

**STATE GAME COMMISSION MEETING AND RULE MAKING NOTICE**

The New Mexico State Game Commission ("Commission") has scheduled a regular meeting and rule hearing for Thursday, August 23, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the El Morro Events Center, 210 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Gallup, New Mexico, to hear and consider action as appropriate on the following: Presentation of proposed changes to the Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex rule.

**Synopsis:**

The proposal is to adopt a new Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex rule, 19.31.12 NMAC, which will become effective April 1, 2019. The current Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex rule is set to expire on March 31, 2019.

The proposed new rule includes adjusting seasons for calendar dates for all species. Oryx population data indicates that populations both on and off of the White Sands Missile Range are increasing. Therefore, on-Range we propose adding 4 new hunts, and increasing the number of once-in-a-lifetime, Iraq/Afghanistan veteran, and injured veteran licenses. Off-range, we propose increasing both statewide and statewide youth licenses. In order to maintain current Ibex population numbers, and reduce the need for population management hunts, we propose adding female/immature hunts, and combining the season dates for the once-in-a-lifetime and incentive hunts. Finally, Barbary sheep population data suggests that populations are expanding both numerically and geographically. To slightly reduce population numbers and distribution, we propose increasing the number of draw licenses both on and off of McGregor Range, and creating several shorter hunts to prevent too many hunters from being on the ground at once. A full text of changes will be available on the Department's website at: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us).

Interested persons may submit comments on the proposed changes to the Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex rule at [DGF-Exotics-Rules@state.nm.us](mailto:DGF-Exotics-Rules@state.nm.us); or individuals may submit written comments to the physical address below. Comments are due by 5:00 p.m. on August 21, 2018. The final proposed rule will be voted on by the Commission during a public meeting on August 23, 2018. Interested persons may also provide data, views or arguments, orally or in writing, at the public rule hearing to be held on August 23, 2018.

Full copies of text of the proposed new rule, technical information related to proposed rule changes, and the agenda can be obtained from the Office of the Director, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, 1 Wildlife Way, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507, or from the Department's website at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/proposals-under-consideration/](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/proposals-under-consideration/). This agenda is subject to change up to 72 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the Director's Office at (505) 476-8000, or the Department's website at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) for updated information.

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Legal authority for this rulemaking can be found in the General Powers and Duties of the State Game Commission 17-1-14, et seq. NMSA 1978; Commission's Power to establish rules and regulations 17-1-26, et seq. NMSA 1978.

**EXHIBIT**

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## NOTICE STATE GAME COMMISSION MEETING

On Thursday, August 23, 2018, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the El Morro Events Center, 210 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Gallup, New Mexico, the State Game Commission will meet in public session to hear and consider action as appropriate on the following: Presentation and Approval of Departments Fiscal Year 2020 Budget; Revocations; Update on Construction of the Department's Albuquerque and Roswell Office Complexes; Availability of Director's Draft of the Biennial Review of WCA Species; Subsequent Discussion for Potential Rule Changes on the Deer Rule-19.31.13 NMAC for the 2019-2023 Seasons; Subsequent Discussion for Potential Rule Changes on the Elk Rule-19.31.14 NMAC for the 2019-2023 Seasons; Subsequent Discussion for Potential Rule Changes on the Private Land Elk License Allocation System-19.30.5 NMAC; Subsequent Discussion for Potential Rule Changes on the Hunting and Fishing Licenses Application Rule-19.31.3 NMAC; Subsequent Discussion for Potential Rule Changes on the Hunting and Fishing Manner and Method Rule-19.31.10 NMAC; Initial Discussion for Potential Rule Changes on the Revocation Rule-19.31.2 NMAC; Rule Making Hearing on Final Rule Changes on the Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex Rule-19.31.12 NMAC for the 2019-2023 Seasons; General Public Comments; and Closed Executive Session.

Copies of the agenda can be obtain from the Office of the Director, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, P.O. Box 25112, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504, or from the Department's website. This agenda is subject to change up to 72 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the Director's Office at (505) 476-8000, or the Department's website at [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) for updated information.

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## Clean Copy-Initial Proposed Rule

**TITLE 19 NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE**  
**CHAPTER 31 HUNTING AND FISHING**  
**PART 12 BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX**

**19.31.12.1 ISSUING AGENCY:** New Mexico department of game and fish.  
[19.31.12.1 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.1 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.2 SCOPE:** Sportspersons interested in Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex management and hunting. Additional requirements may be found in Chapter 17, NMSA 1978, and Title 19 NMAC.  
[19.31.12.2 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.2 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** 17-1-14 and 17-1-26 NMSA 1978 provide that the New Mexico state game commission has the authority to establish rules and regulations that it may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 and all other acts pertaining to protected mammals, birds, and fish.  
[19.31.12.3 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.3 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.4 DURATION:** April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2023.  
[19.31.12.4 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.4 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.5 EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2019, unless a later date is cited at the end of an individual section.  
[19.31.12.5 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.5 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.6 OBJECTIVE:** Establishing open hunting seasons and regulations, rules, and procedures governing the distribution and issuance of Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex licenses by the department.  
[19.31.12.6 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.6 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.7 DEFINITIONS:**

**A. "Broken-horned oryx" or "BHO"** shall mean an oryx of either sex that possesses at least one horn missing at least twenty-five percent of its normal growth. This may be determined by comparing the broken horn's length to the remaining horn or where it is readily apparent the terminal end would not taper to a point for another twenty-five percent of growth.

**B. "Department"** shall mean the New Mexico department of game and fish.

**C. "Director"** shall mean the director of the New Mexico department of game and fish.

**D. "Either sex" or "ES"** shall mean any one animal of the species.

**E. "Female or immature Persian ibex" or "F-IM"** shall mean any female Persian ibex, or a male Persian ibex with horns less than 15 inches long.

**F. "Game management units" or "GMUs"** shall mean those areas as described in state game commission rule 19.30.4 NMAC, Boundary Descriptions for Game Management Units.

**G. "Iraq/Afghanistan veterans" or "I/A vets"** shall refer to only New Mexico residents returning from military service in Iraq or Afghanistan as eligible to apply for designated oryx hunts.

**H. "Unlimited"** shall mean there is no set limit on the number of licenses established for the described hunt areas.

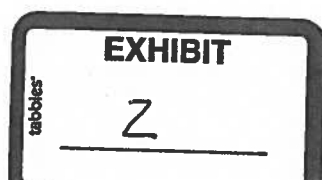
**I. "White Sands missile range" or "WSMR"** shall mean that portion of GMU 19 controlled by the Department of Defense.

**J. "Wildlife management areas" or "WMAs"** shall mean those areas as described in state game commission rule 19.34.5 NMAC Wildlife Management Areas.

[19.31.12.7 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.7 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.8 ADJUSTMENT OF LICENSES:** The director, with the verbal concurrence of the chairperson or their designee, may adjust the number of licenses for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex up or down to address significant changes in population levels or to address critical department management needs. The director may change or cancel all hunts on military lands to accommodate closures on those lands; if changed, the season length and bag limit shall remain the same as assigned on the original hunt code.

[19.31.12.8 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.8 NMAC, 4-1-19]



**19.31.12.9 BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX LICENSE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS:**

- A. Iraq/Afghanistan veteran hunts:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for an Iraq/Afghanistan veteran's oryx license, except as allowed by 19.31.3 NMAC.
- B. Persian ibex once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for a once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex license if he or she has held a once in a lifetime license to hunt Persian ibex. Persian ibex hunts for population management, incentive hunts, youth, muzzle-loading rifles, bows, year-round off-mountain hunts, and hunts for female or immature (F-IM) Persian ibex, are not considered once-in-a-lifetime and anyone may apply for these hunts or hold these licenses even if they have held a once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex license.
- C. Oryx once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful, beginning April 1, 1993, for anyone to apply for a once-in-a-lifetime oryx license if he or she has held a once-in-a-lifetime license to hunt oryx. Oryx hunts for population management, broken-horned, youth, and incentive hunts are not considered once-in-a-lifetime and anyone may apply for these hunts or hold these licenses even if they have held a once-in-a-lifetime license. [19.31.12.9 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.9 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.10 POPULATION MANAGEMENT HUNTS:**

- A.** The director or their designee may authorize population management hunts for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex when justified in writing by department personnel.
- B.** The director or their designee shall designate the sporting arms, season dates, season lengths, bag limits, hunt boundaries, specific requirements or restrictions, and number of licenses to be issued.
- C.** In those instances where a population management hunt is warranted on deeded private lands, the landowner may suggest eligible hunters of their choice by submitting a list of prospective hunters' names to the department for licensing consideration. No more than one-half of the total number of licenses authorized shall be available to landowner identified hunters. The balance of prospective hunters shall be identified by the department. [19.31.12.11 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.10 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.11 BARBARY SHEEP HUNTING SEASONS:** Barbary sheep hunts shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, sporting arms, number of licenses, and bag limit. Public draw Barbary sheep licenses for GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36, and 37 are available only through application in the special entry draw. Private land-only licenses for GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36, and 37 shall not be issued through the public draw and shall only be valid on deeded private lands. All Barbary sheep licenses listed in Subsections A and B of Section 19.31.12.11 NMAC (with the exception of hunts on McGregor range when the license holder claimed residency as allowed by 17-3-4.A.5 NMSA 1978) shall also be valid for over-the-counter hunt areas with any legal sporting arm. The department shall issue military-only Barbary sheep hunting licenses for McGregor range to full time military personnel providing a valid access authorization issued by Fort Bliss.

**A. Public draw hunts:**

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
32, 34, 36, 37	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	BBY-2-100	75	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	10/12-10/16	10/10-10/14	10/9-10/13	10/8-10/12	BBY-1-101	75	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	12/7-12/20	12/5-12/18	12/4-12/17	12/3-12/16	BBY-1-102	225	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	BBY-1-103	225	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	2/15-2/28	2/13-2/26	2/12-2/25	2/11-2/24	BBY-1-104	225	ES
29, 30	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	BBY-2-105	75	ES
29, 30	10/12-10/16	10/10-10/14	10/9-10/13	10/8-10/12	BBY-1-106	100	ES
29, 30	12/7-12/20	12/5-12/18	12/4-12/17	12/3-12/16	BBY-1-107	250	ES
29, 30	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	BBY-1-108	250	ES
29, 30	2/15-2/28	2/13-2/26	2/12-2/25	2/11-2/24	BBY-1-109	250	ES
28 McGregor range	12/26-12/27	12/31/2020-1/1/2021	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-110	20	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	12/26-12/27	12/31/2020-1/1/2021	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-111	20	ES



**B. Private land-only hunts:** Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses shall be restricted to the hunt dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the draw hunt code listed in Subsection A of Section 19.31.12.11 NMAC for the GMU where the private landowner's property lies. Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses shall be unlimited and available from any license vendor and the department's web site. Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses are valid only on deeded private property where the licensee has written permission to hunt.

**C. Over-the-counter hunts:** The hunt area shall be statewide (including Water canyon WMA in GMU 9) except GMUs 8, 13, 14, 16, WSMR and Fort Bliss portions of GMU 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, and the draw areas of GMUs 28, 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36 and 37. The western portion of GMU 34 shall be open to over-the-counter licenses. The eastern portion of GMU 34 shall be closed to any license holder of a BBY-1-300 license. The boundary dividing the western portion of GMU 34 is the line beginning at the junction of NM Hwy 244 and the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation and traveling south to US Hwy 82. Hwy 82 to NM Hwy 130 south to NM Hwy 6563 continuing south as it transitions to County Road E12 (Sacramento River Road). County Road E 12 south to the Unit 34/GMU 28 boundary.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
statewide, restrictions listed above	4/1/2019-3/31/2020	4/1/2020-3/31/2021	4/1/2021-3/31/2022	4/1/2022-3/31/2023	BBY-1-300	unlimited	ES

**D. Special management properties:** For private lands within GMUs 29, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 37, the department may work with interested landowners to develop appropriate bag limits, weapon types, season dates and authorization numbers for private land hunting needed to achieve the proper harvest on the deeded private land of the participating ranches.

[19.31.12.12 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.11NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.12 ORYX HUNTING SEASONS:**

**A. Oryx once-in-a-lifetime hunts** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-100	65	ES
19 WSMR	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-101	65	ES
19 WSMR	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-102	65	ES
19 WSMR	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-103	65	ES
19 WSMR	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-104	65	ES
19 WSMR	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-105	65	ES
19 WSMR	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-106	65	ES
19 WSMR	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-107	65	ES
19 WSMR	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-108	65	ES
19 WSMR, mobility impaired	10/11-10/13	10/9-10/11	10/8-10/10	10/7-10/9	ORX-1-109	20	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-110	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-111	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-112	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-113	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-114	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-115	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-116	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-117	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-118	5	ES

**B. WSMR youth-only hunt** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
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19 WSMR, youth only	10/11-10/13	10/9-10/11	10/8-10/10	10/7-10/9	ORX-1-119	40	ES
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C. **Oryx broken-horned on-range hunts** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-120	15	BHO
19 WSMR	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-121	15	BHO
19 WSMR	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-122	15	BHO
19 WSMR	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-123	15	BHO
19 WSMR	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-124	15	BHO
19 WSMR	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-125	15	BHO
19 WSMR	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-126	15	BHO
19 WSMR	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-127	15	BHO
19 WSMR	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-128	15	BHO

D. **Oryx hunts off of White Sands missile range** shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. The department shall issue military only oryx hunting licenses for McGregor range to full time military personnel providing a valid access authorization issued by Fort Bliss (McGregor range, military only).

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
statewide, off-range	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-204	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-205	20	ES
statewide, off-range	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-206	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-207	20	ES
statewide, off-range	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-208	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-209	20	ES
statewide, off-range	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-210	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-211	20	ES
statewide, off-range	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-212	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-213	20	ES
statewide, off-range	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-214	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-215	20	ES
statewide, off-range	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-216	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-217	20	ES
statewide, off-range	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-218	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-219	20	ES
statewide, off-range	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-220	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-221	20	ES
statewide, off-range	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-222	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-223	20	ES
28 McGregor range	12/21-	12/19-12/20	12/18-	12/17-	ORX-1-224	25	ES

	12/22		12/19	12/18			
28 McGregor range, military only	12/21-12/22	12/19-12/20	12/18-12/19	12/17-12/18	ORX-1-225	25	ES
28 McGregor range	1/11-1/12	1/9-1/10	1/8-1/9	1/7-1/8	ORX-1-226	25	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	1/11-1/12	1/9-1/10	1/8-1/9	1/7-1/8	ORX-1-227	25	ES

**E. Private land-only oryx hunts:** Private land-only oryx licenses shall be valid only on deeded private land and restricted to the season dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the statewide public draw hunt codes listed in Subsection D of Section 19.31.12.12 NMAC above. Hunts on private land for April and May are restricted to the season dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the hunt codes listed below. The number of private land-only oryx licenses shall be unlimited.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	bag limit
statewide, private land	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	ORX-1-2000	ES
	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	ORX-1-2020	ES

**F. Oryx incentive authorizations:** The director may annually allow up to two oryx authorizations to be issued by drawing for deer and elk hunters submitting their legally harvested animal for CWD testing. Authorizations to purchase the license may be used either by the applicant or any individual of the selected applicant's choice and may be transferred through sale, barter, or gift. Oryx incentive hunts shall be any one hunt selected from Subsection A of Section 19.31.12.12 NMAC. Bag limit shall be either sex with any legal sporting arms and hunt area of the selected hunt.

**G. Oryx hunt for injured service men and women:** The department shall annually issue up to 10 authorizations for hunting by injured service men and women on White Sands missile range. The director shall determine the procedures for issuing the authorizations, and the dates for each hunt.  
[19.31.12.13 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.12 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.13 PERSIAN IBEX HUNTING SEASONS:** Persian ibex hunts shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. The IBX-1-525 hunt is restricted to only those who have never held an ibex once-in-a-lifetime license. The IBX-1-526 hunt is restricted to applicants who were successful harvesting one F-IM ibex during the IBX-1-520, IBX-1-521, IBX-1-522, IBX-1-523 hunts, or a population management hunt from the previous year and have presented the head within five days of harvest to a department office or department official for confirmation that they are eligible to enter a drawing for this hunt. Holders of the off-mountain license (IBX-1-528) may apply for any Florida mountains ibex hunt unless otherwise restricted by rule. Any valid Persian ibex license shall be valid during the off-mountain (IBX-1-528) hunts. Holders of a valid ibex license may take an unlimited number of ibex for the year-long off-mountain hunt. The Florida mountain hunt area is that portion of GMU 25 bounded by interstate 10 on the north, U.S.-Mexico border on the south, NM 11 on the west and the Dona Ana-Luna county line on the east. The year-long off-mountain hunt area is any public land open for hunting and private lands with written permission outside the Florida mountain hunt area.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
25 Florida mountains, youth only	12/27/2019-1/10/2020	12/27/2020-1/10/2021	12/27/2021-1/10/2022	12/27/2022-1/10/2023	IBX-1-500	15	ES
25 Florida mountains, restricted eligibility	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-526	5	ES
25 Florida mountains, once-in-a-lifetime	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-525	25	ES
25 Florida mountains	2/1-2/9	1/30-2/7	2/5-2/13	2/4-2/12	IBX-1-520	75	F-IM
	2/15-2/23	2/13-2/21	2/19-2/27	2/18-2/26	IBX-1-521	75	F-IM
	2/29-3/8	2/27-3/7	3/5-3/13	3/4-3/12	IBX-1-522	75	F-IM
	3/14-3/22	3/13-3/21	3/19-3/27	3/18-3/26	IBX-1-523	75	F-IM
	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	IBX-2-535	100	ES
	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	IBX-2-536	100	ES

	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	IBX-3-540	25	ES
Statewide, off-mountain, over-the-counter	4/1/2019-3/31/2020	4/1/2020-3/31/2021	4/1/2021-3/31/2022	4/1/2022-3/31/2023	IBX-1-528	unlimited	ES

[19.31.12.14 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.13 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**HISTORY OF 19.31.12 NMAC:**

**Pre-NMAC History:** The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the State Records Center and Archives under:

- Regulation No. 482, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 5/31/67;
- Regulation No. 487, Establishing 1967 Seasons On Javelina And Barbary Sheep, filed 12/15/67;
- Regulation No. 489, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1968, filed 3/1/68;
- Regulation No. 491, Establishing Big Game Seasons For 1968 For Jicarilla Reservation, filed 3/1/68;
- Regulation No. 492, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/6/68;
- Regulation No. 495, Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 10/2/68;
- Regulation No. 496, Establishing An Elk Season In The Tres Piedras Area, Elk Area P-6, filed 12/11/68;
- Regulation No. 502, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1969, filed 3/5/69;
- Regulation No. 503, Establishing 1969 Deer Seasons For Bowhunting Only And Big Game Seasons For The Jicarilla Indian Reservation, filed 3/5/69;
- Regulation 504, Establishing Seasons on Deer, Bear, Turkey, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/4/69;
- Regulation No. 507, Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 8/26/69;
- Regulation No. 512, Establishing Turkey Season For The Spring Of 1970, filed 2/20/70;
- Regulation No. 513, Establishing Deer Season For Bowhunting Only In Sandia State Game Refuge, filed 2/20/70;
- Regulation No. 514, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/70;
- Regulation No 520, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1971, filed 3/9/71;
- Regulation No. 522, Establishing 1971 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/9/71;
- Regulation No. 523, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/71;
- Regulation No. 531, Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/17/71;
- Regulation No. 532, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1972, filed 3/20/72;
- Regulation No. 534, Establishing 1972 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/20/72;
- Regulation No. 536, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/26/72;
- Regulation No. 542, Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/1/72;
- Regulation No. 545, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1973, filed 2/26/73;
- Regulation No. 546, Establishing 1973 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 2/26/73;
- Regulation No. 547, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, And Javelina, filed 5/31/73;
- Regulation No. 554, Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1974, filed 3/4/74;
- Regulation No. 556, Establishing 1974 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/14/74;
- Regulation No. 558, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex, filed 5/29/74;
- Regulation No. 565, Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1975, filed 3/24/75;
- Regulation No. 567, Establishing 1975 Seasons On Deer, Bear, And Turkey On The Jicarilla Apache And Navajo Indian Reservations And On Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/24/75;
- Regulation No. 568, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 6/25/75;

Regulation No. 573, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/76;  
 Regulation No. 583, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/11/77;  
 Regulation No. 590, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/15/78;  
 Regulation No. 596, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/79;  
 Regulation No. 603, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1980 through March 31, 1981, filed 2/22/80;  
 Regulation No. 609, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1981 through March 31, 1982, filed 3/17/81;  
 Regulation No. 614, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1982 through March 31, 1983, filed 3/10/82;  
 Regulation No. 622, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1983 through March 31, 1984, filed 3/9/83;  
 Regulation No. 628, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1984 through March 31, 1985, filed 4/2/84;  
 Regulation No. 634, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1985 Through March 31, 1986, filed 4/18/85;  
 Regulation No. 640, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1986 through March 31, 1987, filed 3/25/86;  
 Regulation No. 645, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1987 through March 31, 1988, filed 2/12/87;  
 Regulation No. 653, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1988 through March 31, 1989, filed 12/18/87;  
 Regulation No. 663, Establishing Opening Spring Turkey For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/28/89;  
 Regulation No. 664, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/20/89;  
 Regulation No. 674, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1990 through March 31, 1991, filed 11/21/89;  
 Regulation No. 683, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1991 through March 31, 1992, filed 2/8/91;  
 Regulation No. 689, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1992 through March 31, 1993, filed 3/4/92;  
 Regulation No. 700, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1993 through March 31, 1995, filed 3/11/93.

**History of Repealed Material:**

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game, filed 3-1-2001 - duration expired 3-31-2003.  
 19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game and Turkey, filed 3-3-2003 - duration expired 3-31-2005.  
 19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game and Turkey, filed 12-15-2004 - duration expired 3-31-2007.  
 19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 12-1-2006 - duration expired 3-31-2009.  
 19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 3-13-2009 - duration expired 3-31-2011.  
 19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 12-16-2013 - duration expired 3-31-2015.  
 19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 3-17-2015, repealed 3-31-2016.  
 19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 2-29-2016, duration expired 3-31-2019.

## Initial Proposed Rule

**TITLE 19**        **NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE**  
**CHAPTER 31**    **HUNTING AND FISHING**  
**PART 12**        **BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX**

**19.31.12.1**        **ISSUING AGENCY:** New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.

[19.31.12.1 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.1 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.2**        **SCOPE:** Sportspersons interested in Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex management and hunting. Additional requirements may be found in Chapter 17, NMSA 1978, and Chapters 30, 31, 32 and 33 of Title 19 NMAC.

[19.31.12.2 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.2 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.3**        **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** 17-1-14 and 17-1-26 NMSA 1978 provide that the New Mexico state game commission has the authority to establish rules and regulations that it may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 and all other acts pertaining to protected mammals, birds, and fish.

[19.31.12.3 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.3 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.4**        **DURATION:** April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

[19.31.12.4 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.4 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.5**        **EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2019, unless a later date is cited at the end of an individual section.

[19.31.12.5 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.5 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.6**        **OBJECTIVE:** Establishing open hunting seasons and regulations, rules, and procedures governing the distribution and issuance of Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex permits and licenses by the department.

[19.31.12.6 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.6 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.7**        **DEFINITIONS:**

**A.**        **"Arrows"** shall mean only those arrows or bolts having broadheads with steel cutting edges.

**B.**        **"Baiting"** shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of any salt, grain, scent or other feed on or over areas where hunters are attempting to take Barbary sheep, oryx, or Persian ibex.

**C.**        **"Bow"** shall mean compound, recurve, or long bow. Sights on bows shall not project light nor magnify.

**DA.**        **"Broken-horned oryx" or "BHO"** shall mean an oryx of either sex that possesses at least one horn missing at least twenty-five percent of its normal growth. This may be determined by comparing the broken horn's length to the remaining horn or where it is readily apparent the terminal end would not taper to a point for another twenty-five percent of growth.

**E.**        **"Crossbow"** shall mean a device with a bow limb or band of flexible material that is attached horizontally to a stock and has a mechanism to hold the string in a cocked position. Sights on crossbows shall not project light nor magnify.

**FB.**        **"Department"** shall mean the New Mexico department of game and fish.

**GC.**        **"Director"** shall mean the director of the New Mexico department of game and fish.

**HD.**        **"Either sex" or "ES" or "either sex"** shall mean any one animal of the species.

**IE.**        **"Female or immature Persian ibex" or "F-IM" or "female or immature Persian ibex"** shall mean any female Persian ibex, or a male Persian ibex with horns less than 15 inches long.

**JF.**        **"Game management units" or "GMUs"** shall mean those areas as described in the state game commission's rule 19.30.4 NMAC, Boundary Descriptions for Game Management Units.

**K.**        **"License"** shall mean a valid official document that is issued or approved by the director that each person hunting Barbary sheep, oryx, or Persian ibex in New Mexico must have or obtain prior to hunting.

**L.**        **"License year"** shall mean the period from April 1 through March 31.

**M.**        **"Male Persian ibex"** shall mean any Persian ibex of the male gender.

**N.**        **"Centerfire firearms"** shall mean any center fire firearms, not to include any fully automatic firearms.



O. "Shotgun" shall mean only those shotguns firing shot or slug that are designed to be fired from the shoulder.

P. "Muzzle-loader or muzzle-loading firearms" shall mean those rifles and shotguns in which the charge and projectile are loaded through the muzzle. Only black powder, Pyrodex or equivalent black powder substitute may be used. Use of smokeless powder is prohibited. Legal muzzle-loader shotguns shall be only those shotguns capable of being fired from the shoulder.

Q. "Premier" or "once-in-a-lifetime oryx" shall mean those special hunts, or licenses, that are restricted by rule or regulation to those persons that never hold a license for an "once-in-a-lifetime" oryx hunt.

R. "TBD" or "to be determined" shall mean the details of hunt dates or hunt areas will be provided by the department or military agency where the hunt will occur to the hunter when the designated hunt is initiated.

SH. "Unlimited" shall mean there is no set limit on the number of permits or licenses established for the described hunt areas.

I. "White Sands missile range" or "WSMR" shall mean that portion of GMU 19 controlled by the Department of Defense.

TJ. "Wildlife management areas" or "WMAs" shall mean those areas as described in the state game commission's rule 19.34.5 NMAC Wildlife Management Areas.

UG. "Iraq/Afghanistan veterans" or "I/A vets" shall refer to only New Mexico residents returning from military service in Iraq or Afghanistan as eligible to apply for designated oryx hunts.

V. "TBA" or "to be assigned" shall mean the details of hunt dates or hunt areas will be assigned or restricted by the military agency where the hunt will occur.

[19.31.12.7 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.7 NMAC,]

#### 19.31.12.8 ADJUSTMENT OF LICENSES, PERMITS, AUTHORIZATIONS AND HARVEST

**LIMITS:** The director, with the verbal concurrence of the chairperson or their designee, may adjust the number of licenses, permits, harvest limits, or authorizations for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex up or down to address significant changes in population levels or to address critical department management needs. This adjustment may be applied to any or all of the specific hunt codes for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex. The director, at his discretion, may adjust the number of oryx licenses and hunt dates on White Sands missile range pending negotiations with White Sands missile range officials. Hunt dates may extend into future hunting seasons. The director may change or cancel all hunts on military lands to accommodate closures on those lands; provided if changed, the season length and bag limit shall remain the same as assigned on the original hunt code.

[19.31.12.8 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.8 NMAC,]

#### 19.31.12.9 BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX LICENSE APPLICATION

##### **REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: Iraq/Afghanistan veterans (I/A) hunts:**

A. **Iraq/Afghanistan veteran hunts** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for an Iraq/Afghanistan veteran's oryx license, except as allowed by 19.31.3.11 NMAC.

A. **One license per Barbary sheep, oryx, or Persian ibex per year:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to hold more than one permit or license for any Barbary sheep, oryx, or Persian ibex during a current license year unless otherwise allowed by rule.

B. **Validity of license or permit:** All oryx, Barbary sheep and Persian ibex entry permits or licenses shall be valid only for the specified dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, legal sporting arms, bag limit and area specified by the hunt code printed on the permit or license. Licenses shall be valid only for the specified dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, legal sporting arms, bag limit and area specified by rule or regulation.

CB. **Persian ibex once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for an once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex license if he or she ever has held a once in a lifetime license to hunt Persian ibex. Persian ibex hunts for population management, incentive hunts, youth, muzzle-loading rifles, bows, year-round off-mountain hunts, and hunts for female or immature (F-IM) Persian ibex, are not considered once-in-a-lifetime and anyone may apply for these hunts or hold these licenses even if they have held a once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex license. restricted to those persons that never held an once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex hunting license.

D. **Oryx once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful, beginning April 1, 1993, for anyone to apply for a premier, or, once-in-a-lifetime, oryx license if he or she ever held an "once-in-a-lifetime" license to hunt oryx. Once-in-a-lifetime oryx hunts include all premier or trophy on-range, mobility impaired, and Iraq/Afghanistan veteran hunts. Hunts not once-in-a-lifetime include population management, broken-horned, youth, and incentive



hunts. Anyone may apply for population management, youth, and incentive hunts regardless if they held a license for an once-in-a-lifetime hunt, if they have met the other applicable requirements or restrictions. Those who have held an once-in-a-lifetime oryx hunting license may apply for broken-horned hunts.

**C. Oryx once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful, beginning April 1, 1993, for anyone to apply for a once-in-a-lifetime oryx license if he or she has held a once-in-a-lifetime license to hunt oryx. Oryx hunts for population management, broken-horned, youth, and incentive hunts are not considered once-in-a-lifetime and anyone may apply for these hunts or hold these licenses even if they have held a once-in-a-lifetime license.

**E. Mobility impaired (MI) oryx hunts:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for a mobility impaired oryx license, except as allowed by 19.31.3.11 NMAC.

**F. Youth only (YO) oryx and Persian ibex hunts:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for youth only (YO) oryx or Persian ibex license except as allowed by 19.31.3.11 NMAC.

**G. Military only (MO) Barbary sheep and oryx hunts:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for a military-only Barbary sheep or oryx license, except as allowed by 19.31.3.11 NMAC.

**H. Iraq/Afghanistan veterans (I/A) hunts:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for an Iraq/Afghanistan veteran oryx license, except as allowed by 19.31.3.11 NMAC.

[19.31.12.9 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.9 NMAC,]

#### **19.31.12.10 BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX MANNER AND METHOD REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS:**

**A. Season and hours:** Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex may be hunted or taken only during open seasons and only during the period from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

**B. Bag limit:** It is unlawful for any person to hunt for or take more than one Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex during a current license year unless otherwise provided by regulation.

**C. [RESERVED]**

**D. Seizure:** Any conservation officer or other officer authorized to enforce game laws and regulations shall seize the carcasses of Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex that are improperly notched.

**E. Proof of sex:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to transport or possess the carcass of any Persian ibex without proof of sex. The horns of any Persian ibex shall remain attached to the skull until arriving at a residence, taxidermist, meat processing facility, or place of final storage. The head of females or immature males of Persian ibex shall accompany the carcass in the same manner.

**F. Proof of bag limit:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to transport or possess the carcass of any oryx without proof of bag limit. The horns of any oryx taken shall remain attached to the skull until arriving at a residence, taxidermist, meat processing facility, or place of final storage.

**G. Use of dogs in hunting:** It shall be unlawful to use dogs to hunt any Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex.

**H. Use of baits or scents:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to take or attempt to take any Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex by use of baits or scents as defined in 19.31.10.7 NMAC. Scent masking agents on one's person are allowed.

**I. Live animals:** It shall be unlawful to use live animals as a blind or decoy in taking or attempting to take any Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex.

**J. Use of calling devices:** It shall be unlawful to use any electrically or mechanically recorded calling device in taking or attempting to take any Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex.

**K. Killing out-of-season:** It shall be unlawful to kill any Barbary sheep, oryx or Persian ibex out of their respective hunting seasons.

**L. Legal weapon types for oryx** are as follows: any center fire rifle of .24 caliber or larger; any center fire handgun of .24 caliber or larger; shotguns not smaller than 28 gauge, firing a single slug; muzzle loading rifles not smaller than .45 caliber; bows and arrows; and crossbows and bolts.

**M. Legal weapon types for Barbary sheep and Persian ibex** are as follows: any center fire rifle; any center fire handgun; shotguns not smaller than 28 gauge, firing a single slug; muzzle loading rifles; bows and arrows; and crossbows and bolts.

**N. Bullets:** It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex by the use of tracer ammunition or any ammunition loaded with a full metal jacketed bullet. Only soft nosed or hollow pointed bullets may be used in hunting or taking oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex.

**O. Areas closed to hunting:** The following areas shall remain closed to hunting Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex, except as permitted by regulation: Sugarite canyon state park; Orilla Verde and Wild Rivers



recreation areas, including the Taos valley overlook; all wildlife management areas; the Valle Vidal area; and sub-unit 6B (Valles Caldera national preserve).

- P. Restricted areas on White Sands missile range:** It shall be unlawful:
- (1) to drive or ride in a motor vehicle into an area signed no hunting or otherwise restricting hunting or as documented on a map or as presented during the hunt's briefing, except if the hunter or driver is escorted by official personnel;
  - (2) for a licensed hunter to enter an area signed no hunting or otherwise restricting hunting except if the hunter is escorted by official personnel; and
  - (3) for a licensed security badged hunter to hunt or take any oryx in an area other than their TBA area.

[19.31.12.10 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.10 NMAC, 4-1-16]

**19.31.12.110 POPULATION MANAGEMENT HUNTS:**

**A.** The director or his/her designee may authorize population management hunts for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex when justified in writing by department personnel.

**B.** The director or his/her designee shall designate the sporting arms, season dates, season lengths, bag limits, hunt boundaries, specific requirements or restrictions, and number of licenses to be issued, or permits. No qualifying license holder shall take more than one oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex per license year, unless otherwise allowable by rule.

**C.** Applications must be submitted by the deadline date set by the department.

**DC.** In those instances where a population management hunt is warranted on deeded private lands, no more than one-half of the total number of licenses authorized shall be available to the landowner. The balance of prospective hunters shall be identified by the department. In those instances where a population management hunt is warranted on deeded private lands, the landowner may suggest eligible hunters of their choice by submitting a list of prospective hunters' names to the department for licensing consideration. No more than one-half of the total number of licenses authorized shall be available to landowner identified hunters. The balance of prospective hunters shall be identified by the department.

[19.31.12.11 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.11 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.121 BARBARY SHEEP HUNTING SEASONS:** Barbary sheep hunts shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, sporting arms, number of licenses, and bag limit. Public land draw Barbary sheep licenses for GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36, and 37 are available only through application in the special entry draw. Private land only licenses for GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36, and 37 shall not be issued through the public draw and will only be available from department offices or through the department's web site and shall only be valid on deeded private lands. All Barbary sheep licenses listed in Subsections A and B of Section 19.31.12.11 NMAC (with the exception of hunts on McGregor range when the license holder claimed residency as allowed by 17-3-4.A.5 NMSA 1978) BBY-1-100 and BBY-1-101 licenses shall also be valid for over-the-counter hunt areas with any legal sporting arm. The department shall issue military only Barbary sheep hunting licenses for McGregor range to full time military personnel providing a valid access authorization issued by Fort Bliss (BBY-1-102).

**A. Southeast area public draw lands entry hunts:**

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
32, 34, 36, 37	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	BBY-2-100	75	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	10/12-10/16	10/10-10/14	10/9-10/13	10/8-10/12	BBY-1-101	75	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	12/7-12/20	12/5-12/18	12/4-12/17	12/3-12/16	BBY-1-102	225	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	BBY-1-103	225	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	2/15-2/28	2/13-2/26	2/12-2/25	2/11-2/24	BBY-1-104	225	ES
29, 30	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	BBY-2-105	75	ES
29, 30	10/12-10/16	10/10-10/14	10/9-10/13	10/8-10/12	BBY-1-106	100	ES
29, 30	12/7-12/20	12/5-12/18	12/4-12/17	12/3-12/16	BBY-1-107	250	ES
29, 30	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	BBY-1-108	250	ES
29, 30	2/15-2/28	2/13-2/26	2/12-2/25	2/11-2/24	BBY-1-109	250	ES



28 McGregor range	12/26-12/27	12/31/2020-1/1/2021	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-110	20	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	12/26-12/27	12/31/2020-1/1/2021	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-111	20	ES

open GMUs or areas	2015-2016 hunt-dates	2016-2017 hunt-dates	2017-2018 hunt-dates	2018-2019 hunt-dates	hunt-code	lic.	bag limit
32, 34, 36, 37	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	BBY-1-100	675	ES
29, 30	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	BBY-1-101	600	ES
28 McGregor range, MO	12/26-12/27	12/31-1/1	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-102	8	ES
28 McGregor range	12/26-12/27	12/31-1/1	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-103	8	ES

**B. Private land-only hunts:** Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses shall be restricted to the hunt dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the draw hunt code listed in Subsection A of Section 19.31.12.11 NMAC for the GMU where the private landowner's property lies. Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses shall be unlimited and available from any license vendor and the department's web site. Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses are valid only on deeded private property where the licensee has written permission to hunt. **Southeast-area private-land-only hunts:** Private-land-only licenses shall only be available through department offices, or the department's web site.

open GMUs	2015-2016 hunt-dates	2016-2017 hunt-dates	2017-2018 hunt-dates	2018-2019 hunt-dates	hunt-code	licenses	bag limit
32, 34, 36, 37	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	BBY-1-200	unlimited	ES
30, 29	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	BBY-1-201	unlimited	ES

**C. Over-the-counter hunts:** The hunt area shall be statewide (including Water canyon WMA in GMU 9) except those GMUs with bighorn sheep (8, 13, 14, 16, WSMR and Fort Bliss portions of GMU 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, and 27), WSMR and Fort Bliss portions of GMU 19, and these the draw areas of GMUs in the southeast area (28, 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36 and 37). The western portion of GMU 34 shall be open to over-the-counter licenses. The eastern portion of GMU 34 shall be closed to any license holder of a BBY-1-300 license. The boundary line dividing GMU 34 for the eastern and western portion is described as a line beginning at the southwest corner of the Mescalero Apache Indian reservation and traveling due south to High Rolls then south on forest service road (FR) 90 to its junction with FR 570, then south on FR 570 to its junction with the southern boundary of GMU 34. The boundary dividing the western portion of GMU 34 is the line beginning at the junction of NM Hwy 244 and the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation and traveling south to US Hwy 82. Hwy 82 to NM Hwy 130 south to NM Hwy 6563 continuing south as it transitions to County Road E12 (Sacramento River Road). County Road E 12 south to the GMU 34/GMU 28 boundary.

open GMUs or areas	2015-2016 hunt dates	2016-2017 hunt dates	2017-2018 hunt dates	2018-2019 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
statewide, restrictions listed above	4/1/2019-3/31/2020	4/1/2020-3/31/2021	4/1/2021-3/31/2022	4/1/2022-3/31/2023	BBY-1-300	unlimited	ES

**D. Special management properties:** For private lands within GMUs 29, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 37, the department may work with interested landowners to develop appropriate bag limits, weapon types, season dates and authorization numbers for private land hunting needed to achieve the proper harvest on the deeded private land of the participating ranches within the exterior boundaries of participating ranches. [19.31.12.12 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.12 NMAC,]

### 19.31.12.1312 ORYX HUNTING SEASONS:

**A. Oryx premier once-in-a-lifetime hunts** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. Two persons may apply on one application. These hunts are restricted; only those who have never held an oryx once-in-lifetime license may apply. Only New Mexico residents returning from military service in Iraq or Afghanistan are eligible to apply for oryx hunts designated as "Iraq/Afghanistan vets" or "I/A vets". Proof of military service in Iraq or Afghanistan must accompany application or, if applying online, forwarded to the department by the application deadline date, pursuant to 19.31.3.11 NMAC.



open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-100	65	ES
19 WSMR	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-101	65	ES
19 WSMR	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-102	65	ES
19 WSMR	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-103	65	ES
19 WSMR	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-104	65	ES
19 WSMR	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-105	65	ES
19 WSMR	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-106	65	ES
19 WSMR	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-107	65	ES
19 WSMR	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-108	65	ES
19 WSMR, mobility impaired	10/11-10/13	10/9-10/11	10/8-10/10	10/7-10/9	ORX-1-109	20	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-110	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-111	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-112	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-113	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-114	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-115	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-116	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-117	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-118	5	ES

**B. WSMR youth only hunt** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR, youth only	10/11-10/13	10/9-10/11	10/8-10/10	10/7-10/9	ORX-1-119	40	ES

open GMUs or areas	2015-2016 hunt dates	2016-2017 hunt dates	2017-2018 hunt dates	2018-2019 hunt dates	hunt code	lic.	bag limit
Rhodes canyon YO	9/4-9/6	9/2-9/4	9/1-9/3	9/7-9/9	ORX-1-100	30	ES
Rhodes canyon MH	9/4-9/6	9/2-9/4	9/1-9/3	9/7-9/9	ORX-1-101	20	ES
Stallion range	10/2-10/4	10/14-10/16	10/13-10/15	10/12-10/14	ORX-1-102	45	ES
Stallion range I/A vets	10/2-10/4	10/14-10/16	10/13-10/15	10/12-10/14	ORX-1-103	5	ES
Rhodes canyon	11/13-11/15	11/11-11/13	11/10-11/12	11/9-11/11	ORX-1-104	45	ES
Rhodes canyon I/A vets	11/13-11/15	11/11-11/13	11/10-11/12	11/9-11/11	ORX-1-105	5	ES
Stallion range	1/8-1/10	1/6-1/8	1/5-1/7	1/4-1/6	ORX-1-106	45	ES
Stallion range I/A vets	1/8-1/10	1/6-1/8	1/5-1/7	1/4-1/6	ORX-1-107	5	ES
Rhodes canyon	1/22-1/24	1/20-1/22	1/19-1/21	1/18-1/20	ORX-1-108	45	ES
Rhodes canyon I/A vets	1/22-1/24	1/20-1/22	1/19-1/21	1/18-1/20	ORX-1-109	5	ES
Stallion range	2/19-2/21	2/17-2/19	2/16-2/18	2/15-2/17	ORX-1-110	45	ES
Stallion range I/A vets	2/19-2/21	2/17-2/19	2/16-2/18	2/15-2/17	ORX-1-111	5	ES

**BC. Oryx broken-horned-restricted-on-range hunts**, for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. or as specific dates and hunt areas are determined by the department. The following hunts have restrictions that must be met prior to application. These hunts are not once-in-a-lifetime oryx hunts. Youth hunters must provide hunter education certificate number on application.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-120	15	BHO
19 WSMR	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-121	15	BHO



19 WSMR	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-122	15	BHO
19 WSMR	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-123	15	BHO
19 WSMR	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-124	15	BHO
19 WSMR	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-125	15	BHO
19 WSMR	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-126	15	BHO
19 WSMR	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-127	15	BHO
19 WSMR	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-128	15	BHO

open-areas	2015-2016 hunt-dates	2016-2017 hunt-dates	2017-2018 hunt-dates	2018-2019 hunt-dates	hunt code	lic.	bag limit
Stallion range	10/2-10/4	10/14-10/16	10/13-10/15	10/12-10/14	ORX-1-118	5	BHO
Rhodes canyon	11/13-11/15	11/11-11/13	11/10-11/12	11/9-11/11	ORX-1-119	5	BHO
Stallion range	1/8-1/10	1/6-1/8	1/5-1/7	1/4-1/6	ORX-1-120	5	BHO
Rhodes canyon	1/22-1/24	1/20-1/22	1/19-1/21	1/18-1/20	ORX-1-121	5	BHO
Stallion range	2/19-2/21	2/17-2/19	2/16-2/18	2/15-2/17	ORX-1-122	5	BHO

**CD.** **Oryx hunts off of White Sands missile range** shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. The department shall issue military only oryx hunting licenses for McGregor range to full time military personnel providing a valid access authorization issued by Fort Bliss (McGregor range, **MO** military only).

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
statewide, off-range	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-204	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-205	20	ES
statewide, off-range	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-206	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-207	20	ES
statewide, off-range	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-208	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-209	20	ES
statewide, off-range	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-210	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-211	20	ES
statewide, off-range	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-212	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-213	20	ES
statewide, off-range	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-214	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-215	20	ES
statewide, off-range	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-216	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-217	20	ES
statewide, off-range	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-218	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-219	20	ES
statewide, off-range	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-220	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-221	20	ES
statewide, off-range	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-222	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-223	20	ES
28 McGregor range	12/21-	12/19-12/20	12/18-	12/17-	ORX-1-224	25	ES



	12/22		12/19	12/18			
28 McGregor range, military only	12/21-12/22	12/19-12/20	12/18-12/19	12/17-12/18	ORX-1-225	25	ES
28 McGregor range	1/11-1/12	1/9-1/10	1/8-1/9	1/7-1/8	ORX-1-226	25	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	1/11-1/12	1/9-1/10	1/8-1/9	1/7-1/8	ORX-1-227	25	ES

open areas	2015-2016 hunt dates	2016-2017 hunt dates	2017-2018 hunt dates	2018-2019 hunt dates	hunt code	lic.	bag limit
statewide, off-range	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-204	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-205	48	ES
statewide, off-range	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-206	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-207	48	ES
statewide, off-range	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-208	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-209	48	ES
statewide, off-range	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-210	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-211	48	ES
statewide, off-range	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-212	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-213	48	ES
statewide, off-range	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-214	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-215	48	ES
statewide, off-range	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-216	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-217	48	ES
statewide, off-range	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-218	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-219	48	ES
statewide, off-range	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-220	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-221	48	ES
statewide, off-range	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-222	60	ES
statewide, off-range, YO	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-223	48	ES
McGregor range	1/9-1/10	1/14-1/15	1/13-1/14	1/12-1/13	ORX-1-224	25	ES
McGregor range, MO	1/9-1/10	1/14-1/15	1/13-1/14	1/12-1/13	ORX-1-225	25	ES
McGregor range	12/5-12/6	12/3-12/4	12/2-12/3	12/1-12/2	ORX-1-226	25	ES
McGregor range, MO	12/5-12/6	12/3-12/4	12/2-12/3	12/1-12/2	ORX-1-227	25	ES

**DE.** Private land-only oryx hunts: Private land-only oryx licenses shall be valid only on deeded private land and restricted to the season dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the statewide public land draw hunt codes listed in Subsection D of Section 19.31.12.12 NMAC above. Hunts on private land for April and May are restricted to the season dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the hunt codes listed below. The number of private land-only oryx licenses shall be unlimited, and available only through department offices or department's web site.

open GMUs or areas	2015-2016 2019-2020 hunt dates	2016-2017 2020-2021 hunt dates	2017-2018 2021-2022 hunt dates	2018-2019 2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	bag limit
statewide, private land/off-range	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	ORX-1-2000	ES
	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	ORX-1-2020	ES

**EF.** Oryx incentive authorizations: The director may annually allow up to two oryx authorizations to be issued by drawing for deer and elk hunters submitting their legally harvested animal for CWD



testing. Authorizations certificates to purchase the license may be used either by the applicant or any individual of the selected applicant's choice and may be transferred through sale, barter, or gift. Oryx incentive hunts shall be any one hunt selected from Subsection A of Section 19.31.12.12 NMAC premier oryx season (excluding population management hunts) of the hunter's choice. Bag limit shall be either sex with the any legal sporting arms and hunt area of the selected hunt.

**FC.** **Oryx hunt for injured service men and women:** The department shall annually issue threeup to 10 authorizations for hunting by injured service men and women on White Sands missile range. The director shall determine the procedures for issuing the authorizations, and the dates for each hunt. Authorization as used in this subsection shall mean the document or number generated by the department that authorizes the holder to purchase a specified license to hunt oryx.

[19.31.12.13 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.13 NMAC,]

**19.31.12.4413 PERSIAN IBEX HUNTING SEASONS:** Persian ibex hunts shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of available licenses and bag limit. The IBX-1-525 hunt is restricted to only those who have never held an ibex once-in-a-lifetime license. Youth, muzzle-loading rifle, bow, year-long off-mountain, and female or immature (F-IM) ibex hunts are not restricted; anyone may apply, regardless if they have ever held an ibex once-in-a-lifetime license. The IBX-1-526 hunt is restricted to applicants who were successful harvesting one F-IM ibex during the IBX-1-520, IBX-1-521, IBX-1-522, IBX-1-523 hunts, or a population management hunt from the previous year and have presented the head within five days of harvest to a department office or department official for confirmation that they are eligible to enter a drawing for this hunt. Holders of the off-mountain license (IBX-1-528) may apply for any Florida mountains ibex hunt (IBX-1-500, IBX-1-520, IBX-1-525, IBX-2-535, IBX-2-536 or IBX-3-540) unless otherwise restricted by rule. The off-mountain (IBX-1-528) license holders need only submit the application fee and their license number along with their application. Any valid Persian ibex license shall be valid during the off-mountain (IBX-1-528) hunts. Holders of a valid ibex license may take an unlimited number of ibex for the year-long off-mountain hunt. Any person that kills an off-mountain ibex must notch the license according to instructions on the license. Hunt codes for Persian ibex hunts allowing "any legal weapon type" shall be designated IBX-1. Hunt codes for Persian ibex hunts allowing the "bow only" weapon type shall be designated as IBX-2. Hunt codes for Persian ibex hunts allowing the "muzzle-loading rifles or bow" weapon type shall be designated as IBX-3. The Florida mountain hunt area is that portion of GMU 25 bounded by interstate 10 on the north, U.S.-Mexico border on the south, NM 11 on the west and the Dona Ana-Luna county line on the east. The year-long off-mountain hunt area is any public land open for hunting and private lands with written permission outside the Florida mountain hunt area, including Big Hatchet WMA. Youth hunters must provide hunter education certificate number on application.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
25 Florida mountains, youth only	12/27/2019-1/10/2020	12/27/2020-1/10/2021	12/27/2021-1/10/2022	12/27/2022-1/10/2023	IBX-1-500	15	ES
25 Florida mountains, restricted eligibility	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-526	5	ES
25 Florida mountains, once-in-a-lifetime	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-525	25	ES
25 Florida mountains	2/1-2/9	1/30-2/7	2/5-2/13	2/4-2/12	IBX-1-520	75	F-IM
	2/15-2/23	2/13-2/21	2/19-2/27	2/18-2/26	IBX-1-521	75	F-IM
	2/29-3/8	2/27-3/7	3/5-3/13	3/4-3/12	IBX-1-522	75	F-IM
	3/14-3/22	3/13-3/21	3/19-3/27	3/18-3/26	IBX-1-523	75	F-IM
	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	IBX-2-535	100	ES
	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	IBX-2-536	100	ES
	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	IBX-3-540	25	ES
Statewide, off-mountain, over-the-counter	4/1/2019-3/31/2020	4/1/2020-3/31/2021	4/1/2021-3/31/2022	4/1/2022-3/31/2023	IBX-1-528	unlimited	ES

open GMUs or areas	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	hunt code	licenses/bag
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	hunt dates	hunt dates	hunt dates	hunt dates		limit
Florida mountains, YO	12/27-1/10	12/27-1/10	12/27-1/10	12/27-1/10	IBX-1-500	15/ES
Florida mountains: restricted eligibility	2/1-2/14	2/1-2/14	2/1-2/14	2/1-2/14	IBX-1-526	5/ES
Florida mountains	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-525	25/ES
	2/15-2/29	2/15-3/1	2/15-3/1	2/15-3/1	IBX-1-520	50/F-IM
	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	IBX-2-535	100/ES
	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	IBX-2-536	100/ES
	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	IBX-3-540	25/ES
off-mountain-hunt area, OTC, unlimited licenses available	4/1-3/31	4/1-3/31	4/1-3/31	4/1-3/31	IBX-1-528	unlimited/ES

[19.31.12.14 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.14 NMAC,]

### HISTORY OF 19.31.12 NMAC:

**Pre-NMAC History:** The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the State Records Center and Archives under:

- Regulation No. 482, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 5/31/67;
- Regulation No. 487, Establishing 1967 Seasons On Javelina And Barbary Sheep, filed 12/15/67;
- Regulation No. 489, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1968, filed 3/1/68;
- Regulation No. 491, Establishing Big Game Seasons For 1968 For Jicarilla Reservation, filed 3/1/68;
- Regulation No. 492, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/6/68;
- Regulation No. 495, Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 10/2/68;
- Regulation No. 496, Establishing An Elk Season In The Tres Piedras Area, Elk Area P-6, filed 12/11/68;
- Regulation No. 502, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1969, filed 3/5/69;
- Regulation No. 503, Establishing 1969 Deer Seasons For Bowhunting Only And Big Game Seasons For The Jicarilla Indian Reservation, filed 3/5/69;
- Regulation 504, Establishing Seasons on Deer, Bear, Turkey, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/4/69;
- Regulation No. 507, Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 8/26/69;
- Regulation No. 512, Establishing Turkey Season For The Spring Of 1970, filed 2/20/70;
- Regulation No. 513, Establishing Deer Season For Bowhunting Only In Sandia State Game Refuge, filed 2/20/70;
- Regulation No. 514, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/70;
- Regulation No 520, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1971, filed 3/9/71;
- Regulation No. 522, Establishing 1971 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/9/71;
- Regulation No. 523, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/71;
- Regulation No. 531, Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/17/71;
- Regulation No. 532, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1972, filed 3/20/72;
- Regulation No. 534, Establishing 1972 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/20/72;
- Regulation No. 536, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/26/72;
- Regulation No. 542, Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/1/72;
- Regulation No. 545, Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1973, filed 2/26/73;
- Regulation No. 546, Establishing 1973 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 2/26/73;
- Regulation No. 547, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, And Javelina, filed 5/31/73;
- Regulation No. 554, Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1974, filed 3/4/74;



Regulation No. 556, Establishing 1974 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/14/74;

Regulation No. 558, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex, filed 5/29/74;

Regulation No. 565, Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1975, filed 3/24/75;

Regulation No. 567, Establishing 1975 Seasons On Deer, Bear, And Turkey On The Jicarilla Apache And Navajo Indian Reservations And On Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/24/75;

Regulation No. 568, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 6/25/75;

Regulation No. 573, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/76;

Regulation No. 583, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/11/77;

Regulation No. 590, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/15/78;

Regulation No. 596, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/79;

Regulation No. 603, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1980 through March 31, 1981, filed 2/22/80;

Regulation No. 609, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1981 through March 31, 1982, filed 3/17/81;

Regulation No. 614, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1982 through March 31, 1983, filed 3/10/82;

Regulation No. 622, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1983 through March 31, 1984, filed 3/9/83;

Regulation No. 628, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1984 through March 31, 1985, filed 4/2/84;

Regulation No. 634, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1985 Through March 31, 1986, filed 4/18/85;

Regulation No. 640, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1986 through March 31, 1987, filed 3/25/86;

Regulation No. 645, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1987 through March 31, 1988, filed 2/12/87;

Regulation No. 653, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1988 through March 31, 1989, filed 12/18/87;

Regulation No. 663, Establishing Opening Spring Turkey For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/28/89;

Regulation No. 664, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/20/89;

Regulation No. 674, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1990 through March 31, 1991, filed 11/21/89;

Regulation No. 683, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1991 through March 31, 1992, filed 2/8/91;

Regulation No. 689, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1992 through March 31, 1993, filed 3/4/92;

Regulation No. 700, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1993 through March 31, 1995, filed 3/11/93.

**History of Repealed Material:**

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game, filed 3-1-2001 - duration expired 3-31-2003.

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game and Turkey, filed 3-3-2003 - duration expired 3-31-2005.

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game and Turkey, filed 12-15-2004 - duration expired 3-31-2007.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 12-1-2006 - duration expired 3-31-2009.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 3-13-2009 - duration expired 3-31-2011.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 12-16-2013 - duration expired 3-31-2015.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 3-17-2015, repealed 3-31-2016.



19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 2-29-2016, duration expired 3-31-2019.

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**TITLE 19**      **NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE**  
**CHAPTER 31**   **HUNTING AND FISHING**  
**PART 12**       **BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX**

**19.31.12.1**      **ISSUING AGENCY:** New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.  
[19.31.12.1 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.1 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.2**      **SCOPE:** Sportspersons interested in Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex management and hunting. Additional requirements may be found in Chapter 17, NMSA 1978, and Title 19 NMAC.  
[19.31.12.2 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.2 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.3**      **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** 17-1-14 and 17-1-26 NMSA 1978 provide that the New Mexico state game commission has the authority to establish rules and regulations that it may deem necessary to carry out the purpose of Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 and all other acts pertaining to protected mammals, birds, and fish.  
[19.31.12.3 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.3 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.4**      **DURATION:** April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2023.  
[19.31.12.4 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.4 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.5**      **EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 1, 2019, unless a later date is cited at the end of an individual section.  
[19.31.12.5 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.5 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.6**      **OBJECTIVE:** Establishing open hunting seasons and regulations, rules, and procedures governing the distribution and issuance of Barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex licenses by the department.  
[19.31.12.6 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.6 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.7**      **DEFINITIONS:**

**A.**      **“Broken-horned oryx” or “BHO”** shall mean an oryx of either sex that possesses at least one horn missing at least twenty-five percent of its normal growth. This may be determined by comparing the broken horn’s length to the remaining horn or where it is readily apparent the terminal end would not taper to a point for another twenty-five percent of growth.

**B.**      **“Department”** shall mean the New Mexico department of game and fish.

**C.**      **“Director”** shall mean the director of the New Mexico department of game and fish.

**D.**      **“Either sex” or “ES”** shall mean any one animal of the species.

**E.**      **“Female or immature Persian ibex” or “F-IM”** shall mean any female Persian ibex, or a male Persian ibex with horns less than 15 inches long.

**F.**      **“Game management units” or “GMUs”** shall mean those areas as described in state game commission rule 19.30.4 NMAC, Boundary Descriptions for Game Management Units.

**G.**      **“Iraq/Afghanistan veterans” or “I/A vets”** shall refer to only New Mexico residents returning from military service in Iraq or Afghanistan as eligible to apply for designated oryx hunts.

**H.**      **“Unlimited”** shall mean there is no set limit on the number of licenses established for the described hunt areas.

**I.**      **“White Sands missile range” or “WSMR”** shall mean that portion of GMU 19 controlled by the Department of Defense.

**J.**      **“Wildlife management areas” or “WMAs”** shall mean those areas as described in state game commission rule 19.34.5 NMAC Wildlife Management Areas.

[19.31.12.7 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.7 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.8**      **ADJUSTMENT OF LICENSES:** The director, with the verbal concurrence of the chairperson or their designee, may adjust the number of licenses for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex up or down to address significant changes in population levels or to address critical department management needs. The director may change or cancel all hunts on military lands to accommodate closures on those lands; if changed, the season length and bag limit shall remain the same as assigned on the original hunt code.

[19.31.12.8 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.8 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.9 BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX LICENSE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS:**

- A. **Iraq/Afghanistan veteran hunts:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for an Iraq/Afghanistan veteran's oryx license, except as allowed by 19.31.3 NMAC.
- B. **Persian ibex once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful for anyone to apply for a once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex license if he or she has held a once in a lifetime license to hunt Persian ibex. Persian ibex hunts for population management, incentive hunts, youth, muzzle-loading rifles, bows, year-round off-mountain hunts, and hunts for female or immature (F-IM) Persian ibex, are not considered once-in-a-lifetime and anyone may apply for these hunts or hold these licenses even if they have held a once-in-a-lifetime Persian ibex license.
- C. **Oryx once-in-a-lifetime:** It shall be unlawful, beginning April 1, 1993, for anyone to apply for a once-in-a-lifetime oryx license if he or she has held a once-in-a-lifetime license to hunt oryx. Oryx hunts for population management, broken-horned, youth, and incentive hunts are not considered once-in-a-lifetime and anyone may apply for these hunts or hold these licenses even if they have held a once-in-a-lifetime license. [19.31.12.9 NMAC - Rp. 19.31.12.9 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.10 POPULATION MANAGEMENT HUNTS:**

- A. The director or their designee may authorize population management hunts for oryx, Barbary sheep, or Persian ibex when justified in writing by department personnel.
- B. The director or their designee shall designate the sporting arms, season dates, season lengths, bag limits, hunt boundaries, specific requirements or restrictions, and number of licenses to be issued.
- C. In those instances where a population management hunt is warranted on deeded private lands, the landowner may suggest eligible hunters of their choice by submitting a list of prospective hunters' names to the department for licensing consideration. No more than one-half of the total number of licenses authorized shall be available to landowner identified hunters. The balance of prospective hunters shall be identified by the department. [19.31.12.10 NMAC - Rp. 19.31.12.11 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.11 BARBARY SHEEP HUNTING SEASONS:** Barbary sheep hunts shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, sporting arms, number of licenses, and bag limit. Public draw Barbary sheep licenses for GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36, and 37 are available only through application in the special entry draw. Private land-only licenses for GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36, and 37 shall not be issued through the public draw and shall only be valid on deeded private lands. All Barbary sheep licenses listed in Subsections A and B of Section 19.31.12.11 NMAC (with the exception of hunts on McGregor range when the license holder claimed residency as allowed by 17-3-4.A.5 NMSA 1978) shall also be valid for over-the-counter hunt areas with any legal sporting arm. The department shall issue military-only Barbary sheep hunting licenses for McGregor range to full time military personnel providing a valid access authorization issued by Fort Bliss.

**A. Public draw hunts:**

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
32, 34, 36, 37	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	BBY-2-100	75	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	10/12-10/16	10/10-10/14	10/9-10/13	10/8-10/12	BBY-1-101	75	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	12/7-12/20	12/5-12/18	12/4-12/17	12/3-12/16	BBY-1-102	225	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	BBY-1-103	225	ES
32, 34, 36, 37	2/15-2/28	2/13-2/26	2/12-2/25	2/11-2/24	BBY-1-104	225	ES
29, 30	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	1/1-1/15	BBY-2-105	75	ES
29, 30	10/12-10/16	10/10-10/14	10/9-10/13	10/8-10/12	BBY-1-106	100	ES
29, 30	12/7-12/20	12/5-12/18	12/4-12/17	12/3-12/16	BBY-1-107	250	ES
29, 30	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	1/20-2/2	BBY-1-108	250	ES
29, 30	2/15-2/28	2/13-2/26	2/12-2/25	2/11-2/24	BBY-1-109	250	ES
28 McGregor range	12/26-12/27	12/31/2020-1/1/2021	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-110	20	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	12/26-12/27	12/31/2020-1/1/2021	12/30-12/31	12/29-12/30	BBY-1-111	20	ES

**B. Private land-only hunts:** Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses shall be restricted to the hunt dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the draw hunt code listed in Subsection A of Section 19.31.12.11 NMAC for the GMU where the private landowner's property lies. Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses shall be unlimited and available from any license vendor and the department's web site. Private land-only Barbary sheep licenses are valid only on deeded private property where the licensee has written permission to hunt.

**C. Over-the-counter hunts:** The hunt area shall be statewide (including Water canyon WMA in GMU 9) except GMUs 8, 13, 14, 16, WSMR and Fort Bliss portions of GMU 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, and the draw areas of GMUs 28, 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 36 and 37. The western portion of GMU 34 shall be open to over-the-counter licenses. The eastern portion of GMU 34 shall be closed to any license holder of a BBY-1-300 license. The boundary dividing the western portion of GMU 34 is the line beginning at the junction of NM Hwy 244 and the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation and traveling south to US Hwy 82. Hwy 82 to NM Hwy 130 south to NM Hwy 6563 continuing south as it transitions to County Road E12 (Sacramento River Road). County Road E 12 south to the Unit 34/GMU 28 boundary.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
statewide, restrictions listed above	4/1/2019-3/31/2020	4/1/2020-3/31/2021	4/1/2021-3/31/2022	4/1/2022-3/31/2023	BBY-1-300	unlimited	ES

**D. Special management properties:** For private lands within GMUs 29, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 37, the department may work with interested landowners to develop appropriate bag limits, weapon types, season dates and authorization numbers for private land hunting needed to achieve the proper harvest on the deeded private land of the participating ranches.  
[19.31.12.11 NMAC - Rp. 19.31.12.12NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.12 ORYX HUNTING SEASONS:**

**A. Oryx once-in-a-lifetime hunts** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-100	65	ES
19 WSMR	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-101	65	ES
19 WSMR	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-102	65	ES
19 WSMR	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-103	65	ES
19 WSMR	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-104	65	ES
19 WSMR	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-105	65	ES
19 WSMR	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-106	65	ES
19 WSMR	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-107	65	ES
19 WSMR	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-108	65	ES
19 WSMR, mobility impaired	10/11-10/13	10/9-10/11	10/8-10/10	10/7-10/9	ORX-1-109	20	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-110	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-111	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21-10/23	ORX-1-112	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-113	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-114	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-115	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-116	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-117	5	ES
19 WSMR, I/A vets	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-118	5	ES

**B. WSMR youth-only hunt** for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR, youth only	10/11-10/13	10/9-10/11	10/8-10/10	10/7-10/9	ORX-1-119	40	ES

C. Oryx broken-horned on-range hunts for any legal weapon shall be as indicated below, listing the hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
19 WSMR	9/13-9/15	9/11-9/13	9/10-9/12	9/9-9/11	ORX-1-120	15	BHO
19 WSMR	9/27-9/29	9/25-9/27	9/24-9/26	9/23-9/25	ORX-1-121	15	BHO
19 WSMR	10/25-10/27	10/23-10/25	10/22-10/24	10/21- 10/23	ORX-1-122	15	BHO
19 WSMR	11/8-11/10	11/6-11/8	11/5-11/7	11/4-11/6	ORX-1-123	15	BHO
19 WSMR	12/6-12/8	12/4-12/6	12/3-12/5	12/2-12/4	ORX-1-124	15	BHO
19 WSMR	1/3-1/5	1/15-1/17	1/14-1/16	1/13-1/15	ORX-1-125	15	BHO
19 WSMR	1/17-1/19	1/29-1/31	1/28-1/30	1/27-1/29	ORX-1-126	15	BHO
19 WSMR	2/14-2/16	2/12-2/14	2/11-2/13	2/10-2/12	ORX-1-127	15	BHO
19 WSMR	2/28-3/1	2/26-2/28	2/25-2/27	2/24-2/26	ORX-1-128	15	BHO

D. Oryx hunts off of White Sands missile range shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. The department shall issue military only oryx hunting licenses for McGregor range to full time military personnel providing a valid access authorization issued by Fort Bliss (McGregor range, military only).

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
statewide, off-range	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-204	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	6/1-6/30	ORX-1-205	20	ES
statewide, off-range	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-206	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	7/1-7/31	ORX-1-207	20	ES
statewide, off-range	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-208	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	8/1-8/31	ORX-1-209	20	ES
statewide, off-range	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-210	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	9/1-9/30	ORX-1-211	20	ES
statewide, off-range	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-212	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	10/1-10/31	ORX-1-213	20	ES
statewide, off-range	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-214	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	11/1-11/30	ORX-1-215	20	ES
statewide, off-range	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-216	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	12/1-12/31	ORX-1-217	20	ES
statewide, off-range	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-218	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	1/1-1/31	ORX-1-219	20	ES
statewide, off-range	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-220	80	ES
statewide, off-range, youth only	2/1-2/29	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	2/1-2/28	ORX-1-221	20	ES
statewide, off-range	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-222	80	ES
statewide, off-range,	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	3/1-3/31	ORX-1-223	20	ES

youth only							
28 McGregor range	12/21-12/22	12/19-12/20	12/18-12/19	12/17-12/18	ORX-1-224	25	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	12/21-12/22	12/19-12/20	12/18-12/19	12/17-12/18	ORX-1-225	25	ES
28 McGregor range	1/11-1/12	1/9-1/10	1/8-1/9	1/7-1/8	ORX-1-226	25	ES
28 McGregor range, military only	1/11-1/12	1/9-1/10	1/8-1/9	1/7-1/8	ORX-1-227	25	ES

**E. Private land-only oryx hunts:** Private land-only oryx licenses shall be valid only on deeded private land and restricted to the season dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the statewide public draw hunt codes listed in Subsection D of Section 19.31.12.12 NMAC above. Hunts on private land for April and May are restricted to the season dates, eligibility requirements or restrictions, sporting arms type, and bag limit that corresponds to the hunt codes listed below. The number of private land-only oryx licenses shall be unlimited.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	bag limit
statewide, private land	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	4/1-4/30	ORX-1-2000	ES
	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	5/1-5/31	ORX-1-2020	ES

**F. Oryx incentive authorizations:** The director may annually allow up to two oryx authorizations to be issued by drawing for deer and elk hunters submitting their legally harvested animal for CWD testing. Authorizations to purchase the license may be used either by the applicant or any individual of the selected applicant's choice and may be transferred through sale, barter, or gift. Oryx incentive hunts shall be any one hunt selected from Subsection A of Section 19.31.12.12 NMAC. Bag limit shall be either sex with any legal sporting arms and hunt area of the selected hunt.

**G. Oryx hunt for injured service men and women:** The department shall annually issue up to 10 authorizations for hunting by injured service men and women on White Sands missile range. The director shall determine the procedures for issuing the authorizations, and the dates for each hunt. [19.31.12.12 NMAC - Rp, 19.31.12.13 NMAC, 4-1-19]

**19.31.12.13 PERSIAN IBEX HUNTING SEASONS:** Persian ibex hunts shall be as indicated below, listing the open GMUs or areas, eligibility requirements or restrictions, hunt dates, hunt codes, number of licenses and bag limit. The IBX-1-525 hunt is restricted to only those who have never held an ibex once-in-a-lifetime license. The IBX-1-526 hunt is restricted to applicants who were successful harvesting one F-IM ibex during the IBX-1-520, IBX-1-521, IBX-1-522, IBX-1-523 hunts, or a population management hunt from the previous year and have presented the head within five days of harvest to a department office or department official for confirmation that they are eligible to enter a drawing for this hunt. Holders of the off-mountain license (IBX-1-528) may apply for any Florida mountains ibex hunt unless otherwise restricted by rule. Any valid Persian ibex license shall be valid during the off-mountain (IBX-1-528) hunts. Holders of a valid ibex license may take an unlimited number of ibex for the year-long off-mountain hunt. The Florida mountain hunt area is that portion of GMU 25 bounded by interstate 10 on the north, U.S.-Mexico border on the south, NM 11 on the west and the Dona Ana-Luna county line on the east. The year-long off-mountain hunt area is any public land open for hunting and private lands with written permission outside the Florida mountain hunt area.

open GMUs or areas	2019-2020 hunt dates	2020-2021 hunt dates	2021-2022 hunt dates	2022-2023 hunt dates	hunt code	licenses	bag limit
25 Florida mountains, youth only	12/27/2019-1/10/2020	12/27/2020-1/10/2021	12/27/2021-1/10/2022	12/27/2022-1/10/2023	IBX-1-500	15	ES
25 Florida mountains, restricted eligibility	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-526	5	ES
25 Florida mountains, once-in-a-lifetime	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	11/15-11/29	IBX-1-525	25	ES
25 Florida mountains	2/1-2/9	1/30-2/7	2/5-2/13	2/4-2/12	IBX-1-520	75	F-IM
	2/15-2/23	2/13-2/21	2/19-2/27	2/18-2/26	IBX-1-521	75	F-IM
	2/29-3/8	2/27-3/7	3/5-3/13	3/4-3/12	IBX-1-522	75	F-IM
	3/14-3/22	3/13-3/21	3/19-3/27	3/18-3/26	IBX-1-523	75	F-IM

	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	10/1-10/15	IBX-2-535	100	ES
	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	1/15-1/29	IBX-2-536	100	ES
	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	12/6-12/20	IBX-3-540	25	ES
Statewide, off- mountain, over-the- counter	4/1/2019- 3/31/2020	4/1/2020- 3/31/2021	4/1/2021- 3/31/2022	4/1/2022- 3/31/2023	IBX-1-528	unlimited	ES

[19.31.12.13 NMAC - Rp. 19.31.12.14 NMAC. 4-1-19]

**HISTORY OF 19.31.12 NMAC:**

**Pre-NMAC History:** The material in this part was derived from that previously filed with the State Records Center and Archives under:

- Regulation No. 482. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 5/31/67;
- Regulation No. 487. Establishing 1967 Seasons On Javelina And Barbary Sheep, filed 12/15/67;
- Regulation No. 489. Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1968, filed 3/1/68;
- Regulation No. 491. Establishing Big Game Seasons For 1968 For Jicarilla Reservation, filed 3/1/68;
- Regulation No. 492. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/6/68;
- Regulation No. 495. Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 10/2/68;
- Regulation No. 496. Establishing An Elk Season In The Tres Piedras Area, Elk Area P-6, filed 12/11/68;
- Regulation No. 502. Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1969, filed 3/5/69;
- Regulation No. 503. Establishing 1969 Deer Seasons For Bowhunting Only And Big Game Seasons For The Jicarilla Indian Reservation, filed 3/5/69;
- Regulation 504. Establishing Seasons on Deer, Bear, Turkey, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, And Barbary Sheep, filed 6/4/69;
- Regulation No. 507. Establishing A Season On Bighorn Sheep, filed 8/26/69;
- Regulation No. 512. Establishing Turkey Season For The Spring Of 1970, filed 2/20/70;
- Regulation No. 513. Establishing Deer Season For Bowhunting Only In Sandia State Game Refuge, filed 2/20/70;
- Regulation No. 514. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, Elk, Antelope, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/70;
- Regulation No 520. Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1971, filed 3/9/71;
- Regulation No. 522. Establishing 1971 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/9/71;
- Regulation No. 523. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/9/71;
- Regulation No. 531. Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/17/71;
- Regulation No. 532. Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1972, filed 3/20/72;
- Regulation No. 534. Establishing 1972 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/20/72;
- Regulation No. 536. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, filed 6/26/72;
- Regulation No. 542. Establishing A Season On Javelina, filed 12/1/72;
- Regulation No. 545. Establishing Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1973, filed 2/26/73;
- Regulation No. 546. Establishing 1973 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 2/26/73;
- Regulation No. 547. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep And Bighorn Sheep, And Javelina, filed 5/31/73;
- Regulation No. 554. Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring of 1974, filed 3/4/74;
- Regulation No. 556. Establishing 1974 Seasons On Deer, Bear, Turkey, And Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/14/74;
- Regulation No. 558. Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex, filed 5/29/74;
- Regulation No. 565. Establishing Special Turkey Seasons For The Spring Of 1975, filed 3/24/75;
- Regulation No. 567. Establishing 1975 Seasons On Deer, Bear, And Turkey On The Jicarilla Apache And Navajo Indian Reservations And On Elk On The Jicarilla Apache Indian Reservation, filed 3/24/75;

Regulation No. 568, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Chickaree And Tassel-Eared Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 6/25/75;

Regulation No. 573, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Dusky Grouse, Tassel-Eared And Chickaree Squirrel, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/76;

Regulation No. 583, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/11/77;

Regulation No. 590, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/15/78;

Regulation No. 596, Establishing Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex, filed 2/23/79;

Regulation No. 603, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1980 through March 31, 1981, filed 2/22/80;

Regulation No. 609, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1981 through March 31, 1982, filed 3/17/81;

Regulation No. 614, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1982 through March 31, 1983, filed 3/10/82;

Regulation No. 622, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1983 through March 31, 1984, filed 3/9/83;

Regulation No. 628, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1984 through March 31, 1985, filed 4/2/84;

Regulation No. 634, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1985 Through March 31, 1986, filed 4/18/85;

Regulation No. 640, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1986 through March 31, 1987, filed 3/25/86;

Regulation No. 645, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1987 through March 31, 1988, filed 2/12/87;

Regulation No. 653, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1988 through March 31, 1989, filed 12/18/87;

Regulation No. 663, Establishing Opening Spring Turkey For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/28/89;

Regulation No. 664, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990, filed 3/20/89;

Regulation No. 674, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1990 through March 31, 1991, filed 11/21/89;

Regulation No. 683, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1991 through March 31, 1992, filed 2/8/91;

Regulation No. 689, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1992 through March 31, 1993, filed 3/4/92;

Regulation No. 700, Establishing Open Seasons On Deer, Turkey, Bear, Cougar, Elk, Antelope, Barbary Sheep, Bighorn Sheep, Javelina, Oryx, And Ibex For The Period April 1, 1993 through March 31, 1995, filed 3/11/93.

**History of Repealed Material:**

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game, filed 3-1-2001 - duration expired 3-31-2003.

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game and Turkey, filed 3-3-2003 - duration expired 3-31-2005.

19.31.8 NMAC, Big Game and Turkey, filed 12-15-2004 - duration expired 3-31-2007.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 12-1-2006 - duration expired 3-31-2009.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 3-13-2009 - duration expired 3-31-2011.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 12-16-2013 - duration expired 3-31-2015.

19.31.12 NMAC, Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex, filed 3-17-2015, repealed 3-31-2016.

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## Findings required for rulemaking adoption.

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- Reasons for any change between the published proposed rule and the final rule; and
- Reasons for not accepting substantive arguments made through public comment.

The rulemaking was undertaken to adopt a new Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex rule, 19.31.12 NMAC, which will become effective April 1, 2019. The current Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and Persian Ibex rule is set to expire on March 31, 2019.

The new rule includes adjusting seasons for calendar dates for all species. Oryx population data indicates that populations both on and off of the White Sands Missile Range are increasing. Therefore, we added 4 new hunts on-Range, and increased the number of once-in-a-lifetime, Iraq/Afghanistan veteran, and injured veteran licenses. Off-range, we increased both statewide and statewide youth licenses. In order to maintain current ibex population numbers, and reduce the need for population management hunts, we added female/immature hunts, and combined the season dates for the once-in-a-lifetime and incentive hunts.

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Finally, Barbary sheep population data suggests that populations are expanding both numerically and geographically. To slightly reduce population numbers and distribution, we increased the number of draw licenses both on and off of McGregor Range, and created several shorter hunts to prevent too many hunters from being on the ground at once.

There have been no changes between the published proposed rule and the final rule. A wide array of public comments were submitted. To view these comments, please visit [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/meeting-agendas/](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/commission/meeting-agendas/) and click on the Hearing Archive tab. It was not possible to incorporate all of the comments into the final rule as many of the comments were mutually exclusive. The resulting rule was based on what was best for the resource and overall hunter satisfaction.

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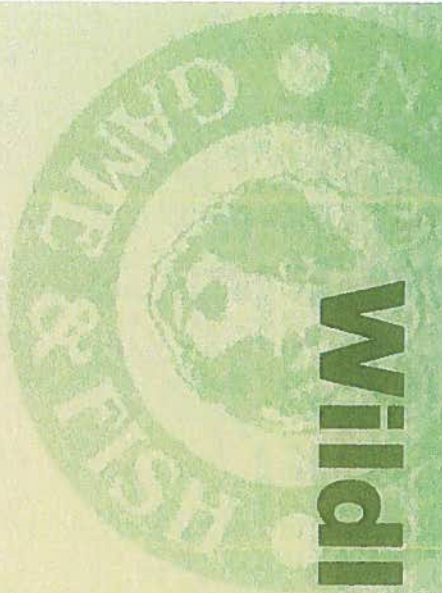
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**Barbary Sheep, Oryx, and  
Persian Ibex  
19.31.12 NMAC**

**August 23, 2018  
New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting  
Gallup, NM**



## **Public Comment on 19.31.12 NMAC**

**(oryx)**

- **3 public meetings (28 attendees)**
- **34 public comments**
- **Maintain once-in-lifetime (OIL) for oryx (17)**
- **Supportive of non-OIL hunts (10)**
- **Maintain Iraq/Afghanistan designation (3)**
- **More youth opportunities (2)**
- **More veteran opportunities (2)**
- **Support change to all veterans (1)**
- **Increase injured veteran hunt (1)**
- **Against increasing off-range licenses (1)**



# Proposed Amendments: Oryx

19.31.12 NMAC

- Add 4 new on-range hunts to accommodate more hunters
- Increase OIL hunts from 270 → 605
- Maintain Iraq/Afghanistan veteran hunt
  - Increase licenses from 25 → 45
  - Maintain youth only\*
- Eliminate Rhodes/Stallion designation
- Increase injured veteran hunt from 3 → up to 10 licenses

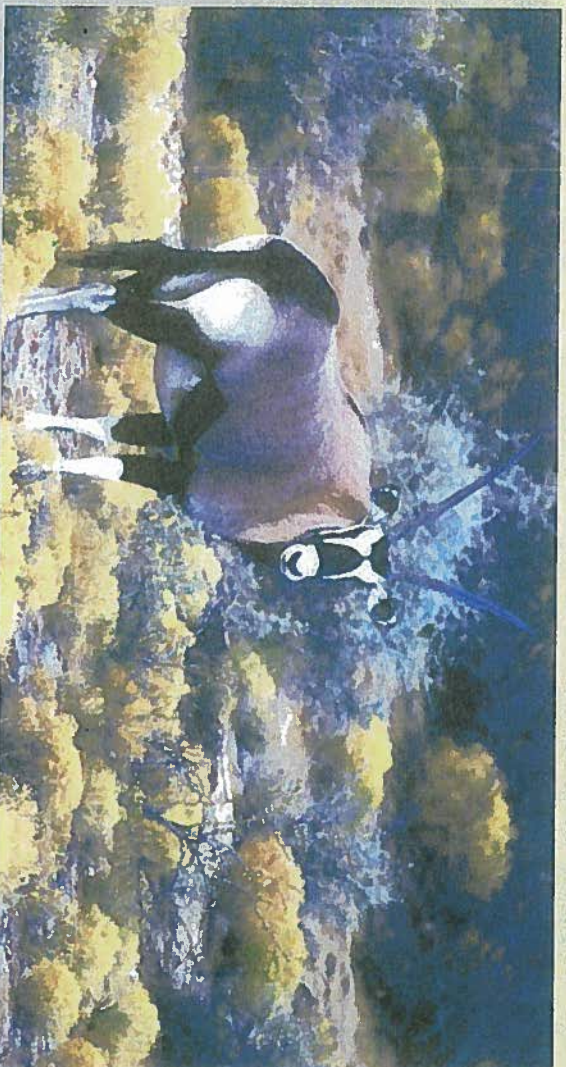




# Proposed Amendments: Oryx

19.31.12 NMAC

- **Off range**
- Increase statewide off range hunts by 33% (600 → 800)
- Increase statewide off range youth hunts by 11% (180 → 200)





## **Public Comment on 19.31.12 NMAC (ibex)**

- **3 public meetings (28 attendees)**
- **34 public comments**
- **Supportive of increasing F/IM hunts in draw (7)**
- **Not supportive of increase in F/IM hunts (3)**
- **Remove incentive hunt (1)**
- **License fee too high for non residents (1)**



# Proposal: Ibex

## 19.31.12 NMAC

- **Adjust seasons for calendar dates**
- **Increase F/IM draw licenses & add new hunt(s)**
  - **4 F/IM hunts of 75 licenses each**
- **Maintain archery, muzzleloader, & YO hunts**
- **Combine OIL hunt w/incentive hunt**





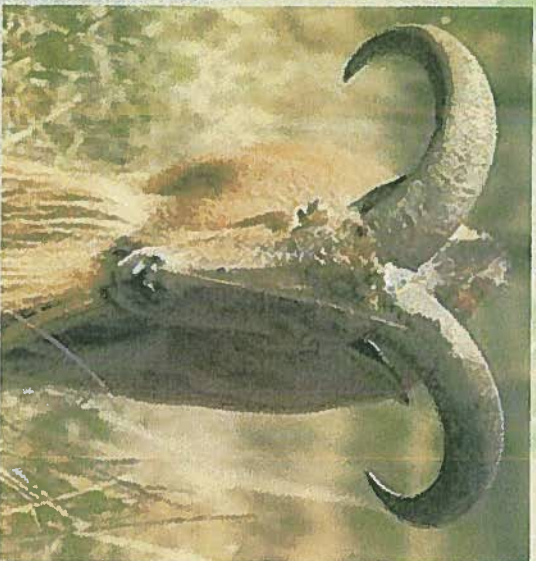
## **Public Comment on 19.31.12 NMAC (Barbary sheep)**

- 3 public meetings (28 attendees)
- 34 public comments
- Split units out, either each unit separate or keep units combined as they currently are (12)
- Supportive of all changes (7)
- Too much of an increase in license numbers (6)
- Supportive of increasing hunts (3)
- Supportive of Oct. hunt (2)
- Longer hunts (2)
- No changes (2)
- Unlimited licenses, 2 month season (1)
- Make Oct. an archery hunt (1)



# Proposal: Barbary Sheep

19.31.12 NMAC



- **Increase draw licenses by 37% in response to increasing pop. size**
  - **1,275 → 1,750**
- **Split hunts to distribute hunters (no longer a single month-long season)**



# Proposal: Barbary Sheep

19.31.12 NMAC

- Adjust seasons for calendar dates
- Maintain split units
  - GMUs 29/30
  - GMUs 32/24/36/37
- Split hunts





# Proposal: Barbary Sheep

## 19.31.12 NMAC

Hunt dates	# licenses (GMUs 29/30)	# licenses (GMUs 32/34/36/37)
Late Oct. (5 days)	100	75
Early Dec. (14 days)	250	225
Archery, Jan. 1-15	75	75
Late Jan. (14 days)	250	225
Mid Feb. (14 days)	250	225
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>750</b>

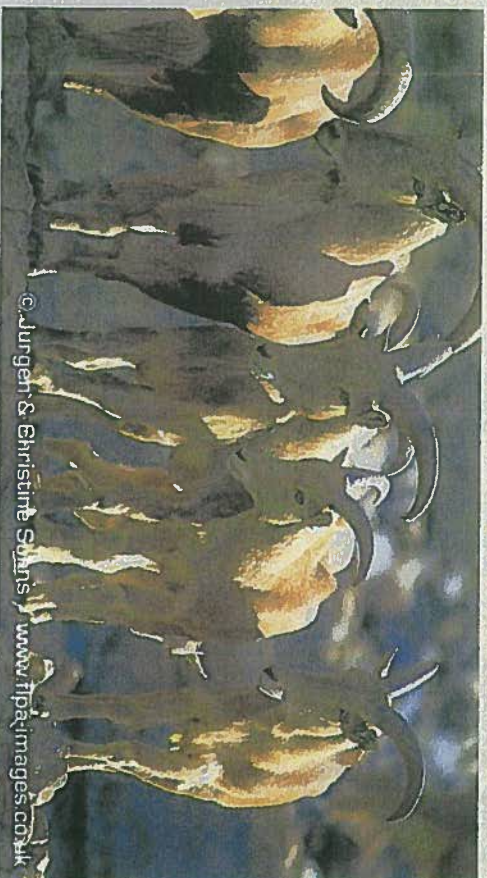
- **Increases total hunting days; 28 → 62**



# Proposal: Barbary Sheep

19.31.12 NMAC

- **Allow public hunters to hunt on private land in their units w/written permission**
- **Modify description of GMU 34 west side for clarity**
- **Increase McGregor hunts by 33%**







# Questions?

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**Oryx**

*Wildlife Management Division*



# On Range Hunt Recommendation

	PROPOSED HUNT STRUCTURE				
	Once in Life <sup>1</sup>	ES <sup>1</sup>	BH <sup>1</sup>	Veteran <sup>1</sup>	Total
Sept. 13-15, 2019	65		15	5	85
Sept. 27-29, 2019 New Date	65		15	5	85
Oct. 25-27, 2019 New Date	65		15	5	85
Nov. 8-10, 2019	65		15	5	85
Dec 6-8 Dec, 2019 New Date	65		15	5	85
Jan. 3-5, 2020	65		15	5	85
Jan. 17-19, 2020	65		15	5	85
Feb. 14-16, 2020	65		15	5	85
Feb. 28-Mar. 1 2020 New Date	65		15	5	85
Oct. 11-13, 2019 (Mobility impaired)	20				20
Oct. 11-13, 2019 (Youth only)		40			40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>825</b>

	EXISTING DRAW 2018-2019				
	Once in Life <sup>1</sup>	ES <sup>1</sup>	BH <sup>1</sup>	Veteran <sup>1</sup>	Total
Oct. 12-14, 2018	50		25	5	80
Nov. 9-11, 2018	50		25	5	80
Jan. 4-6, 2019	50		25	5	80
Jan. 18-20, 2019	50		25	5	80
Feb. 15-17, 2019	50		25	5	80
Sept. 7-9, 2018 (Mobility impaired)	20				20
Sept. 7-9, 2018 (Youth only)		40			40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>460</b>

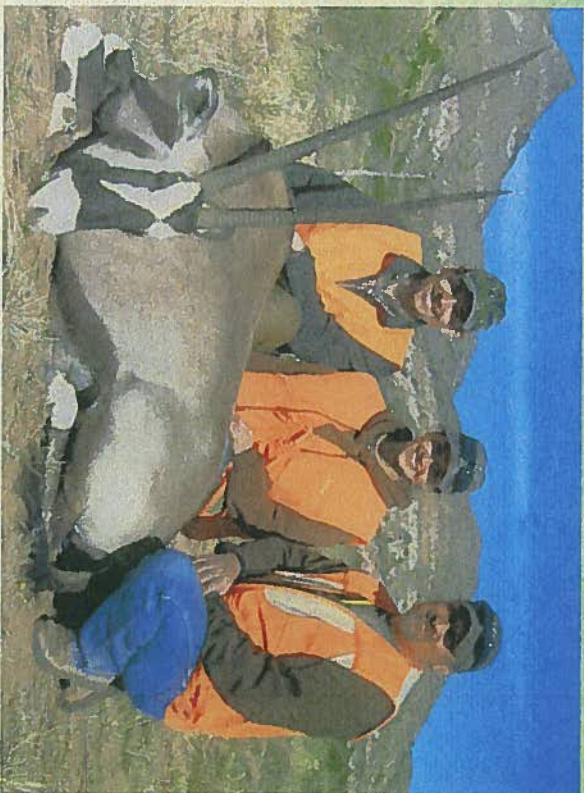
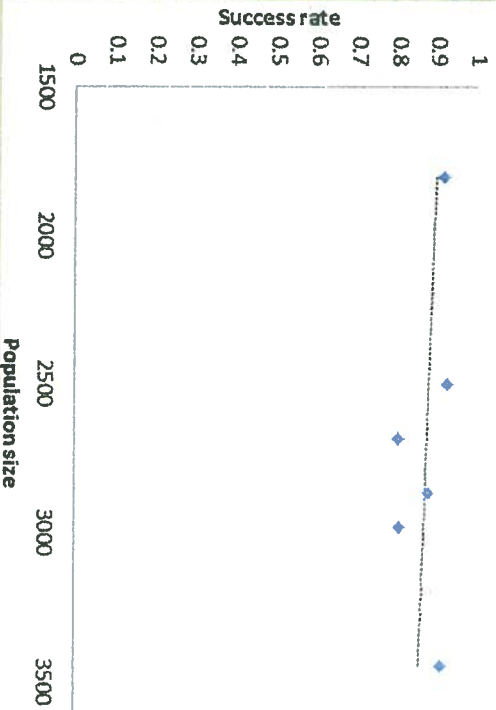
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<sup>1</sup> Hunts w/this designation are NOT once-in-a-lifetime

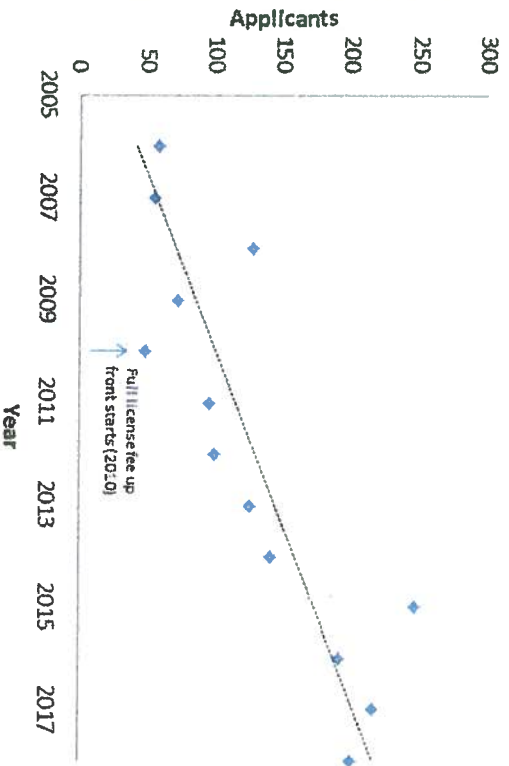


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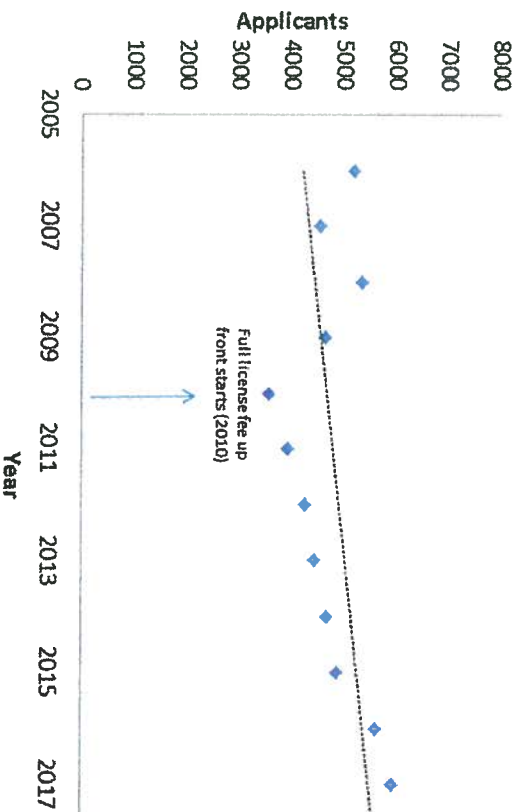
Harvest success rate by population size



Iraq/Afghanistan veteran applicants by year



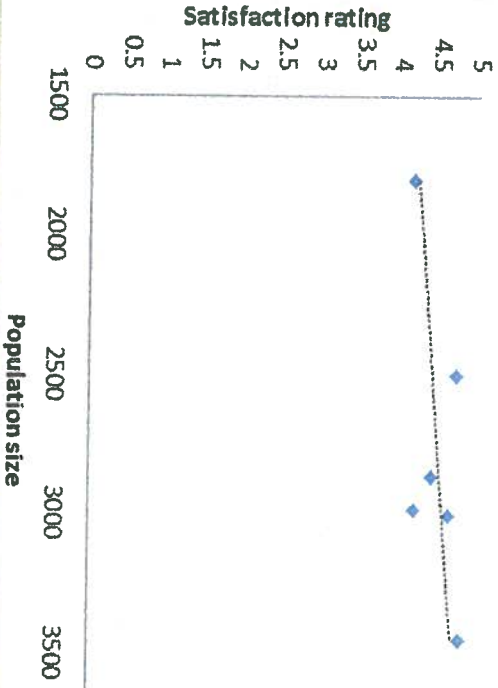
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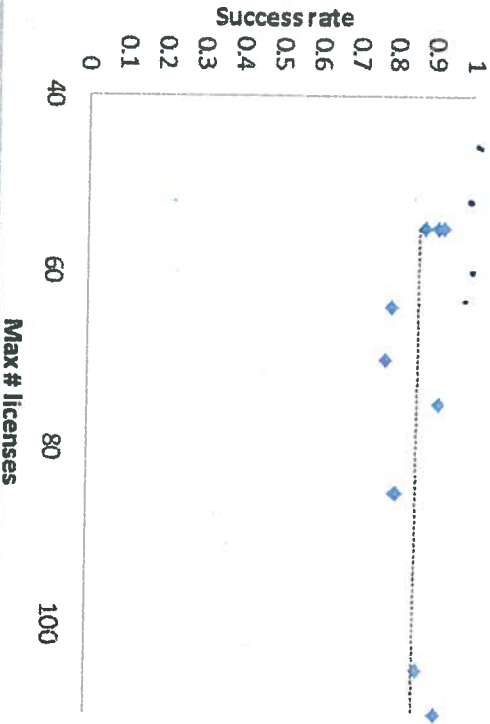


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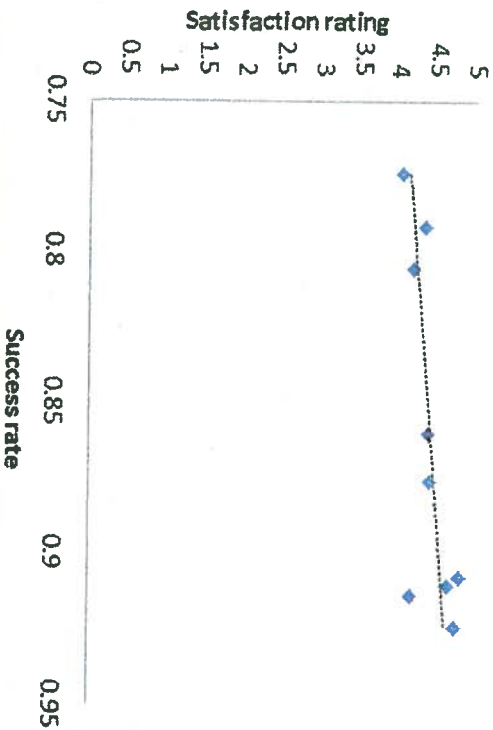
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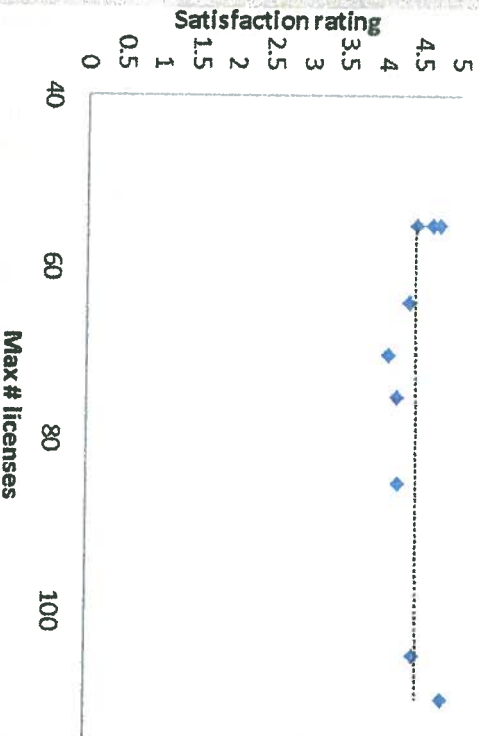
Success by total licenses (during hunt period)



Hunter satisfaction rating by harvest success rate

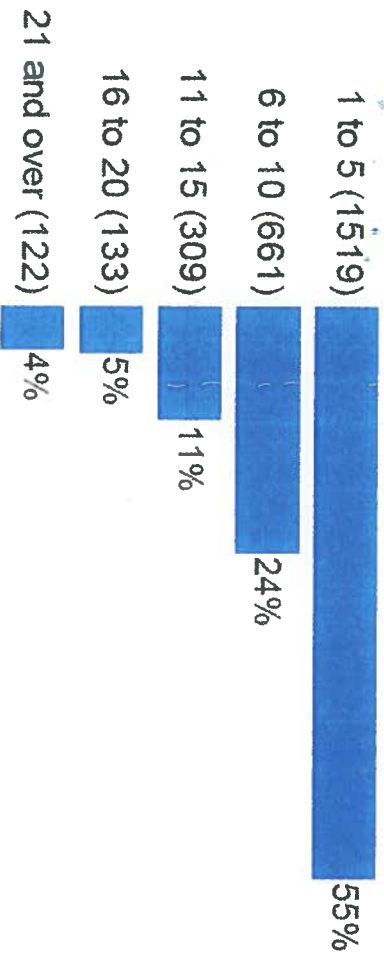


Hunter satisfaction by total licenses (during hunt period)



# WSMR Oryx Online survey

**A: Approximately how many years have you applied for a once-in-a-lifetime oryx hunt? (Years Applied?)**



**B: Would you be supportive of a White Sands Missile Range proposed draw strategy that increases the number of applicants for oryx hunts by allowing previous once-in-a-lifetime license holders to be able to apply for hunts on White Sands Missile Range? (Allow previous draws?)**





# WSMR Oryx Online survey

**C: Would you like the Department to offer more once-in-a-lifetime oryx draw license in the next ~4 years? (More in 4 years?)**

Yes (2345)



86%

No (399)



15%

White Sands Missile Range is proposing to change the draw strategy for oryx by removing the once-in-a-lifetime designation from ~60% of the licenses on Range.

That means everyone could apply for and draw oryx licenses on Range, even those who have already held a once-in-a lifetime oryx license.

**Would you support this draw strategy? (Support strategy?)**

Yes (1187)



35%

No (2230)

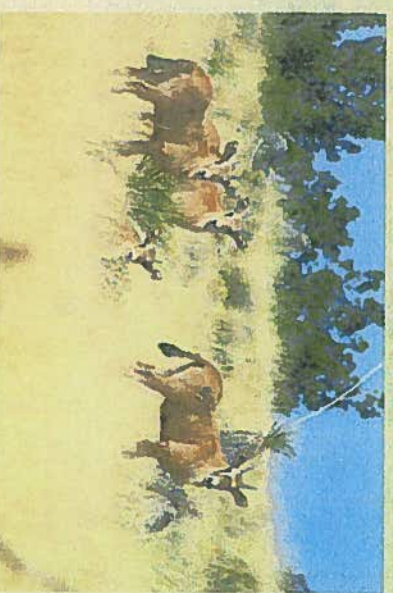
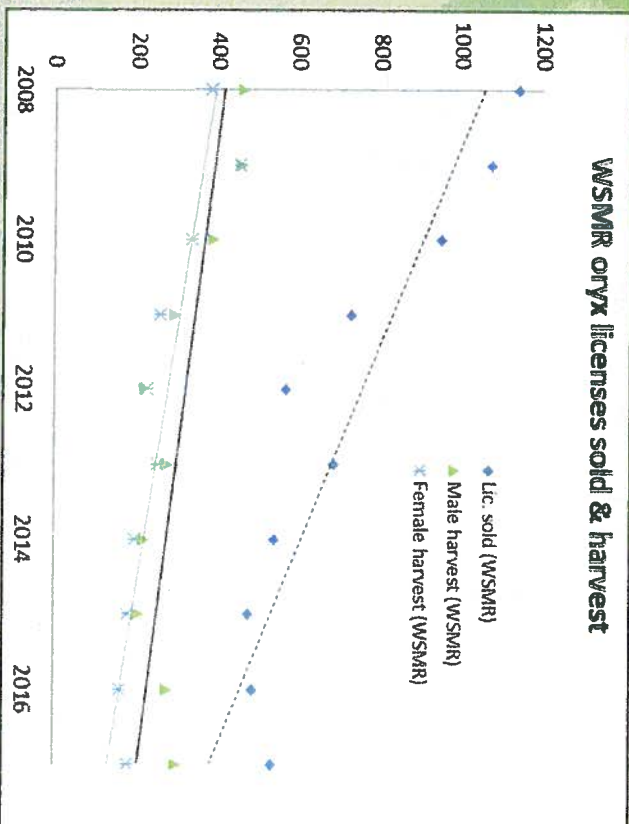


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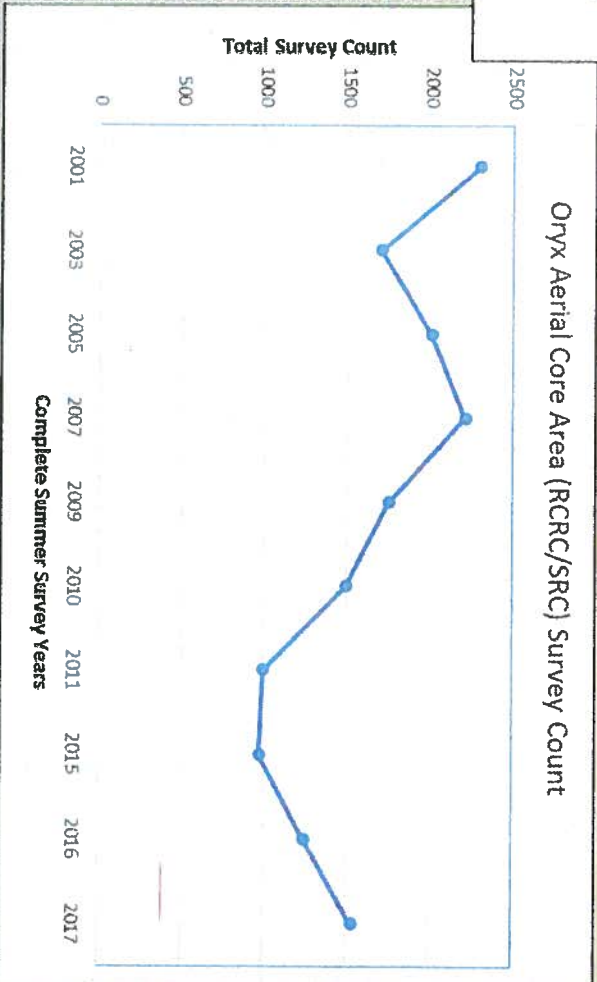


# WSMR Oryx Population & Harvest Data

WSMR oryx licenses sold & harvest



Oryx Aerial Core Area (RCRC/SRC) Survey Count

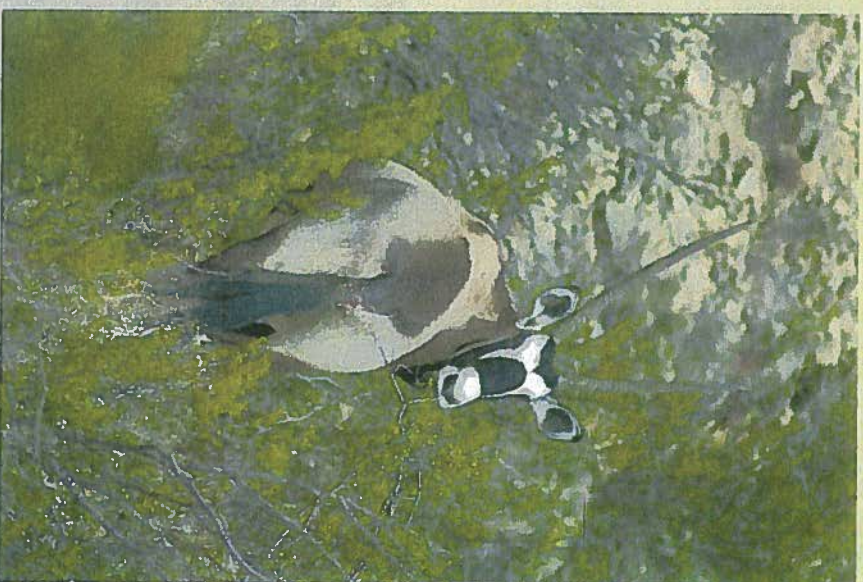




# Proposed Amendments: Oryx

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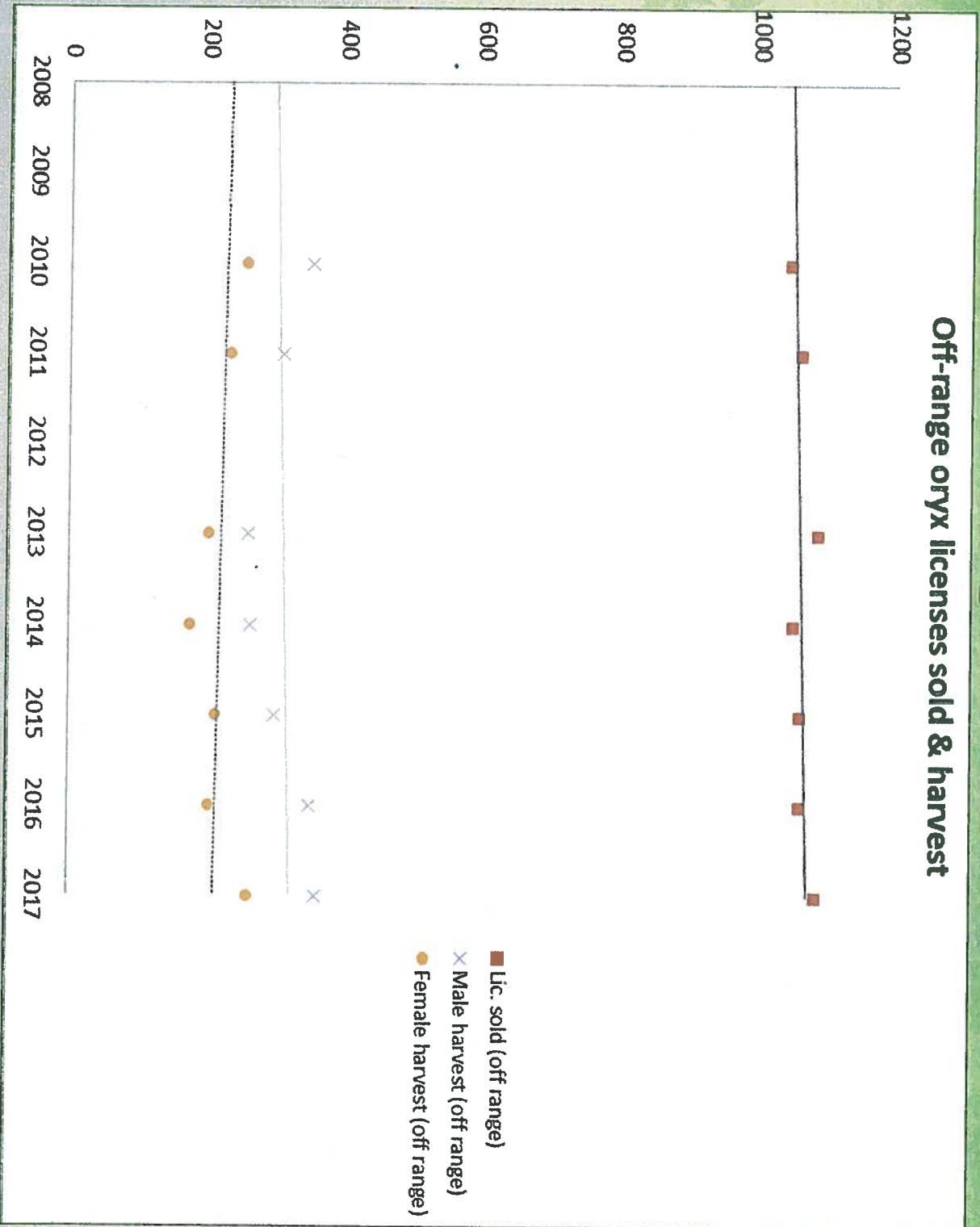
- **On-range**
  - Adjust seasons for calendar dates
  - Add 4 new on-range hunts to accommodate more hunters
  - Increase once in lifetime (OIL) hunts
    - 270 → 605
  - Increase broken-horned hunts
    - 125 → 135
  - Increase I/A veteran hunt
    - 25 → 45





# Off Range Oryx Harvest Data

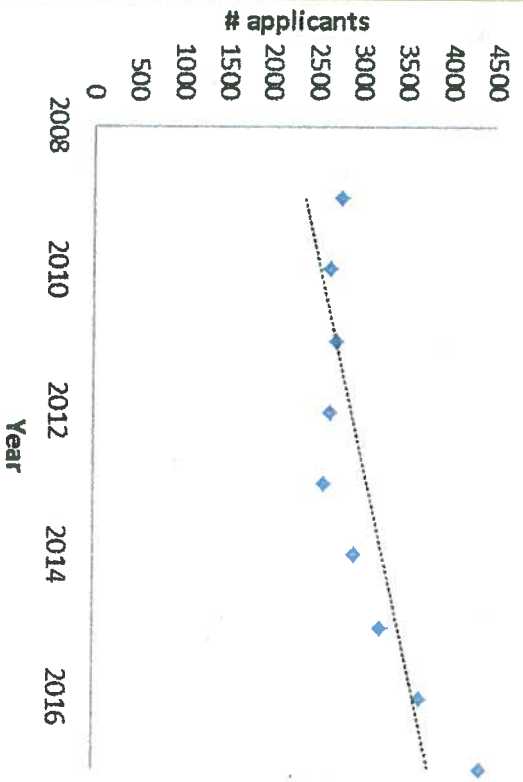
Off-range oryx licenses sold & harvest



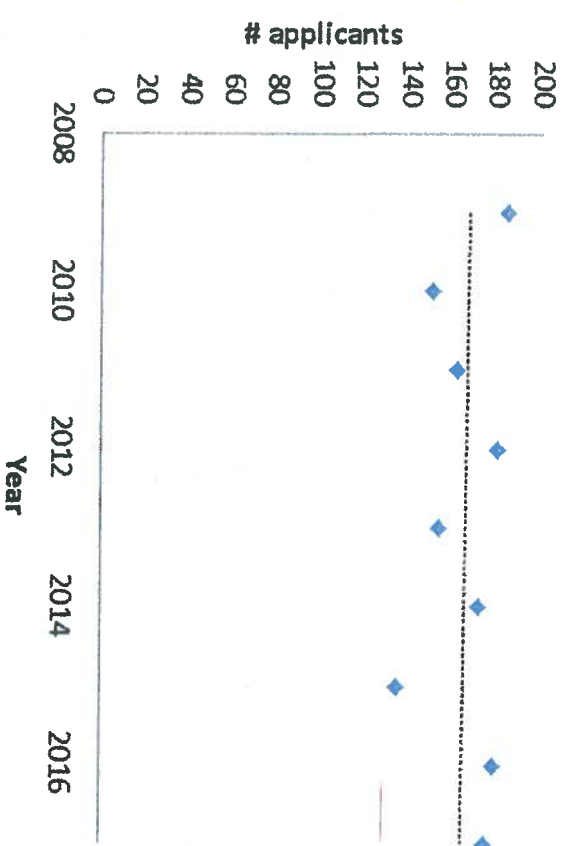


# Off Range Application Data

# applicants (off-range)



# youth applicants (off-range)







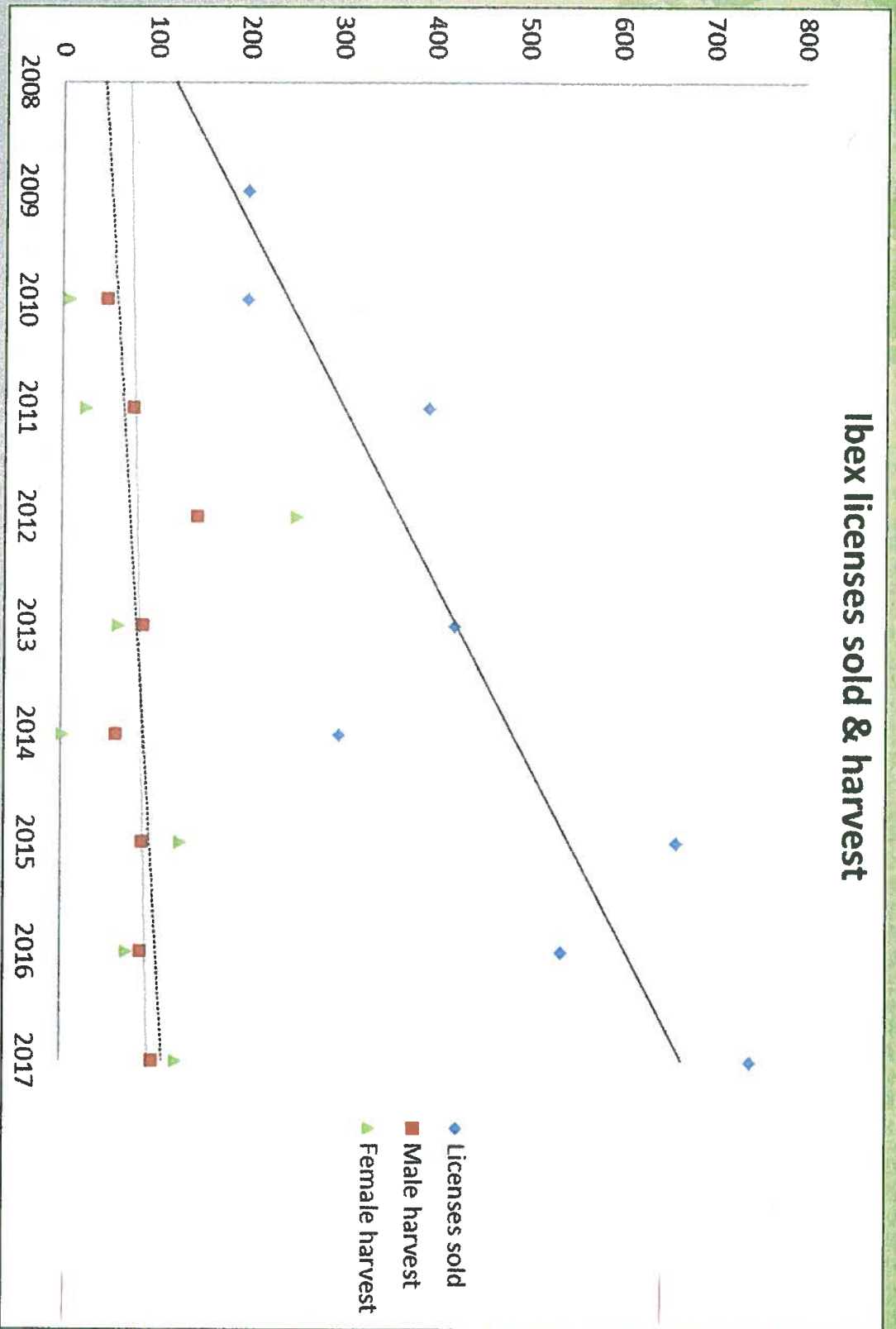
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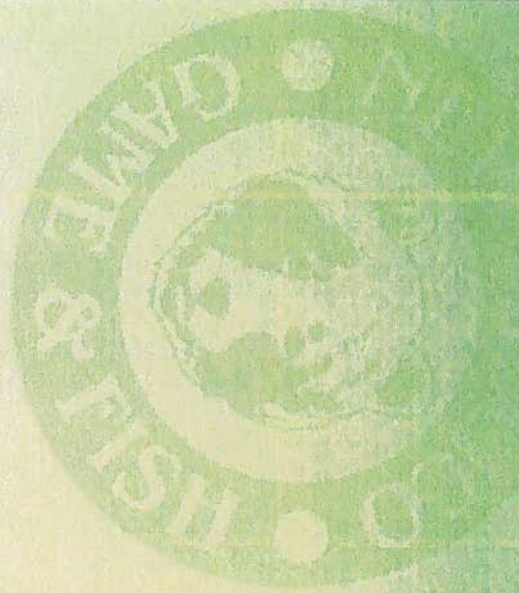


# Ibex Harvest Data

Ibex licenses sold & harvest







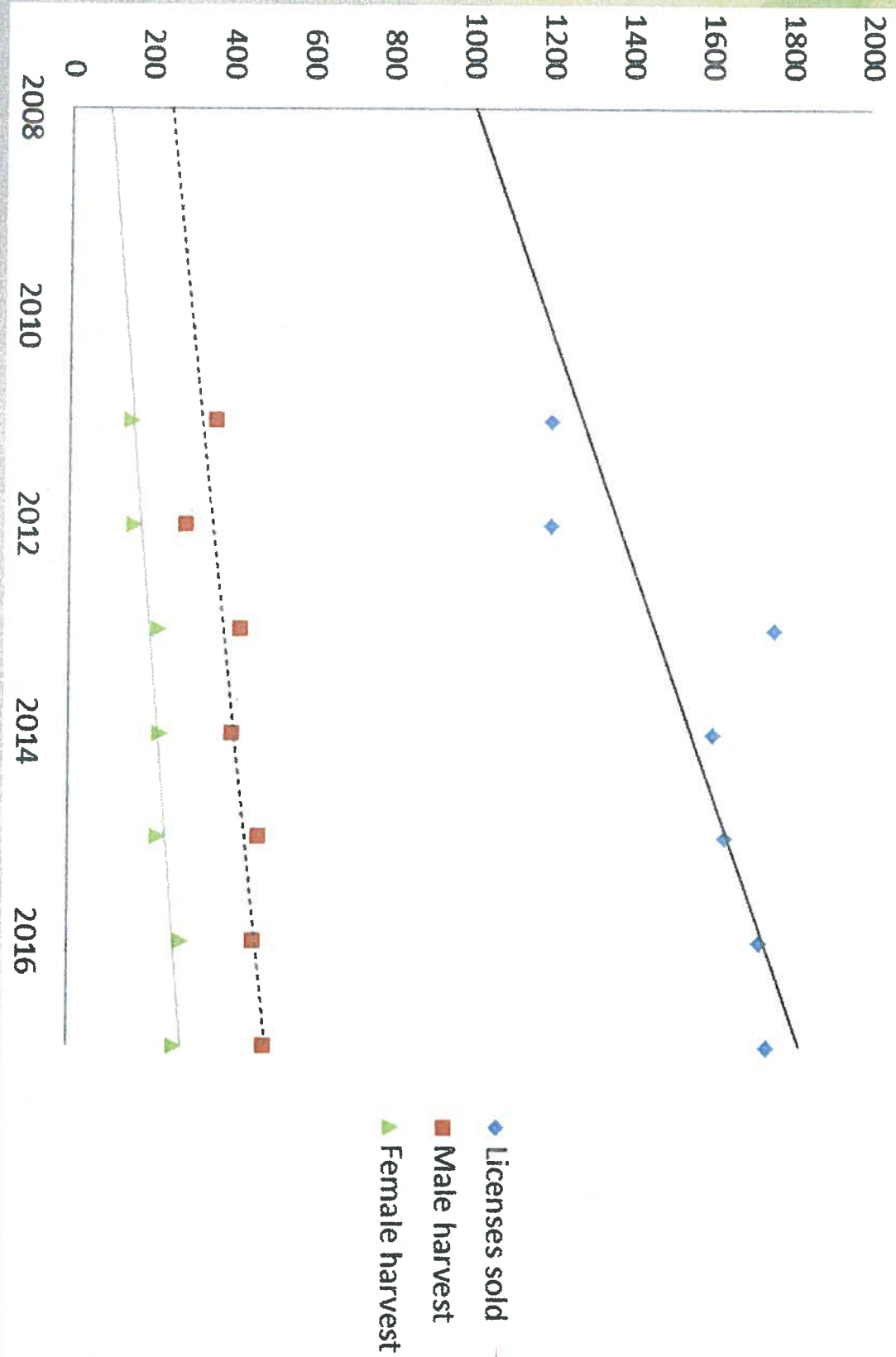
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# Barbary Sheep Harvest Data (draw hunts)

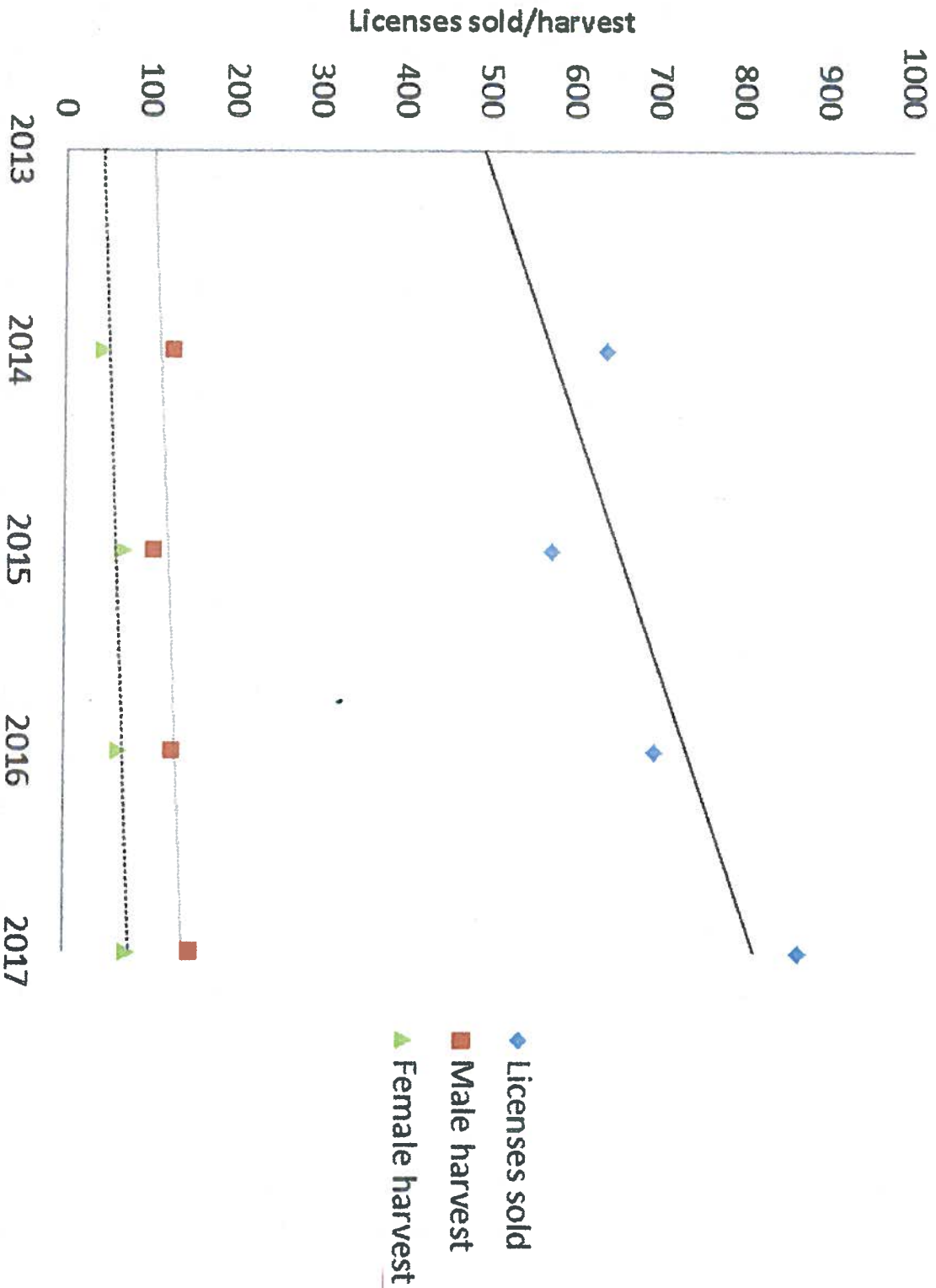
## Barbary sheep licenses sold & harvest





# Barbary Sheep Harvest Data (OTC hunts)

Barbary sheep over-the-counter licenses sold & harvest





**SUMMARY OF BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX PROPOSED CHANGES, 2019-2023**

- Adjust seasons for calendar dates for all species

**ORYX**

- Oryx population data indicates populations (both on and off White Sands Missile Range) are increasing. As a result, the Department is proposing additional oryx hunting opportunities as outlined below.
  - o On White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) hunts
    - Add 4 new on-range hunts to accommodate more hunters
    - Increase once-in-a-lifetime hunt from 270 → 605
    - Increase Iraq/Afghanistan veteran hunts from 25 → 45
    - Eliminate Rhodes/Stallion designation (hunters can still apply for the area they want to hunt)
    - Increase injured veteran hunt from 3 → up to 10
  - o Off range hunts, data suggests oryx numbers are increasing and we can offer more opportunity
    - Increase statewide off range hunts from 600 → 800
    - Increase statewide off range youth hunts from 180 → 200

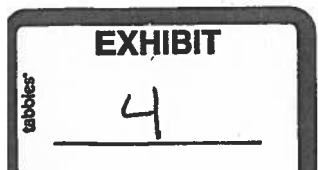
**IBEX**

- Ibex population data indicates the ibex population is slightly increasing, resulting in a need for annual female/immature harvest. The Department is proposing to maintain ibex as a quality trophy population.
  - o 4 female/immature hunts of 75 licenses each
  - o Maintain youth, archery, and muzzleloader hunts
  - o Combine once-in-a-lifetime hunters with incentive hunters

**BARBARY SHEEP**

- Barbary sheep population data suggests numbers are increasing and barbary sheep are expanding into new areas resulting in more hunting opportunity.
  - o Proposing increasing draw licenses from 1,275 → 1,750
  - o Modify description of GMU 34 west side for clarity
  - o Increase McGregor hunts from 15 → 20
  - o Split hunts to distribute hunters (no longer a single month-long season)
  - o Add new archery hunts

<b>Barbary sheep hunt dates</b>	<b># licenses (GMUs 29/30)</b>	<b># licenses (GMUs 32/24/36/37)</b>
Late October (5 days)	100	75
Early December (14 days)	250	225
Late January (14 days)	250	225
Mid February (14 days)	250	225
Archery (Jan. 1-15)	75	75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>825</b>



# TECHNICAL INFORMATION FOR BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX RULE DEVELOPMENT



## Barbary sheep

Barbary sheep management relies on monitoring harvest and distribution reports from hunters and field staff. Limiting the number of Barbary sheep licenses in GMUs 29, 30, 32, portions of 34, 37, 37, and 38 while offering over-the-counter licenses in the remainder of the state meets management goals. Barbary sheep are found in the greatest numbers in the southeastern portion of the state, but recent observations from New Mexico Department of Game & Fish (Department) staff, as well as hunters, across the state suggests Barbary sheep are increasing in numbers and distribution.

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## 2016-17 New Mexico Barbary Sheep Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

GMU	Licenses		Weapon	Hunt Dates	Bag Limit	No. of Hunters Reported	# reports hunted	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Number of Days		Satisfaction Rating
	Sold or Converted	Limit								Hunted	Estimated Harvest	
31, 32, 34, 36 & 37	677	ES	Any Legal	Feb. 1-29	639	507	94%	43%	4.5	152	79	3.3
31, 32, 34, 36 & 37 Private	384	ES	Any Legal	Feb. 1-29	286	269	74%	73%	2.5	136	129	4.3
29 & 30	600	ES	Any Legal	Feb. 1-29	567	463	95%	47%	5.0	160	72	3.6
29 & 30 Private	49	ES	Any Legal	Feb. 1-29	40	32	82%	31%	4.1	10	2	3.6
28 Military Only	9	ES	Any Legal	Dec. 26-27	8	6	89%	33%	1.7	2	0	3.5
	8	ES	Any Legal	Dec. 26-27	8	7	100%	43%	1.7	3	0	3.9
Statewide Excluding	697	ES	Any Legal	Apr. 1-Mar31	598	511	86%	32%	6.2	126	66	3.3
Special Licenses	1	ES	Any Legal	Apr. 1-Mar31	1	1	100%	100%	1.0	1	0	5.0
<b>Barbary Sheep Hunt Totals</b>	<b>2425</b>				<b>2147</b>	<b>1796</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>3.5</b>

## 2017-18 New Mexico Barbary Sheep Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

GMU	Licenses Sold or Converted		Bag Limit	Hunt Dates	No. of Hunters Reported	% Reprtd	Reported Harvest	Success Rate	Number of Days		Satisfaction Rating	
	Sold or Converted	Limit							Males	Females		Hunted
31, 32, 34, 36 & 37	676	ES	ES	Feb. 1-28	635	128	65	41%	4.4	136	69	3.2
31, 32, 34, 36 & 37 Private	388	ES	ES	Feb. 1-28	294	110	99	80%	2.7	145	131	4.1
29 & 30	600	ES	ES	Feb. 1-28	570	176	61	50%	4.8	185	64	3.7
29 & 30 Private	52	ES	ES	Feb. 1-28	40	7	2	32%	4.4	9	3	3.0
28 Military Only	16	ES	ES	Dec. 30-31	14	5	1	67%	1.3	6	1	4.2
	16	ES	ES	Dec. 30-31	15	6	1	54%	1.7	6	1	3.8
Statewide Excluding	868	ES	ES	Apr. 1-Mar31	732	128	66	30%	5.7	148	76	3.1
Special Licenses	1	ES	ES	Apr. 1-Mar31	1	1	0	N/A	1.0	N/A	N/A	5.0
<b>Barbary Sheep Hunt Totals</b>	<b>2617</b>				<b>2321</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>3.4</b>



## Oryx

Since being introduced on White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) in the 1970's, oryx have thrived both off and on WSMR. Oryx are surveyed annually via a fixed-wing aircraft on WSMR. A ground survey was initiated two years ago to gather composition data to assist with management.

**Table: Aerial Survey Data**

Aerial Survey Results									
		COUNT	AGE	JUV	AGE	GRPs	AVG GRP	COUNT	# ORYX
ANNUAL	DATE	TOTAL	JUV	%	UNK	TOTAL	SIZE	TIME (HRS)	PER HR
SUMMER 01	2001	2302	167	7.25	1935	321	7.17	20.88	110.25
SUMMER 03	2003	1704	133	7.81	1591	303	5.62	17.28	98.61
SUMMER 05	2005	2008	110	5.48	1898	338	5.94	15.44	130.05
SUMMER 07	2007	2216	142	6.41	2074	269	8.24	15.51	142.88
SUMMER 09	2009	1753	122	6.96	1631	278	6.31	15.38	113.98
SUMMER 10	2010	1497	76	5.08	1424	310	4.83	17.54	85.35
SUMMER 11	2011	999	20	2.00	979	313	3.19	16.73	59.71
SUMMER 15	2015	977	51	5.22	926	221	4.42	17.89	54.61
SUMMER 16	2016	1245	79	6.35	1166	274	4.54	17.8	69.94
SUMMER 17	2017	1535	98	6.38	1437	355	4.32	18.17	84.48

Tables: Harvest data (2013-2017 seasons)

**2013-14 New Mexico Oryx Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish**

**WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE**

AREA	Weapon	Hunt Dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating
							Male	Female	
RC, Youth Only	Any Legal	Sept 6-8	30	ES	97%	83%	12	12	4.10
RC, Mobility Impaired Only.	Any Legal	Sept 6-8	21	ES	90%	89%	10	8	4.56
RC	Any Legal	Oct 4-6	55	ES	87%	65%	22	14	4.04
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	Oct 4-6	5	ES	60%	100%	2	3	4.67
		Nov 29 -							
RC	Any Legal	Dec 1	55	ES	95%	82%	22	21	4.22
		Nov 29 -							
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	Dec 1	5	ES	100%	80%	2	2	5.00
		Jan 24-26							
RC	Any Legal	'14	55	ES	89%	90%	26	24	4.06
		Jan 24-26							
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	'14	5	ES	100%	60%	3	0	4.60
		Feb 21-23							
RC	Any Legal	'14	55	ES	84%	89%	18	30	4.38
		Feb 21-23							
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	'14	5	ES	40%	100%	0	3	5.00
RC, BHO	Any Legal	Oct 4-6	10	BHO	90%	86%	7	0	3.43
		Nov 29 -							
RC, BHO	Any Legal	Dec 1	10	BHO	100%	70%	3	4	3.60
		Jan 24-26							
RC, BHO	Any Legal	'14	10	BHO	90%	78%	3	4	4.44
		Feb 21-23							
RC, BHO	Any Legal	'14	10	BHO	100%	67%	4	2	4.11
<b>Rhodes Canyon Total</b>			<b>331</b>		<b>89%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>4.30</b>

**Stallion Range**

SR	Any Legal	Sept 20-22	45	ES	91%	73%	15	14	3.51
SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	Sept 20-22	5	ES	80%	100%	3	3	5.00
SR	Any Legal	Nov 15-17	45	ES	96%	85%	23	14	4.34
SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	Nov 15-17	5	ES	60%	100%	2	3	4.67
		Jan 10-12							
SR	Any Legal	'14	46	ES	89%	75%	18	16	4.33
		Jan 10-12							
SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	Any Legal	'14	5	ES	100%	80%	2	2	4.20
SR	Any Legal	Feb 7-9 '14	45	ES	100%	70%	16	15	3.86



SR	Category	Any Legal	Hunt Dates	5	ES	80%	75%	3	1	4.25
SR	Iraq/Afganistan Veterans	Any Legal	Feb 7-9 '14	5	ES	80%	75%	3	1	4.25
SR	BHO	Any Legal	Sept 20-22	10	BHO	90%	56%	4	1	3.56
SR	BHO	Any Legal	Nov 15-17	10	BHO	100%	88%	4	3	4.63
SR	BHO	Any Legal	Jan 10-12 '14	10	BHO	100%	89%	7	1	4.22
SR	BHO	Any Legal	Feb 7-9 '14	10	BHO	100%	78%	4	3	4.33
<b>Stallion Range Total</b>				<b>241</b>		<b>93%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>4.24</b>

Badged	Security	Any Legal	Hunt Dates	18	ES	78%	93%	8	9	4.79
WSMR	military only	Any Legal	TBA	18	ES	78%	93%	8	9	4.79
SB	Hunt, TBA	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	20	ES	100%	100%	8	9	4.59
SB	Hunt, TBA	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	20	ES	90%	78%	6	10	3.56
SB	Hunt, TBA	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	20	ES	85%	93%	6	9	3.57
SB	Hunt, TBA	Any Legal	Jan 1-31 '14	20	ES	95%	71%	6	6	4.29
SB	Hunt, TBA	Any Legal	Feb 1-28 '14	20	ES	95%	88%	9	6	3.82
<b>Badged Hunts Total</b>				<b>118</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4.10</b>

## "OFF-RANGE" ORYX HUNTS

Statewide Off-Range	AREA	Weapon	Hunt Dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Estimated Harvest Males	Estimated Harvest Females	Satisfaction Rating
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	June 1-30	60	ES	92%	50%	13	15	3.06
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	June 1-30	18	ES	89%	75%	6	8	3.56
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	July 1-31	60	ES	97%	69%	20	20	3.58
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	July 1-31	18	ES	94%	50%	3	5	3.13
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Aug 1-31	60	ES	98%	49%	19	7	3.13
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	Aug 1-31	18	ES	94%	29%	4	0	2.57
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	60	ES	95%	25%	8	5	3.40
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	Sept 1-30	18	ES	94%	54%	2	5	3.15
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	60	ES	93%	33%	13	5	2.71
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	Oct 1-31	18	ES	83%	38%	4	2	3.08
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	60	ES	92%	38%	12	9	3.10
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	Nov 1-30	18	ES	94%	36%	4	1	2.71
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Dec 1-31	60	ES	98%	39%	12	9	2.80
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	Dec 1-31	18	ES	94%	58%	4	3	3.38
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Jan 1-31 '14	60	ES	92%	26%	11	4	2.57
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO		Any Legal	Jan 1-31 '14	18	ES	100%	31%	2	3	2.81
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	YO	Any Legal	Feb 1-28 '14	60	ES	98%	27%	6	9	2.55

Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO	Any Legal	Feb 1-28 '14	19	ES	95%	50%	3	5	3.63
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any Legal	Mar 1-31 '14	60	ES	90%	17%	7	2	2.74
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, YO	Any Legal	Mar 1-31 '14	18	ES	89%	36%	2	2	2.82
<b>Statewide Off-Range Total</b>			<b>781</b>		<b>94%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>3.02</b>

<b>Private Lands</b>	Any Legal	April 1-30	7	ES	57%	75%	2	4	3.75
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	May 1-31	11	ES	82%	78%	4	5	3.22
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	June 1-30	11	ES	100%	100%	4	7	4.45
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	July 1-31	3	ES	67%	0%	0	0	4.00
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Aug 1-31	8	ES	88%	71%	5	1	3.86
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	18	ES	67%	67%	9	3	3.58
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	20	ES	60%	58%	7	5	3.58
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	15	ES	73%	55%	7	1	3.18
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Dec 1-31	6	ES	100%	67%	2	2	3.50
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Jan 1-31 '14	12	ES	92%	80%	4	4	4.00
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Feb 1-28 '14	19	ES	100%	69%	5	6	3.71
Statewide Private Lands	Any Legal	Mar 1-31 '14	22	ES	73%	67%	6	8	3.20
<b>Private Lands Total</b>			<b>152</b>		<b>79%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3.67</b>

<b>McGregor/Ft. Bliss</b>	Any Legal	Jan 11-12 '14	27	ES	85%	52%	6	7	3.52
McGregor/Fort Bliss, military only	Any Legal	Jan 11-12 '14	30	ES	50%	85%	12	10	4.38
McGregor/Fort Bliss	Any Legal	Dec 7-8	25	ES	100%	54%	7	6	3.63
McGregor/Fort Bliss, military only	Any Legal	Dec 7-8	37	ES	43%	47%	12	5	3.07
<b>McGregor/Ft Bliss Total</b>			<b>119</b>		<b>66%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3.65</b>

<b>Jornada Range</b>	Any Legal	TBA	4	ES	100%	100%	2	2	4.25
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	5	ES	100%	50%	2	0	4.00
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	6	ES	100%	67%	2	2	4.33
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	3	ES	67%	0%	0	0	1.50
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	4	ES	100%	50%	1	1	4.25
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	4	ES	100%	100%	4	0	4.50
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	4	ES	75%	100%	3	1	4.33
Jornada	Any Legal	TBA	2	ES	50%	100%	2	0	5.00
<b>Jornada Total</b>			<b>32</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4.02</b>

Bosque Del Apache	Any Legal	TBA	1	ES	100%	0%	0	0	4.00
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Bosque Del Apache	Any Legal	TBA	1	ES	100%	0%	0	1.00
Bosque Del Apache	Any Legal	TBA	1	ES	100%	100%	1	5.00
<b>Bosque Total</b>			<b>3</b>		<b>100%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3.33</b>

<b>STATEWIDE TOTALS</b>		Estimated Harvest	
Licenses Sold or Converted	% Reported	Success Rate	Satisfaction Rating
692	91%	81%	4.2
1087	89%	46%	3.5

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#### WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE

AREA	Hunt code	Weapon	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprtd	Success Rate	# Days Hunted	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating
								Male	Female	
RC Youth Only	ORX-1-100	Any	30	ES	90	77	1.92	11	11	4.31
RC Mobility Impaired Only	ORX-1-101	Legal	20	ES	90	83	2.00	8	9	4.17
RC	ORX-1-104	Any	49	ES	92	70	1.82	24	10	4.16
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-105	Legal	10	ES	80	63	1.75	4	3	4.50
RC	ORX-1-112	Any	48	ES	98	86	1.88	20	17	4.44
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-113	Legal	9	ES	100	89	1.89	6	2	4.89
RC	ORX-1-116	Any	49	ES	86	79	2.14	16	22	4.45
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-117	Legal	10	ES	100	56	2.11	1	4	4.33
RC	ORX-1-128	Any	5	BHO	100	100	2.00	1	3	4.00
RC	ORX-1-132	Legal	5	BHO	80	50	1.75	1	1	4.25
RC	ORX-1-134	Any	5	BHO	100	60	2.20	0	3	4.40

Rhodes Canyon

Rhodes Canyon Total		240	92%	77%	1.95	93	85	4.35				
Stallion Range	SR	ORX-1-106	49	ES	Nov 14-16	94	84	2.23	23	16	4.11	
	SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-107	10	ES	Nov 14-16	90	100	2.33	9	1	4.78	
	SR	ORX-1-110	49	ES	Jan 9-11, '15	96	87	2.17	21	22	4.51	
	SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-111	10	ES	Jan 9-11, '15	100	70	1.90	6	1	4.90	
	SR	ORX-1-114	49	ES	Feb 6-8, '15	92	69	1.58	14	20	4.38	
	SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-115	10	ES	Feb 6-8, '15	90	100	1.67	6	4	4.22	
	SR	ORX-1-129	5	BHO	Nov 14-16	100	50	2.00	1	1	4.50	
	SR	ORX-1-131	5	BHO	Jan 9-11, '15	80	50	2.50	3	0	4.25	
	SR	ORX-1-133	5	BHO	Feb 6-8, '15	80	75	1.50	1	3	4.75	
	<b>Stallion Range Total</b>		<b>192</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>1.99</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>68</b>				<b>4.49</b>
	Badged	WSMR Active duty military only.	ORX-1-118	16	ES	TBD	75	92	2.25	7	8	4.58
		WSMR SB: TBA	ORX-1-120	18	ES	Sept 1-30	94	88	2.06	6	10	4.24
		WSMR SB: TBA	ORX-1-121	20	ES	Oct 1-31	95	100	3.15	8	5	4.62
WSMR SB: TBA		ORX-1-122	20	ES	Nov 1-30	95	100	2.26	12	8	4.32	
WSMR SB: TBA		ORX-1-124	18	ES	Jan 1-31, '15	100	94	2.50	8	7	3.81	
WSMR SB: TBA		ORX-1-125	18	ES	Feb 1-28, '15	100	88	1.81	5	9	3.75	
<b>Badged Hunts Total</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>2.34</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>47</b>				<b>4.22</b>	
Big Game Enhancement		ORX-1-501	2	ES	TBD							
<b>WSMR TOTALS</b>		<b>544</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>2.09</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>200</b>				<b>4.35</b>	



# "OFF RANGE" ORYX HUNTS

AREA	Hunt Code	Weapon	Hunt dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Number of Days Hunted	Estimated Harvest Bulls	Estimated Harvest Cows	Satisfaction Rating	
Statewide Off Range	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	June 1-30	60	ES	97	57	4.72	20	11	3.13	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	June 1-30	18	ES	94	43	5.93	5	1	2.64	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	July 1-31	60	ES	95	60	5.56	26	6	3.25	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	July 1-31	18	ES	100	25	5.56	1	3	3.06	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Aug 1-31	60	ES	92	29	6.37	8	9	2.67	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Aug 1-31	18	ES	83	38	5.85	1	5	2.38	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Sept 1-30	60	ES	98	33	6.53	9	10	3.02	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Sept 1-30	18	ES	94	21	7.29	3	0	3.07	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Oct 1-31	60	ES	98	35	9.25	7	11	3.04	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Oct 1-31	18	ES	94	29	5.59	3	2	3.29	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Nov 1-30	60	ES	98	40	6.72	12	9	3.09	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Nov 1-30	18	ES	89	38	7.13	3	3	2.38	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Dec 1-30	60	ES	88	31	6.50	11	6	2.65	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Dec 1-30	18	ES	89	18	6.09	1	1	2.82	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Jan 1-31, '15	60	ES	92	47	5.21	17	10	2.64	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Jan 1-31, '15	18	ES	89	27	4.87	2	2	2.60	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Feb 1-28, '15	60	ES	93	42	5.46	15	8	3.16	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Feb 1-28, '15	18	ES	83	64	5.86	7	4	3.36	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	Any	Mar 1-31, '15	60	ES	90	38	5.48	10	12	2.69	
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	Legal	Mar 1-31, '15	18	ES	89	23	5.38	1	2	2.62	
	<b>Statewide Off Range</b>				<b>780</b>		93%	39%	6.07	<b>165</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>2.88</b>

Statewide Off Range

Private Lands		Total											
Category	Sub-Category	Period	Count	ES	Legal	Any	Value	Count	ES	Legal	Any	Value	
Private Lands	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2000	3	ES	100	67	2.33	0	2	3.33			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2020	9	ES	78	83	2.67	4	3	4.67			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2040	7	ES	100	71	4.14	5	0	4.29			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2060	17	ES	94	75	3.00	11	2	4.31			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2080	17	ES	82	83	1.67	5	7	4.08			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2100	15	ES	87	85	4.77	8	5	3.23			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2120	18	ES	83	46	3.77	7	0	3.85			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2140	22	ES	73	53	3.73	6	6	2.53			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2160	14	ES	79	73	3.36	4	6	3.91			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2180	20	ES	100	42	3.58	6	2	3.42			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2200	8	ES	75	80	3.20	4	1	3.80			
	Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2220	12	ES	75	67	2.00	4	4	4.33			
	<b>Statewide Off Range Total</b>			<b>162</b>		<b>85%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>3.19</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>3.81</b>		
	McG/Bliss	McGregor/Fort Bliss	ORX-1-2224	25	ES	92	50	1.55	6.52	4.35	3.45		
		McGregor/Fort Bliss, military only	ORX-1-2225	25	ES	80	68	1.53	10.00	6.25	3.74		
McGregor/Fort Bliss, military only		ORX-1-2226	25	ES	96	67	1.67	7.29	7.29	3.81			
Fort Bliss		ORX-1-9000	3	ES	84	60	1.60	10.71	3.57	4.25			
Fort Bliss		ORX-1-9001	3	ES	100	67	1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00			
<b>McGregor/Ft Bliss total</b>			<b>106</b>		<b>89%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>1.39</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4.15</b>			
Bosque Del Apache NWR		ORX-1-	1	ES	100	0	3.00	0.00	0.00	3.00			



9002	Legal												
ORX-1-9003	Any Legal	TBA	1	ES		100	0	4.00	0.00	0.00			4.00
Bosque Del Apache NWR total			2			100%	0%	3.50	0	0			3.50
<b>"Off Range" Oryx Totals</b>			<b>1050</b>			<b>92%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>3.54</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>177</b>			<b>3.59</b>

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**WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE**

AREA	Hunt code	Weapon	Hunt dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Number of Days Hunted	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating
									Male	Female	
RC Youth Only	ORX-1-100	Any Legal	Sept 4-6	31	ES	97	93	1.70	16	13	4.57
RC Mobility Impaired Only	ORX-1-101	Any Legal	Sept 4-6	20	ES	90	100	1.60	11	7	4.81
RC	ORX-1-104	Any Legal	Nov 13-15	46	ES	91	88	1.98	19	21	4.61
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-105	Any Legal	Nov 13-15	6	ES	100	83	1.83	2	3	4.50
RC	ORX-1-108	Any Legal	Jan 22-24, '16	46	ES	83	92	1.95	27	15	4.68
RC Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-109	Any Legal	Jan 22-24, '16	6	ES	100	67	1.83	2	2	4.83
RC	ORX-1-119	Any Legal	Nov 13-15	6	BHO	100	17	2.00	1	0	4.17
RC	ORX-1-121	Any Legal	Jan 22-24, '16	6	BHO	100	80	2.00	1	3	4.80
<b>Rhodes Canyon Total</b>				<b>167</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>1.86</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>4.62</b>

**Rhodes Canyon**

**Stallion Range**

SR	ORX-1-102	Any Legal	Oct 9-11	46	ES	83	79	1.89	17	19	4.13
SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-103	Any Legal	Oct 9-11	5	ES	40	50	3.00	3	0	5.00
SR	ORX-1-106	Any Legal	Jan 8-10, '16	46	ES	91	95	1.88	21	22	4.46
SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-107	Any Legal	Jan 8-10, '16	5	ES	80	100	2.25	3	3	4.75
SR	ORX-1-110	Any Legal	Feb 19-21, '16	46	ES	93	84	1.33	16	22	4.23

SR Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans	ORX-1-111	Any Legal	Feb 19-21, '16	5	ES	80	100	2.00	4	1	4.25
	SR	Any Legal	Oct 9-11	6	BHO	83	100	2.00	4	2	5.00
	SR	Any Legal	Jan 8-10, '16	6	BHO	100	100	1.20	1	4	5.00
	SR	Any Legal	Feb 19-21, '16	6	BHO	100	67	1.67	4	0	4.17
<b>Stallion Range Total</b>				<b>171</b>		<b>88%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>1.91</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>4.55</b>
<b>Badged</b>	WSMR Active duty military only.	Any Legal	TBD	15	ES	53	100	3.14	6	8	4.86
	WSMR SB: TBA	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	24	ES	71	86	1.50	10	7	4.64
	WSMR SB: TBA	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	25	ES	88	94	2.18	10	8	4.41
	WSMR SB: TBA	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	25	ES	96	83	1.74	11	8	4.09
	WSMR SB: TBA	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '16	25	ES	100	85	2.35	9	8	4.05
	WSMR SB: TBA	Any Legal	Feb 1-29, '16	25	ES	96	89	2.72	9	7	4.22
<b>Badged Hunts Total</b>				<b>139</b>		<b>86%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>2.27</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>4.38</b>
	Big Game Enhancement	Any Legal	TBD	2	ES	50%	100%	7.00	2	0	4.00
	Special Auction	Any Legal	TBD	1	ES	100%	100%	1.00	1	0	5.00
<b>WSMR TOTALS</b>				<b>480</b>		<b>88%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>2.81</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>4.51</b>

Statewide Off Range	AREA	Hunt Code	Weapon	Hunt dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Number of Days Hunted	Estimated Harvest Bulls	Cows	Satisfaction Rating
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-204	Any Legal	June 1-30	61	ES	90	46	5.13	16	11	3.38
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-205	Any Legal	June 1-30	18	ES	89	64	5.86	8	2	2.71
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-206	Any Legal	July 1-31	61	ES	93	55	6.58	20	12	3.09
	Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-207	Any Legal	July 1-31	18	ES	94	69	4.50	7	4	3.31



Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-208	Any Legal	Aug 1-31	60	ES	95	43	6.36	19	5	2.94
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-209	Any Legal	Aug 1-31	18	ES	100	56	6.44	6	3	3.56
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-210	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	60	ES	98	35	7.47	10	9	3.11
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-211	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	18	ES	100	41	5.29	5	2	2.82
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-212	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	60	ES	98	48	5.58	19	7	3.22
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-213	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	18	ES	83	42	3.83	5	1	3.33
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-214	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	60	ES	97	37	6.52	7	12	3.00
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-215	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	18	ES	94	59	4.59	6	4	3.71
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-216	Any Legal	Dec 1-30	61	ES	95	56	5.58	13	16	3.50
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-217	Any Legal	Dec 1-30	18	ES	100	64	5.07	5	4	3.21
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-218	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '15	61	ES	90	43	6.67	14	9	3.04
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-219	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '15	18	ES	94	38	4.81	3	3	3.25
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-220	Any Legal	Feb 1-28, '15	61	ES	93	38	5.89	10	12	2.75
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-221	Any Legal	Feb 1-28, '15	18	ES	94	60	5.89	5	4	3.47
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-222	Any Legal	Mar 1-31, '15	61	ES	97	50	4.48	14	11	3.26
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-223	Any Legal	Mar 1-31, '15	18	ES	100	29	5.71	1	3	3.50
<b>Statewide Off Range Total</b>				<b>786</b>		<b>95%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>5.61</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>3.21</b>
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2000	Any Legal	April 1-30	2	ES	100	0	4.00	0	0	5.00
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2020	Any Legal	May 1-31	9	ES	89	88	1.00	6	2	4.00
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2040	Any Legal	June 1-30	14	ES	79	73	5.82	8	3	4.18
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2060	Any Legal	July 1-31	12	ES	75	67	2.33	5	3	4.22

Private Lands

**McG/Bliss**

Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2080	Any Legal	Aug 1-31	13	ES	69	78	4.78	6	4	3.33
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2100	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	8	ES	88	100	1.57	2	6	3.71
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2120	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	14	ES	64	44	2.56	3	3	3.67
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2140	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	9	ES	56	75	3.25	0	5	3.50
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2160	Any Legal	Dec 1-30	9	ES	100	78	4.00	3	4	3.22
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2180	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '15	17	ES	88	60	5.73	3	7	3.53
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2200	Any Legal	Feb 1-28, '15	20	ES	65	67	2.50	11	2	3.67
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2220	Any Legal	Mar 1-31, '15	24	ES	67	56	2.13	9	5	3.69
<b>Statewide Off Range Total</b>				<b>151</b>		<b>75%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>3.31</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3.81</b>
McGregor/Fort Bliss	ORX-1-224	Any Legal	Jan 9-10, '16	26	ES	96	-87	1.30	12.48	8.32	4.48
McGregor/Fort Bliss, military only	ORX-1-225	Any Legal	Jan 9-10, '16	26	ES	88	95	1.14	15.83	6.78	4.71
McGregor/Fort Bliss	ORX-1-226	Any Legal	Dec 5-6	26	ES	100	43	1.74	5.00	5.00	3.35
McGregor/Fort Bliss, military only	ORX-1-227	Any Legal	Dec 5-6	24	ES	92	59	1.64	7.64	6.55	3.91
Fort Bliss	ORX-1-9000	Any Legal	TBA	6	ES	100	100	1.00	5.00	1.00	4.67
Fort Bliss	ORX-1-9001	Any Legal	TBA	6	ES	83	100	1.00	1.20	4.80	5.00
Fort Bliss	ORX-1-9002	Any Legal	TBA	2	ES	100	100	1.00	2.00	0.00	4.50
Fort Bliss	ORX-1-9003	Any Legal	TBA	3	ES	100	67	1.00	0.00	2.00	4.33
Fort Bliss	ORX-1-9004	Any Legal	TBA	3	ES	100	33	1.00	0.00	1.00	4.00
Fort Bliss	ORX-1-9005	Any Legal	TBA	2	ES	100	50	1.00	1.00	0.00	5.00
<b>McGregor/Ft Bliss total</b>				<b>124</b>		<b>94%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>1.18</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>4.40</b>
<b>"Off Range" Off Range Totals</b>				<b>1,061</b>		<b>92%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>3.37</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>3.80</b>



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## WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE

AREA	Hunt code	Weapon	Hunt dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	% Reprt	Success Rate	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating	Number of Days Hunted	
								Male	Female			
Rhodes Canyon	ORX-1-100	Any Legal	Sept. 1-3	31	ES	100	93	18	10	4.74	1.93	
	ORX-1-101	Any Legal	Sept. 1-3	20	ES	100	100	11	9	4.65	1.85	
	ORX-1-104	Any Legal	Nov. 10-12	46	ES	98	84	23	15	4.70	2.12	
	ORX-1-105	Any Legal	Nov. 10-12	6	ES	100	100	3	3	5.00	1.80	
	ORX-1-108	Any Legal	Jan 19-21, '18	46	ES	100	96	29	15	4.73	1.71	
	ORX-1-109	Any Legal	Jan 19-21, '18	5	ES	100	100	3	2	4.40	1.40	
	ORX-1-119	Any Legal	Nov. 10-12	16	BHO	100	88	10	4	4.53	1.67	
	ORX-1-121	Any Legal	Jan 19-21, '18	16	BHO	100	94	5	10	4.79	1.57	
	<b>Rhodes Canyon Total</b>				<b>186</b>		<b>99%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>4.70</b>	<b>1.84</b>

Stallion Range	ORX-1-102	Any Legal	Oct 13-15	47	ES	100	91	23	20	4.78	1.96	
	ORX-1-103	Any Legal	Oct 13-15	6	ES	100	100	4	2	4.83	1.83	
	ORX-1-106	Any Legal	Jan 5-7, '18	46	ES	100	100	32	14	4.80	1.73	
	ORX-1-107	Any Legal	Jan 5-7, '18	5	ES	100	100	4	1	4.60	1.60	
	ORX-1-110	Any Legal	Feb 16-18, '18	46	ES	98	96	31	12	4.65	1.91	
	ORX-1-111	Any Legal	Feb 16-18, '18	5	ES	100	100	3	1	4.75	2.00	
	ORX-1-118	Any Legal	Oct 13-15	16	BHO	100	69	3	8	4.00	2.19	
	ORX-1-120	Any Legal	Jan 5-7, '18	16	BHO	94	87	7	6	4.64	2.00	
	ORX-1-122	Any Legal	Feb 16-18, '18	16	BHO	100	81	6	7	4.63	1.88	
	<b>Stallion Range Total</b>				<b>203</b>		<b>99%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>4.66</b>	<b>1.90</b>





Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-210	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	61	ES	95	46	16	12	3.39	6.74
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-211	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	18	ES	94	25	4	0	2.94	5.63
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-212	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	61	ES	92	55	19	13	3.53	6.72
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-213	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	18	ES	94	63	6	4	3.45	8.06
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-214	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	61	ES	98	45	16	8	3.60	5.28
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-215	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	18	ES	100	39	4	3	3.22	4.56
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-216	Any Legal	Dec 1-30	61	ES	95	75	23	19	3.71	4.87
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-217	Any Legal	Dec 1-30	19	ES	100	41	4	3	3.35	4.82
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-218	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '17	61	ES	97	54	14	18	3.26	5.98
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-219	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '17	18	ES	89	50	3	6	3.94	4.19
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-220	Any Legal	Feb 1-28, '17	61	ES	98	59	18	15	3.50	5.61
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-221	Any Legal	Feb 1-28, '17	18	ES	89	33	5	1	3.20	3.80
Statewide, OFF-RANGE	ORX-1-222	Any Legal	Mar 1-31, '17	61	ES	90	62	10	22	3.61	4.35
Statewide, OFF-RANGE, Youth Only	ORX-1-223	Any Legal	Mar 1-31, '17	18	ES	78	64	6	3	3.18	4.09
<b>Public Draw Statewide Off Range Total</b>				<b>792</b>		<b>94%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>3.45</b>	<b>5.49</b>
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2000	Any Legal	April 1-30	9	ES	78	100	4	5	4.71	2.14
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2020	Any Legal	May 1-30	10	ES	100	100	3	6	4.44	1.56
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2040	Any Legal	June 1-30	15	ES	80	91	8	5	3.73	1.82
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2060	Any Legal	July 1-31	7	ES	100	71	4	1	4.29	3.14
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2080	Any Legal	Aug 1-31	11	ES	73	75	8	0	4.63	1.88
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2100	Any Legal	Sept 1-30	16	ES	81	62	5	5	3.92	2.92
Statewide Private Lands	ORX-1-2120	Any Legal	Oct 1-31	16	ES	69	73	9	3	4.09	4.18

**Private Lands**

ORX-1-2140	Any Legal	Nov 1-30	15	ES	93	70	3	4	3.60	3.00
ORX-1-2160	Any Legal	Dec 1-30	16	ES	75	75	7	5	3.75	2.58
ORX-1-2180	Any Legal	Jan 1-31, '17	25	ES	88	70	10	6	3.60	5.40
ORX-1-2200	Any Legal	Feb 1-28, '17	24	ES	88	81	14	6	4.05	2.81
ORX-1-2220	Any Legal	Mar 1-31, '17	37	ES	59	81	20	8	4.29	2.71
<b>Private OTC Statewide Off Range Total</b>			<b>201</b>		<b>79%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>4.03</b>	<b>3.03</b>
ORX-1-9005	Any Legal	Sept 23-24	4	ES	100	100	3	1	4.75	1.25
ORX-1-9006	Any Legal	Oct 7-8	4	ES	100	100	1	3	5.00	1.00
ORX-1-9007	Any Legal	Oct 21-22	4	ES	100	100	2	2	5.00	1.50
ORX-1-9008	Any Legal	Nov 4-5	4	ES	100	100	2	2	4.75	1.00
ORX-1-9009	Any Legal	Nov 18-19	4	ES	100	100	3	1	5.00	1.00
ORX-1-9010	Any Legal	Feb 10-11, '18	4	ES	100	100	3	1	4.00	1.00
ORX-1-9011	Any Legal	Feb 24-25, '18	4	ES	100	75	1	2	5.00	1.00
ORX-1-9012	Any Legal	Mar 10-11, '18	4	ES	100	100	3	1	5.00	1.00
<b>Jornada Total</b>			<b>32</b>		<b>100%</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4.81</b>	<b>1.09</b>
ORX-1-224	Any Legal	Jan 13-14, '18	24	ES	100	74	9	8	4.22	1.30
ORX-1-225	Any Legal	Jan 13-14, '18	21	ES	76	87	8	9	4.67	1.40
ORX-1-226	Any Legal	Dec 2-3	23	ES	96	65	7	6	3.70	1.45
ORX-1-227	Any Legal	Dec 2-3	23	ES	91	90	9	11	4.35	1.30
<b>McGregor/Ft Bliss total</b>			<b>91</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4.08</b>	<b>1.70</b>
<b>"Off Range" Oryx Totals</b>			<b>1,084</b>		<b>91%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>3.65</b>	<b>4.62</b>

**McG/Bliss**



## Persian ibex

Persian ibex (ibex) management remains centered on conducting ground and aerial surveys on an annual basis. Aerial surveys utilizing a helicopter have been conducted every year since 2005 and are used to get a minimum count on the Florida Mountains as well as count total number of adult males. Ground surveys began in 2013 to determine the age and sex ratios within the herd. The ground survey is conducted in July-August annually because this is when most juvenile mortality has occurred and observers are still able to classify juveniles from adults.

The average billy:nanny ratio for from 2013 to 2017 was 105 billies per 100 nannies (Table 1; range 52-168 billies per 100 nannies). The average juvenile:female ratio from 2013 to 2017 was 65 juveniles per 100 nannies (Table 1; range 42-88 juveniles per 100 nannies).

Table: Aerial and Ground Survey Data

Florida Mts. Ibx Surveys														
Survey Year	Survey Type	Groups	Total Ibx Observed	Female	Juvenile	Yearling Males	Adult Males	Unk.	Hours	Ibx/ Hour	M:F	J:F	Average Group Size	Survey Date
2013	Helicopter	43	759				107	652	4.80	158.1			18	3/19/13
2013	Ground	18	494	87	71	59	27	190			168	42	27	8/14/13
2014	Helicopter	57	536				105	431	4.90	109.4			9	3/5/14
2014	Ground	25	342	121	61	85	51	24			112	50	14	7/16/14
2015	Helicopter	52	745				108	637	6.30	118.3			14	4/3/2015
2015	Ground	41	730	290	215	24	128	73			52	74	18	7/21/15
2016	Helicopter	63	653				59	594	5.08	128.5			10	3/19/16
2016	Ground	24	483	163	115	57	109	39			102	71	20	8/3/16
2017	Helicopter	38	818				84		4.80	170.4			22	8/9/17
2017	Ground	28	533	135	119	49	75	155			92	88	19	8/8/17

Tables: Harvest data (2014-2017 seasons)

### 2013-14 New Mexico Ibx Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

#### Florida Mountains

All Hunts	AREA	Licenses			Weapon	Bag Limit	No. of Hunters Reported	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating
		Sold or Converted	Limit	Reported						Males	Females	
	Florida Mountains, Youth Only	15	ES	14	ES	14	93%	71%	11	0	4.1	
	Big Game Enhancement Package	2	ES	2	ES	2	100%	100%	2	0	4.0	
	Florida Mtns Female/Incentive Hunt	16	ES	15	ES	15	94%	93%	15	0	4.3	
	Florida Mtns Pop Management Hunt	132	2 F-IM	128	2 F-IM	128	97%	68%	20	62	3.4	
	Florida Mountains, Once-in-a-Lifetime	25	ES	22	ES	22	88%	82%	20	0	4.6	
	Off-Mountain Hunt, Non Draw	12	ES	12	ES	12	100%	-	0	0	1.2	
	Florida Mountains	99	Bow	94	ES	94	95%	6%	4	0	3.7	
	Florida Mountains	98	Bow	93	ES	93	95%	8%	4	1	3.5	
	Florida Mountains	25	Muzzle	25	ES	25	100%	50%	12	0	4.4	
	Ibx Hunts Total	424		405		405	96%	44%	88	63	3.7	



2014-15 New Mexico Ibx Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

Florida Mountains & Off-Mountain Hunts

All Hunts	AREA	Hunt code	Weapon	Hunt dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	No. of Hunters Reported	% Reported	Reported Harvest		Success % (Reported / Days Hunted)	Number of Days Hunted	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating
									Males	Females			Males	Females	
	Florida Mtns, Youth Only	IBX-1-500	Any Legal	Dec 27-Jan 10, '15	15	ES	15	100	6	0	50	4.60	6	0	3.73
	Florida Mtns, Big Game Enhancement	IBX-1-501	Any Legal	TBD	2	ES	1	50	1	0	100	5.00	2	0	5.00
	Florida Mtns, Once-in-Lifetime	IBX-1-525	Any Legal	Nov 15-28	25	ES	24	96	20	0	83	3.96	21	0	4.63
	Florida Mtns, Population Mgmt Incentive	IBX-1-526	Any Legal	TBD	11	ES	11	100	6	1	64	3.36	6	1	4.36
	Off-Mountain Hunt, Non-Draw	IBX-1-528	Any Legal	Apr 1 - Mar 31, '15	21	ES	17	10	4	0	40	5.00	5	0	3.26
	Florida Mtns	IBX-2-535	Bow	Oct 1-14	100	ES	94	94	2	2	7	5.80	2	2	3.92
	Florida Mtns	IBX-2-536	Bow	Jan 17-30, '15	100	ES	98	98	7	0	10	5.62	7	0	3.53
	Florida Mtns	IBX-3-540	Muzzle	Dec 6-19	25	ES	23	100	9	0	39	4.22	9	0	4.26
	Ibx Hunts Total				285		213	95%	55	3	27%	4.69	58	3	4.08

2015-16 New Mexico Ibx Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

Florida Mountains & Off-Mountain Hunts

All Hunts	AREA	Hunt code	Weapon	Hunt dates	Licenses Sold or Converted	Bag Limit	No. of Hunters Reported	% Reported	Reported Harvest		Number of Days Hunted	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating
									Males	Females		Males	Females	
	Florida Mtns, Youth Only	IBX-1-500	Any Legal	Dec 27-Jan 10, '16	16	ES	15	94	10	0	4.50	10	0	4.29
	Florida Mtns, Big Game Enhancement	IBX-1-501	Any Legal	TBD	2	ES	1	50	2	0	4.00	2	0	5.00
	Florida Mtns, Once-in-Lifetime	IBX-1-525	Any Legal	Nov 15-29	26	ES	25	96	24	0	3.64	24	0	4.68
	Florida Mtns, Population Mgmt Incentive	IBX-1-526	Any Legal	NA	0	ES	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	NA
	Off-Mountain Hunt, Non-Draw	IBX-1-528	Any Legal	Apr 1 - Mar 31, '16	22	ES	20	91	0	0	6.30	0	1	2.80
	Florida Mtns	IBX-2-535	Bow	Oct 1-15	100	ES	95	64	5	2	5.83	5	2	3.48
	Florida Mtns	IBX-2-536	Bow	Jan 15-29, '16	100	ES	100	100	10	0	6.30	10	0	3.45
	Florida Mtns	IBX-3-540	Muzzle	Dec 6-20	26	ES	24	92	13	0	6.43	13	0	4.26
	Florida Mtns	IBX-1-520	Any Legal	Feb 15-29 '16	50	F-IM	48	96	2	13	3.14	2	13	4.14
	Florida Mtns Population Management	IBX-1-9000	Any Legal	Mar 5-9 '16	84	F-IM	82	98	4	32	2.25	4	32	3.70
	Florida Mtns Population Management	IBX-1-9001	Any Legal	Mar 12-16 '16	131	F-IM	131	100	10	46	2.29	10	46	3.71
	Florida Mtns Population Management	IBX-1-9002	Any Legal	Mar 26-30 '16	105	F-IM	99	94	7	37	2.20	7	37	3.88
	Ibx Hunts Total				662		640	97%	87	131	3.91	87	131	3.94

## 2016-17 New Mexico Ibx Hunter Harvest Report, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

### Florida Mountains & Off-Mountain Hunts

AREA	Licenses Sold or Converted	Weapon	Hunt dates	No. of Hunters Reported	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating	Number of Days Hunted
							Males	Females		
Florida Mtns, Youth Only	16	Any Legal	Dec 27-Jan 10, '17	14	88	71%	11	0	4.42	5.42
Florida Mtns, Enhancement	2	Any Legal	TBD	2	100	100%	2	0	5.00	2.00
Florida Mtns, Once-In Lifetime	26	Any Legal	Nov 15-29	24	92	78%	20	0	4.35	3.65
Florida Mtns, Pop Mgmt Incentive	5	Any Legal	Feb 1-Feb 14, '17	5	0	75%	3	0	4.25	4.00
Off-Mountain Hunt, Non-Draw	28	Any Legal	Apr 1 - Mar 31, '17	25	89	19%	2	1	2.56	4.75
Florida Mtns	1	Any Legal	TBD	1	100	100%	1	0	5.00	2.00
Florida Mtns	100	Bow	Oct 1-15	94	94	70%	9	0	3.54	5.86
Florida Mtns	100	Bow	Jan 15-29, '17	94	94	13%	4	1	4.14	5.97
Florida Mtns	26	Muzzle	Dec 6-20	26	100	60%	14	1	4.12	4.88
Florida Mtns	50	Any Legal	Feb 15-Mar 1, '17	48	96	47%	3	13	4.06	2.85
Florida Mtns Pop. Mgmt.	60	Any Legal	Mar 4-8, '17	60	100	41%	3	20	3.62	2.57
Florida Mtns Pop. Mgmt.	67	Any Legal	Mar. 11-15, '17	66	99	49%	9	21	4.15	2.21
Florida Mtns Pop. Mgmt.	58	Any Legal	Mar. 18-22, '17	55	95	37%	5	16	3.69	2.15
<b>Ibx Hunts Total</b>	<b>539</b>			<b>514</b>	<b>95%</b>		<b>86</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>4.07</b>	<b>3.72</b>

All Hunts

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### Florida Mountains & Off-Mountain Hunts

AREA	Licenses Sold or Converted	Weapon	Hunt dates	No. of Hunters Reported	% Reprtd	Success Rate	Reported Harvest		Estimated Harvest		Satisfaction Rating	Number of Days Hunted
							Males	Females	Males	Females		
Florida Mtns, Youth Only	16	Any Legal	Dec 27-Jan 10, '18	16	100	80%	12	0	12	0	3.67	2.13
Florida Mtns, Enhancement	2	Any Legal	TBD	1	50	100%	1	0	2	0	5.00	1.00
Florida Mtns, Once-In Lifetime	26	Any Legal	Nov 15-29	26	100	85%	22	0	22	0	4.77	3.88
Florida Mtns, Pop Mgmt Incentive	5	Any Legal	Feb 1-Feb 14, '18	5	100	40%	2	0	2	0	4.60	5.80
Off-Mountain Hunt, Non-Draw	24	Any Legal	Apr 1 - Mar 31, '18	22	92	13%	2	0	2	0	3.19	5.31
Florida Mtns	1	Any Legal	TBD	1	100	100%	1	0	1	0	4.00	1.00
Florida Mtns	100	Bow	Oct 1-15	96	96	16%	11	0	11	0	3.90	5.77
Florida Mtns	100	Bow	Jan 15-29, '18	96	96	1%	0	1	0	1	3.51	6.64
Florida Mtns	26	Muzzle	Dec 6-20	26	100	46%	11	0	11	0	3.92	5.33
Florida Mtns	49	Any Legal	Feb 15-Mar 1, '18	45	92	48%	4	12	4	13	3.97	3.21
Florida Mtns Pop. Mgmt.	129	Any Legal	Mar. 3-7, '18	127	98	35%	10	33	10	34	3.59	2.27
Florida Mtns Pop. Mgmt.	132	Any Legal	Mar. 10-14, '18	126	95	31%	9	28	9	29	3.49	2.29
Florida Mtns Pop. Mgmt.	132	Any Legal	Mar. 17-21, '18	127	96	48%	10	47	10	49	3.72	1.98
<b>Ibx Hunts Total</b>	<b>742</b>			<b>714</b>	<b>96%</b>		<b>95</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>3.70</b>	<b>3.50</b>

All Hunts



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Levi Levi  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 21, 2018 8:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** exotics comment

Hello,

Concerning oryx: To more than double the amount of OIL hunts is not the way to go in my opinion. Part of the OIL experience is to have a high hunter approval rating. I have only been a guest once, never drawn, and it is literally a madhouse with the amount of hunters currently getting drawn. I feel the better solution is to add a few months that are not currently offered added to the option list in the draw. Save the madness for off-range hunts with increased available tags. Due to my one time as a guest, I no longer even put in for OIL oryx hunts. I do well enough on off range hunts with the same horrible draw odds and rarely see another hunter while I am out.

\*\*If you are adding hunts on range, make them all broken horn.

Concerning barbary: I am fine with the new proposed hunt dates. However, keep the total tags the same at current levels. Just spread them out evenly over the new hunt structure....say 150 tags per hunt.

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**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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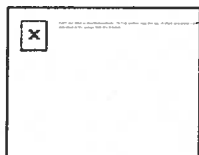
**From:** Justin Medina  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 19, 2018 6:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Input

Ibex rule, no comment

Barbary sheep, like the date changes, Oct sucks because thats in middle of elk and Deer, but Jan and Feb with shorter timeframe is ok. Adding more tags is stupid, I don't know where you are getting the population is increasing, as an outfitter I haven't seen it? Its hard enough to find good sheep now and you want to add more hunters, thats a big mistake. I think you need to go further and split units 32-27 into separate units to apply for to spread out hunters, most hunters go to 32 and its a madhouse down there, and sheep are not there much anymore.

Oryx, again no increase in tags offrange,not needed. On the WSMR great idea to add some hunts.

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*Justin Medina*  
*JMS Consulting LLC*  
*NM Arrowhead Outfitters*  
*Affordable Taxidermy*





**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Travis  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 03, 2018 8:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Ibex, Oryx & Barbary Proposals

Hello,  
I wanted to comment that I'm in complete favor of the proposals you have.

I think splitting up the Barbary season is fantastic to spread out hunters.

For Ibex, I like that you are moving away from the Depredation hunts for F-IM and going towards the draw. That gives hunters more time to plan for the hunts.

Thanks,  
Travis

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Jeremy Allen  
**Sent:** Monday, May 21, 2018 9:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Exotic proposal

NMGFD,

My name is Jeremy Allen. I just wanted to let your dept. know that I support the NMGFD proposal on the oryx. Keep it OIL for the others that haven't drawn.

The one suggestion is maybe on the new Barbary Sheep season is to maybe spread out the hunt dates a little more in between hunts. Other than that I like the new idea.

Keep up the great work!!

Jeremy Allen

Sent from my iPhone



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Brandon Wynn  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 19, 2018 11:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Emailing BHA Exotics rule comments.docx  
**Attachments:** BHA Exotics rule comments.docx; ATT00001.txt

Hello,

Attached are the Backcountry Hunters and Anglers New Mexico Chapter's (BHA NM) formal comments on the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish's proposed changes to the barbary sheep, oryx, and Persian ibex rule.

BHA NM appreciates NMDGF taking the time to explain the proposed rule changes to us. We believe that the proposed changes are well thought out and will benefit these game species and New Mexico hunters. We support the Department on the proposals.

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Abrams, Carl  
**Sent:** Monday, May 14, 2018 1:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** BARBARY SHEEP, ORYX, AND PERSIAN IBEX RULE PROPOSED

Greetings:

I wanted to specifically comment on the proposed change to combine all public draw units (29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 36, & 37).

Rather than combining the units, I recommend splitting each unit into separate hunt codes so that hunters will be distributed and units can be managed as needed based on hunter satisfaction and harvest statistics.

It is my understanding the goal of the Department is to control Barbary sheep numbers and limit their spread outside of the draw areas (hence the year round OTC hunts outside of the draw areas).

If all units are combined the Department loses control over its management of the species in any given area. For example if all units are combined is possible that 75% of the hunters will go to unit 32 and perhaps almost no hunters will go to unit 37. Therefore the Barbary sheep population in 37 might increase and those sheep would expand to new areas.

If the units are separated, just like other game species, then the Department can adjust tag numbers in each unit accordingly and manage where the hunters are.

Thanks for your consideration.

Carl Abrams



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**From:** Fanning, Jerry  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 10, 2018 1:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Comments on Proposed Hunt Structure

The Proposed Hunt Structure proposed by the Department looks to be a very aggressive approach in comparison to the hunt numbers in the past and the recommendation by White Sands Missile Range.

I realize that the belief is that the way to control the oryx numbers is to increase hunt numbers and take will increase. In most areas that is generally the case. However on an area such as WSMR where there is an abundance of closed areas this rule may not hold true.

The oryx seem to understand where these areas are and use them as safe havens when pressure is applied which raises a concern of being able to accomplish the harvest goals by increasing hunts.

Secondly, I am concerned that the Department has increased the take numbers to above what the WSMR has proposed. Historically the WSMR has requested take above what the Department has suggested.

Why the difference?

I have a concern that the over pressuring of these animals may, 1. Cause more animals to leave the range possibly creating additional depredation issues, 2. Moving more animals into closed / un-hunttable areas, 3. Cause a drastic decrease in the population creating a less quality hunt experience.

I would like the Department to consider the following hunt structure.

1. Add an additional hunt with 65 –OIL, 25 BH, 10 Vets, Total 100  
6 hunts under this structure would provide 600 hunter opportunities.
2. Add an additional 15 hunters to the Youth Hunt and 15 additional Mobility impaired hunters.  
This would provide 30 additional hunter opportunities.
3. In total under this proposal 690 hunt opportunities would be provided.
4. This would be a 50% increase in hunters versus the almost 80% proposed increase by the Department.

I would much rather try a smaller approach and gauge the results then adjust according to those results incrementally.

The proposed aggressive approach has more potential for drastic results which may prove more troublesome to correct.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. My hope is that something stated above will be food for thought as your set your hunt structure for this great species!

Sincerely,

Jerry D. Fanning, Jr.

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**From:** Jerry Gilcrease  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 08, 2018 9:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Barbary sheep, oryx, Persian ibex rule changes

I'm email to voice my opinion on the rule changes for the Barbary sheep, and Oryx proposed rule changes. Barbary sheep I would like to see 15 days on the last 3 three hunts if it is changed. Oryx proposed rule changes this hunt needs to stay a once and a life time hunt. I'm going on 15 year of apply for this hunt and still waiting. I would like to see more youth and veterans hunts in the draw pull. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to voice my opinion on the this subject matter.

Jerry Gilcrease

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S7 active, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Lindsey Keith  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 08, 2018 7:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Oryx hunting changes

Sir/Ma'am,

Could not attend last night. From proposals from DGF and WSMR, I tend lean towards WSMR proposal. A combination of the two will be negotiated I'm sure.

My 2 cents,

Keith Lindsey  
Alamogordo

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Brent Taft  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 8:53 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Exotics Rules Changes

Hello,

I'd like to express my support for increasing the number F/IM ibex draw licenses. The scheduled F/IM hunt is a much more relaxed and enjoyable hunt than the population management hunts that have become necessary over the last few years.

Thanks,  
Brent

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Giblin, Joel T CIV USARMY ATEC (US)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 2:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Cc:** Villegas, Gilbert J CTR (US)  
**Subject:** RE: NMDGF Public Meeting - Barbary, Oryx and Ibex Rule REMINDER  
**Attachments:** Oryx-Hunt-Recommendations 2018.pdf

Sir / Ma'am

I recommend that we use the White Sands Missile Recommendation for the next years hunts

V/r

Joel

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Giblin, Joel T CIV USARMY ATEC (US)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 7, 2018 1:39 PM  
**To:** 'DGF-Exotics-Rules@state.nm.us' <[DGF-Exotics-Rules@state.nm.us](mailto:DGF-Exotics-Rules@state.nm.us)>  
**Cc:** Villegas, Gilbert J CTR (US)  
**Subject:** NMDGF Public Meeting - Barbary, Oryx and Ibex Rule REMINDER

I agree with the White Sands proposal.

V/r

Joel

Joel Giblin  
G5 Strategic Planning / Command Group  
White Sands Missile Range



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**From:** Meredith, Michael R >  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 2:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Barbary, Oryx amd Ibex rules

I would like to comment on the rule changes for the exotics hunts as I understand them. I have not seen them myself, but I was given some of the info by Gilbert Villegas at WSMR. As for the Oryx hunts, of the two choices I would personally prefer the NMDG&F option but with the numbers decreased from 65 hunter to 60 hunters. Pertaining to the Ibex, I am not real familiar with what you are doing here other than trying to avoid the depredation hunt. I agree with trying to prevent the need for a "suicide" depredation hunt, but at the same time I would not like to see the same thing during the regular hunt. Too many people makes for many ruined stalks and flaring tempers! Been there, Seen that! If you are planning extra hunts with limited hunters in the field at the same time I am all for that as long as the ibex population isn't being reduced too much. As with the ibex, I am not too familiar with your Barbary plan. I like the idea of making one big unit and having the ability to hunt wherever you like. I believe that would spread people out and also allow someone to make day trips. From what I understand the number of hunters is being greatly increased which causes me some to worry. I'm hoping your numbers are "science based" and that the aoudad population will not be reduced too much! It is great to have increased opportunities, but only if the numbers of animals remains such that they can be sustained. Thankyou

Michael R. Meredith

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** matthew.t.cuba  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 1:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Proposed changes

To whom it may concern:

As a New Mexico resident and Hunter I am alarmed by the lack of clarity regarding proposed changes to the exotic hunting rules.

The department sends out oddly worded "surveys" that were created to get the answers the department wants to hear and then asks for the public's input without providing the whole story.

This whole situation is alarming. I would suggest NMDGF grow up a little bit and do the right thing and show the general public the whole picture.

Alarmed in New Mexico,

Matthew Cuba

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy, powered by Cricket Wireless



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** HUFF, JAMES H CTR USAF AFMC 846 TS/TGTP  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 1:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Oryx Hunt proposals

To Whom This May Concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to give feedback on this matter. As an avid hunter in New Mexico I would recommend taking the WSMR official proposal as the folks that staff the office are on site and more knowledgeable about the management requirements on the range. It's a tremendous opportunity to get to hunt on this secure facility and the wishes of the WSMR folks should always be foremost in these matters.

Sincerely  
JH Huff

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**From:** Giblin, Joel T CIV USARMY ATEC (US)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 07, 2018 1:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Cc:** Villegas, Gilbert J CTR (US)  
**Subject:** NMDGF Public Meeting - Barbary, Oryx and Ibex Rule REMINDER

I agree with the White Sands proposal.

V/r

Joel

Joel Giblin  
G5 Strategic Planning / Command Group  
White Sands Missile Range



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**From:** Logan McGarrah  
**Sent:** Friday, May 04, 2018 11:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Exotics Rules Comments

May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Logan McGarrah

To: NMDGF big game rule development committee

Thank you for considering these comments in the development of the new exotics rules. I sincerely hope my concerns are heard and revisions can be made.

In reference to barbary sheep, I spend a great deal of time observing sheep, primarily in hunt unit 30. I concur with departmental analysis that herd population is increasing, at least in the Guadalupe mountain range. I am however very concerned that the proposed 25% increase in draw licenses is overly aggressive. I feel the population is at an ideal level now and the proposed increase would cause a reduction in population rather than a stabilization. I propose that draw tags be increased only 10%-15% for the next four years. I support the development of new hunting seasons, especially the October season. I am unsure about the comingling of hunt units into one hunt area. I do not know that anyone can predict where hunters would concentrate under that system. I propose that the October hunt be managed as a unique trophy/quality hunt code and that it alone is valid in units 29,30,32,34,36, & 37. Having a small roll out of that option will allow the department to see how it works on a limited basis. I propose leaving the remaining hunts split into the current unit groupings.

In reference to Gemsbok oryx, I do not feel qualified to comment on population dynamics. I would like to strongly oppose the creation of any on-range hunts that are not once in a lifetime. There remains a sizable applicant pool for the once in a lifetime tags and it seems unnecessary to open the on-range hunts to hunters who have already held that tag.

In reference to Ibex, I feel the population target set by the department is unquestionably arbitrary. I have seen no scientific evidence that indicates the carrying capacity of the Florida range is that low. I have come to understand that the pressure to reduce herd size is coming from the BLM. If this is true, which I am unsure of at this point, why does the department not push back against their demands? The wildlife of this state belongs to the State and is to be managed by NMDGF, not the BLM. If the BLM is concerned that the ibex are infringing upon the grazing allotment(s); I propose that the department utilize depredation funds to compensate the lessee rather than destroying our ibex herd. It does not seem to me that anyone in the department is attempting to communicate with stake holders to develop an innovative management plan for the Florida range. Please, I implore you, cease the eradication of our ibex herd! I propose the current draw license numbers be carried forward another four years and the F-IM population management hunts end to allow a recovery of the herd.

I sincerely appreciate the committee taking the time to consider these comments. Please contact me with any additional questions or information you may have.

Best regards, Logan McGarrah

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Andrew Morris  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 2:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Barbary Sheep, Oryx, Ibex, Proposed Changes 19.31.12 NMAC

To whom it may concern,

I'm a nonresident who has spent thousands of dollars in New Mexico on hunting-related trips.

In regards to exotic species rules:

I am in favor of the Department's Barbary sheep proposal because I believe it will allow a quality experience, increased opportunity, and better draw odds.

I am in favor of removing the 10% license allocation quota for hunters using outfitters for all exotic animals and adding that to the 6% nonresident quota because outfitters already have a de facto monopoly on private land tags for these animals.

I am in favor of keeping the Once in a Lifetime designation for all WSMR Oryx hunts except BHO and youth hunts, including the 4 proposed new hunts. I am in favor of adding the 4 new late hunts. Those hunts can have higher tag numbers, and applicants will be aware of increased competition, a less exclusive hunting experience requiring greater effort, and possibly offering better draw odds. Making these new hunts OIAL keeps fairness with applicants who have been applying for years while increasing opportunity for everyone.

I am in favor of increasing broken horn hunts, and increasing Off-Range licenses for Oryx as well.

I propose that FM/I ibex licenses have a reduced price for everyone (\$200 for non-residents, \$20 for residents) and that license numbers be increased to the necessary level to maintain the Department's and BLM's population goals. Again, I favor removal of the 10% outfitter pool of licenses and adding that the the 6% quota for non-residents.

Thank You

Andy Morris



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** LeFevre, William/ABQ  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 1:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Re: Oryx Options

I much prefer Proposal #2, which calls for fewer hunters on 5 OIL hunts and adding 4 new open-application (not administratively once-in-a-lifetime) hunts.

I like that Proposal #2 results in two kinds of oryx hunts, those that have higher quality because there are fewer hunters, and those that I expect will have higher draw odds resulting from a lower quality (more hunters). I think that the opportunity to have those choices outweighs the perceived injustice of opening some hunts to those who have already drawn an OIL tag.

Bill LeFevre | Jacobs | Hydrogeology/Geochemistry/Data Visualization | Global Environmental Solutions-  
Technology and Solutions

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**From:** Ahlgrim, Brian J CTR USARMY ATEC (US)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 8:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Comments on Proposed Changes for Barbary Sheep, Persian Ibex and Oryx (UNCLASSIFIED)

CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

To Whom it may concern (View as HTML):

First and foremost please pass on my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the department staff for another fantastic effort with the draw this year. Despite a record number of applications, you still were able to put out draw results faster than most other states and a week quicker than anticipated! For those of us that anxiously await "Draw Day", having the results show up this quickly for the second year in a row is outstanding! I certainly appreciate it, and I know my fellow sportsman do as well!

Onto my comments for the rule changes:

### **Barbary sheep:**

I don't think all sheep units should be combined into one unit for public draw. I think each barbary unit should be separate and should have 4 unique hunt codes, similar to the strategy for elk and deer. This would allow hunters to choose different units and hunt codes as with every other species providing a choice between coveted units such as 29/30 with low draw percentages, or less popular units such as 36/37 with slightly better odds; similar to a high demand 16A elk tag or standard Unit 21 elk tag. I think there is an overall failure at times to understand that barbary are very difficult to hunt on public land, and stacking the few mountains that hold them with additional tags and people doesn't necessarily mean higher harvest rates, (especially with barbs) and certainly doesn't promote quality hunts. I'm a very savvy and dedicated sheep hunter and can tell you that seeing hunter after hunter on the few ranges that have sheep, even 3 -5 miles from a road has become the norm. It's also become extremely frustrating and has degraded hunt quality making an already difficult hunt extremely challenging. If you change it to a "One draw unit" and allocate 475 tags, 400 of those will be stacked in 29/30 just like they have been with the current allotment of 675 tags. GMU's 32 and 34 would certainly receive the bulk of the remaining pressure which may not be the best approach as some areas will get immense pressure and others very little. With a shortened hunt season, this would lead to a "track meet" scenario in typical sheep areas such as the Rim, Guadalupe Mtns around Queen, Brokeoff Mtns, Wind Mtn, etc. if we group all 6 units as one overall unit.

My thoughts would be something like a slight increase in tags...but in the following manner; 150 HQ tags for Oct, 390 for Dec, 390 for Jan and 390 for Feb evenly distributed over 24 different hunts (6 units, 4 hunts in each unit). This way, people would be spread out, promoting a higher quality hunt for everyone, including youth that want to chase these great animals. Please remember, Barbary are a trophy animal that we should covet, not exterminate. For the 99% of us that will never see a bighorn tag, this is the next best thing and provides a wonderful and unique hunt that is earned and memorable. With 24 different hunt choices (excluding whatever McGregor does), hunters have the ability to choose the unit, date, and hunt type instead of having it predetermined. For any hunt not completely allocated through the draw, offer it as a left over tag as you normally do during the summer months. They will certainly sell out.

My opinion aside, I think your idea of conducting 4 separate hunts with 5, 7, or 10 day durations is brilliant! This is perfect approach and gives ample opportunity to harvest an animal or at least have a good overall hunt. Multiple hunts will really help sheep hunters overall and I also think that in doing so you may increase harvest rates without needing to



increase tags quite as much. I've outlined the strategy below that I think would work or that would at least be beneficial to everyone in all units for two simple reasons; Choice and decreased pressure for each unit.

**6 Units, 24 Separate Hunt Codes (1320 Total tags ~1% increase)**

Unit 29

BBY 1-100 (Q): Oct xx-xx (5 days) - 25 tags  
BBY 1-101 (Q): Dec xx-xx (7 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-102 (S): Jan xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-103 (S): Feb xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags

Unit 30

BBY 1-104 (Q): Oct xx-xx (5 days) - 25 tags  
BBY 1-106 (Q): Dec xx-xx (7 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-107 (S): Jan xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-108 (S): Feb xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags

Unit 32

BBY 1-109 (Q): Oct xx-xx (5 days) - 25 tags  
BBY 1-110 (Q): Dec xx-xx (7 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-111 (S): Jan xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-112 (S): Feb xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags

Unit 34

BBY 1-113 (Q): Oct xx-xx (5 days) - 25 tags  
BBY 1-114 (Q): Dec xx-xx (7 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-115 (S): Jan xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-116 (S): Feb xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags

Unit 36

BBY 1-117 (Q): Oct xx-xx (5 days) - 25 tags  
BBY 1-118 (Q): Dec xx-xx (7 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-119 (S): Jan xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-120 (S): Feb xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags

Unit 37

BBY 1-121 (Q): Oct xx-xx (5 days) - 25 tags  
BBY 1-122 (Q): Dec xx-xx (7 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-123 (S): Jan xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags  
BBY 1-124 (S): Feb xx-xx (10 days) - 65 tags

**Ibex:**

First and foremost, this is an incredible species; one that we are lucky to have on our list of free ranging and pursuable animals for the state. Not only do I want to continue to hunt, watch, photograph and admire these animals, I want future generations to have the same freedoms and with that in mind I think there needs to be major changes in the communication between the public and the department when it comes to the overall Ibex conversation, including but not limited to sustainable herd numbers, harvest goals, youth and hunt opportunities, population reduction efforts etc. Currently, I feel like these animals are being targeted for extermination due to an unannounced agenda, though I may be mistaken. It seems these animals are being slaughtered to the point where numbers are so low they fail to provide an overall positive hunt experience to those that pursue them. I spend an abnormal amount of time on the Florida mountains, mostly because they are 45 minutes from my doorstep, but also because they are an excellent mountain to

train on (for other hunts) and also contain these fascinating animals which are worth a drive to watch for an afternoon virtually anytime. Over the past two decades, I average 4-6 weeks annually on that mountain range hiking, glassing, scouting, spotting/packing for lucky hunters, chasing lions, training or whatever the endeavor may be. I've been on numerous hunts, including two straight weeks this year in Feb helping two hunters who drew nanny tags, and another one in March that received a depredation tag. My point is I have tons of experience with these animals, their habits, typical herd numbers, ideas on what quality and healthy herds look like and I've been very concerned and honestly upset and disappointed over the past 3 seasons, with this year being an absolute low. I'm no certified ibex biologist but guys, the numbers are scary low. Also, the herd doesn't appear to be in great shape and you'd be very hard pressed to find a 40" animal on that mountain right now. I didn't see one on all my travels between South Peak, Gem Peak, Needles Eye (or the purples), Dragon Ridge is void of anything over 25" and the herd on the smalls has been eradicated with the exception of a few extremely smart nannies and one knarly old broken horned Billy. As I understand it from a friend and guide who took the governors tag hunter, they are seeing the same as evident by the 39.5" Billy they reluctantly harvested. I know opportunity is always a significant topic, but quality and health should be the primary concern at all times in my eyes and in my opinion, we need to back off these animals for a year or so and let them recover.

With that being said, I don't necessarily agree with any tag increases on these animals due to their already low numbers. However, if the department determines there is a need to continue an annual nanny harvest, let's reinstate the nanny draws from 6-7 years ago (2 hunts @ 100 tags per), BUT change it to 3 or possibly 4 hunts with 50 tags/per. Again, sending too many people up doesn't provide a quality hunt and for most people, the terrain itself is challenging enough without the added challenges brought on by additional hunters. There are only a few dozen vehicular based access points, and for every access point there are typically multiple hunters ascending the rock. Each hunter brings along 2-3 helpers, so 50 hunters really translates to 150-200 people which is plenty. Reintroducing nanny hunts three or four times a year with reduced hunters per hunt should help curb the overall population increase and provide some additional opportunity for those looking to hunt ibex. Nannies are fun and there are lots of us that will continue to hunt them if it's determined that female harvest is still needed.

#### **Additional Nanny hunts:**

IBX-1-520 (F-IM) Sept. 8-15 - (50 tags)

IBX-1-521 (F-IM) Oct. 22 -29 - (50 tags)

IBX-1-522 (F-IM) Feb 1-7 - (50 tags)

IBX-1-523 (F-IM) March 1-7 - (50 tags)

#### **Oryx:**

Some of the proposed changes here are concerning for me. For transparency I should state that I have worked at WSMR for over a decade, have participated in well over 100 Oryx hunts as a guest and frequent sponsor in all areas including OIL, Security Badge and off-range and frequently travel the range so I am pretty familiar with Oryx, Core Areas, problems that can and have occurred etc. That being said, I completely and whole heartedly DISAGREE with opening up O.I.L hunts to those that have already drawn them. This is not fair to those of us who have never drawn, and surely the number of undrawn applicants far exceeds the number of O.I.L tags issued annually (270) meaning there are plenty of people to issue OIL tags to. Please do not do this. This makes no sense in my eyes. Once-in-a-lifetime means just that...once...and DONE! Those hunters have opportunities at broken horn, McGregor and off-range hunts and even depredation tags when necessary, so there are definitely other opportunities for prior O.I.L tag holders. Please keep it that way and let those of us that have never drawn these tags be the only ones applicable to apply. Everyone that has drawn O.I.L, successful or not has had their chance and should NOT receive another O.I.L opportunity in my opinion.

Also, I strongly disagree with adding 4 additional hunts as I think this number of additional hunts and hunters will hurt the overall herd long term. It will certainly meet your goal of reducing an increasing population for the next few years, but at what point does it begin to significantly dip under the established acceptable herd number and then rapidly begin to create a downward spiral (which we saw 5 yrs ago)? Since rules changes are only done every four years, I see this



approach as being detrimental. If rules were changeable every 2 years and the population numbers and trends could be re-evaluated bi-annually, I would be all for it. Why not add 1 hunt for each O.I.L area, and maybe increase the current O.I.L hunts by 5 tags or so? This would give you somewhere in the neighborhood of 150 additional tags on top of what currently exists of which you can be sure that over half will harvest. The population was very low with poor quality and is just now becoming a healthy thriving herd with quality animals void of broken horns, cropped ears, stunted growth and the like. This makes for an action packed, fun and quality hunt again with good opportunity and decent harvest rates. I especially want this same experience for our youth, our veterans and anyone else lucky enough to draw one of these tags. I'm just afraid that the current proposals will spin this into another downward spiral which will take 8 years to recover from. I'm saying this with the following perspective – In 20 years of applying I've never draw an Oryx tag; OIL, badge, depredation, Off-Range, McGregor, Ft. Bliss, NASA/Jornada etc. Despite this and desperately wanting to draw, I'm still saying QUALITY over QUANTITY where possible. My odds won't get any better, but I'd still like to keep these hunts fun, game filled and action packed for everyone.

Finally, I want to sincerely thank the Game and Fish Department, The Commissioners and everyone else involved in this process for taking the time to read my long winded email. I have tried to put together a very non-biased email that reflects my viewpoints and hope that you'll consider a few of these options when making changes to our exotic hunt options. Truthfully, without the exotics in our state, I would be lost during the fall as they typically provide an opportunity for me or someone close to me to hit the hills, so please help us preserve these animals for our current and future hunters.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very Respectfully,

Brian Ahlgrim  
Systems Engineer/Avid Outdoorsman  
White Sands Missile Range

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**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Peter W. Spear  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 1:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** BARBARY SHEEP COMMENTS

Please do not consolidate Barbary sheep units together for public draw (29, 30, 32, 34, 36, 37).

- Please do not increase draw licenses by 25% in response to increasing population size. You may deplete the resource by adding too much pressure.
- Please do not split hunts to distribute hunters (no longer a single month-long season). You get to sell twice as many hunts but the old way spreads the use over the entire month.

I like the idea of adding a Late Oct. hunt (5 days): 175 licenses (unique opportunity to hunt barbary sheep during their breeding season)

The following scenario only generates more cash for the Fish and Game Dept, by selling more applications/licenses: Early Dec. (10 days): 475 licenses o Late Jan. (10 days): 475 licenses o Mid Feb. (10 days): 475 licenses> Please do not effect these new hunts.

- You should allow public hunters to hunt on private land (for which their license is valid) with written permission.
- I agree with proposal to modify description of GMU 34 west side for clarity, to increase McGregor hunts by 33% and to adjust some seasons for calendar dates

Peter Spear  
Tilton, NH  
Certified Wildlife Biologist



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** John Ballin  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 6:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** oryx hunting

good morning by no means am I trying to be disrespectful but i think its a horrible idea to let someone who has already had a once in a life time tag apply for another I have been applying for 18-19 years and haven't drawn any oryx. I apply every year with no success. It has taken me i think 17-18 years to draw an antelope tag. My wife and i had the times of our lives on that hunt and not trying to be inconsiderate to anyone but i think people who haven't had that tag should get a tag before we consider letting a previous holder of that tag get another. Thats why its called once in a life time. Thank you for your time. I dont think my thoughts will count in the decision , but I cant make the meeting so i thought i would try thank you for your time in case someone actually reads this.

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Richard Paulson  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 2:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Veteran Oryx Hunts.

I am all for changing the requirements for Veterans, that reside in NM. Not "Out of state" Veterans.

Also, would be nice to see more 100% Combat related DAV hunts. There are to many 30% and up hunts now for elk and deer. Should apply for Oryx and the other hunts.

You guys are doing a FANTASTIC job and I for one appreciated everything you do.

Thank You  
Richard D. Paulson  
SMSGT USAF (Ret.)  
100% Vietnam Combat DAV (two tours).



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Knopic, George III CIV USARMY ATEC (US)  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 1:53 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Oryx proposed rules

Greetings,

In response to the proposal to modify the Oryx hunts, I agree.

However; I believe this specific hunt should not have any bearing on whether a hunter has ever held an OIL Oryx hunt. For example, I held my OIL Oryx hunt in 2000, well before the game dept established this specific hunt. Since I served during OIF, this is a 'special' reward being able to apply.

Secondly, if increasing the number of tags is a priority, then perhaps creating a second VET Oryx hunt for those rated over 50% by the Veterans Admin. Again no criteria should be placed on past OIL Oryx license being held.

Thanks for the time in reading and considering my comments at the meeting.

George Knopic III  
OIF Vet 07-08

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Cotton  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 8:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Rule Comments

Hello,

I would like to comment on the Barbary Sheep and Oryx proposals here. Personally I believe the split of Barbary Sheep hunts is an excellent idea for public hunters and the sheep themselves. This would spread out opportunity and allow for less stress on the animals, as well as, less numbers of hunters and less numbers of bad interactions between landowners and hunters. However, combining the units together, I feel is a bad idea. In my experience, there are more sheep and bigger sheep in units 29 and 30 and this new structure could bring about a lopsided tag distribution that could cause that population to crash while the other units soar.

For the Oryx hunts, I believe all the proposals are good except the 4 new hunts not being Once-In-A-Lifetime. I would like to keep the quality nature of the hunts on the range to continue providing that opportunity to others. Making them non-OIL could cause a decrease in animal quality due to hunters that know where to hunt and how to hunt taking out the largest animals.

Overall, I as a hunter and a Wildlife Science Student, believe these proposals are necessary and very well thought out although they may need a few tweaks.

Thank you  
Colton Padilla  
FWCE Student at NMSU

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** R B  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 6:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules

I am against increasing draws and expanding hunting for onyx, ibex and barbary sheep and large game as well. Too much hunting is going on as it stands. New Mexico needs to look at the big picture here.

On a separate note I see less and less elk and mule deer in Northern New Mexico where I bought land last year. The reselling of large game tickets and trapping are decimating populations in the El Vado Lake Subdivision where state loopholes encourage reselling of tickets to non residents who shoot from their vehicles not knowing or caring where they go and shoot.

Richard G Byerly



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Bobby Burns  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 7:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** oryx hunt changes

Dear game and fish,

I am sure that there are a lot of people that would like to be able to hunt on the trophy hunt more than once . I have applied for the once in a lifetime for at least 5 years in a row and possibly more than that. Every time i check the draw it has always been unsuccessful. Rather than allowing previous SUCCESSFUL hunters to enter the draw again why don't you continue as you have and only issue second opportunities only if all who haven't been successful have drawn and you have unfilled tags left . I wished NM had priority points at least and maybe I could draw before I die. Maybe you could give seniors some priority. If the hunters want a second chance let them apply for an off range hunt . Don't create flaws in our system please try and improve it as it's nearly impossible to draw a once in a lifetime hunt in a lifetime as is .

Thank You , Bobby Burns, Clayton NM

**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Shane Baker  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 2:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** once in a life time draw Oryx

I would not support any change in the once in a life time draw, unless it was for the good of the Oryx management. If the need two increase or lessen the amount of draw permits is for the betterment of the Oryx population.

I also view that once in a life time should mean once in a life time.

Thank You

*Chief Deputy Shane Baker*

Chaves County Sheriff's Office

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**From:** Pantuso, Mark A  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 2:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Proposed Changes For Ibex, Barbary and Oryx

I am all for increased hunting opportunities for exotics I hope the NMDGF is successful and making this happen

Mark Pantuso | Bio Med Tech | Eastern New Mexico Medical Center

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**From:** England, Michael  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 1:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Exotics Proposal

To Whom it May Concern,

It's great seeing the Department and Commission taking steps at improving the quality of the wildlife herds and the experience for the people utilizing the resources we have to offer in this state.

**Barbary sheep proposal.** I have been wanting to see this for several years now. Currently the hunts are far too crowded with hunters afield. Barbary sheep are a hot commodity right now in West Texas and New Mexico. I believe with the proposed changes that hunters will have a much better experience. I am in favor of combining all the draw units into one group to even further distribute the hunters and allow for some flexibility during the hunts. I am in favor of this proposal.

**Oryx Proposal.** This proposal is seems pretty good. I have a few ideas. I definitely would hate to ruin any opportunities for the OIL hunters. I have drawn my OIL tag and had a decent experience. It wasn't great but it wasn't due to the quality of animals or conditions. It was because of a certain group of hunters that kept harassing me it felt like. They ruined several opportunities for me. It was an ethics/moral issue and these guys had none. I would be in favor of increasing the number of tags for the OIL applicants/hunts and increasing the number of youth only tags on the missile range. Maybe include some incentive hunts for perfect scores on hunter safety classes throughout the year. I would also be in favor of allowing those that have already drawn the OIL hunt another opportunity to hunt the missile range on a hunt that would allow only those that have hunted the missile range to apply for. 100 tags at the end of the all the OIL hunts. Maybe concentrate the hunters in an areas that is experiencing high animal concentrations. So 25 hunters hunt this area of RC and 40 hunt this area of Stallion and 35 hunters over here blah blah. You get the idea. Off Range oryx can be left alone in my opinion.

I also wouldn't mind seeing some oryx in other parts of the state that are heavily consumed by public land such as units 25,26,29, 30,31,32 for some specific examples. Would some capture and transplanted be of any help to remove some numbers from the range and provide opportunity in other portions of the state.... Maybe make them a limited draw hunt outside of the state wide hunt area. Of course landowners and lease holders will have a problem with that unless they can make a dollar from them.

One thing for sure regarding Oryx hunts is that we already have an OIL system. I would hate to see that go away and ruin the chances of those that have not had the opportunity to experience the missile range yet at the same time I would like to see those that have drawn a OIL tag to be able to hunt WSMR again but separately from the OIL hunters. Give the quality experience and add to that opportunity. Make one of the new four hunts open for anyone to draw. Chances will be slim but some will be lucky to get that experience again.

No comment on the Ibex. If the population can withstand more harvest and still provide a quality experience then have at it.

Thanks,  
Michael

**Michael England**

District Rep, Energy Services

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**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Charlie Baez  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 12:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Proposed changes.

I, personally, would love to see the proposed changes implemented as stated. I believe that it would not only entice more hunters to go afield but add to the economic health of all hunt areas affected. I have been putting in for oryx hunts for well over a decade without success in the draw and do hope that the proposed changes will increase my draw success and that of other hunters. Other changes to Barbary sheep and Ibex have my strong support as well. Thank you for looking out for not only the species involved but the hunters' interests as well.

Sincerely,  
Charlie Baez

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## Tatman, Nicole, DGF

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**From:** Bruce Perryman  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 4:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Nm Barbary hunts

Hello:

As a past hunter of barbary sheep in New Mexico, I wish to voice my objection to combining all the units into a single unit. This would concentrate hunting pressure on those herds doing particular well and decrease the unique management opportunities of all individual herd unit. Combining units make very little management sense as this is not considered for other sheep species within the state.

I harvested a sheep on public land and as such competed with several other hunters but there was plenty of space for all with reasonable hunting pressure, not over whelming pressure.

I do not support the below summarized concepts. Keep on doing what you've been doing, it's not broke from my perspective.

- - I'm against Combine units together for public draw (29, 30, 32, 34, 36, 37)
- - I'm against Increase draw licenses by 25% in response to increasing population size A modest increase of say 10% would make more sense and allow ability to monitor harvest rates with herd reduction.
- - I'm against Splitting hunts to distribute hunters (no longer a single month-long season). The single long season in February works well for sportsman and distributes the pressure over 30 days
- I'm against Late Oct. (5 days): 175 licenses (unique opportunity to hunt barbary sheep during their breeding season) not necessary to hunt during the rut for these animals. Historic herd harvest goals have been met just fine without this season and opportunity.
- I'm against Early Dec. (10 days): 475 licenses ○ Late Jan. (10 days): 475 licenses ○ Mid Feb. (10 days): 475 licenses. This will put excess pressure on not only the herd but on the hunters all on top of each other. Keep the season combined for 30 days and spread out the pressure so it is enjoyable for all.
- - Seems reasonable if landowner's' are willing. Allow public hunters to hunt on private land (for which their license is valid) with written permission
- - Seems reasonable: Modify description of GMU 34 west side for clarity
- - I'm against this unless there is supporting documented habitat damage or herd disease concerns to support this request: Increase McGregor hunts by 33%
- - seems reasonable especially if this is intended to allow more weekend opportunity for sportsman Adjust some seasons for calendar dates



Bruce H. Perryman, P.E., P.L.S.

Senior Principal

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## Tatman, Nicole, DGF

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**From:** Jordan Hall  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 3:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Public Comment

Hello,

To Whom It May concern:

I would like to offer my opinion regarding the changes to the exotics rule.

Oryx:

Overall the changes to the oryx hunt structure seem ok. I think all hunts should be kept as a once in a lifetime hunt on the missile range. Furthermore I think the tag increase is somewhat aggressive, and maybe not such a increase would be better suited. However, overall I think the rule is in good order.

Ibex:

The biggest changes I would like to see with regards to ibex in the state would be to slow down the nanny degradation hunts. This is one of our states greatest resources and a healthy population is critical to maintaining that resource. I would also like to see there be only a single archery season with 100 tags. I feel that two archery seasons results in to many injured billies that do not get recovered. Furthermore the October hunt is incredibly hot and not the most desired hunting conditions. I would also like to see the rifle and muzzleloader hunts changed to 15-20 tags per season as to allow the age class of some of the billies to increase.

Barbary Sheep:

Overall with Barbary I honestly wish you would consider keeping the hunt the same as it has been the last 8 years. I have extensive amount of time in the field hunting these animals and I think these changes are going to do harm to the quality of the hunt. First and foremost I do not want the two hunt areas to be combined. The land habitat and makeup of private vs public in the two areas is so different I feel that this will create crowding in certain areas. Secondly I feel that the 25% increase in tags is way to aggressive, 10% would be realistic but 25% is going to do a lot of harm to the overall population. With the new season structure I would much rather see one 5 day season the last week of october first part of november to create rut hunt then the rest of the tags remain Feb 1-28. The February long date season is one of the most desirable things about this hunt and gives the hunter the opportunity to hunt multiple times throughout the season dates. Another Option would be do an October rut hunt a ten day december season and a 21 day february season. Overall though I feel the current structure an tag allocation of the barbary sheep is ideal and would like to see it stay the same.

Jordan Hall



**Tatman, Nicole, DGF**

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**From:** Jimmy Torrez  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 22, 2018 7:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Exotics-Rules  
**Subject:** Increased tags

I would like to object to the call for increased exotic tags. I have no strong opinion on the other proposed changes.

I hunted off-range oryx in July and only saw one Orxy after 10 days of hunting off and on, on July 21st.

I hunted Barbary sheep in Feb. in units 32 and units 37 and did not see one. In fact the last two times I hunted Barbary I did not see any. This is in contrast to the hunts I had before where I always saw sheep in unit 32.

To my understanding the Ibex population targets are based on a study from the 1970s before Ibex population reached a significant level. I know that the actually population of Ibexes has reached more than double the target at one point. I hunted there around that time and I have not seen or heard of any evidence of any ill effects from that level of population in the Florida Mountains. I would suggest an new analysis taking into account actual Ibex numbers on habitat and projected sustainable habitat. I doubt that number would be 900 but I would guess its above the current target.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Torrez

## Tatman, Nicole, DGF

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**From:** Brejcha, Lisa, DGF on behalf of ISPA, DGF  
**Sent:** Monday, March 19, 2018 11:06 AM  
**To:** Tatman, Nicole, DGF; Goldstein, Elise J., DGF  
**Subject:** FW: Oryx tags and elk tags

Good morning Nicole and Elise -

Forwarding. Thank you for your help and have a great day!

Lisa Brejcha  
Information Center Supervisor  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Barbara Atwood  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 18, 2018 12:38 PM  
**To:** ISPA, DGF  
**Subject:** Oryx tags and elk tags

For future thought on the oryx tags I think it would be great if there were more youth tags than adult tags.. Why where the youth tags removed in 16A and 16D Sent from my iPad







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Your Title: Sportsman		
Do you wish to be heard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)		
Allocate off range oryx		
license increase strictly to		
regular draw not youth.		
Make Barkley sheep hunts		
2 months, unlimited,		
combined units hunts. You		
cannot overhunt this species.		
Manage for a simple hunt		
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**WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)**

<sup>Gryx</sup>  
I believe keeping all hunts  
OIL besides the Broken  
Horn + Veteran hunts to  
keep the quality hunt in.

Unifizing the Barbary Sheep  
units would be much  
better than lumping them  
all together. It will spread  
people out + still give the  
desired effects. For quality,  
maybe decrease tag numbers  
on the October hunt or make  
it a bow hunt. Too many  
big rams may get killed.









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BARBARY SHEEP

PLEASE PRINT

Name: RUSTY PAYNE

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WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)

- ~ DON'T WANT THE UNITS TO BE COMBINED. THE LARGEST UNINTERRUPTED TRACTS ARE IN 29/30. NEGATIVE EFFECT?
- ~ THE PUT HUNT (OCTOBER) IS A GOOD IDEA (~150 TAGS FOR EACH AREA) KEEPING THE CURRENT TAG ALLOTMENT PUTS YOU TO THE PROPOSED TOTAL TAG NUMBERS.
- ~ BASED ON HARVEST REPORTS (HUNT DURATION IS ABOUT 5-6 DAYS. I THINK THE MOST LONG SEASON (FEB) TO REMAIN AS IT ALLOWS 4 TOTAL WEEKENDS & DOESN'T OVERLAP w/ MANY OTHER SEASONS.







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Your Title: [REDACTED]		
Do you wish to be heard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)		
ORX	If using the WSMR option for hunts make the OLT hunts during Nov - Feb, for better trophy (good hide)	
	I support WSMR option.	
BY	Keep Barbary <del>units</del> units split to units 29 & 30 and units 32, 34, 36-37	
	Either put Bighorns in the Sacs or get rid of the Westside designation	



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Do you wish to be heard?  Yes  No

**WRITTEN COMMENT** (Below or Attached)

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BETWEEN







# COMMENT CARD

PLEASE PRINT

Name: Jose Vega		
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Officially Representing:		
(Organization(s))		
Your Title: Sportsman		
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<b>WRITTEN COMMENT</b> (Below or Attached)		
Oryx - I prefer WSMR recommendations and numbers. Off range I support increased numbers in general, licenses and keep youth hunts where they are since they can put in for general hunts.		
Elves - no comment until there is more population data.		
Barbery sheep - I support increasing hunting numbers but disagree with splitting the hunts. I would recommend keeping the hunt a month long, but break out the 6 units into individual hunts to reduce or distribute numbers.		



# COMMENT CARD

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Name: <u>Jose Vega</u>		
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City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]		
Email: [REDACTED] @ [REDACTED]		
Officially Representing: (Organization(s)) [REDACTED]		
Your Title: <u>Sportsman</u>		
Do you wish to be heard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)		
<u>Barbery sheep. - I support the</u>		
<u>increase in licenses. I disagree with</u>		
<u>combining the units together, I would</u>		
<u>rather break up each unit to a</u>		
<u>single unit divided by 6</u>		
<u>6 individual units each with</u>		
<u>their own 5 or 10 day, hunts</u>		
<u>each month. I believe each</u>		
<u>hunt should at least include</u>		
<u>2 weekends.</u>		



# COMMENT CARD

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Name: MARK PANTOSO

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Officially Representing: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Organization(s))

Your Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to be heard?  Yes  No

**WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)**

please increase off range  
Oryx tags. i think oryx  
changes are good.

i like barbary sheep changes  
wouldnt mind if hunts are  
a little longer

i hope Game Commission  
desnt let private land  
owners or guides dictate  
the decision made for  
Barbary sheep







# COMMENT CARD

PLEASE PRINT

Name: David Callaway

Address: [REDACTED]

City: [REDACTED] Stat: [REDACTED] Zip: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Officially Representing: [REDACTED]  
(Organization(s))

Your Title: [REDACTED]

Do you wish to be heard?  Yes  No

WRITTEN COMMENT (Below or Attached)

Leave the ~~Barbary~~ Barbary  
Sheep hunt as has been  
in the past

Why do we have  
a Depredation Deer  
hunt in Unit 32  
the numbers are low



# MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

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New Mexico State Game Commission

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PUBLIC RULE HEARING

AUGUST 23, 2018

\*\* This is an expedited portion of New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting.

Public Rule Hearing. Audio [3:33:32 to 3:45:11] \*\*

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APPEARANCES

Chairman Paul Kienzle  
Vice Chairman William Montoya  
Game Commissioner Thomas Salopek  
Game Commissioner Craig Peterson  
Game Commissioner Ralph Ramos  
Game Commissioner Bob Ricklefs

ABSENT

None

1 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Public Rule Hearing Open. Hearing Item No.1a Informational  
2 Rule Making Hearing on Final Rule Changes on Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian  
3 Ibex Rule - 19.31.12 NMAC (indiscernible).

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Mr. Chairman, you want to open the --

5 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Yeah. This hearing will please come to order. My name is  
6 Paul Kienzle, I'm the Chairman of the State Game Commission. I will be serving as  
7 the hearing officer being advised by the Commission's counsel from the Office of  
8 (indiscernible) General. The purpose of this hearing is for consideration and final  
9 adoption of the following proposed rule by the Commission. The Hearing Item is No.  
10 1 for the Commission to receive public comment proposing the Barbary Sheep, Oryx  
11 and Persian Ibex Rule. Do we have any public comment on this?

12 Title 19, Chapter 31, Part 12 of the New Mexico Administrative Code which will  
13 become effective April 1, 2019. The current Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex  
14 Rule set to expire on March 31, 2019.

15 This hearing is being conducted in accordance with the provisions of the  
16 Game and Fish Act and the State Rules Act. The hearing is being audiotape  
17 recorded. Anyone interested in a copy of the audiotape should contact Sandra with  
18 the Department of Game and Fish. Public notice of this hearing was advertised in the  
19 New Mexico Register, the Albuquerque Journal, the Gallup Independent, New  
20 Mexico Sunshine Portal, and on the Department's website. Copies of the proposed  
21 new rule have been available on the Department's website and at the Department  
22 office. Those wishing to comment here today, please sign the attendance sheet in  
23 the back of the room which will be later recorded as an exhibit. I have the attendance  
24 sheet. This rule hearing will be conducted in the following manner: staff will present  
25 pre-filed exhibits. Exhibits admitted into evidence are available for review by the

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1 public, but exhibits may not be removed from this room. After all exhibits are entered  
2 we will proceed to the presentation of the proposed rule, after which, testimony will  
3 be taken from the audience. In order to ensure that the hearing is accurately  
4 recorded, only one person at a time shall be allowed to speak. Any person  
5 recognized to speak is asked to identify themselves by name and who they are  
6 affiliated with for the record each time you are recognized to speak. And number two,  
7 speak loudly and clearly so the recorder can accurately record your comments. After  
8 a person is offered comment they will stand for questions from the hearing officer,  
9 me. The audience may also ask questions of anyone offering comments after being  
10 recognized by me.

11 This hearing is not subject to judicial rules of evidence; however, in the interest  
12 of efficiency, I reserve the right to limit any testimony deemed irrelevant, redundant,  
13 or unduly repetitious. The Commission may discuss the proposed rules after public  
14 comment portion of the hearing. Final Commission action, including adoption of the  
15 rules, may occur after the conclusion of the presentation and public comment period  
16 of the hearing.

17 Let's see, Hearing Item No. 1. Informational Rule Making Hearing in the  
18 Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex Rule 19.31.12 NMAC for the 2019-2023  
19 seasons. This hearing is now open. Are there any exhibits or proposed new part in  
20 Rule to 20.31.12 for the record?

21 STEWART LILEY: Mr. Chairman, I have six exhibits I'd like to enter into the record.  
22 Exhibit 1, the notice of the rulemaking. Exhibit 2, the initial proposed rule. Exhibit 3,  
23 the presentation as being presented today. Exhibit 4, the summary of the proposed  
24 changes. Exhibit 5, the technical information that was relied upon. And Exhibit 6, the  
25 49 public comments submitted during the rule making process.

1 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: I also have the meeting sign in sheet. I will note that there is  
2 no one on the sheet. We will make this Exhibit 7. Exhibits 1 through 7 are admitted in  
3 to the record. You can proceed to introduce the proposed new rule for 19.31.12.

4 STEWART LILEY: Mr. Chairman, Members of the Commission. As stated, this is the  
5 Barbary Sheep, Oryx and Persian Ibex Rule. We had three public meetings specific  
6 to this rule making process with 28 attendees. In addition, we had 34 public  
7 comments that were specific and summarized there in the 49 that were summarized  
8 in the rule making in the hearing. The majority of the comments pertain to oryx and  
9 maintain once-in-a-lifetime status for those oryx hunts on White Sands Missile  
10 Range. You will see some of the other comments that were presented there, but the  
11 majority was on the maintaining once-in-a-lifetime status for oryx. I'm going to go  
12 through the three species individually for oryx. We are proposing, in coordination with  
13 White Sands Missile Range, for new, on range, once in a lifetime, either sex hunts on  
14 White Sands Missile Range. So the once-in-a-lifetime hunts will increase from 270 to  
15 605. That's based upon survey data and in the population really growing a lot in the  
16 last five years. One of the other proposals that we have is maintaining the  
17 Iraq/Afghanistan veteran's hunt; you had to be a part of those campaigns in order to  
18 participate on that hunt. And also maintain the youth only hunts that are currently  
19 available on White Sands Missile Range. One of the big changes that we are also  
20 proposing is removing the designation of Rhodes or Stallion Canyon and hunters will  
21 now draw to June 19 but before the (indiscernible) are put out every year, we'll  
22 determine where the best populations exist to really get hunters to get the best once-  
23 in-a-lifetime status. Sometimes with that late Stallion hunt is not the best or late  
24 Rhodes, et cetera, so we're really trying to target where the biggest concentrations  
25 are and make sure it's a once-in-a-lifetime type hunt.

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1 One of the other proposals for oryx is increasing the veteran hunts, the special  
2 veteran hunt that we have for our 100% disabled veterans, kind of a big tadoo deal. A  
3 lot of times it's wounded vets that we put out a special hunt for them. We're  
4 proposing increasing it from three to ten. Off range oryx. We're proposing increasing  
5 off range oryx licenses by 33% based off the harvest and survey data, mainly harvest  
6 data and satisfaction rates. Through time we're seeing increased success rates off  
7 range which typically coincides with increasing populations off range and that's why  
8 that proposed increase and we're averaging a little over 50% success on the off-  
9 range hunts on oryx.

10 Moving to ibex. We had three public meetings as well; 34 public comments  
11 specific to ibex. The majority of that is supporting us increasing the female and  
12 mature hunts and putting those in the draw. If you will recall, the last few years those  
13 have been run as population management hunts; we're specifically putting those into  
14 the draw up front on that. So again, standard adjusted season dates, seasons for the  
15 calendar dates, but putting that female and mature hunt that we've been running  
16 through population management hunts into the draw. So now it would be 44 of those  
17 hunts of 75 licenses each, and then maintain the current archery, muzzleloader, and  
18 youth hunts. And one of the other proposals is to combine the once-in-a-lifetime  
19 either sex rifle hunt with the ability incentive hunt. That incentive hunt is for those  
20 hunters that are successful in harvesting a nanny are put into a special draw for five  
21 tags for those that harvested in any of the previous seasons.

22 Barbary sheep. We had three public meetings, as well, and 34 specific  
23 comments to barbary sheep. One of the big ones was, as you'll recall, the proposals  
24 talk about splitting out the into two different units for barbary sheep. Currently 32, 34,  
25 36, 37, 29, and 30 are all combined into one hunt. We're proposing splitting those out



1 into 29, 30 and then 32, 34, 36 and 37. We're proposing increasing the draw licenses  
2 by 37% total. Going from 1,275 to 1,750. And again, splitting those hunts out so -- I'll  
3 get to a table here in a second, but more hunts. Currently, it's a one-month-long hunt  
4 February 1st to 28. We're going to have more hunts over different periods through  
5 times of proposal. Again, I've discussed that split but the biggest here is the licenses  
6 and the hunt dates. So you will see there we created a late October, kind of a rut  
7 hunt, of a hundred licenses in 29, 30; seventy-five in 32, 34, 36, 37. As you recall, at  
8 the last commission meeting there was a discussion about adding in from the final  
9 proposal a new archery hunt to barbary sheep. We did do that. That is now January 1  
10 through 15, seventy-five licenses apiece in each one of those two split units. In  
11 addition to the draw hunts, we're now proposing allowing public hunters with written  
12 permission on private land to be able to hunt on those private lands within those  
13 GMUs I just mentioned. And then one of the biggest things is modifying -- or bigger  
14 things, is modifying the west side of GMU 34, the over-the-counter portion of GMU  
15 34, so it's very clear for hunters. One of the big things that has happened since we  
16 last spoke about this rule is we did get an agreement with White Sands Missile  
17 Range to capture desert sheep this fall and translocate them to GMU 34. So we're  
18 planning on an October release of desert bighorn sheep into the Sacramento  
19 Mountains on that west side (indiscernible). So we've been working through that for  
20 many years. We've had this in the over-the-counter, once in a life -- or excuse me,  
21 once in the counter -- over-the-counter designation for the last few years trying to  
22 reduce the barbary sheep on the west side in preparation for this release. So we  
23 think it's helped, and we are, again, like I said, planning on releasing desert sheep  
24 there in October of this year. And lastly, increasing the McGregor Range barbary  
25 sheep hunts by 33%. With that, I will take any questions.

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1 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Questions or comments?

2 COMMISSIONER RAMOS: (indiscernible) Stewart. On the Bighorn release there,  
3 are we going to – what's your plan with that barbary sheep?

4 STEWART LILEY: Mr. Chairman, Commissioner Ramos. We maintain still over-the-  
5 counter on that west side for barbary sheep on the west side (indiscernible).

6 COMMISSIONER RAMOS: Okay, and you'll just keep doing that. All right.

7 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Any other questions or comments? Do you have any  
8 additional exhibits?

9 STEWART LILEY: Mr. Chairman, no I do not.

10 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: I've already given the attendance sheet. Anyone wish, from  
11 the public, to speak on this issue? Seeing none, I've already admitted the attendance  
12 sheet. The comments submitted in testimony heard during this rule hearing will be  
13 reviewed by the Commission and discussed during the open session of today's  
14 meeting. The Commission will vote on the proposed rules at that time.

15 Thank you everyone for your participation, as minimal as it was. Let the record  
16 show that this rule making -- information portion of the rulemaking hearing was  
17 adjourned at 1:38 PM.

18 All right. Now we can go on to vote, can I -- if there's any -- if there is no further  
19 discussion, questions, or comments, can I get a motion on this item?

20 COMMISSIONER PETERSON: Mr. Chairman, I move to adopt the proposed  
21 changes to 19.31.12 NMAC as presented by the Department and allow the  
22 Department to make minor corrections [indiscernible] filing this rule in State records  
23 and archives.

24 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Thank you. All in favor?

25 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

1 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Ayes have it. All right, do we have any public comment  
2 [indiscernible]?

3 SUSAN TORRES: Good afternoon, Chairman, Commissioners. I'm Susan Torres,  
4 the Communications Director at the New Mexico Wildlife Federation. I just wanted to  
5 thank both the Department and the Commission for looking closely at the EPLUS  
6 Rule and for taking our formal comments to heart. We've already met with your staff  
7 and look forward to meeting [indiscernible] to discuss our proposals. [indiscernible]  
8 licenses in the hands of New Mexico public land hunters. As always, we believe that  
9 through open and honest collaboration we can meet with our needs of all New  
10 Mexicans. Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: Thank you. No more public comments? We will go into  
12 Executive Session. Can I get a motion on this item?

13 COMMISSIONER RAMOS: Mr. Chairman, I move to adjourn into Executive Session  
14 closed to the public pursuant Section 10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978 to discuss related  
15 personnel matters related to the complaints and discipline pursuant to Section 10-15-  
16 1(H)(8) NMSA 1978 to discuss property acquisition and pursuant to Section 10-15-  
17 1(H)(7) on matters subject to the attorney-client privilege relating to threatened or  
18 pending litigation of which the Commission, under Departments or may become a  
19 participant as listed in Agenda Item 18, Subsections A,B, and C.

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22 beginning of the meeting and then the following audio is heard]

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24 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: During the Executive Session the Commission discussed on  
25 those matters specified in its motion to adjourn and take no actions to any matter.



1 Can I get a motion to adjourn?  
2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: [inaudible].  
3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Second.  
4 CHAIRMAN KIENZLE: All in favor?  
5 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

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