1 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,18)	39 (west of Old AZ Hwy 80)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,3,12,18)	40B Gila Mtns (north of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,3,12,18)	40B Mohawk and Copper Mtns (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,3,12,18)	40B Tinajas Altas Mtns (south of Cipriano Pass) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,18)	41 East (east of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd])	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,4,12,18)	41 West (west of the Dateland-Palomas-Harquahala Rd [Clanton Hills Rd] and south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4)	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,4,17,18)	43A (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,4,12,18)	43B (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 4)	Any ram	6 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,18)	44A East (Harquahala Mtns, Little Harquahala Mtns, Black Mtns, Harcuvar Mtns, and Granite Wash Mtns)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,18)	44A West (west of Swansea Rd. and south of Bill Williams River Rd.)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,17,18)	44B (north of I-10)	Any ram	2 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,17,18)	44B (south of I-10 and that portion of 45A and 45B north of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,18)	45A (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,18)	45B (south of the El Paso Natural Gas Pipeline - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,12,18)	45C (Kofa National Wildlife Refuge)	Any ram	3 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,3,5,12,18)	46A (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	2 1

General Bighorn Sheep

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Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,3,5,12,18)	46B (Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge) (Special Restrictions Apply - See Note 3)	Any ram	7 2
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12,18)	6A	Any ram	2 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,10)	Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	1 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,14,15)	Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	1 1
No Hunt	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2011	(1,14,15)	Upper San Francisco River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any ram	0 -1
	Dec 1 - Dec 15, 2012	(1,12)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	3 0
	Dec 16 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,12)	27 (south of FR 217 and west of U.S. Hwy 191) and 28 (north of U.S. Hwy 70)	Any ram	3 0
	Dec 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,6,12)	Foot Creek Hunt Area in Unit 27 North	Any ram	3 0
				Total	95 -1

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) Bighorn Sheep hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Notes:

- All bighorn sheep hunters must personally check out within 3 days following the close of the season at any Department office in accordance with R12-4-308. Unsuccessful hunters and those who did not hunt must also check out either in person or by telephone at any Department office.
- The Bill Williams River, Cabeza Prieta, Havasu, Imperial and Kofa National Wildlife Refuges are open to bighorn sheep hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
- Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
- The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) is closed to bighorn sheep hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit and coordination with YPG Range Control. Hunters drawn for units 41W, 43A, or 43B who plan to hunt on YPG must check in with the YPG Hunting Program by calling the toll-free number prior to conducting any hunting activities on the range. Hunting access permit holders are required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement and complete a Range Safety Briefing. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2630, or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
- Due to travel restrictions in the Wilderness Area, those persons interested in hunting bighorn sheep on the Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge should contact the Refuge Manager (520) 387-6483 for information regarding special refuge regulations prior to applying.
- Foot Creek Hunt Area in Unit 27 North - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the Junction of U.S. Hwy 180 and the New Mexico state line; south along the New Mexico state line to FR 232; west on FR 232 to FR 281; south on FR 281 to Forest Trail 75; west on Forest Trail 75 to Forest Trail 76; west on Forest Trail 76 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to U.S. Hwy 180; east on U.S. Hwy 180 to the New Mexico state line.
- The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
- 12B West Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying west of BLM road 1065 and north of U.S. Hwy 89A from the BLM 1065/ U.S.Hwy 89A junction west to the Kaibab National Forest boundary.
- 12B East Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 12B lying east of BLM road 1065 and north of the segment of U.S. Hwy 89A between the Kaibab National Forest Boundary easterly to Navajo Bridge.
- Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 191 and Forest Trail 76 at Hannagan Meadow; east-northeast Forest Trail 76 to Forest Trail 75; east on Forest Trail 75 through Grant Creek drainage to FR road 281 (the Blue Road); north on FR road 281 to Forest Trail 52; east-southeast on Forest Trail 52, in Lanphier Canyon, to Forest Trail 55; south-southwest on Forest Trail 55 to the Little Blue River in Bear Valley; south-southwest along the Little Blue River to the confluence of the Blue River; north along the Blue River to Forest Trail 14; west on Forest Trail 14 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 76.
- This unit has a low density bighorn sheep population in a remote area with difficult access. Hunters should be prepared for backcountry camping and extensive strenuous hiking in an extremely remote, harsh hunting environment.
- Non-residents: Permits are available within these hunt numbers for which you may be drawn in accordance with R12-4-114(E).
- Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or <https://www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm>.

14. This hunt unit is remote, with limited road (or no road) access and difficult terrain. Hunt success has averaged less than 70%. Hunters should be prepared for back country camping and extensive, strenuous hiking, or the use of horses and/or mules.
15. Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 78; west on U.S. Hwy 78 to FR road 212; northwest on FR road 211 to the San Francisco River; southwest along the San Francisco River to Sardine Canyon; west along Sardine Canyon to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 14 (AD Bar Trail); east on Forest Trail 14 to Blue River; south along the Blue River to the confluence of the Little Blue River; northeast along the Little Blue River to Forest Trail 41; east on Forest Trail 41 to the Arizona-New Mexico state line; south along the state line to U.S. Hwy 78.
16. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
17. Hunting is not permitted in Units 43A and 44B in the following described area in the Town of Quartzsite: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
18. Areas of private property within municipal boundaries are closed to hunting during this hunt.

BIGHORN BAG LIMIT: One (1) desert bighorn sheep in a lifetime except as prescribed in R12-4-120. One (1) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep in a lifetime except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

DEFINITION: RAM - means any male bighorn sheep, excluding male lambs.

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 8: Buffalo

General Buffalo

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
	Oct 5 - Oct 7, 2012	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Yearling buffalo only	2 0
	Nov 9 - Nov 11, 2012	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Yearling buffalo only	2 0
No Hunt	Oct 21 - Oct 23, 2011	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Adult cow buffalo only	0 -2
No Hunt	Oct 28 - Oct 30, 2011	(1)	5A and 5B (Raymond Wildlife Area Herd)	Adult cow buffalo only	0 -2
Total					4 -4

WHEN APPLYING FOR BIG GAME HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow, centerfire handguns, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, or all other rifles using black powder as prescribed in R12-4-304. Note that bow and arrow or centerfire handguns may NOT be used at Raymond Wildlife Area.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Buffalo hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

Notes:

1. A hunter with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the Raymond Wildlife Area herd shall be accompanied by an authorized Department employee who shall designate the animal to be harvested and shall hunt in the order scheduled by the Department in accordance with R12-4-306. Hunters that desire a more challenging hunt should apply for the House Rock Wildlife Area hunts.
2. An unsuccessful hunter with a buffalo hunt permit-tag for the House Rock Wildlife Area herd shall check out in person or by telephone at either the Department's Flagstaff regional office or the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters within three days following the close of the season. A successful buffalo hunter shall report information about the kill to the Department within five business days after taking the buffalo either in person at the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters or in person or by telephone at the Department's Flagstaff regional office. If the kill is reported by telephone, the report shall include the name of the hunter, the hunter's tag number, the sex of the buffalo taken, the number of days hunted, and a telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information. (R12-4-306).
3. Successful applicants will be contacted in writing by the Arizona Game and Fish Department to provide them with additional information regarding their hunt.

BUFFALO BAG LIMIT: One (1) buffalo in a lifetime except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

HOUSE ROCK BUFFALO HUNT SPECIAL NOTE: During the fall and spring hunts at the House Rock Wildlife Area (HRWA), a significant portion of the herd has in the past moved to the Grand Canyon National Park where hunting is not allowed. Hunters are advised that if this occurs, their ability to successfully harvest a buffalo may be significantly impacted. As with any hunt, circumstances beyond the control of the Arizona Game and Fish Department may prevent the permit holder from being successful. The Arizona Game and Fish Department and Commission disclaims any responsibility to reissue or replace a permit, to reinstate bonus points, to refund any fees, or to provide any other form of relief.

The HRWA buffalo hunt is considered to be one of the most difficult hunts in the state. Buffalo can be difficult to locate. Plan on spending the entire season hunting, as an abbreviated hunt will lower your chances of success. Buffalo hunters must dress and care for their own animals; the Department will not assist. Take time to improve your physical condition. Hunters are often required to walk considerable distances (up to 8 miles) every day over rugged terrain. House Rock hunters should be prepared for remote and primitive conditions.

High clearance or four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended. Some portions of HRWA are included in the U.S. Forest Service wilderness system that does not preclude hunter access but does limit their means of transportation and equipment usage. For more information, call the Flagstaff Regional Office at 928-774-5045.

BUFFALO SPECIAL REGULATIONS: Buffalo meat taken under this Order may be sold as prescribed in R12-4-305. SEE BUFFALO HUNT REGULATIONS UNDER R12-4-306.

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 9: Bear

General Bear

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 10 - Aug 23, 2012	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Aug 10 - Aug 23, 2012	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10)	3C	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Nov 2 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10)	4A and 5A	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	5B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	6A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	6A	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Aug 10 - Aug 23, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	6B (except Camp Navajo)	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	7 and 9	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	8	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	10, 18A, 19B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, and 20B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	17A, 17B, 18B, 20A, and 20B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	19A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	1,2,8,10,13	21	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	1,2,3,10,13	22 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	4
Aug 10 - Aug 23, 2012	2,4,10,11,12	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	2,4,10,11,12	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	2,4,10,11,12	22 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	1,2,5,10,13	23 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Aug 10 - Aug 23, 2012	1,2,6,10,13	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	1,2,6,10,13	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	1,2,6,10,13	23 South	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	24A	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	24A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	24B	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	12
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	28	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,2,10,13)	29 and 30A	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	1,2,9,10,13	31	Any bear except sows with cubs	3
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	2,9,10,12,13		Any bear except sows with cubs	2
			Total	94

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Bear nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

Archery-Only Bear

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10)	1, 2A, 2B, and 2C	Any bear except sows with cubs	2

Archery-Only Bear

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Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Fem Harv Limit
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10)	3B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10)	3C	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10)	4B	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 30, 2012	(1,2,10)	6B (except Camp Navajo) and 11M	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10)	19A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,3,10)	22 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,5,10)	23 North	Any bear except sows with cubs	2
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,2,10)	27	Any bear except sows with cubs	5
Aug 24 - Oct 4, 2012	1,2,9,10,1232		Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Oct 4, 2012	(1,2,10)	34A	Any bear except sows with cubs	1
Aug 24 - Oct 4, 2012	(1,2,7,10)	Fort Huachuca in Unit 35A	Any bear except sows with cubs	
			Total	19

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Bear nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

Notes:

1. No person shall knowingly use any substance as bait at any time to attract or take bear.
2. When the number of female bears equaling the female harvest limit for a particular hunt has been reported killed, by either hunters or the Department, the unit(s) will be closed at sundown the Wednesday immediately following. Hunters are responsible for calling 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) before hunting to determine if their desired hunt unit is still open. The female harvest limit is combined for Unit 35A/35B and Fort Huachuca hunts, and both hunts will close when the female harvest limit is reached for Unit 35A/35B.
3. 22 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located north of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the East Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Unit Boundary.
4. 22 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 22 located south of the following: Beginning at the confluence of the Verde River and the East Verde River; easterly along the east Verde River to FR 406; easterly on FR 406 to Payson; easterly on AZ Hwy 260 to the Unit Boundary.
5. 23 North Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located north of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary.
6. 23 South Hunt Unit - That portion of Unit 23 located south of the following: Beginning at the junction of Tonto Creek and Spring Creek; east along Spring Creek to FR 134; east on FR 134 to FR 129; east on FR 129 to AZ Hwy 288; east on AZ Hwy 288 to FR 54; east on FR 54 to FR 202; south on FR 202 to FR 127; east on FR 127 to FR 127A; east on FR 127A to the White Mountain Apache Indian Reservation boundary.
7. The Fort Huachuca Military Reservation in Unit 35A is open to bear hunting only to properly licensed Fort Huachuca military and civilian personnel holding a valid Fort Huachuca post hunting permit. Hunt numbers, season dates and/or special regulations must be obtained from Fort Huachuca. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters drawn for these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Applications for these hunts must be submitted to the Arizona Game and Fish Department by the published deadline. Fort Huachuca contact information: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: IMWE-HUA-PWB (Hunting), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010, www.huachuca.army.mil/usag/dpw/hunting.html, (520) 533-7083, (520) 533-8763, (520) 533-1867 or enrd@conus.army.mil.
8. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
9. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4400 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.
10. Annual Female Harvest Limit – If the Annual Female Harvest Limit for a given unit is met during a calendar year, that unit or portion thereof will close to bear hunting for the current and future bear seasons during that calendar year. The Annual Female Harvest Limit is comprised of any female bear killed by a hunter or the Department. Refer to the table below for the Annual Female Harvest Limit by unit.
11. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of bear during open season.
12. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, and Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33. Hunting in County Parks is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
13. Areas of private property within municipal boundaries are closed to hunting during this hunt.

BEAR BAG LIMIT: One (1) bear per calendar year except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

BEAR SPECIAL REGULATIONS: As prescribed in R12-4-308, all hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person or by telephone at 1-800-970-BEAR (2327) within 48 hours of taking a bear. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the bear taken, management unit where the bear was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information. Within 10 days of taking a bear, the hunter shall present the bear's skull, hide, and attached proof of sex to a designated Arizona Game and Fish Department employee for inspection. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible (pursuant to R12-4-308). A premolar tooth will be removed during the inspection. Successful hunters are encouraged to contact the nearest Department office by telephone to coordinate inspections.

BEAR SPECIAL NOTE: In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a bear taken under ARS 17-302 when the season is closed.

2012 ANNUAL FEMALE BEAR HARVEST LIMIT (refer to Note 10)					
Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit	Unit	Limit
1,2A,2B,2C	12	8	7	24A	8
3B	10	10, 18A, 19B	3	24B	2
3C	4	17A,17B,18B, 20A, 20B	8	27	25
4A,5A	8	19A	6	28	2
4B	6	21	8	29, 30A	10
5B	3	22N	11	31	9
6A	7	22S	6	32	6
6B	6	23N	15	34A	5
7, 9	4	23S	12	35A (FTHU), 35B	7

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 10: Mountain Lion

General (Daylight shooting hours) Mountain Lion

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	1,12,19,20,2	Statewide (except National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, 39 West, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, 44B, and 47M, and any hunt listed below in Commission Order 10 with a multiple bag limit)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(2,15)	Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	5
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(2,8)	Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
			Total	15

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Mountain Lion nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

General (Daylong shooting hours) Mountain Lion

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	2,5,13,25,27	13B South	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(2,25,27)	15B (west of Temple Bar Rd), 15C, and 15D	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	10
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(2,14,25,27)	16A South and 18B South	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	15
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(2,12,25,27)	22 (south of AZ Hwy 87 and FR 143, and west of AZ Hwy 188)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	12
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	16,20,25,27,2	Aravaipa-Galiuro Hunt Area in Units 31 and 32	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	20

General (Daylong shooting hours) Mountain Lion

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(2,11,25,27)	37B (North of the Gila River)	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	4
			Total	71

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Mountain Lion nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

General (Bag Limit of 3 Daylong) Mountain Lion

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	2,5,10,25,27	39 West, 40A, 40B, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 44A, and 44B	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	
			Total	

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any firearm or bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Mountain Lion nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

Archery-Only Mountain Lion

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Multiple Bag Limit
Aug 24, 2012 - May 30, 2013	3,7,17,18,19,	11M, 25M, 26M (including McDowell Sonoran Preserve), 38M, and 47M	Any lion except spotted kittens or females accompanied by spotted kittens	
			Total	

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license (excluding Class H) plus Mountain Lion nonpermit-tag obtained from a license dealer as prescribed in R12-4-114.

Notes:

1. Camp Navajo in Unit 6B is open for mountain lion hunting only to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Camp Navajo hunting permit. A hunter education course is required. For more information on Camp Navajo hunting opportunities go to www.campnavajo.com and select Hunting. Increases in Force Protection may result in hunt cancellations at any time with little or no prior notification. In the event a hunt is cancelled due to an increase in security, hunters holding these permits will not be reimbursed or otherwise compensated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.
2. When the number of mountain lions equaling the multiple bag limit for a particular hunt has been reported, that hunt will revert to the statewide bag limit of one (1) lion per calendar year at sundown the Wednesday immediately following. Hunters are responsible for calling 1-877-438-0447 before hunting to determine if the multiple bag limit for their desired hunt unit is still in effect.

3. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to mountain lion hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Hunters must check in with the YPG Hunting Program by calling the toll-free number prior to conducting any hunting activities on the range. Hunting access permit holders are required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement and complete a Range Safety Briefing. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2630, or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
4. Tucson Mountain Park in Unit 38M is open to hunting for archery-only. Archery deer and javelina hunters planning to hunt in the Tucson Mountain Wildlife Area in Unit 38M must check in with the Arizona Game and Fish Department Tucson Regional Office prior to going afield. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
5. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
6. A portion of Unit 47M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 47M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
7. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
8. Lower Blue River Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of the New Mexico state line and U.S. Hwy 78; west on U.S. Hwy 78 to FR road 212; northwest on FR road 211 to the San Francisco River; southwest along the San Francisco River to Sardine Canyon; west along Sardine Canyon to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 14 (AD Bar Trail); east on Forest Trail 14 to Blue River; south along the Blue River to the confluence of the Little Blue River; northeast along the Little Blue River to Forest Trail 41; east on Forest Trail 41 to the Arizona-New Mexico state line; south along the state line to U.S. Hwy 78.
9. 6A South Hunt Area - That portion of 6A east of I-17 and south of FR 213 (Stoneman Lake Road).
10. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
11. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
12. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of mountain lion during open season.
13. 13B South Hunt Area - That portion of Unit 13B south of the following line: beginning at the junction of the Arizona/Nevada state line and county road 101. Northeast along county road 101 to county road 5. Southerly on county road 5 to county road 257. Southerly on county road 257 to BLM road 1045. Southerly on BLM road 1045 to the bottom of Whitmore Canyon. South in Whitmore Canyon to the Colorado River.
14. Unit 16A South and 18B South Hunt Area - Those portions of Units 16A and 18B beginning in Wikieup at Chicken Springs Road and U.S. Hwy 93; north on U.S. Hwy 93 for 2.2 miles to Pump Station Road; east on Pump Station Road for 0.9 miles to Back Road; north on Back Road for 1.8 miles to Boner Canyon Road (unmarked); northeast on Boner Canyon Road to Bogles Ranch Road near SV Ranch headquarters (stay right at each road fork); south on Bogles Ranch Road for 3.5 miles to Black Canyon drainage; northeast in Black Canyon drainage to Francis Creek; southeast on Francis Creek to Burro Creek; northeast on Burro Creek to Conger Creek; southeast on Conger Creek to Conger Springhead; south on access road to Bozarth Mesa Road; east on Bozarth Mesa Road to Camp Wood (Yolo) Road, the Unit 17B-18B boundary; southwest on Camp Wood Road to AZ Hwy 96 in Bagdad; southeast on AZ Hwy 96 to the Santa Maria River; southwest along Santa Maria River to Alamo Lake; westerly along the north shore of Alamo Lake to Alamo Road; northwest on Alamo Road to Chicken Springs Road; southeast on Chicken Springs Road to U.S. Hwy 93.
15. Bear Canyon Hunt Area in Unit 27 - That portion of Unit 27 beginning at the junction of U.S. Hwy 191 and Forest Trail 76 at Hannagan Meadow; east-northeast Forest Trail 76 to Forest Trail 75; east on Forest Trail 75 through Grant Creek drainage to FR road 281 (the Blue Road); north on FR road 281 to Forest Trail 52; east-southeast on Forest Trail 52, in Lanphier Canyon, to Forest Trail 55; south-southwest on Forest Trail 55 to the Little Blue River in Bear Valley; south-southwest along the Little Blue River to the confluence of the Blue River; north along the Blue River to Forest Trail 14; west on Forest Trail 14 to U.S. Hwy 191; north on U.S. Hwy 191 to Forest Trail 76.
16. Unit 31 and 32 hunts - Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4450 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.

17. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M, 26M, and 47M in the following described area: beginning at the junction of I-17 and Loop 303; west and south on Loop 303 to Bell Road; west on Bell Road to the Beardsley canal; south on the Beardsley canal to Indian School Road; west on Indian School Road to South Jackrabbit Trail; south on South Jackrabbit Trail to Tuthill Road; south on Tuthill Road to the Gila River; east along the Gila River to 115th Avenue/Salt River junction; east along the Salt River to 51st Avenue; south on 51st Avenue to Pecos Road; east on Pecos Road to the I-10/Loop 202 junction; east, north, and then west on the Loop 202 to Gilbert Road; north on Gilbert Road to AZ Highway 87; east on AZ Highway 87 to Fort McDowell Road; north on Fort McDowell Road to Rio Verde Drive; west on Rio Verde Drive to Dynamite Road; west on Dynamite Road to Pima Road; north on Pima Road to Cave Creek Road; west and south on Cave Creek Road to Deer Valley Road; west on Deer Valley Road to 7th Street; north on 7th Street to Happy Valley Road; west on Happy Valley Road to I-17; north on I-17 to the Loop 303. Base and Meridian Wildlife Area falls within the boundary described above but is open to hunting. County islands within this boundary are also open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
18. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area in the City of Maricopa: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
19. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M and 37A in the following described area in the Town of Eloy: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
20. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
21. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 36B in the following described area: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
22. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 37A in the following described area in the Town of Marana: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
23. Hunting is not permitted in Units 43A and 44B in the following described area in the Town of Quartzsite: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
24. The following Maricopa County parks and preserves are open to hunting for archery-only: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
25. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries (except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27) are closed to hunting during this hunt.
26. The area in Unit 37A in the Town of Marana is subject to temporary closures in February for special events. All state lands located south of Cochie Canyon Trail in Township 11 South, Range 12 East.
27. In units listed with this note, mountain Lions may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however, the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
28. Aravaipa-Galiuro Hunt Area in Units 31 and 32 - That portion of Units 31 and 32 beginning at the San Carlos Reservation and Gila River; southwest along the Gila River to the San Pedro River; south along the San Pedro River to the Pima County line; east along the Pima County line to the Graham County line; south and then east along the Graham County line to Fort Grant Road; north on Fort Grant Road to the Bonita-Klondyke road; northwest on the Bonita-Klondyke road to the Klondyke-Hwy 70 road; east on the Klondyke-Hwy 70 road to Hwy 70; northwest on Hwy 70 to the San Carlos Indian Reservation.

MOUNTAIN LION BAG LIMIT: One (1) mountain lion per calendar year statewide. In units with a multiple bag limit, hunters may take one (1) mountain lion per day until the multiple bag limit is reached. Once the multiple bag limit has been reached, the season will remain open and revert to calendar year bag limit of one (1) mountain lion. Mountain lions taken under the one (1) per day multiple bag limit do not apply towards the calendar year bag limit until the multiple bag limit is reached.

MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL REGULATION: As prescribed in R12-4-308, all hunters must contact an Arizona Game and Fish Department office in person or by telephone at 1-877-438-0447 within 48 hours of taking a lion. The report shall include the hunter's name, hunting license number, tag number, sex of the lion taken, management unit where the lion was taken, and telephone number at which the hunter can be reached to obtain additional information. Within 10 days of taking a lion, the hunter shall present the lions skull, hide, and attached proof of sex for inspection. If a hunter freezes the skull or hide before presenting it for inspection, the hunter shall prop the jaw open to allow access to the teeth and ensure that the attached proof of sex is identifiable and accessible (pursuant to R12-4-308). A premolar tooth will be removed during the inspection. Successful hunters are encouraged to contact the nearest Department office by telephone to coordinate inspections.

MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL NOTE: Hunters may encounter mountain lions wearing radio collars around Flagstaff, Prescott, Payson, Tucson, and western Maricopa County. The lions instrumented with these collars are part of several ongoing research projects. The collars are used to track lion movements as researchers try to learn how the lions use various habitat types and urban interface areas. The longevity of these lions is important to the ongoing research, and data collected will help to improve Arizona's management of lions in the future. If you would like more information about any of these research efforts please contact the Arizona Game and Fish Department Research Branch at (623) 236-7247. Also, if one of these animals is harvested, the hunter is asked to return the collar, as well as any other marking device, such as an ear tag, to a Department office or officer when doing the required physical check-in of the carcass parts.

MOUNTAIN LION SPECIAL NOTE: In accordance with R12-4-305(H), an individual may retain the carcass of a lion taken under ARS 17-302 when the season is closed.

Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 26: Population Management Seasons

Javelina Juniors-Only Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(1,3,8,16,17)	28, 29, 30A, 30B, 31, and 32	Any javelina	150
Oct 12 - Oct 18, 2012	(1,8)	33	Any javelina	150
Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(1,8,16)	36A	Any javelina	150
Nov 23 - Nov 29, 2012	(1,8,16)	36B	Any javelina	125
			Total	575

Javelina Juniors-Only (Muzzleloader) Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Dec 21 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,8,16)	16A (except Mohave County Park Lands)	Any javelina	25
			Total	25

Buffalo

Buffalo General Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(1,7,8,9,10,11,14)	12A East	Cow or yearling buffalo only	175
Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(1,7,8,9,10,11,14)	12A East	Cow or yearling buffalo only	30
Oct 26 - Nov 4, 2012	(1,7,8,9,10,12,14)	12A West	Cow or yearling buffalo only	500
Nov 23 - Dec 2, 2012	(1,7,8,9,10,12,14)	12A West	Cow or yearling buffalo only	135
			Total	845

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow, centerfire handguns, centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, or all other rifles using black powder as prescribed in R12-4-304. Bow and arrow or centerfire handguns may NOT be used on Raymond Wildlife Area.

Buffalo Muzzleloader Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Nov 9 - Nov 15, 2012	(1,7,8,9,10,11,14)	12A East	Cow or yearling buffalo only	50
			Total	50

Buffalo Archery-Only Population Management Seasons

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(1,7,8,10,14)	12A and 12B	Cow or yearling buffalo only	700
			Total	700

Notes:

1. These seasons shall be held in accordance with R12-4-115 and may include shorter time frames, smaller geographic areas, and specification of legal wildlife within that described in this Commission Order.
3. Hunter access in Units 29, 30A, 30B, and 32 is extremely restricted. Applicants should not apply for these units unless they have secured access.
7. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
8. Restricted nonpermit tags for these population management seasons will be available to permit holders in corresponding big game seasons.
9. Successful buffalo hunters must check out and present their buffalo for inspection at the Jacob Lake Checking Station in accordance with R12-4-308.
10. Individuals that have previously harvested a buffalo in Arizona and have met the one (1) per lifetime bag limit are not eligible to purchase the restricted nonpermit tag for buffalo.
11. 12A East Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located east of AZ Hwy 67 and south of U.S. Hwy 89A.
12. 12A West Hunt Unit - that portion of Unit 12A located west of AZ Hwy 67 and also that portion of Unit 12A located north of U.S. Hwy 89A.
14. All buffalo hunters, including unsuccessful hunters or hunters who did not hunt, with a buffalo restricted nonpermit-tag for the House Rock Wildlife Area herd shall check out in person or by telephone at either the Department's Flagstaff regional office or the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters within three days following the close of the season. A successful buffalo hunter shall report information about the kill to the Department within five business days after taking the buffalo either in person at the House Rock Wildlife Area headquarters or in person or by telephone at the Department's Flagstaff regional office. If the kill is reported by telephone, the report shall include the name of the hunter, the hunter's tag number, the sex of the buffalo taken, the number of days hunted, and a telephone number where the hunter can be reached for additional information (R12-4-306).
16. The Buenos Aires Refuge is open to javelina hunting as permitted by refuge regulations; all other Refuges are closed.
17. Unit 31 and 32 hunts -- Access to Aravaipa Canyon Wildlife Area (as prescribed in R12-4-802) is allowed by permit only, available through the Safford Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management. For more information, contact the Safford Field Office at (928) 348-4400 or www.blm.gov/az/sfo/aravaipa/aravaipa.htm.

Special Notes:

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license plus restricted nonpermit-tag for legal wildlife. Successful applicants for Population Management Hunts may not exceed the bag limit except as prescribed in R12-4-120.

2012-2013 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 11: Tree Squirrel

General Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(6,15)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 11M)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013		31	Tassel-eared tree squirrel
Sep 1, 2012 - May 31, 2013	(15)	33	Tassel-eared tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 5 - Dec 31, 2012	(20)	11M	Any tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Archery-Only Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 24 - Oct 4, 2012	(6,15)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Aug 24 - Sep 13, 2012	(6)	12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B	Any tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license license obtained from a license dealer.

Falconry-Only Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 24 - Dec 31, 2012	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 33)	Any tree squirrel

TREE SQUIRREL BAG LIMIT: Five (5) tree squirrels per day.

TREE SQUIRREL POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) tree squirrels of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.

Commission Order 12: Cottontail Rabbit

General Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,19,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(2,22)	Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Oct 12, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(2)	Kofa National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. The use of rifled firearms is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(7,8,11,12,13,14,19,20,21)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

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LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in 304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Falconry-Only Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,2,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

COTTONTAIL RABBIT BAG LIMIT: Ten (10) cottontail rabbits per day.

COTTONTAIL RABBIT POSSESSION LIMIT: Twenty (20) cottontail rabbits of which no more than ten (10) may be taken in any one day.

Commission Order 13: Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

General Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013	(1,3,4,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger
Aug 24, 2012 - May 31, 2013	(2)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote and skunks
Oct 12, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(2)	Kofa and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Coyote and foxes

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
<u>Shooting Hours are Daylight for the following seasons:</u>			
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013	(1,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel, and badger

Shooting Hours are Daylong for the following season:

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Mar 1 - May 31, 2013	(1,2,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,25)	2A, 4A, 10, 13A, 17A, 17B, 28, 30A, 31, 32, 34B, 35A, and 35B	Coyote

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Pursuit-Only Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2012 and Apr 1 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,5,6,15,16,17,18,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Raccoon

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons but shall not kill or capture the quarry as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS BAG LIMIT: Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season, an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season, an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

Commission Order 14: Other Birds & Mammals

General Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Crow
Sep 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013	(6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Coati
Jul 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2013	(6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(7,8,11,12,13,14,20,21)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(7,8,11,12,13,14,20,21)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-303, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Falconry-Only Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2012	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Crow
Sep 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013	(6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coati
Jul 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2013	(6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 11M)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2012 - Jun 30, 2013	(1,2,3,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS BAG LIMIT: Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year. House (English) sparrows, European starlings and mammals of the Orders Rodentia (except beaver, black-tailed prairie dog, muskrat, porcupine or tree squirrel) and Insectivora may be taken alive and held in captivity pursuant to R12-4-404.

Commission Order 15: Pheasant

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11001	Sep 21 - Sep 27, 2012	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
11002	Sep 28 - Oct 4, 2012	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
11003	Oct 5 - Oct 11, 2012	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
				Total	150

WHEN APPLYING FOR HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Pheasant hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.

Juniors-Only Limited Weapon Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11004	Sep 14 - Sep 20, 2012	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any pheasant	40
				Total	40

WHEN APPLYING FOR HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Pheasant hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday.

JUNIORS-ONLY LIMITED WEAPON SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.

Archery-Only Pheasant

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 5, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license.

PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants per day.

PHEASANT POSSESSION LIMIT: Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Falconry-Only Pheasant

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 5, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Sport Falconry License as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.

PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants per day.

PHEASANT POSSESSION LIMIT: Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Commission Order 16: Quail

General Quail

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 5, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Oct 5, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(2)	Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Dec 7, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Mearns' quail

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

GENERAL QUAIL BAG LIMIT: Fifteen (15) quail per day in the aggregate of which no more than eight (8) may be Mearns' quail.

GENERAL QUAIL POSSESSION LIMIT: Thirty (30) quail in the aggregate after opening day of which no more than fifteen (15) Gambel's, Scaled, or California quail in the aggregate may be taken in any one day. After Mearns' season opens, the 30 quail possession limit may include Mearns' quail of which no more than eight (8) may be taken in any one day.

GENERAL QUAIL SPECIAL NOTE: Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

Falconry-Only Quail

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1 - Oct 4, 2012 and Feb 11 - Mar 14, 2013	(1,2,6,9,10,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Any quail
Jul 1, 2012 - Mar 31, 2013	(6,21)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any quail

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license plus Sport Falconry License as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL BAG LIMIT: Three (3) quail per day.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) quail of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL SPECIAL NOTE: Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

Commission Order 17: Chukar Partridge

General Chukar Partridge

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 7, 2012 - Feb 10, 2013	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any chukar

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-304.
 LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE BAG LIMIT: Five (5) chukar per day.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) chukar of which no more than five (5) may be taken in one day.

Commission Order 18: Blue Grouse

General Blue Grouse

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 7 - Nov 11, 2012	(6)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 4A, 5A, and 31)	Blue grouse

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-304.
 LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

BLUE GROUSE BAG LIMIT: Three (3) blue grouse per day.

BLUE GROUSE POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) blue grouse of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

Notes for Commission Orders 11-18:

1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Hunting access permit holders are required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement and complete a Range Safety Briefing. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2630, or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
2. National Wildlife Refuges may be open to hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. A refuge permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands). The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs.
3. Any raw bobcat pelt sold or exported must have attached permit tag in accordance with R12-4-305.
4. Raccoon may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
5. A person participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons, but shall not kill or capture the quarry, pursuant to R12-4-318.
6. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
7. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
8. A portion of Unit 47M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 47M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
9. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
10. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
11. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
12. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M, 26M, and 47M in the following described area: beginning at the junction of I-17 and Loop 303; west and south on Loop 303 to Bell Road; west on Bell Road to the Beardsley canal; south on the Beardsley canal to Indian School Road; west on Indian School Road to South Jackrabbit Trail; south on South Jackrabbit Trail to Tuthill Road; south on Tuthill Road to the Gila River; east along the Gila River to 115th Avenue/Salt River junction; east along the Salt River to 51st Avenue; south on 51st Avenue to Pecos Road; east on Pecos Road to the I-10/Loop 202 junction; east, north, and then west on the Loop 202 to Gilbert Road; north on Gilbert Road to AZ Highway 87; east on AZ Highway 87 to Fort McDowell Road; north on Fort McDowell Road to Rio Verde Drive; west on Rio Verde Drive to Dynamite Road; west on Dynamite Road to Pima Road; north on Pima Road to Cave Creek Road; west and south on Cave Creek Road to Deer Valley Road; west on Deer Valley Road to 7th Street; north on 7th Street to Happy Valley Road; west on Happy Valley Road to I-17; north on I-17 to the Loop 303. Base and Meridian Wildlife Area falls within the boundary described above but is open to hunting. County islands within this boundary are also open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
13. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area in the City of Maricopa: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
14. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M and 37A in the following described area in the Town of Eloy: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
15. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
16. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 36B in the following described area: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
17. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 37A in the following described area in the Town of Marana: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
18. Hunting is not permitted in Units 43A and 44B in the following described area in the Town of Quartzsite: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
19. The following Maricopa County parks and preserves are open to hunting cottontail rabbit using shotgun shooting shot when this season coincides with a quail season as defined in R12-4-301: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
20. In Units 11M and 38M, the private property within municipal boundaries is closed to hunting.
21. The area in Unit 37A in the Town of Marana is subject to temporary closures in February for special events. All state lands located south of Cochise Canyon Trail in Township 11 South, Range 12 East.
22. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries (except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27) are closed to hunting during this hunt.
23. Other mammals may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light as prescribed in R12-4-304E. No firearms may be used at night.
24. For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant application acceptance date see the Table of Contents: Application Info and Fees. Submitting your application before the acceptance date will result in your application being rejected.
25. In units listed with this note, coyotes may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however, the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.

26. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of deer during open season.

2012-2013 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 23: Trapping

Trapping

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Nov 1, 2012 - Feb 28, 2013	(1)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon Enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coyote, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, badger, beaver, raccoon, skunks, weasels and muskrat

Notes:

- 1 . Refer to A.R.S. 17-301D for trapping restrictions on public land.

TRAPPING BAG LIMIT: Unlimited.

TRAPPING POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited.

TRAPPING SPECIAL NOTE: Hunting or trapping seasons are closed on state and federal refuges, parks, and monuments, unless specifically opened by Commission Order (ARS 17-101 A.17).

DEFINITION: TRAPPING - means the taking of wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand (ARS 17-101 A.20).

TRAPPERS: Be sure to file your trapping report annually by April 1 at the Phoenix office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

2013-2014 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 11: Tree Squirrel

General Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 4 - Dec 31, 2013	(6,15)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 11M)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014		31	Tassel-eared tree squirrel
Sep 1, 2013 - May 31, 2014	(15)	33	Tassel-eared tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 4 - Dec 31, 2013	(20)	11M	Any tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Archery-Only Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 23 - Oct 3, 2013	(6,15)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Units 12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B)	Any tree squirrel except the Mount Graham red squirrel
Aug 23 - Sep 12, 2013	(6)	12A, 12B, 13A, and 13B	Any tree squirrel

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license license obtained from a license dealer.

Falconry-Only Tree Squirrel

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Aug 23 - Dec 31, 2013	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 33)	Any tree squirrel

TREE SQUIRREL BAG LIMIT: Five (5) tree squirrels per day.

TREE SQUIRREL POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) tree squirrels of which no more than five (5) may be taken in any one day.

Commission Order 12: Cottontail Rabbit

General Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,19,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Any cottontail rabbit
Sep 1, 2012 - Feb 9, 2014	(2,22)	Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Any cottontail rabbit
Oct 11, 2012 - Feb 9, 2014	(2)	Kofa National Wildlife Refuge	Any cottontail rabbit

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304. The use of rifled firearms is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Buenos Aires, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernadino National Wildlife Refuges.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(7,8,11,12,13,14,19,20,21)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-304, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Falconry-Only Cottontail Rabbit

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,2,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any cottontail rabbit

COTTONTAIL RABBIT BAG LIMIT: Ten (10) cottontail rabbits per day.

COTTONTAIL RABBIT POSSESSION LIMIT: Twenty (20) cottontail rabbits of which no more than ten (10) may be taken in any one day.

Commission Order 13: Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

General Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014	(1,3,4,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel and badger
Aug 23, 2013 - May 31, 2014	(2)	Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge	Coyote and skunks
Oct 11, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(2)	Kofa and Imperial National Wildlife Refuges	Coyote and foxes

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
<u>Shooting Hours are Daylight for the following seasons:</u>			
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coyote and skunks
Aug 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014	(1,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Raccoon, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, weasel, and badger

Shooting Hours are Daylong for the following season:

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Mar 1 - May 31, 2014	(1,2,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,25)	2A, 4A, 10, 13A, 17A, 17B, 28, 30A, 31, 32, 34B, 35A, and 35B	Coyote

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Pursuit-Only Predatory & Fur-bearing Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1 - Jul 31, 2013 and Apr 1 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,5,6,15,16,17,18,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Raccoon

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: An individual participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons but shall not kill or capture the quarry as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS BAG LIMIT: Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season, an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

PREDATORY & FUR-BEARING MAMMALS POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited. In the "pursuit-only" season, an individual shall not kill or capture any mammal.

Commission Order 14: Other Birds & Mammals

General Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2013	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Crow
Sep 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014	(6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Coati
Jul 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2014	(6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,6,9,10,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M and 47M, and excluding private property within municipal boundaries except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(7,8,11,12,13,14,20,21)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(7,8,11,12,13,14,20,21)	Open areas Statewide (including private property within municipal boundaries and portions of Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M; excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, bow and arrow, pneumatic weapons, sling shots, traps and falconry as prescribed in R12-4-303, R12-4-304, R12-4-307, R12-4-318, and R12-4-422.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

Falconry-Only Other Birds & Mammals

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	House (English) sparrow and European starling
Sep 1 - Dec 31, 2013	(1,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Crow
Sep 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014	(6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Coati
Jul 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014 and Jun 16 - Jun 30, 2014	(6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Unit 11M)	Gunnison's prairie dog
Jul 1, 2013 - Jun 30, 2014	(1,2,3,6,9,10)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	All mammals EXCEPT game mammals, furbearing mammals, predatory mammals, bats, coati, black-footed ferret, Hualapai vole, Gunnison's prairie dog, black-tailed prairie dog, jaguar, jaguarundi, ocelot, otter, porcupine and wolves

OTHER BIRDS & MAMMALS BAG LIMIT: Unlimited, except for coati which is one (1) per calendar year. House (English) sparrows, European starlings and mammals of the Orders Rodentia (except beaver, black-tailed prairie dog, muskrat, porcupine or tree squirrel) and Insectivora may be taken alive and held in captivity pursuant to R12-4-404.

Commission Order 15: Pheasant

Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11001	Sep 20 - Sep 26, 2013	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
11002	Sep 27 - Oct 3, 2013	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
11003	Oct 4 - Oct 10, 2013	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any rooster pheasant	50
				Total	150

WHEN APPLYING FOR HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot, crossbow, and bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Pheasant hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

LIMITED WEAPON-SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.

Juniors-Only Limited Weapon Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Hunt No.	Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife	Permits
11004	Sep 13 - Sep 19, 2013	(24)	40B (Yuma Valley, west of East Main Canal)	Any pheasant	40
				Total	40

WHEN APPLYING FOR HUNT PERMIT-TAGS, YOU MUST USE HUNT NUMBERS!

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Shotgun shooting shot as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Pheasant hunt permit-tag obtained only through application and drawing procedures as prescribed in R12-4-104 and R12-4-114. Applicants must apply by Hunt Number.

ELIGIBLE HUNTERS: Persons are eligible to participate up to and throughout the calendar year of their 17th birthday.

JUNIORS-ONLY LIMITED WEAPON SHOTGUN SHOOTING SHOT PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants. Each pheasant possessed shall have a hunt permit-tag attached.

Archery-Only Pheasant

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 4, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Bow and arrow as prescribed in R12-4-304 and R12-4-318 and crossbow as prescribed in R12-4-216.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license.

PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants per day.

PHEASANT POSSESSION LIMIT: Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Falconry-Only Pheasant

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 4, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any pheasant

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: Any valid hunting license plus Sport Falconry License as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.

PHEASANT BAG LIMIT: Two (2) pheasants per day.

PHEASANT POSSESSION LIMIT: Four (4) pheasants of which no more than two (2) may be taken in any one day.

Commission Order 16: Quail

General Quail

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Oct 4, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Oct 4, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(2)	Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, Imperial, Kofa and San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuges	Gambel's, Scaled and California quail
Dec 6, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(1,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges)	Mearns' quail

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-301 and R12-4-304.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

GENERAL QUAIL BAG LIMIT: Fifteen (15) quail per day in the aggregate of which no more than eight (8) may be Mearns' quail.

GENERAL QUAIL POSSESSION LIMIT: Thirty (30) quail in the aggregate after opening day of which no more than fifteen (15) Gambel's, Scaled, or California quail in the aggregate may be taken in any one day. After Mearns' season opens, the 30 quail possession limit may include Mearns' quail of which no more than eight (8) may be taken in any one day.

GENERAL QUAIL SPECIAL NOTE: Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

Falconry-Only Quail

Open Areas do not include any area closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 1 - Oct 3, 2013 and Feb 10 - Mar 13, 2014	(1,2,6,9,10,21,26)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Any quail
Jul 1, 2013 - Mar 31, 2014	(6,21)	25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M	Any quail

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Falconry as defined in R12-4-101 and as prescribed in R12-4-318.

LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license plus Sport Falconry License as prescribed in R12-4-422 or R12-4-407.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL BAG LIMIT: Three (3) quail per day.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) quail of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

FALCONRY-ONLY QUAIL SPECIAL NOTE: Quail hunters are reminded that A.R.S. 17-309 requires wildlife in possession be identifiable as to species. Commission Rule R12-4-305 states that for a person transporting or possessing quail that each quail have attached a fully feathered head, or a fully feathered wing, or a leg with foot attached.

Commission Order 17: Chukar Partridge

General Chukar Partridge

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 6, 2013 - Feb 9, 2014	(6)	Open areas Statewide (except for National Wildlife Refuges)	Any chukar

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-304.
 LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE BAG LIMIT: Five (5) chukar per day.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE POSSESSION LIMIT: Ten (10) chukar of which no more than five (5) may be taken in one day.

Commission Order 18: Blue Grouse

General Blue Grouse

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Sep 6 - Nov 10, 2013	(6)	Open areas Statewide (excluding National Wildlife Refuges and Units 4A, 5A, and 31)	Blue grouse

LAWFUL TAKING METHODS: Any lawful methods as prescribed in R12-4-304.
 LICENSE REQUIRED: Any valid hunting license obtained from a license dealer.

BLUE GROUSE BAG LIMIT: Three (3) blue grouse per day.

BLUE GROUSE POSSESSION LIMIT: Six (6) blue grouse of which no more than three (3) may be taken in any one day.

Notes for Commission Orders 11-18:

1. The U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground is closed to hunting, except those areas open in accordance with U.S. Army regulations to properly licensed hunters holding a valid Yuma Proving Ground Hunting Program Access permit. Hunting access permit holders are required to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement and complete a Range Safety Briefing. Occasionally, due to military activities, some affected hunting areas may be temporarily closed. For information write: U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground - Bldg. 105, Attn: Hunting Program, 301 C. Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-9498 or call toll-free 1-877-788-HUNT (4868) or (928) 328-2630, or www.yuma.army.mil/hunting_program.htm.
2. National Wildlife Refuges may be open to hunting as permitted by Refuge regulations. A refuge permit may be required; contact the individual refuges for their regulations (see Index: Hunting on Public Lands). The use or possession of other than non-toxic shot is prohibited in the Bill Williams River, Cibola, Havasu, and Imperial NWRs.
3. Any raw bobcat pelt sold or exported must have attached permit tag in accordance with R12-4-305.
4. Raccoon may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.
5. A person participating in a "pursuit-only" season may use dogs to pursue raccoons, but shall not kill or capture the quarry, pursuant to R12-4-318.
6. The Grand Canyon-Parashant, Vermilion Cliffs, Sonoran Desert, Ironwood Forest, and Agua Fria National Monuments are open to hunting.
7. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 26M in the following described area: Those private lands lying just north of the Town of Cave Creek in Sections 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 of Township 6 North, Range 4 East.
8. A portion of Unit 47M is closed to hunting. Hunting is not permitted in the following area of Unit 47M: an unincorporated portion of land west of Loop 202 (San Tan Freeway) known as the Elliot and Hawes County Island in Section 16, Township 1 South, Range 7 East.
9. Entry into portions of Units 40A, 40B, 46A, and 46B is subject to military closure and requires coordination with the Barry M. Goldwater Range for hunting access. For specifics about accessing the Barry M. Goldwater Range refer to the Index: Hunting on Military Reservations.
10. The Florence Military Reservation (training areas B and D: the areas north and south of Cottonwood Canyon Road) in Unit 37B is subject to short term closures due to military operations, including live fire operations, and requires coordination with the Florence Military Reservation for hunting access. For specific closure dates or any other access concerns, contact the Florence Military Reservation at 602-267-2062. A map of the Florence Military Reservation is located on the Arizona Game and Fish Department's website, azgfd.gov (type Florence Military Reservation in the search box).
11. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area: an unincorporated portion of land within the Town of Queen Creek in Pinal County in Sections 5, 7, 8, and 18 of Township 3 South, Range 8 East.
12. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M, 26M, and 47M in the following described area: beginning at the junction of I-17 and Loop 303; west and south on Loop 303 to Bell Road; west on Bell Road to the Beardsley canal; south on the Beardsley canal to Indian School Road; west on Indian School Road to South Jackrabbit Trail; south on South Jackrabbit Trail to Tuthill Road; south on Tuthill Road to the Gila River; east along the Gila River to 115th Avenue/Salt River junction; east along the Salt River to 51st Avenue; south on 51st Avenue to Pecos Road; east on Pecos Road to the I-10/Loop 202 junction; east, north, and then west on the Loop 202 to Gilbert Road; north on Gilbert Road to AZ Highway 87; east on AZ Highway 87 to Fort McDowell Road; north on Fort McDowell Road to Rio Verde Drive; west on Rio Verde Drive to Dynamite Road; west on Dynamite Road to Pima Road; north on Pima Road to Cave Creek Road; west and south on Cave Creek Road to Deer Valley Road; west on Deer Valley Road to 7th Street; north on 7th Street to Happy Valley Road; west on Happy Valley Road to I-17; north on I-17 to the Loop 303. Base and Meridian Wildlife Area falls within the boundary described above but is open to hunting. County islands within this boundary are also open to hunting provided the hunter does not discharge a firearm within ¼ mile of an occupied farmhouse, residence, cabin, lodge, or building without permission of the owner or resident. Privately held lands within county islands may be closed by the landowner.
13. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 25M in the following described area in the City of Maricopa: that portion of the city east of Green Road, south of Smith Enke Road, and east of the Cobblestone subdivision and that portion of the city north of Farrell Road and west of White and Parker Road.
14. Hunting is not permitted in Units 25M and 37A in the following described area in the Town of Eloy: beginning with the intersection of Cornman Road and LaPalma Road; south on LaPalma Road to Milligan Road; west on Milligan Road to Overfield Road; north on Overfield Road to Cornman Road; east on Cornman Road to LaPalma Road.
15. The following Pima County parks and preserves are open to hunting: A-7 Ranch in Units 32 and 33, Oracle Ridge Property in Unit 33, Six Bar Ranch in Unit 33, Emperita Ranch in Unit 34B, Bar V Ranch in Unit 34B, Sands Ranch in Unit 34B, Clyne Ranch in Unit 34B, Diamond Bell Ranch in Unit 36A, Marley Ranch in Units 36A and 36B, Rancho Seco in Units 36A and 36B, Kings 98 Ranch in Unit 36C, Old Hayhook Ranch in Unit 36C, Verdugo in Unit 36C, Bee Ranch in Unit 37A, Mordka Ranch in Unit 37A, Buckelew Ranch in Unit 37A, Carpenter Ranch in Unit 37A, Cochise Canyon Ranch in Unit 37A, Lords Ranch in Unit 37A, and Tortolita Mountain Park in Unit 37A. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
16. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 36B in the following described area: in the posted portion of Sopori Ranch south of Arivaca Road in Sections 14 and 15, Township 20 South, Range 11 East. The remainder of Sopori Ranch is open to hunting.
17. Hunting is not permitted in Unit 37A in the following described area in the Town of Marana: beginning at the intersection of Sanders Road and Avra Valley Road; north on Sanders Road to the Santa Cruz River; southeast along the Santa Cruz River to the Central Arizona Project Canal; southwest along the Central Arizona Project Canal to Avra Valley Road; west on Avra Valley Road to the intersection of Sanders Road.
18. Hunting is not permitted in Units 43A and 44B in the following described area in the Town of Quartzsite: Sections 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Township 4 North, Range 19 West and Sections 2, 3, and 4, Township 3 North, Range 19 West.
19. The following Maricopa County parks and preserves are open to hunting cottontail rabbit using shotgun shooting shot when this season coincides with a quail season as defined in R12-4-301: Lake Pleasant, White Tank Mountains, McDowell Mountain, and Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Hunting in County Parks, opened by this Commission Order, is not permitted within ¼ mile of any developed picnic area, developed camp ground, shooting range, occupied building, boat ramp, or golf course. Developed areas do not include trails.
20. In Units 11M and 38M, the private property within municipal boundaries is closed to hunting.
21. The area in Unit 37A in the Town of Marana is subject to temporary closures in February for special events. All state lands located south of Cochise Canyon Trail in Township 11 South, Range 12 East.
22. Areas of private property within the municipal boundaries (except in Units 1, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4A, 4B, and 27) are closed to hunting during this hunt.
23. Other mammals may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light as prescribed in R12-4-304E. No firearms may be used at night.
24. For the Limited Weapon-Shotgun Shooting Shot Pheasant application acceptance date see the Table of Contents: Application Info and Fees. Submitting your application before the acceptance date will result in your application being rejected.
25. In units listed with this note, coyotes may be taken at night with the aid of artificial light; however, the light may not be attached to or operated from a vehicle.

26. The area within the fenced enclosure inside the loop formed by Tonto National Forest Road 647, also known as the Walnut Canyon Enclosure, is open to public entry and the taking of deer during open season.

2013-2014 Hunt Recommendations

Commission Order 23: Trapping

Trapping

Open Areas do not include areas within municipal parks, municipal preserves, county parks, county preserves, airports, golf courses, or posted water treatment facilities (except as specifically opened in this Commission Order) or areas closed to hunting under A.R.S. Sections 17-303 and 17-304 or Commission Rules R12-4-301, R12-4-801, R12-4-802 and R12-4-803.

Season Dates	Notes	Open Areas	Legal Wildlife
Nov 1, 2013 - Feb 28, 2014	(1)	Open areas Statewide (including Walnut Canyon Enclosure in Unit 22; excluding National Wildlife Refuges, Mohave County Park Lands, and Units 11M, 25M, 26M, 38M, and 47M)	Coyote, bobcat, foxes, ringtail, badger, beaver, raccoon, skunks, weasels and muskrat

Notes:

- 1 . Refer to A.R.S. 17-301D for trapping restrictions on public land.

TRAPPING BAG LIMIT: Unlimited.

TRAPPING POSSESSION LIMIT: Unlimited.

TRAPPING SPECIAL NOTE: Hunting or trapping seasons are closed on state and federal refuges, parks, and monuments, unless specifically opened by Commission Order (ARS 17-101 A.17).

DEFINITION: TRAPPING - means the taking of wildlife in any manner except with a gun or other implement in hand (ARS 17-101 A.20).

TRAPPERS: Be sure to file your trapping report annually by April 1 at the Phoenix office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department.