

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
FISH AND GAME COMMISSION  
INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR REGULATORY ACTION  
(Pre-Publication of Notice Statement)

Amend Section 361  
Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR)  
Re: Archery Deer Hunting

I. Date of Initial Statement of Reasons: September 24, 2013

II. Dates and Locations of Scheduled Hearings:

(a) Notice Hearing: Date: December 11, 2013  
Location: San Diego, CA

(b) Discussion Hearing: Date: February 5, 2014  
Location: Sacramento, CA

(c) Adoption Hearing: Date: April 16, 2014  
Location: Ventura, CA

III. Description of Regulatory Action:

(a) Statement of Specific Purpose of Regulation Change and Factual Basis for Determining that Regulation Change is Reasonably Necessary:

1. Number of Tags

Existing regulations provide for the number of hunting tags for area-specific archery hunts. This proposed regulatory action would change the number of tags for all existing hunts to a series of ranges as indicated in the table presented in the Informative Digest.

This proposed regulation provides a range of tag numbers for each hunt from which a final number will be determined, based on the post-winter status of each deer herd. These ranges are necessary, as the final number of tags cannot be determined until spring herd data are collected in March/April.

In early spring, surveys of deer herds are conducted to determine the proportion of fawns that have survived the winter. This information is used in conjunction with the prior year harvest and fall herd composition data to estimate overall herd size, sex and age ratios, and the predicted number of available bucks next season. The number of bucks and does needs to be estimated prior to the hunting season to determine how many surplus bucks will exist over and above the number required to maintain the

desired buck ratio objectives stated in the approved deer herd management plans.

The actual tag numbers for each affected hunt will be recommended to the Commission at the adoption hearing in April 2014 and will be selected from the range of values provided by this proposal. These final license tag numbers will be based upon findings from the annual harvest and herd composition counts. However, under circumstances where severe winter conditions adversely effect herd recruitment and over-winter adult survival, final tag quotas may fall below the proposed tag range into the “Low Kill” alternative identified in the 2007 Environmental Document Regarding Deer Hunting.

## 2. Minor Editorial Changes

Minor editorial changes are necessary for consistency in subsection numbering, spelling, grammar, and clarification.

### (b) Authority and Reference Sections from Fish and Game Code for Regulation:

Authority: Fish and Game Code sections 200, 202, 203, 220, and 4370.

Reference: Fish and Game Code sections 200, 202, 203, 203.1, 207, and 4370.

### (c) Specific Technology or Equipment Required by Regulatory Change:

None

### (d) Identification of Reports or Documents Supporting Regulation Change:

Economic Impact Assessment

### (e) Public Discussions of Proposed Regulations Prior to Notice Publication:

The Department conducted public scoping sessions in Sacramento on October 11, 2006 and November 18, 2010. Public input, discussions and recommendations regarding the environmental document and mammal hunting and trapping regulations were taken at that time.

Additionally, in 2000, the Department of Fish and Wildlife held a total of 23 “Deer Stakeholder” meetings throughout the State. The meetings were open to the public and the Department provided information on a variety of deer management strategies and issues including: Deer Assessment Unit (zone complex) planning and tag draw method alternatives. Attendees were asked to participate in a survey and public comment was also received. The Department also conducted four public meetings at which regulation change concepts and specific proposals for mammals (including deer) and furbearers were discussed, and additional public comment was received.

While these meetings were conducted prior to the establishment of current and proposed regulations, the concepts and proposals which were derived through these meetings are still being implemented as part of the current year regulatory process.

IV. Description of Reasonable Alternatives to Regulatory Action:

(a) Alternatives to Regulation Change:

1. Number of Tags

There is no reasonable alternative to the proposed action.

2. Minor Editorial Changes

There is no reasonable alternative to the proposed action.

(b) No Change Alternative:

1. Number of Tags

The “No Change Alternative” was considered and found inadequate to attain the project objectives. Retaining the current number of tags for the hunts listed may not be responsive to yearly changes in the status of the herds. The deer herd management plans specify objective levels for the proportion of bucks in the herds. These ratios are maintained and managed in part by modifying the number of tags. The “No Change Alternative” would not allow management of the desired proportion of bucks stated in the approved deer herd management plans.

2. Minor Editorial Changes

The “No Change Alternative” was considered and found inadequate to attain the project objectives, because inconsistencies in section and subsection references, numbering, spelling, grammar and lack of clarification would exist within the regulations, potentially leading to confusion and possible violations.

(c) Consideration of Alternatives:

In view of information currently possessed, no reasonable alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulation is proposed, would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed regulation, or would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

V. Mitigation Measures Required by Regulatory Action:

The proposed regulatory action will have no negative impact on the environment; therefore, no mitigation measures are needed. The maximum number of tags available in the newly proposed range is at or below the number of tags analyzed in the 2007 Final Environmental Document Regarding Deer Hunting and related documents.

VI. Impact of Regulatory Action:

The potential for significant statewide adverse economic impacts that might result from the proposed regulatory action has been assessed, and following initial determinations relative to the required statutory categories have been made.

(a) Significant Statewide Adverse Economic Impact Directly Affecting Businesses, Including the Ability of California Businesses to Compete with Businesses in Other States:

The proposed action will not have a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states. The proposed action adjusts tag quotas for existing hunts. Given the number of tags available and the area over which they are distributed, these proposals are economically neutral to business.

(b) Impact on the Creation or Elimination of Jobs Within the State, the Creation of New Businesses or the Elimination of Existing Businesses, or the Expansion of Businesses in California:

None. The proposed action will not have significant impacts on jobs or business within California. The proposed action adjusts tag quotas for existing hunts based on herd performance criteria. Given the number of tags historically available, the minimal adjustments in tag numbers that are anticipated for the 2014 hunting season, and the area over which they are distributed (entire State of California; these proposals are economically neutral to jobs or business within California

(c) Cost Impacts on Private Persons:

The Commission is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

(d) Costs or Savings to State Agencies or Costs/Savings in Federal Funding to the State:

None

(e) Other Nondiscretionary Costs/Savings to Local Agencies:

None

- (f) Programs Mandated on Local Agencies or School Districts:

None

- (g) Costs Imposed on Any Local Agency or School District that is Required to be Reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4:

None

- (h) Effect on Housing Costs:

None

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**INFORMATIVE DIGEST  
(Policy Statement Overview)**

Existing regulations provide for the number of hunting tags for existing area-specific archery hunts. The proposal changes the number of tags for existing hunts to a series of ranges presented in the table below. These ranges are necessary, as the final number of tags cannot be determined until spring herd data are collected in March/April. Because severe winter conditions can have an adverse effect on herd recruitment and over-winter adult survival, final tag quotas may fall below the proposed range into the “Low Kill” alternative identified in the 2007 Environmental Document Regarding Deer Hunting.

Minor editorial changes are necessary to provide consistency in subsection numbering, spelling, grammar, and clarification.

<b>Archery Deer Hunting: § 361</b>		
<b>Tag Allocations</b>		
<b>Hunt Number (and Title)</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
A-1 (C Zones Archery Only Hunt)	1,945	150-3,000
A-3 (Zone X-1 Archery Hunt)	135	50-1,000
A-4 (Zone X-2 Archery Hunt)	10	5-100
A-5 (Zone X-3a Archery Hunt)	25	10-300
A-6 (Zone X-3b Archery Hunt)	90	25-400
A-7 (Zone X-4 Archery Hunt)	110	25-400
A-8 (Zone X-5a Archery Hunt)	15	15-100
A-9 (Zone X-5b Archery Hunt)	5	5-100
A-11 (Zone X-6a Archery Hunt)	50	10-200
A-12 (Zone X-6b Archery Hunt)	100	10-200
A-13 (Zone X-7a Archery Hunt)	45	10-200
A-14 (Zone X-7b Archery Hunt)	25	5-100
A-15 (Zone X-8 Archery Hunt)	40	5-100
A-16 (Zone X-9a Archery Hunt)	140	50-500
A-17 (Zone X-9b Archery Hunt)	300	50-500
A-18 (Zone X-9c Archery Hunt)	350	50-500
A-19 (Zone X-10 Archery Hunt)	100	25-200
A-20 (Zone X-12 Archery Hunt)	100	50-500
A-21 (Anderson Flat Archery Buck Hunt)	25	25-100
A-22 (San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt)	1,000	200-1,500

<b>Archery Deer Hunting: § 361 Tag Allocations</b>		
<b>Hunt Number (and Title)</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
A-24 (Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt)	100	25-200
A-25 (Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt)	35	20-75
A-26 (Bass Hill Archery Buck Hunt)	30	10-100
A-27 (Devil's Garden Archery Buck Hunt)	5	5-75
A-30 (Covelo Archery Buck Hunt)	40	20-100
A-31 (Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt)	1,000	200-1,500
A-32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Archery Late Season Either-Sex Deer Hunt)	250	50-300
A-33 (Fort Hunter Liggett Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt)	50 Tags Total* (25 Military and 25 Public)	50 Tags Total* (25 Military and 25 Public)

\* *Specific numbers of tags are provided for military hunts through a system which restricts hunter access to desired levels and ensures biologically conservative hunting programs.*

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Section 361 is amended to read:

**§361. Archery Deer Hunting.**

(a) Archery Hunting With General Deer Zone Tags. Deer may be taken during the archery season only with archery equipment specified in Section 354 as follows:

(1) Zone A.

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(1)(A)1. through 2.

(B) Season: The archery deer season in Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160 shall open on the second Saturday in July and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(2) B Zones.

(A) Zones B-1 through B-3, B-5 and B-6.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(2)(A).

2. Season: The archery deer season in Zones B-1 through B-3, B-5 and B-6 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

3. Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(B) Zone B-4.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(2)(A)4.

2. Season: The archery deer season in Zone B-4 shall open on the fourth Saturday in July and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(3) C Zones (Note: see subsection 361(b) below for area-specific archery hunt A-1 (C Zones Archery Only Hunt)).

(4) D Zones.

(A) Zones D-3 through D-5.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(4)(A)1. through 3.

2. Season: The archery season in Zones D-3, D-4, and D-5 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 days.

3. Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

4. Special Conditions: Hunters that possess a Zone D-3-5 tag may hunt in zones D-3, D-4, and D-5.

(B) Zones D-6 through D-10.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(5)(A) through (9)(A).

2. Season: The archery season in zones D-6 through D-10 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 days.

3. Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(C) Zones D-11, D-13 and D-15.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(10)(A), (12)(A) and (14)(A), respectively.

2. Season: The archery season in Zones D-11, D-13 and D-15 shall open on the first Saturday in September and extend for 23 days.

3. Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

4. Special Conditions: Hunters that possess a D-11, D-13, or D-15 tag may hunt in any, or all three of those zones.

(D) Zone D-12.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(11)(A).

2. Season: The archery season in Zone D-12 shall open on the first Saturday in October and extend for 23 consecutive days.

3. Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(E) Zones D-14, D-16, D-17 and D-19.

1. Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(13)(A), (15)(A), (16)(A) and (17)(A), respectively.

2. Season: The archery season in zones D-14, D-16, D-17 and D-19 shall open on the first Saturday in September and extend for 23 consecutive days.

3. Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(b) Archery Hunting With Area-specific Archery Tags. Deer may be taken only with archery equipment specified in Section 354, only during the archery seasons as follows:

(1) A-1 (C Zones Archery Only Hunt).

(A) Area: Shall include all of Zones C-1, C-2, C-3, and C-4 as described in subsections 360(a)(3)(A)1. through 4.

(B) Season:

1. Zone C-1. The archery season for Zone C-1 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 16 consecutive days.

2. Zone C-2. The archery season for Zone C-2 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

3. Zone C-3. The archery season for Zone C-3 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

4. Zone C-4. The archery season for Zone C-4 shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 16 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~1,945~~150-3,000 A-1 (C Zones Archery Only Hunt) tags are valid in Zones C-1, C-2, C-3, and C-4 only during the archery season as specified above in subsections 361(b)(1)(B)1. through 4.

(2) A-3 (Zone X-1 Archery Hunt)

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(1)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-3 (Zone X-1 Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~135~~50-1,000.

(3) A-4 (Zone X-2 Archery Hunt)

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(2)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-4 (Zone X-2 Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~405~~-100.

(4) A-5 (Zone X-3a Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(3)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-5 (Zone X-3a Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~2510~~-300.

(5) A-6 (Zone X-3b Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(4)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-6 (Zone X-3b Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~9025~~-400.

(6) A-7 (Zone X-4 Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(5)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-7 (Zone X-4 Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~11025~~-400.

(7) A-8 (Zone X-5a Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(6)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-8 (Zone X-5a Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: 15-100.

(8) A-9 (Zone X-5b Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(7)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-9 (Zone X-5b Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: 5-100.

(9) A-11 (Zone X-6a Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(8)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-11 (Zone X-6a Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~5010~~-200.

(10) A-12 (Zone X-6b Archery Hunt).

- (A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(9)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-12 (Zone X-6b Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: ~~400~~10-200.
- (11) A-13 (Zone X-7a Archery Hunt).  
(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(10)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-13 (Zone X-7a Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: ~~45~~10-200.
- (12) A-14 (Zone X-7b Archery Hunt).  
(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(11)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-14 (Zone X-7b Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: ~~255~~-100.
- (13) A-15 (Zone X-8 Archery Hunt).  
(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(12)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-15 (Zone X-8 Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: ~~405~~-100.
- (14) A-16 (Zone X-9a Archery Hunt).  
(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(13)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-16 (Zone X-9a Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: ~~440~~50-500.
- (15) A-17 (Zone X-9b Archery Hunt).  
(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(14)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-17 (Zone X-9b Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: ~~300~~50-500.
- (16) A-18 (Zone X-9c Archery Hunt).  
(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(15)(A).  
(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-18 (Zone X-9c Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~350~~50-500.

(17) A-19 (Zone X-10 Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(16)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-19 (Zone X-10 Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 16 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~400~~25-200.

(18) A-20 (Zone X-12 Archery Hunt).

(A) Area: As described in subsection 360(b)(17)(A).

(B) Season: The archery season for hunt A-20 (Zone X-12 Archery Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in August and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~400~~50-500.

(19) A-21 (Anderson Flat Archery Buck Hunt).

(A) Area: In that portion of hunt Zone D-6 in Mariposa and Tuolumne counties lying within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 140 and Bull Creek Road at Briceburg; north on Bull Creek Road (U.S. Forest Service Road 2S05) to Greeley Hill Road; west on Greeley Hill Road to Smith Station Road (County Route J20); north on Smith Station Road to Highway 120 (near Burch Meadow); east on Highway 120 to the Yosemite National Park Boundary (near Big Oak-Flat Ranger Station); southeast along the Yosemite National Park Boundary to Highway 140; west on Highway 140 to the Yosemite National Park Boundary; northwest along the Yosemite National Park Boundary to Highway 140 (at Redbud Campground); west on Highway 140 to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-21 (Anderson Flat Archery Buck Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in November and extend for 14 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: 25-100.

(20) A-22 (San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of San Diego County within Zone D-16 (see subsection 360(a)(15)(A)).

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-22 (San Diego Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the first Saturday in September and extend for 44 consecutive days, and reopen on the third Saturday in November and extend through December 31.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~4,000~~200-1,500.

(21) A-24 (Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

(A) Area: All of Monterey County, except Fort Ord Military Reservation.

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-24 (Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~400~~25-200.

(22) A-25 (Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of Sonoma County within the boundaries of the Lake Sonoma Area, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) property described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Hot Springs Road and the COE boundary; east and south along the boundary line to the intersection with Brush Creek; west along the north bank of Brush Creek (shoreline) to the Dry Creek arm of Lake Sonoma; south along the shoreline of the Dry Creek arm to Smittle Creek; north along the COE property line to Dry Creek; east along the COE boundary across Cherry Creek, Skunk Creek, and Yorty Creek to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-25 (Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall be open on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays only, beginning on the first Saturday in October and extending for 24 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~35~~20-75.

(E) Special Conditions:

1. The use of dogs is prohibited.

2. Boats are required for all areas west of Cherry Creek (some 2/3 of the hunt area).

Only cartop boats are allowed to launch from the Yorty Creek access.

(23) A-26 (Bass Hill Archery Buck Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of Lassen County within the area described as Zone X-6a (see subsection 360(b)(8)(A)).

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-26 (Bass Hill Archery Buck Hunt) shall open on the third Saturday in November and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~30~~10-100.

(24) A-27 (Devil's Garden Archery Buck Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of Modoc County within a line beginning at the intersection of the Malin Road (Modoc County 114) and the California-Oregon state line; east along the state line to the Crowder Flat Road; south along the Crowder Flat Road to the Blue Mountain Road (Modoc County 136); west on the Blue Mountain Road to the Blue Mountain-Mowitz Butte-Ambrose Road; south on the Blue Mountain-Mowitz Butte-Ambrose Road to Highway 139; north on Highway 139 to the Malin Road; north on the Malin Road to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-27 (Devil's Garden Archery Buck Hunt) shall open on the fourth Saturday in October and extend for 16 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~5~~75.

(25) A-30 (Covelo Archery Buck Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of Mendocino County within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 101 and the Humboldt-Mendocino county line; east along the Humboldt-Mendocino county line to the Trinity-Mendocino county line; east along Trinity-Mendocino county line to the Mendocino-Tehama county line; south on the Mendocino-Tehama county line to the Mendocino-Glenn county line; south on the Mendocino-Glenn

county line to the Mendocino-Lake county line; west and south on the Mendocino-Lake county line to the Main Eel River; west and north on the Main Eel River to the Hearst-Willits Road; southwest on the Hearst-Willits Road to Commercial Avenue; west on Commercial Avenue to Highway 101; north on Highway 101 to the point of beginning.

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-30 (Covelo Archery Buck Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in November and extend for sixteen consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~40~~20-100.

(26) A-31 (Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of Los Angeles County within Zone D-11 (see subsection 360(a)(10)(A)).

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-31 (Los Angeles Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the fourth Saturday in September and extend through December 31.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(b)) per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~4,000~~200-1,500.

(27) A-32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

(A) Area: In those portions of Los Angeles and Ventura counties within the area described as the A Zone (see subsection 360(a)(1)(A)).

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in November and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: ~~250~~50-300.

(28) A-33 (Fort Hunter Liggett Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

(A) Area: That portion of Monterey County lying within the exterior boundaries of the Hunter Liggett Military Reservation, except as restricted by the Commanding Officer.

(B) Season: The season for hunt A-33 (Fort Hunter Liggett Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall be open beginning the first Saturday in October and continuing through November 11, except if rescheduled by the Commanding Officer with department concurrence between the season opener and December 31.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: 50 (25 military and 25 general public).

(E) Special Conditions: In the event the Commanding Officer cancels the hunt, A-33 tagholders may exchange the unused tag for any remaining deer tag and have accumulated and earned preference points restored pursuant to Section 708.14 for tags issued through the Big Game Drawing.

(c) Archery Hunting with Archery Only Tags. Deer may be taken only with archery equipment specified in Section 354, during the archery seasons and general seasons as follows:

(1) Number of Archery Only Tags Permitted. A person may obtain an archery only tag using a one-deer tag application and a second archery only tag using a second deer tag application.

(2) Zones in Which Archery Only Tags are Valid. An archery only tag is valid for hunt G-10, and during the archery season and general season in all zones except C-1 through C-4 and X-1 through X-12.

(3) Areas: As described in subsections 360(a) and (c).

(4) Seasons: The archery season and general seasons are provided in subsection 361(a) above and in subsections 360(a) and (c).

(5) Bag and Possession Limit: All bag and possession limits per zone are the same as those described in subsections 360(a) and (c).

(d) Hunting Area Limitations. Archers not in possession of an archery only tag may hunt only in the zone, zones, or areas for which they have a general tag or an area-specific archery tag. (Refer to subsection 361(c)(2) for zones in which archery only tags are valid).

(e) Crossbow Prohibition. Except as provided in subsection 354(j), crossbows may not be used during any archery season or during the general season when using an archery only tag.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 203, 220 and 4370, Fish and Game Code.

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