

## **Landowner Preference Program (LOP.)**

**Attached is a summary of the Landowner Preference Program from the Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife with maps of the Western and Eastern Oregon Wildlife Management Units.**

**Questions concerning the LOP program should be directed to ODFW at 1-800-720-6339.**

## LANDOWNER PREFERENCE PROGRAM (LOP)

The Landowner Preference Program (LOP) was established to acknowledge the contribution of private lands to support wildlife and provide a form of compensation to landowners for resources used by wildlife. Tags are available to landowners, family members and others designated by the landowner based on the acreage owned and registered in the Landowner Preference Program. Pronghorn hunts are only available to landowners and family members. Recipients of LOP tags may only hunt on the property for which they are registered.

**How to Apply:** Landowners must register, file tag distribution forms and purchase controlled hunt applications prior to the deadlines below. Only one representative landowner, or stockholder of a corporation or Limited Liability Company (LLC), or representative partner of a partnership may register. Registration packets may be obtained by contacting any local ODFW office, or by contacting the ODFW Controlled Hunt office in Salem at 503-947-6102.

Landowner tags are not issued automatically upon filing of tag distribution forms. All landowners and eligible applicants must purchase controlled hunt applications prior to the deadlines specified below. Applicants for LOP tags must indicate a landowner preference hunt choice on their applications. After May 15, applications for LOP tags will not be available for purchase through license agents. Applicants must submit their applications to the headquarters office of ODFW. Allow adequate time for receipt and processing.

**Deadlines for submitting LOP registration and tag distribution forms and LOP controlled hunt applications are in the table below.**

If applying for LOP tags in the big game drawing, you have the option of applying for up to five hunt choices plus LOP or applying for LOP only.

If applying for controlled hunt tags, or if applying for a limited landowner deer or elk tag (See Note), all forms and applications must be received by May 15.

**Note:** LOP tags are not available for the new long duration (August 1 - December 31) or the Melrose 223T (August 1 - March 31) youth elk hunts. In certain controlled buck deer and elk units, LOP tags will be limited to five tags or 10% of the total controlled hunt tags; whichever is greater. The affected buck deer hunts are: 141C, 142B, 154C, 165R, 168R2 and 170R3. The affected elk hunts are: 226R, 226Y, 248A1, 249A1, 250X, 251A, 252A1, 253X, 254R, 254Y1, 255R, 255Y1, 256R, 256Y1, 259Y, 261X, 262X and 263X. Contact Controlled Hunts for more information. All forms and applications must be received by May 15. LOP tags with a bag limit of one elk or one bull in units where the usual bag limit for bull elk is spike only, remaining after the game mammal controlled hunt drawing will be issued to qualified landowners on a first-come, first-served basis. Tags issued in this manner are in addition to tags drawn in the main drawing. A qualified landowner may purchase only one first-come, first-served tag per hunt series. Such a tag may be for the landowner or for someone other than the landowner listed on their tag distribution form. A hunter receiving a tag through the original game mammal controlled hunt drawing process may exchange that tag for a remaining tag in the first-come, first-served process while tags remain available. Tag purchases and exchanges may be obtained only through the headquarters office and must be made before the earliest opening start date for which the tags are issued. The tag being exchanged shall not be reissued. All controlled deer and elk hunts occurring on a landowner's registered property are eligible for landowner preference program except for the long-duration youth elk hunts described above. Pronghorn antelope hunts with an either-sex or a one doe or fawn bag limit occurring on a landowner's registered property are also eligible. If an applicant is successful in receiving a LOP pronghorn antelope tag for a hunt with an either-sex bag limit, the LOP tag is automatically issued with a bag limit of one doe or fawn. The number of tags allowed per hunt series is based on registered landowner acreage.

Tag	Minimum Acreage	Hunt Type
2	40 <sup>1</sup>	All hunts except pronghorn antelope, eastern Oregon buck or either-sex deer and eastern Oregon bull and either-sex elk hunts
2	160 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
3	1,200 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
4	2,500 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
5	5,000 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
6	10,000 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
8	20,000 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
10	40,000 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
12	80,000 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts
14	160,000 <sup>2</sup>	All hunts

<sup>1</sup> Must be contiguous/connected acreage.

<sup>2</sup> Must be minimum of 160 contiguous/connected acres for pronghorn antelope (only doe/fawn or either sex hunts are eligible), eastern Oregon buck or either-sex deer and eastern Oregon bull and either-sex elk hunts.

In 2003, the Oregon Legislature approved a four-year pilot LOP program for southwest Oregon to address elk damage in Jackson, Josephine, Coos, Curry and Douglas counties. The 2007 Legislature extended the pilot program through June 2014. To obtain information on the SW Oregon LOP regulations contact the ODFW SW Region Office at 541-440-3353.

**Suspension from the LOP Program:** If a landowner (or the landowner's partner, member, manager, employee, or any person using an LOP tag provided by the landowner) is convicted of violation of the wildlife laws arising from participating in the LOP program, the department may suspend that landowner from participating in the LOP program for three years. The suspension will include any and all properties associated with that landowner, for the same period of time as the landowner. The department will also revoke any unused LOP tags previously issued for the landowner's properties.

### LOP ELIGIBLE HUNTS AND DEADLINES

LOP ELIGIBLE HUNT SERIES	LOP DEADLINES		
	Purchase of Controlled Hunt Application	Landowner Registration/Tag Distribution Forms (see note 1)	Tag Purchase (see note 3)
100 series deer	Day before hunt	Sept. 15 (see note 2)	Day before hunt
100 series deer (limited)	May 15	May 15	Day before hunt
200 series elk (bull and either sex)	Day before hunt	Sept. 15 (see note 2)	Day before hunt
200 series elk (antlerless)	Day before hunt	Day before hunt	Day before hunt
200 series elk (Long Duration Youth)	LOP not available	LOP not available	LOP not available
200 series elk (limited)	May 15	May 15	Day before hunt
200 series elk (Leftover limited tags)	Sept. 15 (see note 2)	Sept. 15 (see note 2)	Day before hunt
400 series pronghorn antelope (see note 4)	Day before hunt	Day before hunt	Day before hunt
600 series deer	Day before hunt	Day before hunt	Day before hunt



<sup>1</sup> All landowners must submit tag distribution forms by specific deadlines above to be eligible for LOP tags.




<sup>2</sup> If hunt begins prior to Sept. 15, controlled hunt applications, registration forms, and tag distribution forms must be received before earliest opening date.

<sup>3</sup> For hunts with more than one hunt period, the tag purchase deadline is the day before the earliest opening date.

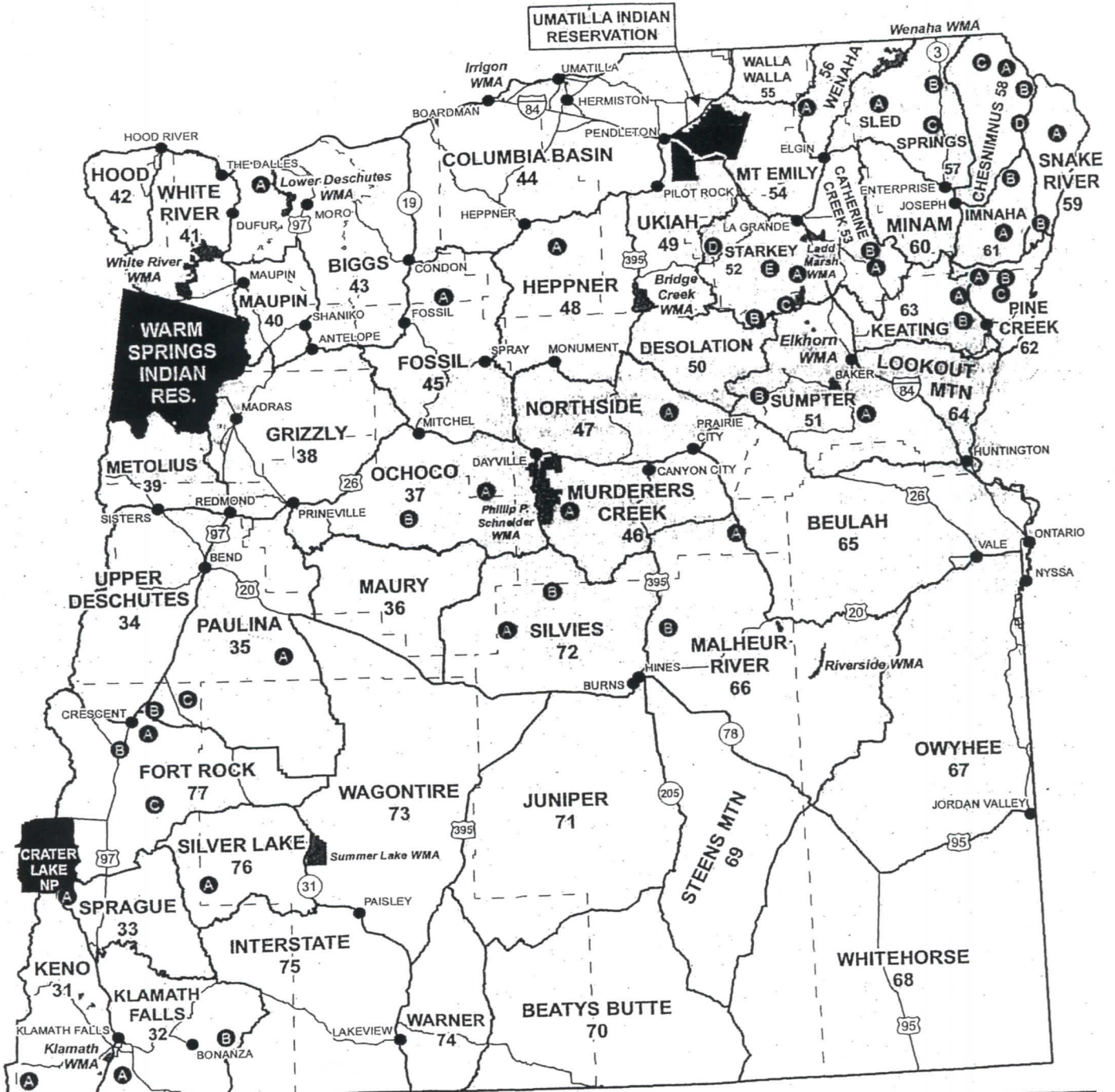
<sup>4</sup> LOP tags are only available for hunts with "doe or fawn" or "either sex" bag limits.

# EASTERN OREGON UNIT MAP

- A** Cooperative Travel Management Area (approx. location) See pages 96-97
-  Wildlife Management Units
-  Reservation and National Park

-  Wildlife Management Areas (WMA)
-  Highways
-  County Boundaries

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Note: Public land ownership patterns and access are changing throughout the west as a result of executive orders and land exchanges. Contact the local ODFW, BLM, or USFS office where you will be hunting for information on changes and restrictions.

# WESTERN OREGON UNIT MAP

## MAP AVAILABILITY

ODFW produced a statewide map showing wildlife management units. The map is available for sale at ODFW Salem and regional offices and some sporting goods stores. To order the statewide map showing all wildlife management units, including land ownership, please call 1-800-845-9448. MasterCard and VISA only.

Hunters successful in the controlled hunt drawing, for a hunt for which a map is provided, will be mailed a map prior to the hunt. The department is beginning to make maps for some controlled hunts available for viewing on the ODFW website. Hunters may periodically check the department website for an updated listing of controlled hunt maps.

Each of the following sources produce and stock their own maps. Some maps are free. Others have a slight charge. A number of maps prepared by private commercial companies are available at sporting goods stores and other commercial outlets.

Bureau of Land Management  
P.O. Box 2965  
333 SW First Ave  
Portland, OR 97201  
503-808-6001  
[www.blm.gov/or/gis/index.php](http://www.blm.gov/or/gis/index.php)

Oregon Department of Transportation  
Inventory and Map Distribution Unit  
555 13th St, NE  
Salem, OR 97310  
503-986-3154  
[www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TDATA/gis/odot-maps.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/TDATA/gis/odot-maps.shtml)

Oregon State Forestry Department  
Mapping and Graphics Section  
2600 State Street, Building 10  
Salem, OR 97310  
503-945-7418  
[www.oregon.gov/ODF/GIS/gis\\_home.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/ODF/GIS/gis_home.shtml)

Department of Geology and USFS  
Nature of the Northwest  
State Office Building  
800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 965  
Portland, OR 97232  
971-673-2331  
[www.naturenw.org/store-maps.htm](http://www.naturenw.org/store-maps.htm)

Hunting is prohibited in Crater Lake NP. Unloaded weapons may be possessed in a temporary lodging or mechanical mode of conveyance when such implements are rendered temporarily inoperable, or are packed, cased, or stored in a manner that prevents their ready use.

Map is only a guide. See the descriptions on pages 89-93 for exact boundaries.

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