

CTUIR 2010
Bighorn Sheep and Rocky Mountain Goat
Limited Entry Hunt

The CTUIR Fish and Wildlife Commission, in recognition of the Treaty reserved right to harvest bighorn sheep and Rocky Mountain goat and of the highly sensitive political and biological nature of the harvest of these reintroduced populations will use a hunt tag draw system for tribal harvest of these species in Oregon. The draw system will be conducted as follows:

1. Applicants for bighorn sheep or mountain goat tags must be at least 18 year of age to apply for bighorn sheep or mountain goat tags.
2. Permit applications will be available from Fish and Wildlife Program Staff or Fish and Wildlife Commission.
3. Applications will include first, and second choices for bighorn sheep hunts. If an applicant chooses not to make second choice and their first choice is already taken by a previously drawn applicant, they will not be considered for other remaining opportunities.
4. Application is filled out and submitted to Fish and Wildlife Program Staff or Commission for processing no later than close of business (4 pm) August 9th.
5. Applications would be reviewed for completeness and eligibility of the applicant. Incomplete applications will not be eligible for drawing.
6. Fish and Wildlife Commission will conduct a drawing on Tuesday August 10th of eligible applicants.
7. The Fish and Wildlife Commission would notify the successful applicants and confirm their continuing interest and ability to exercise the permit by August 13th. If an applicant is unable to exercise their permit, the next eligible applicant will be contacted.
8. Permit and associated information on hunting restrictions and data collection and reporting considerations will be mailed to the successful applicants.

Drawing procedures and preferences are as follows:

Hunt drawing will be conducted in public by the Commission at the Hunter's Forum Meeting at 5:30 pm on August 10th. This method and the public setting, will assure that no bias is introduced to the draw program and provide clear accountability to the public.

Beginning with the drawing for 2008, successful tag applicants incur a lower priority for the following two years for receipt of tags for which ever specie they successfully draw (Bighorn Sheep or Mountain Goat). Preference will be given to individuals that did not successfully draw a tag in the previous two years for the given specie in question. If there are tags remaining after all those with preference have received tags, remaining qualified applicants will either be issued a current year tag or placed on an ordered list of alternates for that year based on order of current year drawing and time since last successful drawing.

If an applicant's first choice for bighorn sheep is already taken by a previously drawn applicant, they will be awarded their second choice. If an applicant chooses not to make second and their first is already taken by a previously drawn applicant, they will not be considered for the remaining opportunity.

In the event that a successful tag holder is for any reason unable to exercise their permit, it may be turned back to the Commission prior to the first day of the season and reissued to the next qualified applicant from the list of alternates. Individuals that either decline their tag at the time of drawing or return the tag for reissue no less than 7 days prior to the first day of the hunt season will not lose preference status for the following year's drawing.

Summary of Bighorn Sheep and Rocky Mountain Goat Controlled Hunting in CTUIR Ceded Area 2010

Species/Bag Limit	Hunt Area	Description	Season	Tags Available
One Rocky Mt. Billy Goat	Elk Horn	45% public lands All of ODFW Unit 51	September 11-October 24, 2010	4
One Bighorn Ram	Burnt River Canyon	95% public lands. That part of ODFW Unit 51 south of Hwy 7	September 11 – 26, 2010	1
One Bighorn Ram	Lookout Mountain	36% public lands All of ODFW Unit 64	August 28 – September 26, 2010	2
One Bighorn Ram	Wenaha	72% public lands. All of ODFW Unit 56	CLOSED Due to disease loss	0

Application Deadline Date: close of business (4 pm) Monday, August 9th, 2010

NOTE: ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOATS AND BIGHORN SHEEP ARE LOCATED IN EXTREMELY STEEP AND RUGGED TERRAIN AT HIGHER ELEVATIONS AND HUNTERS SHOULD BE IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION.