



**ZUNI TRIBAL COUNCIL
Zuni, New Mexico**

April 30, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. M70-2025-K063

**ZUNI FISH & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT – ZUNI TRIBAL BIG GAME
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council consisting of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and six Councilmembers is declared to be the legislative authority of the Pueblo of Zuni by Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Zuni Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council, pursuant to Article VI, Section 1(d) and (g) of the Constitution of the Zuni Tribe, holds the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council recognizes the need to manage and protect the valuable natural resources on Tribal lands and surrounding areas including big game species such as mule deer, elk, antelope, turkey, mountain lion, and bear; and,

WHEREAS, the Division of Natural Resource's Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department (ZFWD) will manage and oversee the annual Tribal Big Game Hunting Season; and,

WHEREAS, the Division of Natural Resource's Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department (ZFWD) will provide to the Tribal community the 2025-2026 Tribal Big Game Proclamation regarding the guidelines associated with the hunting; and,

WHEREAS, the Division of Natural Resource's Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department (ZFWD) is officially requesting from the Governor and Tribal Council for approval of the 2025-2026 Tribal Big Game Hunting Season Proclamation; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governor and Tribal Council concurs and approves the 2025-2026 Tribal Big Game Proclamation with the signature of the Governor

NOW BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Tribal Council delegates authority to the Governor, Zuni Tribe or his delegated designee to take any necessary actions to carry out this resolution's intent

ZUNI TRIBAL COUNCIL:

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Arden Kucate, Governor

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Ricky Penketewa Sr, Councilman

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Birdena Sanchez, Councilwoman

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Shirley L. Bellson, Councilwoman

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Zuni Tribal Council in a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present, and that the same was: 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain, 2 absent, on April 30, 2025

[Signature]
Birdena Sanchez, Tribal Council Secretary

APPROVED / DISAPPROVED

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Arden Kucate, Governor
Pueblo of Zuni

4/30/25
Date



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4/30/2025

Date

I hereby certify that the foregoing 2025-2026 Tribal Proclamation was duly considered by the 2025-2026 Zuni Tribal Proclamation Volunteer Consultant Group. Meetings and discussions were held and input from the Volunteer Consultant Group and the Zuni community was considered for the betterment of the Tribal hunting community. All Volunteer Consultants came to an agreement on the proposed changes made by the Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department (ZFWD) and/or by the Volunteer Consultant Group and/or by the Tribal Community.

Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department



**2025-2026 Zuni Tribal
Big Game Hunting Proclamation**

Zuni Tribal Big Game Hunting Proclamation

<https://zunifishandwildlife.org/>

General Information

Important information you need to know before applying for any hunting activities on the Zuni Reservation.

The Zuni Indian Reservation and Mazone Ranch is Tribal Land and is not open to unauthorized public use. All visitors are expected to abide by all Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department (ZFWD), Zuni Open Space Department, and Tribal Rules and Regulations. All game, fish, wildlife, natural resources, shed antler(s), skulls with antlers, all archeological artifacts and sites are protected on the Pueblo of Zuni and Mazone Ranch by Tribal and Federal Law and may not be taken, possessed, or transported by Non-Zuni Tribal members without proper permitting and documentation.

The sole purpose of this document is to provide written documentation for the Tribal Big Game Hunting activities provided by the Zuni Fish and Wildlife Department on an annual basis. Upon the Governor and Tribal Councils approval, this document will govern the activities of Tribal, Non-Zuni Residents, Non-Zuni Spouse, and Other Native American hunts administered through the ZFWD.

The license year of the Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department Tribal Big Game Proclamation will begin April 16, 2025 and will end January 31, 2026.

By the **Zuni Tribal Big Game Hunting Proclamation** that has been set forth and approved by the Governor and Tribal Council, only the **ZFWD** may issue hunting permits for the following big game species: **Pronghorn Antelope, Elk, Mule Deer, Turkey, Lion, and Bear.**

The Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department offers a variety of hunting and fishing opportunities for Zuni Tribal Members, Non-Zuni Residents, Non-Zuni Spouses, and the General Public. For more information, please contact the ZFWD or the ZFWD webpage. A Zuni Habitat Fee is required for seasonal hunting, fishing, and trapping activities. The habitat fees will fund habitat improvement projects throughout the Zuni Reservation and Mazone Ranch.

All Rules and Regulations pertain to all big game hunting on the Pueblo of Zuni and the Tribal sections of Mazone Ranch.

All applicants are responsible for reading and understanding the Proclamation Rules and Regulations before applying. The Proclamation Rules and Regulations, tag numbers, and permit costs are approved through end of 2025-2026 hunting season.

Important Reminders

- All game, fish, wildlife, natural resources, shed antler(s), skulls with antlers, all archeological artifacts, and sites are protected on the Pueblo of Zuni by Tribal and Federal Law and may not be taken, possessed or transported by any Non-Zuni without proper permitting and documentation.
- Zuni Bluehead sucker fish, Chiricahua Leopard Frog, Mexican Spotted Owl, Southwest Willow Flycatcher, Zuni Fleabane, and Mexican Grey Wolf are threatened or endangered species categorizing them as protected.
- The use of All-Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicles (ATV/UTV) are allowed only on established road(s). ATV/UTV's may only be driven off established roads to retrieve harvested big game animals.

What's New for 2025-2026?

- **Archery Hunters who** qualified during the archery qualifications in 2024-2025 season, will be good until the end of 2025-2026 hunting season. Requalification will be required before the 2026-2027 hunting season.
- New applicants applying for archery hunts must qualify for their archery hunt after they are drawn. See Archery Qualification details in "Continuing Actions".
- **Senior Citizens (65 and over), handicapped, and disabled permits:** Zuni Tribal members ONLY will receive a 10% discount on big game hunting permit. Must show proof of disability & handicap from a physician or Division of Motor Vehicle placard.
- Hunters on the 2024-2025 ineligible list must pay \$20 late fee and submit the hunter survey. After January 31, 2026, all ineligible hunters that have not paid and submitted their surveys will be moved over to a new listing along with a new fee and still be required to submit a survey.
- For the 2025-2026 hunting season, ZFWD will recommend hunters to submit their surveys 15 working days after their hunt has concluded. Although, all surveys will be due January 31, 2026. Late surveys submitted after January 31, 2026, will be required to pay \$100 late fee and still be required to turn in the hunt survey.
- The \$100 late survey fees will fund the Operation Game Theft, Hunter Youth Education, and hunter incentives deemed necessary.
- The use of game/trail cameras is allowed starting August 1st of each new hunting season. Game/trail cameras must be removed from the field on January 31st at the end of each hunting season. Game/trail cameras found after January 31st or before August 1st will be confiscated by the appropriate authorities.

Continuing Actions

- For the 2025-2026 hunting season, drawn archery hunters will be required to participate in an archery shooting test to qualify for archery hunts. All hunts include: Mule Deer, Elk, and Pronghorn.
 - **Drawn Archery Hunters** must qualify for archery hunts prior to making the payment of the permit. Payments made before qualifying will be on hold until the qualification has been successfully passed. Drawn archery hunters that are unsuccessful at qualifying prior to the first archery hunt or by August 28, 2025, will be reimbursed at 100%. Non-attempts will be reimbursed at 50% of the original permit cost.

- **Purpose:** the purpose of the qualification is to encourage hunter marksmanship, hunter ethics, gear selection, and overall proficiency and accuracy to minimize wound loss for all big game archery hunts.
- **Location:** Department of Natural Resources Compound. (Location subject to change due to weather conditions.)
- **Date & Time:** Every **Sunday, Tuesday, & Thursday** starting **June 29 – August 7, 2025**. After August 7th, qualifications will only occur on **Tuesday & Thursday**. The last day for qualifications will be **August 28, 2025**. **Scheduled time frame for qualifications will begin at 5:00pm – 7:00pm**. Hunters also have the option of scheduling an appointment with the ZFWD provided that a staff member will be available during that date and time.
- **Draw Weight:** A minimum draw weight of forty (40) pounds will be checked and enforced for all archery hunters.
- **Distance:** Compound bow: 30 yards, Traditional: 20 yards.
- Qualification will be determined if an individual can group 3-arrows out of 5-arrows within an 8" circle. A ZFWD staff and/or Tribal Ranger will be there to witness and verify the qualification(s).
- **Attempts:** There will be a maximum of 3 attempts per Qualification Day for all hunters.
- Mazone Ranch Elk hunts have moved from 7-day hunts to 8 or 9-day hunts.
- Antlerless Elk Hunts (12-ZR, 13-ZR) have been moved from 7-day hunts to 9-day hunts.
- Late Bull Elk Hunts (14-ZR & 14M) have been moved from 7-day hunts to 9-day hunts. Last two (2) days of the hunt, gender restriction will change to: Either Sex. Original antler restriction will still apply.
- Tribal Youth Mule Deer (3-ZR) hunt will take place during Thanksgiving Break unless any cultural activities take place. IF, any cultural activities take place, the hunt will be moved up with hunt #10 – Tribal Youth Elk.
- Unsold antlerless elk tags will be made available to hunters who have NOT drawn or applied for a 2025-2026 big game permit on a first come first serve basis.
- Applicants will be given the option to indicate a hunt code they wish to be kept on as an alternate if they are unsuccessfully drawn. If the applicant does not indicate, they will be placed as an alternate based on their first choice. Each individual will be placed in the order they were drawn.
- **Permits are non-transferable.** If you have been drawn for a hunt, you are not allowed to move from one hunt to another. If you are an alternate and take an available alternate tag, you are not allowed to move from one hunt to another. All choices and decisions are final.
- **Hunter Orange** will be required for the **2025-2026** hunting season. All firearm hunters are required to wear hunter orange on all firearm hunts. A minimum of a hunter orange hat or vest.
- **Hunter Education Certification (Card)** will be required at the beginning of the **2025-2026** hunting season for **ALL APPLICANTS** under 65 years of age. Those that have not yet taken their hunter education will be required to do so to apply for the 2025-2026 hunting season and seasons to come.

APPLICANT INFORMATION & APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applicants are allowed **ONE** primary Big Game hunting opportunity per 2025-2026 proclamation. All applicants must be aware of all deadline dates to eliminate confusion; **Please read information carefully.**
- Hard copy application may be mailed or filled out at the ZFWD office but must be **received in the ZFWD** no later than **4:00pm** on **Application Deadline Date**. **No refunds on late applications.** **Electronic applications will be accepted and is another option for hunter convenience.**

Application can be downloaded at <https://zunifishandwildlife.org/> which than can be filled out and emailed to POZ.Hunts@ashiwi.org.

- Application, Permit, Habitat, and Late fees may be paid by **cash, debit or credit card, Money Orders, and Cashier's Check(s)** at the Zuni Finance Department service window, by telephone at **(505)782-7146** or online. All money orders & cashier's checks are to be made payable to the **Zuni Fish and Wildlife Department**. Payments will not be accepted at the ZFWD.
- The online payment system is now available at www.Ashiwi.org. **Step 1:** Click the tab "New! Online Payments". **Step 2:** Click "Pay Now". **Step 3:** Fill in the appropriate amount being paid. If a permit is being paid, please include the \$5.00 habitat fee. **Step 4:** Fill in appropriate payment and billing information. **Step 5:** Under "Custom Section", in the box labeled "Account Number". Simply type what is being paid for. If it is a single application, type in "Application" and the appropriate hunt number (Example: Application Hunt # 2, 3, & 4). If it is a Three (3) Choice application, type in "3 Choice" and the hunt numbers you are applying for (Example: 3-Choice – Hunt # 2, 7, 22M). If you are paying a permit fee, type in the appropriate hunt number and habitat fee (Example: Hunt # 4 & Habitat fee). **Step 6:** Click "Payment for" and a drop-down menu will appear. Choose "Fish/Wildlife". **Step 7:** Under "Account Name", type in the appropriate name of the applicant. **Step 8:** Submit Payment.
- **2025-2026 Habitat Fee** (\$5.00) is required and must be paid along with permit.
- **Drawn Applicants Are Required** to personally sign for and receive permits during normal business hours (Mon-Fri, 8am-5 pm). No exceptions. Call the Fish & Wildlife (782-5851) to **Schedule an Appointment** to pick up permit.
- Permits will be made available for pick-up two (2) weeks prior to the start of each hunt. Any lost or neglected permits will be reissued at a 50% cost of the original permit. Stolen permits will be reissued for free with receipt of a police report.
- **For the 2025-2026** hunting season, ZFWD will still **recommend** hunters to submit their surveys 15 workings days after their hunt has concluded. Although, all surveys will be due **January 31, 2026**. Surveys submitted after January 31, 2026, will be required to pay \$100 late fee and still be required to turn in the hunt survey. Hunt surveys must be returned to the ZFWD (accepted by fax, email, or drop-off). Individuals failing to submit survey will have to pay a \$100.00 late fee and submit survey to be allowed to apply for 2026 hunts. Electronic surveys can be accessed at <https://zunifishandwildlife.org/>. QR Code will be available on the hunters permit and on page #8 of the proclamation. Hardcopy surveys will still be made available to those that wish to submit hardcopy surveys. Emailed surveys can be sent to POZ.Hunts@ashiwi.org. Faxed surveys can be sent to **(505)782-2726**.
- **All Applicants** are subject to a background check through Tribal Courts to avoid any conflicts with domestic violence, game violations, or court ordered restricted applicants. Any individuals providing false information will be subjected to a three (3) year hunting revocation. **No refund** will be given if the applicant is found with any of the three listed violations.
- **All Individuals** with prior domestic violence or felony convictions in **any court can only apply for archery hunts**.
- **All Individuals** with game violations within the past three years or court ordered restrictions are not allowed to submit applications or participate in any hunts. **No Refunds** will be made to anyone unable to participate in a hunt for which they have already paid.
- **Zuni Youth** hunts are open to enrolled Zuni Tribal members between 10-17 years of age (at time of hunt dates). **Youth applicants MUST provide a hardcopy or email their Hunters Education Card** before applying for any hunts. Hunter education card can be emailed to POZ.Hunts@ashiwi.org. A parent or legal guardian is required to sign and understand all hunting rules and regulations and

hunting permit with their youth. The name of who will accompany the youth hunter is required to be listed on the permit. Youth can also apply for adult hunts. Hunter Orange is mandatory for all hunts.

- **All Non-Zuni:** Other Native Americans, Non-Zuni Resident and spouses are eligible to apply for elk hunts only. Below are requirements to be met to be eligible to hunt:
 - ❖ **Other Native American:** must provide a copy of their **Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB)/Tribal Census card** from respective tribal affiliation with application.
 - ❖ **Non-Zuni Resident(s):** Individuals who reside within the Zuni community (with proof of one (1) year residency), OR individuals who are employed within the Zuni community (with proof of one (1) year current employment) but do not reside within the Zuni community. Documents required for verification: written acknowledgement from landlord/employer verifying physical residency & employment.
 - ❖ **Non-Zuni Spouses** of Zuni Tribal Members must provide legal marriage documentation in order to apply for and participate in any hunt.
 - ❖ **All** permit holders are required to be always be accompanied by a ZFWD Certified Tribal Guide OR approved Tribal member when scouting and during the hunt. Any violation(s) of Game and Fish/Tribal code(s) void permit and **NO** Future hunting opportunities will be allowed for three years. Tribal Guide/Member name must be submitted when picking up permit.
- **Non-Zuni Resident, Non-Zuni Spouses, and Other Native Americans** can apply for multiple hunts but will only be drawn for one hunt.
- **Opportunities for Handicapped and Disabled Hunters:** to qualify an applicant must show proof of disability from a physician or with Division of Motor Vehicle placard. Disabled hunters will be allowed various privileges and assistance dependent on their disabilities. Mobility-Impaired licensee may shoot from a stationary vehicle that is not on a maintained road (BIA Routes and State Highways). Once the licensee has clearly wounded a legal game animal, another person(s) may assist in tracking and retrieving the game.
- **Honorably Discharged enrolled Zuni Tribal Veterans** will be provided 20% discount on permit costs. Claiming this discount, applicant must provide proof of veteran status upon request at time of application (form DD-214 is required).

Hunting Rules and Regulations

1. The Pueblo of Zuni has the right to refuse the sale or issuance of hunting permits to anyone. All hunters must/shall obey all Tribal, state, federal laws and rules and regulations.
2. All hunters 17 years of age or younger must have successfully completed a Hunter Safety Program.
3. All hunters 10 years of age or older who have successfully completed a Hunter Safety Program are eligible to apply for big game hunts.
4. Any dead heads (antlers with skull intact) must be left on site with a marked location. Notify Open Space Department immediately. An Open Space Ranger will investigate to determine whether no illegal activity took place. A determination will be made by the Open Space Ranger on site. If no illegal activity took place, a transportation permit will be issued to the individual reporting the dead head. Failure to report dead head finds will result in a citation for illegal possession with loss of future hunting opportunities of up to 3-5 years and confiscation of the dead head. Any further questions, please call the ZFWD or the Open Space Department.
5. For all hunts – No extensions will be made to any hunt dates, deadlines, or sale of additional permits. ONLY the person issued the permit is allowed to hunt and possess the legal weapon for the duration of the hunt. Only the legal weapon used by the licensed hunter will be allowed within the hunting party.

6. A minimum caliber is .243 for rifles, and .40 for muzzleloaders. A draw weight of 40 pounds' minimum is required for archery.
7. Hunters must tag all harvested big game animals immediately after kill. The **tag portion of your permit** must be securely attached to the antlers or the leg of a female carcass, prior to transportation.
8. The antlers must remain attached to the skull or the scalp and both ears with proof of sex on a female to accompany the carcass during the pack-out and transportation of the carcass until reaching its place of storage or consumption.
9. **It is mandatory that all harvested or wounded game be reported** to the Open Space Department. All harvests will be checked by the Open Space Department officers for data collection and photographing the animal harvested. Digital or printed copies of original field photos are greatly appreciated for public information. The Open Space Department can be contacted through Dispatch.
10. **Wound Fees:** If an animal is wounded and not recovered immediately, it is required that the hunter contacts the Open Space Department and/or ZFWD immediately to assist with locating wounded big game (no fees for assistance). If the wounded animal is not recovered and the hunter chooses to continue hunting, a written confirmation must be provided by the Open Space Ranger(s) that all search/recovery efforts were exhausted before a second permit is issued at 50% of the original permit cost. Otherwise, the permit will be voided. If a second permit is issued and a second animal is wounded and not recovered, the permit will be voided. All search and recovery efforts for the wounded animal will need to be conducted for the remainder of the hunt.
11. Legal Shooting Hours for Big Game hunts are from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.
12. **Hunter Blaze Orange is mandatory for all firearm hunts, including Bosque firearm hunts (muzzleloader & bird hunters).** A minimum of a blaze orange hat or vest is required while hunting.
13. No aerial scouting, hunting, or flying of drones of any form is permitted.
14. It is recommended that hunting parties be limited to three (3) individuals, but no more than five (5) individuals will be allowed. Only the legal weapon used by the licensed hunter will be allowed within the hunting party. Additional companions are allowed to assist only in retrieval of harvested game. All restrictions and regulations will apply.
15. All Big Game Hunters and Tribal Members must be aware that there will always be other individuals out in the field. **Please be considerate of all individuals.**
16. Camping is permitted at all tribal lakes and other designated camp sites as long as one member of the party has a valid big game hunting license. Camps must be set up no more than a week before the hunt and removed no more than a week after the hunt.
17. The use of game/trail cameras is allowed starting August 1st of each new hunting season. Game/trail cameras must be removed from the field on January 31st at the end of each hunting season. Game/trail cameras found after January 31st or before August 1st will be confiscated by the appropriate authorities.

It is Unlawful:

All provisions under the Game and Fish code will be enforced on all hunts.

- To attempt to take game animals over ground baited with any material or scent distributed to entice/attract/habituate the animal(s) to the area.
- To take or attempt to take any game for another person or to use another person's permit.
- To shoot at, pursue, harass, or drive out any game using a motor driven vehicle or aircraft/drones. The use of game/trail cameras after January 31st or before August 1st is also considered harassment.
- To shoot game on/from/across any graded or maintained road or from within the right of way.

- To have any alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs while hunting on the Zuni lands. Anyone in possession or under the influence of alcohol/drugs will be reported to the appropriate authorities and permits will be immediately suspended with NO Refund.
- To litter Zuni lands with any type of household or yard waste litter.
- To have in possession or transport big game or parts without proper documentation for carcass tag.
- To collect shed antlers, deadheads (skulls with antlers), or possessing cut-off antlers from skulls by the General Public.
- To collect and possess deadheads (skulls with antlers) by Zuni Tribal members. (Please see Hunting Rules & Regulations #5 to meet requirements).
- To call game while scouting and is considered **harassment**.
- To haul water to habitat areas for non-livestock purposes within **two weeks** prior to the first big game hunting season.
- To camp within 300 yards of water resources other than designated tribal lakes.
- To camp by the General Public on the Zuni Reservation & Mazone Ranch if person(s) are hunting the adjoining hunting units (NM Units 10 or 12, and Arizona Newlands) that are non-tribal lands.
- To access state hunt units 10 & 12, state sections of Mazone Ranch, or Arizona Newlands through Tribal property for scouting, hunting or camping by the General Public OR while acting as hunting guide for the state or private entities for Non-Zuni's on the identified adjoining lands.

Other Information

- **Tribal Members** accessing adjoining lands to the Zuni Reservation for NM State hunts must provide a copy of their valid state hunting license at least 3 days prior to the beginning of their hunt to Zuni Game & Fish Department.
- **Mazone Ranch hunts (i.e. 1M, 2M, 4M, 6M, 7M, 8M, 9M, 11M, 12M, 13M, 14M, 15M, LT-ZM)** are only open on the tribal sections of Mazone Ranch. NO, Non-Zuni State licensed hunters are allowed to trespass on Mazone Ranch for State Hunts or as hunting guide. Tribal Rangers will enforce regulations.
- **Hunts # 1-NZ, 4-NZ, and 5-NZ** are granted access to hunt the **Tribal sections of Mazone Ranch** and the **Main Zuni Reservation**. Hunters will still need to be accompanied by a tribal certified guide or approved tribal member and still abide by all rules and regulations.
- **All Mule Deer and Elk hunts** are open only to the main Zuni Indian Reservation unless otherwise designated. Mazone Ranch hunts are **ONLY** on tribal sections which are not clearly identified; it's the hunter's responsibility to positively know boundaries (GPS devices are recommended). Zuni Arizona Tribal Lands not included.
- **Antelope Rifle hunts** are **ONLY** allowed on the **TRIBAL SECTIONS** of Mazone Ranch. It is the hunter's responsibility to positively know the boundaries and their location while hunting in these areas (**see antelope reg.**) GPS devices are recommended.
- **Antelope Archery hunts** are open to the **TRIBAL SECTIONS** of Mazone Ranch and the Main Zuni Reservation (**see antelope hunt reg.**).
- All rules of **"Fair Chase"** will apply to scouting and hunting activities. Fair chase is defined as the ethical, sportsmanlike, and lawful pursuit of a free-ranging wild game animal in a manner that does not give the hunter an improper or unfair advantage. **Ethics and common courtesy are greatly appreciated by everyone in the field.**

PENALTIES

Violation of any provision of this Code or any regulation or proclamation issued there under by the Zuni Tribal Council shall, unless otherwise designated, be a class B offense, a civil offense and may in addition to any other prescribed penalties be punishable by revocation of fishing, hunting, trapping licenses, confiscation and forfeiture of all equipment. The provisions for penalties herein shall apply to all persons, both members and non-members of the Tribe alike, unless otherwise provided herein. At the time an arrest is made and/or citation issued for violation of this code, the officer may confiscate any fishing equipment (i.e. game fish, boat, tackle box, rod(s), personal floatation devices, etc.), weapons or hunting equipment (i.e. game meat, decoy, day pack(s), game camera(s), etc.) or paraphernalia as reasonably appears to have been involved in the commission of the violation for which the arrest or citation was made and shall give the person from whom such things are taken an itemized receipt for all such confiscated items. The court, when hearing the case concerning the alleged violation(s) may, in addition to any other penalty imposed upon finding of guilt, order the forfeiture to the Department of all or part of the confiscated items.

The Zuni Indian Reservation is Tribal Land and is not open to unauthorized public use. All visitors are expected to abide by all Fish and Wildlife Department and other Tribal Regulations. Please see Section on hiking for additional Rules and Regulations. This proclamation will remain in effect until a subsequent proclamation is approved.

PROCLAMATION:

APPROVED ✓

DISAPPROVED

4/3/25

Arden Kucate
Arden Kucate, Governor of Zuni Pueblo

Date

Authorized License Vendor location

Zuni Fish and Wildlife Department

20 Conservation Dr.

P.O. Box 339

Zuni, New Mexico 87327

Open: M-F, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Contact: (505) 782-5851

Phone Numbers:

Emergency

911

Zuni Fish and Wildlife

(505) 782-5851

Zuni Open Space Department

(505) 782-7224

Zuni Police Dispatch

(505) 782-4493/4494

Zuni BIA Fire Dispatch

(505) 782-3375/3355

REPORT ILLEGAL HUNTING & FISHING ACTIVITIES

24 hours/7 day a week

Zuni Police Dispatch

Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm

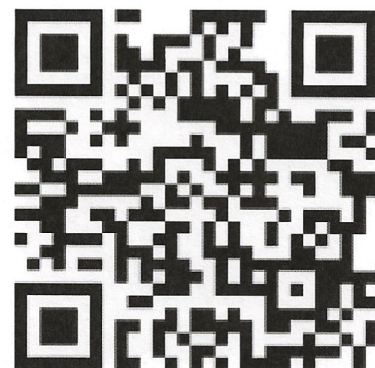
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Scan QR Code for Hunt Survey



ZUNI TRIBAL MEMBER HUNTS

MAIN ZUNI RESERVATION MULE DEER

No. & Unit	Hunt	Cost	Tags	Hunt Dates	Bag Limits	Hunt Code
1-ZR	Tribal Mule Deer Bow	\$60	10	09/01-28/25	1-FAD	DA-1-ZR
2-ZR	Tribal Mule Deer Muzzleloader***	\$70	8	11/01-09/25	1-APRE/3	DM-2-ZR
3-ZR	Tribal Youth Mule Deer Rifle I***	\$65	10	11/22-31/25	1-FAD	DY-3-ZR
4-ZR	Tribal Mule Deer Rifle II	\$70	8	11/15-23/25	1-APRE/3	DR-4-ZR
5-ZR	Late Tribal Mule Deer Bow***	\$75	8	TBA	1-FAD	DA-5-ZR
6-ZR	Late Tribal Mule Deer Rifle III***	\$90	8	TBA	1-APRE/3	DR-6-ZR

MAIN ZUNI RESERVATION ELK

7-ZR	Tribal Elk Bow	\$50	15	08/23-09/07/25	1-ES	EA-7-ZR
8-ZR	Tribal Elk Bow II	\$75	15	10/02-10/25	1-ES	EA-8-ZR
9-ZR	Tribal Elk Muzzleloader	\$80	12	10/11-17/25	1-MBE	EM-9-ZR
10-ZR	Tribal Youth Elk	\$65	10	10/18-26/25	1-ES	EY-10-ZR
11-ZR	Tribal Bull Elk Rifle	\$85	10	10/25-31/25	1-MBE	ER-11-ZR
12-ZR	Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle I	\$65	10	11/01-09/25	1-A	ER-12-ZR
13-ZR	Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle II	\$65	10	11/08-16/25	1-A	ER-13-ZR
14-ZR	Late Tribal Bull Elk Rifle***	\$85	10	11/15-23/25	1-MBE	ER-14-ZR

MAIN ZUNI RESERVATION ANTELOPE

15-ZM	Tribal Antelope Bow	\$75	4	08/09-24/25	1-MAB	PA-15-ZM
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MAZONE RANCH MULE DEER

No. & Unit	Hunt	Cost	Tags	Hunt Dates	Bag Limits	Hunt Code
1M	Mazone Tribal Mule Deer Bow	\$60	2	09/01-28/25	1-FAD	DA-1M
2M	Mazone Tribal Mule Deer MZ	\$70	2	10/18-26/25	1-APRE/3	DM-2M
4M	Mazone Tribal Mule Deer Rifle II	\$70	5	11/08-16/25	1-APRE/3	DR-5M
6M	Mazone Late Tribal Mule Deer Bow***	\$75	2	TBA	1-FAD	DA-6M

MAZONE RANCH ELK

7M	Mazone Tribal Elk Bow I	\$75	5	09/01-14/25	1-ES	EA-7M
8M	Mazone Tribal Elk bow II	\$75	5	10/02-10/25	1-ES	EA-8M
9M	Mazone Tribal Elk Muzzleloader	\$75	5	10/11-18/25	1-MBE	EM-9M
11M	Mazone Tribal Bull Elk Rifle	\$85	5	10/19-26/25	1-MBE	ER-11M
12M	Mazone Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle I	\$65	4	10/25-11/02/25	1-A	EG-12M
13M	Mazone Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle II	\$65	4	11/01-09/25	1-A	EG-13M
14M	Mazone Tribal Late Bull Elk Rifle***	\$70	6	11/15-23/25	1-MBE	EG-14M

MAZONE RANCH ANTELOPE

15M	Mazone Tribal Antelope	\$75	4	08/30-09/07/25	1-MAB	PG-15M
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TRIBAL ONCE IN A LIFETIME HUNT PACKAGE

LT-ZM	Tribal Package Hunt	\$300	2	08/09/25-1/31/26		LT-ZM
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*** Dates are subject to change according to cultural schedules and events, see restrictions.

FAD =Forked Antlered Deer	APRE/3 =Antler-point-restriction deer (3 or more points on one antler)	ES =Elk Either sex (Any one elk, includes spike bull)	MBE =Mature bull (any forked antlered bull elk on one antler)	A =Antlerless elk	MAB =Mature Antelope buck w/ horns equal or longer than ears.
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Application, Drawings, & Deadlines

- Applicants may select any three (3) hunts they wish to apply for but may only be drawn for one **Big Game** permit.
- Only one (1), Three (3) Choice Application per tribal member and an application fee of **\$7.00 for all Zuni Tribal Members**.
- Applicants may indicate a hunt code they wish to be kept on as an alternate if they are unsuccessfully drawn. If applicants do not indicate, they will be placed as an alternate based on their first choice. Each individual will be placed in the order they were drawn.
- All Applications (for all species and all applicants)** deadline will be **June 6, 2025**. Any applications that are received after this date will not be eligible for drawing. Application fees must be paid before **4:00pm** to the Finance Department. Any application fees not paid by **June 6, 2025** will be ineligible for drawings.
- ALL DRAWINGS** will be held on **June 18, 2025**. **Results** will be posted **June 25, 2025** at the Fish & Wildlife office and on <http://www.ashiwi.org/FishandWildlife.html> (ZFWD Webpage). *Draw date and draw results dates are subject to change without notice.*
- All Successfully drawn applicants** must submit full payment for drawn hunt before **4:00PM on August 1, 2025**. Unpaid permits after this date will be forfeited and offered to alternates or will be re-advertised and available on a first-come first-serve basis.
- Drawn Applicants** will be given until **August 1, 2025** to submit payment for permit. Any permits not paid for before **4:00PM on August 1, 2025** will be offered to alternates. Alternates will be given **5 working days** to purchase the permit.
- Successfully drawn applicants, permits are non-transferable.** If you have been drawn for a hunt, you are not allowed to move from one hunt to another. If you are an alternate and take an available alternate tag, you are not allowed to move from one hunt to another. All choices and decisions are final.

OTHER NATIVE AMERICAN, NON-ZUNI RESIDENT & SPOUSE HUNTS

No.	Hunt	Cost	Tags	Hunt Dates	Bag Limits	Hunt Code
1-NZ	ONA Elk Bow	\$1000	3	10/02-10/25	1-ES	EA-1-NZ
2-NZ	NZR-NZS Elk Bow	\$400	3	10/02-10/25	1-ES	EA-2-NZ
3-NZ	NZR-NZS Elk Muzzleloader	\$400	5	10/11-17/25	1-MBE	EM-3-NZ
4-NZ	ONA Elk Muzzleloader	\$1500	3	10/11-17/25	1-MBE	EM-4-NZ
5-NZ	ONA-NZR Antlerless Elk Rifle	\$200	5	10/25-31/25	1-A	ER-5-NZ
6-NZ	NZS Antlerless Elk Rifle	\$85	4	11/08-14/25	1-A	ER-6-NZ
*** Dates on hunts are subject to change according to cultural schedules and events, see restrictions.						
ES =Elk Either sex (Any one elk, includes spike bull)		MBE =Mature bull (any forked antlered bull on one antler)			A =Antlerless elk	

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- **All Successfully drawn applicants** must submit full payment for drawn hunt before **4:00PM on August 1, 2025**. Unpaid permits after this date will be forfeited and offered to alternates or will be re-advertised and available on a first-come first-serve basis.
- **Drawn Applicants** will be given until **August 1, 2025**, to submit payment for permit. Any permits not paid for before **4:00PM on August 1, 2025**, will be offered to alternates. Alternates will be given **5 working days** to purchase the permit.
- **Non-Zuni Resident, Non-Zuni Spouses, and Other Native Americans** are still required to fill out a single hunt application.
- One (1) application per hunt, per hunter may be submitted with a nonrefundable application fee of \$20.00.
- **Non-Zuni Resident** – Individuals who reside within the Zuni community (with proof of one (1) year residency), OR individuals who are employed within the Zuni community (with proof of one (1) year current employment) but do not reside within the Zuni community.
- **Hunts # 1-NZ, 4-NZ, and 5-NZ** will now be granted access to hunt the **Tribal sections of Mazone Ranch** and the **Main Zuni Reservation**. Hunters will still need to be accompanied by a tribal certified guide or tribal member and still abide by all rules and regulations.

Main Zuni Reservation Mule Deer Restrictions

1-ZR. Tribal Mule Deer Bow	Sept 1 – 28, 2025	10	\$60.00	DA-1-ZR
One Mule Deer Buck with forked antlers 2x2 or better. Does not include brow tines. Mechanical broad heads are allowed on mule deer archery hunts - no crossbows allowed. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.				
2-ZR. Tribal Mule Deer Muzzleloader	Nov. 1 - 9, 2025	8	\$70.00	DM-2-ZR
One Mule Deer Buck with antler 3x or better. Does not include brow tines. Open iron sights or scopes allowed on Muzzleloaders. Hunter blaze orange required.				
3-ZR. Tribal Youth Mule Deer Rifle I***	Nov. 22 – 31, 2025	10	\$65.00	DY-3-ZR
One Mule Deer Buck with forked antlers 2x2. Does not include brow tines. A legal guardian or adult mentor is required to accompany the juvenile hunter for the duration of the hunt. Hunter blaze orange required. ***Hunt dates are subject to change due to cultural calendar/events.				
4-ZR. Tribal Mule Deer Rifle II	Nov. 15 – 23, 2025	8	\$70.00	DR-4-ZR
One Mule Deer Buck with antlers 3x or better. Does not include brow tines. Hunter blaze orange required.				
5-ZR. Tribal Late Mule Deer Bow***	TBA	8	\$75.00	DA-5-ZR
One Mule Deer Buck with forked antlers 2x2 or better. Does not include brow tines. Mechanical broad heads are allowed on mule deer archery hunts - no crossbows allowed. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations. ***Hunt dates are subject to change due to cultural calendar/events.				
6-ZR. Late Tribal Mule Deer Rifle IV***	TBA	8	\$90.00	DR-6-ZR
One Mule Deer Buck with antlers 3x or better. Does not include brow tines. *** Dates subject to change due to cultural calendar/events. Hunter blaze orange required. ***Hunt dates are subject to change due to cultural calendar/events.				

Mazone Ranch Mule Deer Restrictions

1M. Mazone Tribal Mule Deer Bow	Sept. 1 – 28, 2025	2	\$60.00	DA-1M
One Mule Deer Buck with forked antlers 2x2 or better. Does not include brow tines. Mechanical broad heads are allowed on mule deer archery hunts – no crossbows allowed. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.				
2M. Mazone Tribal Mule Deer Muzzleloader	Oct. 18 – 26, 2025	2	\$70.00	DM-2M
One Mule Deer Buck with 3x or greater antlers. Does not include brow tines. Open iron sights or scopes allowed on Muzzleloaders. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Hunter blaze orange required.				
4M. Mazone Tribal Mule Deer Rifle II	Nov. 8 – 16, 2025	5	\$70.00	DR-5M
One Mule Deer Buck 3x or greater antlers. Does not include brow tines. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Hunter blaze orange required.				

6M. Mazone Tribal Late Mule Deer Bow***	TBA	2	\$75.00	DA-6M
One Mule Deer Buck with forked antlers 2x2 or better. Does not include brow tines. Mechanical broad heads are allowed on mule deer archery hunts - no crossbows allowed. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations. ***Hunt dates are subject to change due to cultural calendar/events.				

Main Zuni Reservation Elk Restrictions				
7-ZR. Tribal Elk Bow I	Aug. 23 – Sept. 7, 2025	15	\$50.00	EA-7-ZR
Either sex. Any one elk Includes spike bull. No mechanical broad heads allowed on archery elk hunts – no crossbows allowed. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.				
8-ZR. Tribal Elk Bow II	Oct. 2 – 10, 2025	15	\$75.00	EA-8-ZR
Either sex. Any one elk. Includes spike bull. No mechanical broad heads allowed on archery elk hunts – no crossbows allowed. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.				
9-ZR. Tribal Elk Muzzleloader	Oct. 11 – 17, 2025	12	\$80.00	EM-9-ZR
Either Sex. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler or one antlerless elk – A spike bull is NOT legal. Open iron sights or scopes allowed on Muzzleloaders. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.				
10-ZR. Tribal Youth Elk	Oct. 18 – 26, 2025	10	\$65.00	EY-10-ZR
Either Sex. Any one elk. Includes spike bull. Noted: Youth hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required. All youth rules and regulations apply.				
11-ZR. Tribal Bull Elk Rifle	Oct. 25 – 31, 2025	10	\$85.00	ER-11-ZR
One Bull Elk. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler – A spike bull is NOT legal. Noted: Hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.				
12-ZR. Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle I	Nov. 1 – 9, 2025	10	\$65.00	ER-12-ZR
One Antlerless Elk. Noted: Hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.				
13-ZR. Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle II	Nov. 8 – 16, 2025	10	\$65.00	ER-13-ZR
One Antlerless Elk. Noted: Hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.				
14-ZR. Tribal Late Bull Elk Rifle***	Dec. 15 – 23, 2025	10	\$85.00	ER-14-ZR
One Bull Elk. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler – A spike bull is NOT legal. Last two (2) days of the hunt, gender restriction will change to: Either Sex. The above antler restriction still applies with the exception of one antlerless elk. Noted: Hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required. ***Hunt dates are subject to change due to cultural calendar/events.				

Mazone Ranch Elk Restrictions					
7M. Mazone Tribal Elk Bow I	Sept. 1 – 14, 2025	5	\$75.00	EA-7M	
Either sex. Any one elk. Includes spike bull. No mechanical broad heads allowed on archery elk hunts – no crossbows allowed. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.					
8M. Mazone Tribal Elk Bow II	Oct. 2 – 10, 2025	5	\$75.00	EA-8M	
Either sex. Any one elk. Includes spike bull. No mechanical broad heads allowed on archery elk hunts – no crossbows allowed. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.					
9M. Mazone Tribal Elk Muzzleloader	Oct. 11 – 18, 2025	5	\$75.00	EM-9M	
Either sex. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler or one antlerless elk – A spike bull is NOT legal. Open iron sights or scopes allowed on Muzzleloaders. Hunter blaze orange required. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply.					
11M. Mazone Tribal Bull Elk Rifle	Oct. 19 – 26, 2025	5	\$85.00	ER-11M	
One Bull Elk. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler – A spike bull is NOT legal. Hunter blaze orange required. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply.					
12M. Mazone Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle I	Oct. 25 – Nov. 2, 2025	4	\$65.00	ER-12M	
One Antlerless Elk. Hunter blaze orange required. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply.					
13M. Mazone Tribal Antlerless Elk Rifle II	Nov. 1 – 9, 2025	4	\$65.00	ER-13M	
One Antlerless Elk. Hunter blaze orange required. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply.					
14M. Mazone Tribal Late Bull Elk Rifle***	Nov. 15 – 23, 2025	6	\$70.00	ER-14M	
One Bull Elk. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler – A spike bull is NOT legal. Last two (2) days of the hunt, gender restriction will change to: Either Sex. The above antler restriction still applies with the exception of one antlerless elk. Hunter blaze orange required. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. ***Hunt dates are subject to change due to cultural calendar/events.					

Antelope Hunt Restrictions					
15-ZM. Tribal Antelope Bow	Aug. 9 – 24, 2025	4	\$75.00	PA-15-ZM	
One Antelope Buck with horns equal to or longer than ears. Hunt is open on Mazone Ranch and Main Reservation. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Mechanical broad heads are allowed on antelope archery hunts – no crossbows allowed. It is mandatory that archery equipment be stored while traveling to and from Mazone Ranch via Atarque Ranch. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.					
15M. Mazone Tribal Antelope Rifle	Aug. 30 – Sept. 7, 2025	4	\$75.00	PR-15M	
One Antelope Buck with horns longer than ears. Any legal centerfire rifle or muzzleloaders allowed on the proclamation. The hunt will take place only in tribal sections of the Mazone Ranch. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Hunter blaze orange required. It is mandatory that all weapons be unloaded and stored while traveling to and from Mazone Ranch.					

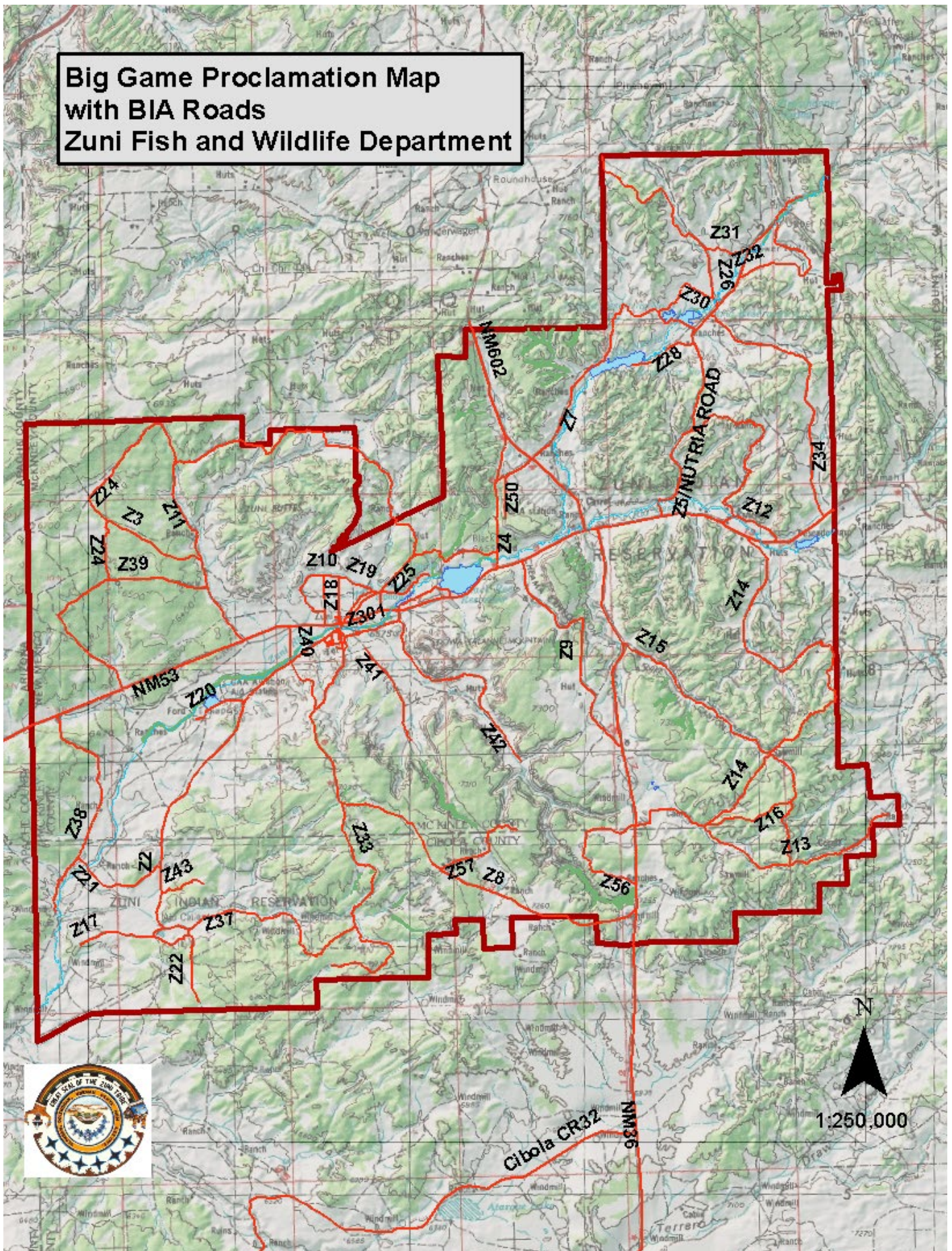
Zuni Tribal Once In a Lifetime Hunt Package

LT-ZM. Zuni Tribal Package Hunt – Once In a Lifetime	Aug. 9, 2025 – Jan. 31, 2026	2	\$300.00	LT-ZM
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Must Be at least 18 years old - Tribal Once in a lifetime Package includes permits for: One Bull Elk 5x or better; One Mule Deer Buck 3x or better; One Antelope Buck with horns equal to or longer than ears, and One Antlerless Elk. Open to Main Reservation and Mazone Ranch (Mazone hunt rule and regulations apply). The permit opens from Aug. 9, 2025- Jan. 31, 2026. A successfully drawn applicant may use ANY LEGAL weapon allowed on the proclamation. ZFWD recommends the choice of weapon that coincides with the concurrent hunt (Archery, Muzzleloader, and Rifle). Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required while using any legal firearm. Hunts are closed during cultural events along with other hunts. Each animal harvested is required to be checked into the Zuni Game & Fish Department as soon as possible. All other Tribal rules and regulations apply. Permit(s) are non-transferable. Drawn applicants will have until August 1, 2025, to pay for the remaining balance. Permittee that has paid the fee and is incapacitated (medical reasons, physician statement required) and unable to hunt Aug. 9, 2025-Jan. 31, 2026, 50% of fees paid will be reimbursable. Once the applicant is drawn and hunted for at least one day the applicant is not eligible to reapply or receive a refund. Hunt dates are subject to change according to cultural calendar/events.

Other Native American, Non-Zuni Resident & Spouse Elk Restrictions					
1-NZ. Other Native American Elk Bow	Oct. 2 – 10, 2025	3	\$1,000.00	EA-1-NZ	
Either Sex. Any one elk. Includes spike bull. Other Native American rules and regulations apply. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. No mechanical broad heads are allowed on archery hunts – no cross bows allowed. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.					
2-NZ. Non-Zuni Spouse/Resident Elk Bow	Oct. 2 – 10, 2025	3	\$400.00	EA-2-NZ	
Either Sex. Any one elk. Includes spike bull. No mechanical broad heads are allowed on archery hunts – no crossbows allowed. Archery hunters may possess a sidearm while hunting for personal protection only. Misuse of personal sidearm, including taking or attempting to take game, finishing wounded game, target practicing, etc. will result in prosecution for Game & Fish Code violations.					
3-NZ. Non-Zuni Resident/Spouse Elk Muzzleloader	Oct. 11 – 17, 2025	5	\$400.00	EM-3-NZ	
One Bull Elk. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler – A spike bull is NOT legal. Non-Zuni Resident rules and regulations apply. Open iron sights or scopes allowed on Muzzleloaders. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.					
4-NZ. Other Native American Bull Elk Muzzleloader	Oct. 11 – 17, 2025	3	\$1500.00	EM-4-NZ	
One Bull Elk. Any forked antler (2x) on one antler – A spike bull is NOT legal. ONA rules and regulations apply. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Open iron sights or scopes allowed on Muzzleloaders. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.					
5-NZ. Other Native American/ Non-Zuni Resident Antlerless Elk Rifle	Oct. 25 – 31, 2025	5	\$200.00	ER-5-NZ	
One Antlerless Elk. Other Native American and Non-Zuni Resident rules and regulation apply. Mazone hunt rules and regulations apply. Noted: Hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions. Hunter blaze orange required.					
6-NZ. Non-Zuni Spouse Antlerless Elk Rifle	Nov. 8 – 14, 2025	4	\$85.00	ER-6-NZ	
One Antlerless Elk. Noted: Hunters may also hunt Black Rock Bosque (blue boundary outline) with a muzzleloader during the hunt. Black Rock Bosque firearm restrictions apply. Hunter blaze orange required.					

**Big Game Proclamation Map
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**Mazone Ranch Map
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**Hunting on Tribal Sections Only
Sections shaded in blue are State**



