

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING USING HRS § 183D-3(b), ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Effective March 18, 2024

Adaptive Management Measures by formal board action pursuant to section 183D-3(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to temporarily amend Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Title 13 chapter 123- Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting and Title 13 chapter 122- Rules Regulating Game Bird Hunting, Field Trials, and Commercial Shooting Preserves.

1. HAR Chapter 13-123 (“RULES REGULATING GAME MAMMAL HUNTING”), has Amended EXHIBIT 11, “Game mammals to be taken, means of take, daily bag limits, hunting periods, hunting days, and special conditions for hunting on the island of Hawaii” See exhibits below.

2. HAR Chapter 13-122 (“RULES REGULATING GAME GAME BIRD HUNTING, FIELD TRIALS, AND COMMERCIAL SHOOTING PRESERVES”) has Amended EXHIBIT 1, “Game birds to be taken, means of take, daily bag limits, hunting periods, hunting days, and special conditions for hunting on the island of Hawaii.”

Rules made under HRS section 183D-3(b) required the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) to find timely adoption necessary to implement effective and adaptive management measures in response to rapidly changing resource conditions. The rule(s) adopted shall be effective no longer than two years, with one-year extensions subject to legislative approval and renewal by the Board.

Temporary rule(s) may be reviewed at <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dofaw/rules/>

Each rule adopted, amended, or repealed under this authority shall become effective ten (10) days after formal action by the Board, which was conducted on March 8, 2024, provided that if a later effective date is specified in the rule, the later date shall be the effective date. Final rules are posted at <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dofaw/rules/> and will remain posted during the duration they are in effect.

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Current maps of Hawaii Island Public Hunting Areas for Game Mammals. See Figures 1-5.

Unit A on the island of Hawai'i covers approximately 65,000 acres and consists of the Mauna Kea Forest Reserve and Game Management Area lying north of Daniel K. Inouye HWY, HAR § 13-123-20 (a) (2015). See Figure 1.

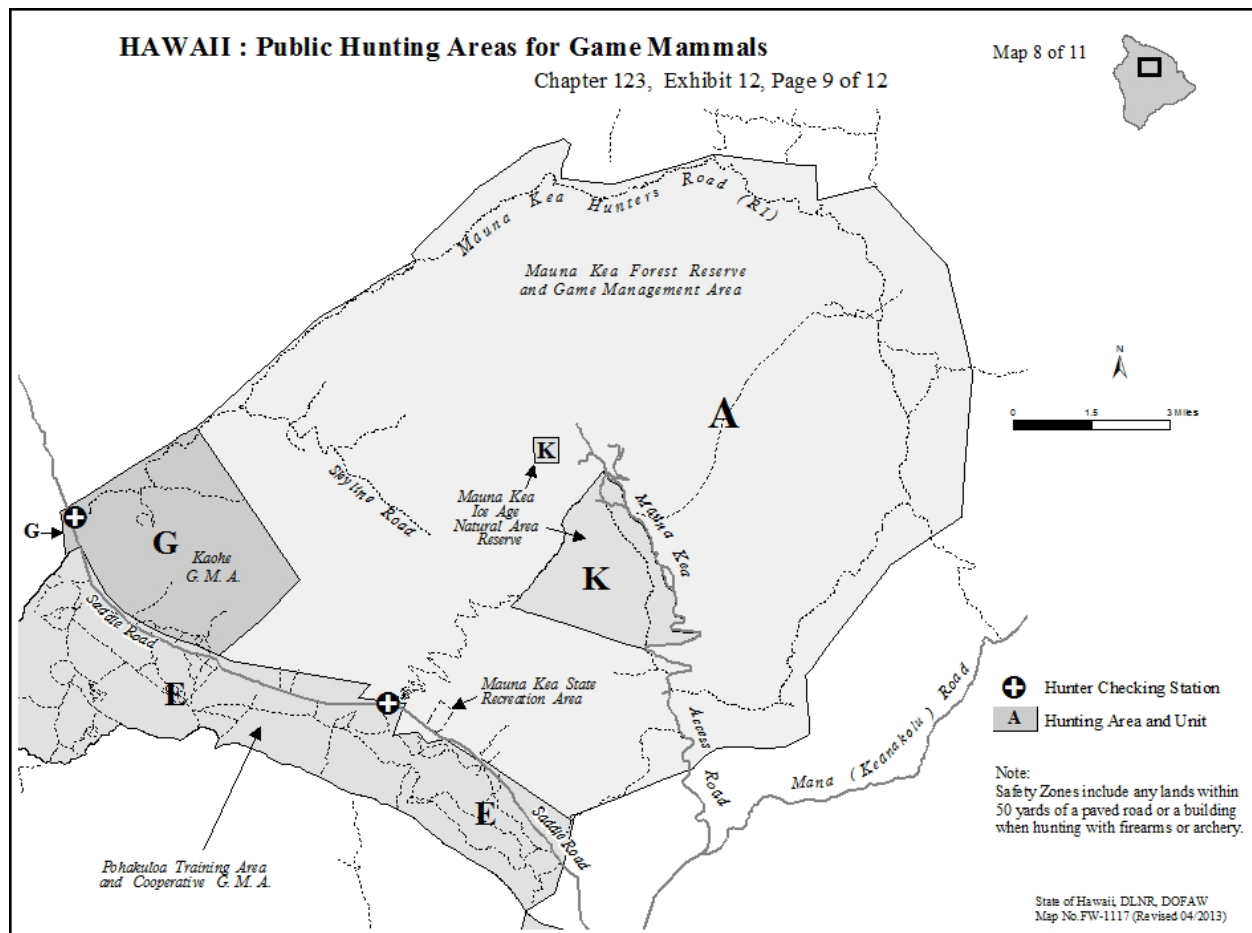


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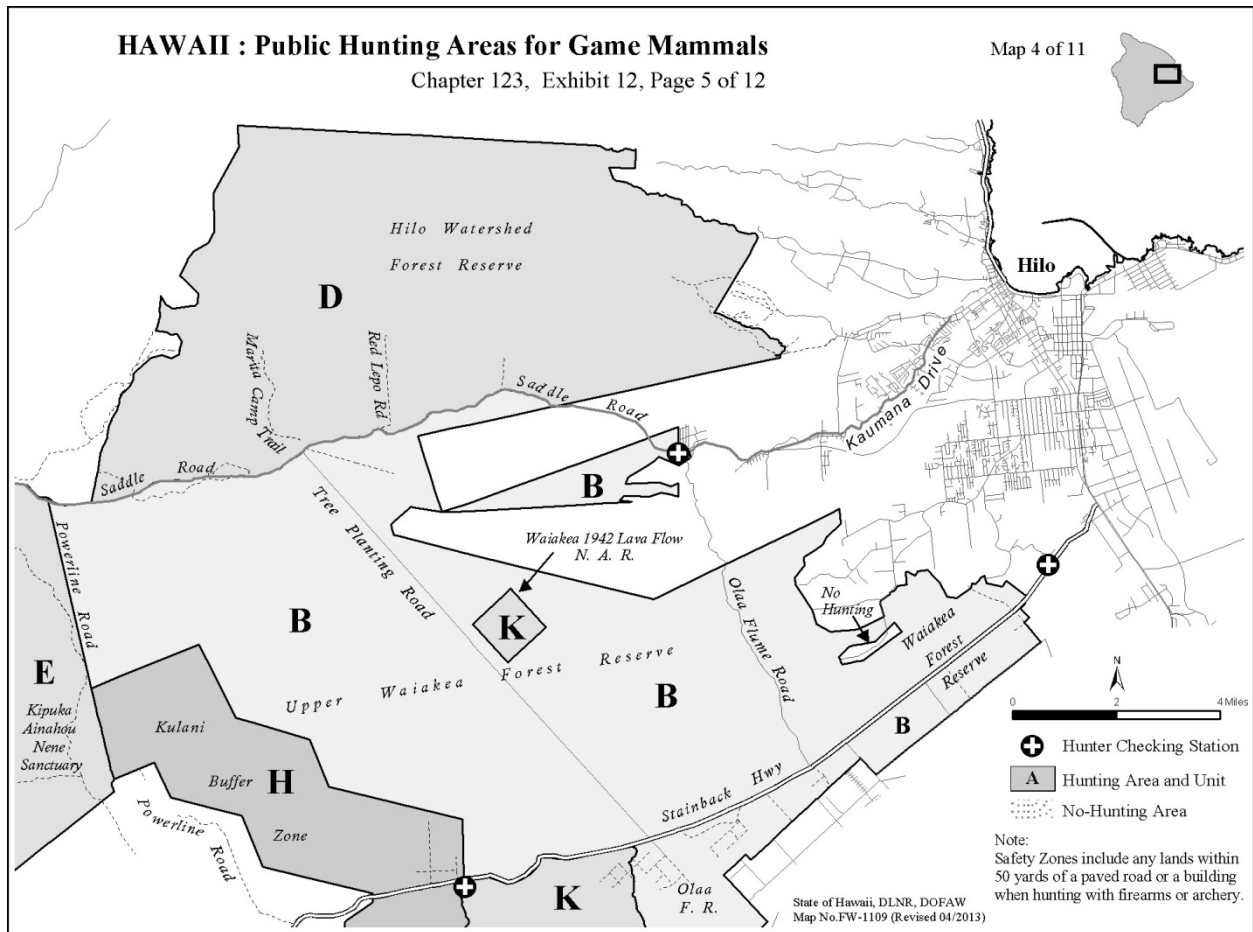


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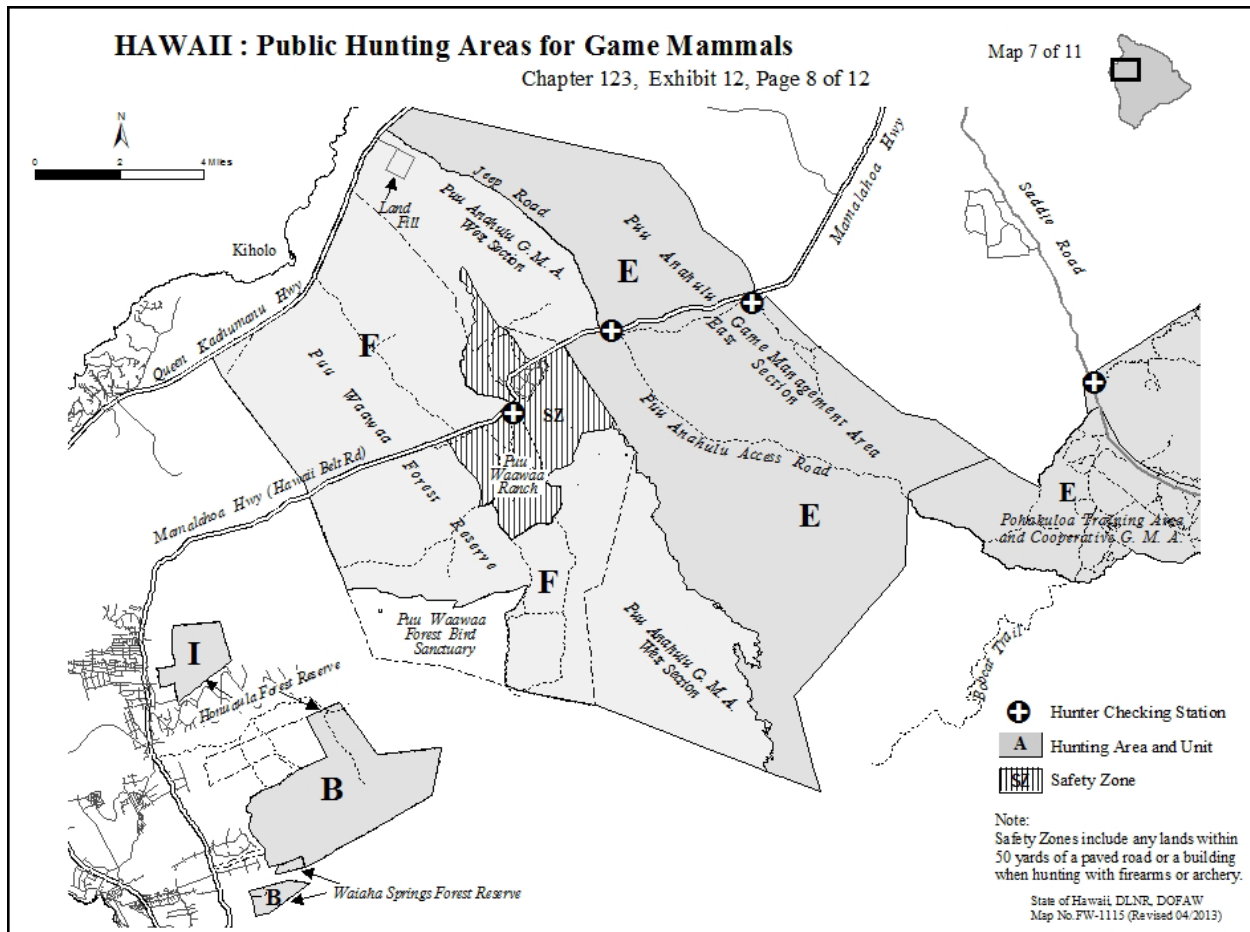


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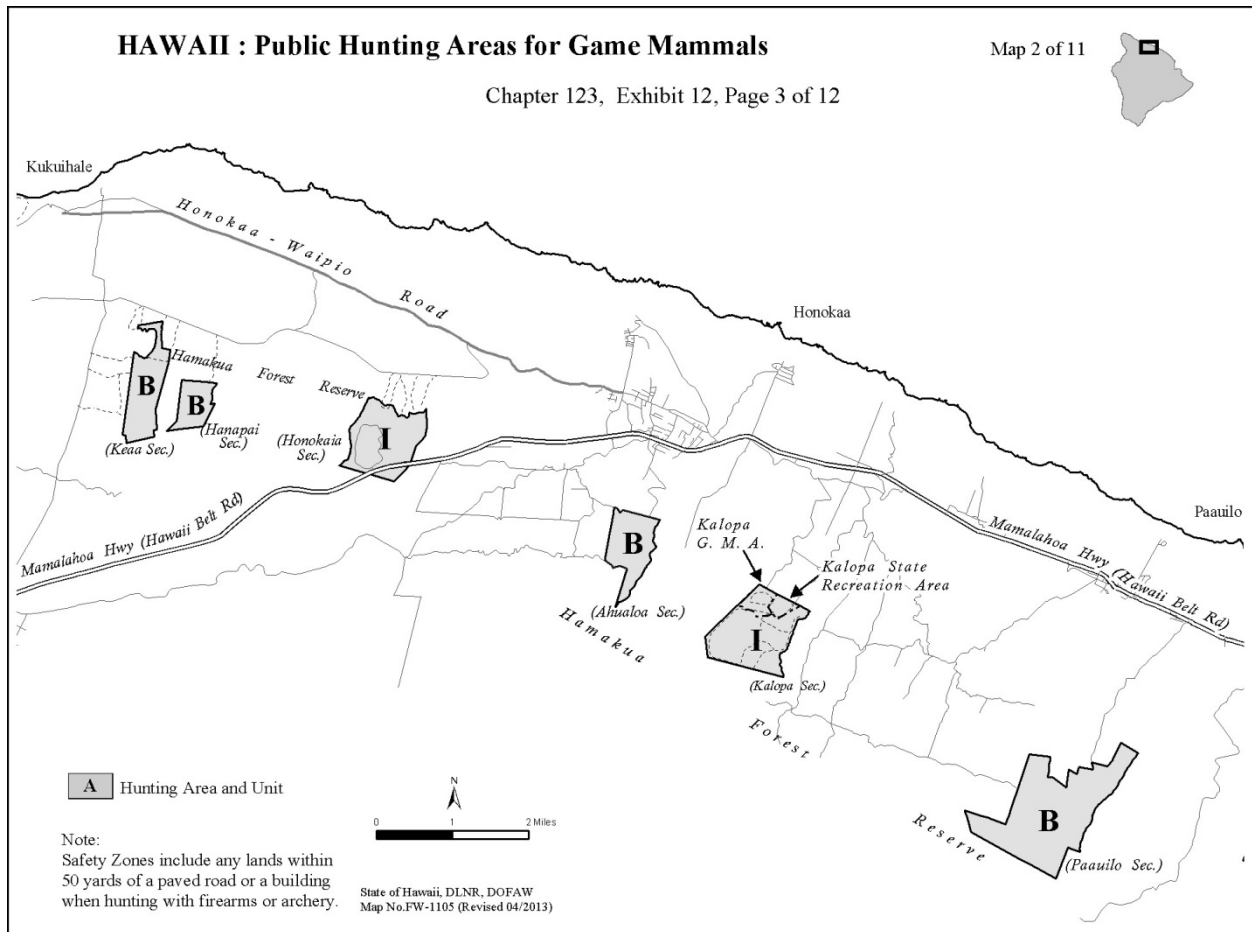


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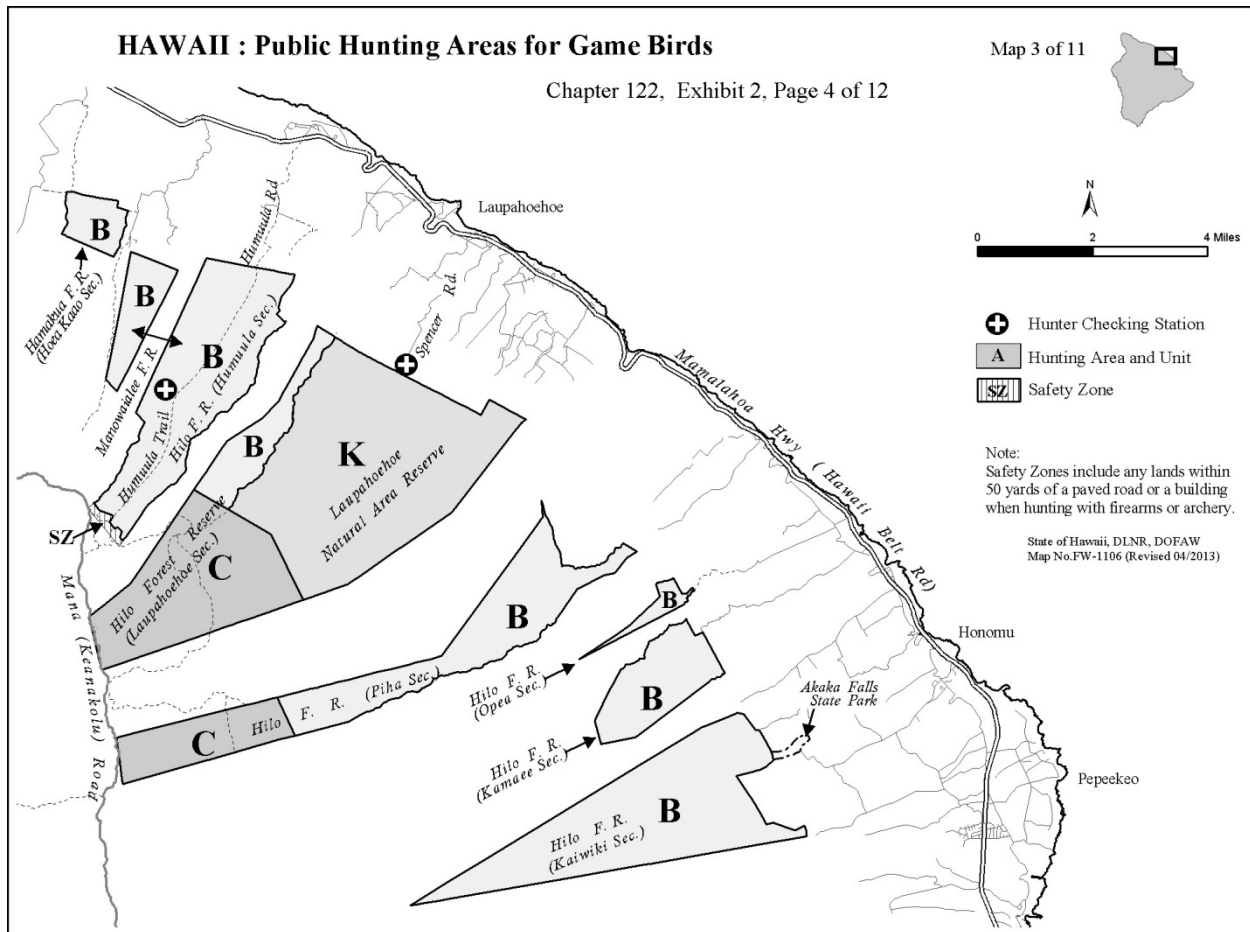


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The final proposed adaptive management rule changes are to be incorporated in Exhibit 11 of Chapter 13-123, HAR, and Exhibit 1 of Chapter 13-122.

For their validity, proposed adaptive management rules will be posted on DOFAW's website (at <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dofaw/rules/>).

These rules are subject to administrative penalties as provided by section 183D-12, HRS.

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Revised Exhibit 11.

Hunting Unit	Game Mammals To Be Taken	Means of Take	Bag Limits	Open Hunting Periods	Open Hunting Days	Special Conditions and Restrictions
A Mauna Kea Game Management Area (GMA) and Forest Reserve	Feral pigs	Rifle, muzzleloader, handgun, shotgun, archery. Dogs not permitted.	Four pigs per hunter per day. No season limit.	Year-round, except on legal game bird hunting days.	Daily, except on legal fall game bird hunting days (when all of Unit A will be closed to all mammal hunting), and during spring turkey season (Mar 1-Apr 15), when firearm mammal hunting is restricted to elevations above treeline.**	Evidence of sex and species waived for sheep and goats.
	Wild sheep and feral goats		No bag limit. No season limit.	Year-round		
Section of Unit A directly across Daniel K. Inouye Highway from Gil Kahele Recreation Area, commonly referred to as "the slice"		Archery only.				

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D Hilo Restricted Watershed	Feral pigs, wild sheep and feral goats	Rifle, muzzleloader, handgun, shotgun, spears, knives, archery. Dogs permitted.	Four pigs, two goats, and two sheep per hunter per day. No season limit.	Year-round	Daily.	
Kohala Restricted Watershed					Saturday, Sunday, and State Holidays.	

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E Pohakuloa Cooperative Game Management and Training Area	Feral pigs, wild sheep and Feral goats	Archery only. Dogs not permitted.	Limits set by the PTA Commander.	Year-round	Daily, subject to training.	Entry permit to PTA Unit E required from PTA Commander.
Puu Anahulu Game Management Area (GMA), East Section			Four pigs, one typical ram, one non-typical ram, three goats. This is the season limit for sheep. There is no season limit for goats or pigs.	First Friday of March through the last Monday of July	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays, and State Holidays	Tags required for typical rams and non-typical rams. No tags required for pigs or goats.
		Muzzleloader rifles and shotgun with slug (makai only). Dogs not permitted.	First Friday of August through the last Monday of October			

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F Puu Waawaa Forest Reserve (makai) and Puu Anahulu Game Management Area , West Section	Feral pigs, wild sheep and Feral goats	Special Youth Archery (Puu Lani and Puu Waawaa Safety Zone) Dogs not permitted****.	Three non-typical rams and one typical ram per hunter per day. This is also the season limit. Two pigs and three goats per hunter per day. There is no season limit for pigs and goats.	August	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays, and State Holidays	Tags required for rams and non-typical rams. No tags required for pigs and goats.
		Special Disabled Archery (Puu Lani and Puu Waawaa Safety Zone) Dogs not permitted****.		September	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays, and State Holidays	
		General Archery (makai only) Dogs not permitted.	Two pigs and three goats per hunter, per day. There is no season limit for pigs or goats. One non-typical ram per hunter per day. This is also the season limit.	First Friday of March through the last Monday of July	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays, and State Holidays, except closed on spring bearded turkey hunting days	Tags for non-typical rams required.
		Muzzle loader rifles and shotgun with slug (makai only). Dogs not permitted.		First Friday of August through the last Monday of October		

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G Kaohe GMA	Feral pigs	Archery, muzzleloader, and shotgun with slugs. Dogs not permitted.	Four pigs per hunter per day.	Year round exept on legal game bird hunting days. Muzzleloading rifle and shotgun with slug: July-August	Daily, except on legal fall game bird hunting days	Hunters must check in and out at Kilohana, Gil Kahele Recreation Area, or Puu Huluhulu Checking Stations.
	Feral goats and wild sheep		No bag limit. No season limit.			

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I Kalopa, Honokaia, Makaula Ooma tract of Honuaula Forest Reserve	Feral pigs, and feral goats	Archery or spears and knives only. Dogs permitted.	Four pigs and one goat. No season limit	Year-round	Daily	

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K Natural Area Reserves: Puu O Umi, Waiakea, 1942 Lava Flow, Kahaualea, Kipahoehoe, Laupahoehoe, Manuka, and Puu Maka'ala and unencumbered portions of Manuka, Kaulanamauna, and Kipahoehoe	Feral pigs, feral goats and wild sheep	Rifle, muzzleloader, handgun, shotgun, archery. Dogs permitted*.	No daily or season limit.	Year-round	Daily.	
Mauna Kea Ice Age					Daily, except on legal fall game bird hunting days.	

Revised Exhibit 1.

Game Birds to be Taken	Daily Bag Limits	Open Hunting Periods	Open Hunting Days	Special Conditions and Restrictions
SPECIAL BIRD SEASONS				
Wild Turkey (Spring Hunt Only)	Three bearded turkeys per season***	March 1 through March 31, Kipuka Ainahou**	Daily	*Permit and tag required for public and private areas. No dogs allowed.
		March 1 through April 15, Units A, C, F, and G, and private lands	Daily	

*1 Dogs must be kept under control at all times except when actively pursuing game.