

**FERAL GOAT, SHEEP, AND PIG HUNT  
AND UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAM  
ANNOUNCED FOR THE PU‘U WA‘AWA‘A FOREST RESERVE**

HILO — The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) announces the opening of the hunting season in the Pu‘u Wa‘awa‘a Forest Reserve (PWW) Youth and Disabled Hunt and Makai Sections pursuant to Title 13, Chapter 123, “Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting.” DLNR-DOFAW also announces a special Ungulate Control Program for the PWW Makai and Mauka sections pursuant to Title 13, Chapter 123, “Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting,” §13-123-9.

The **SPECIAL YOUTH AND DISABLED HUNT** will be open in the Safety Zone above the Pu‘u Lani subdivision on weekends and State holidays for the month of August 2019. Only youth (children who are 15 years of age or younger) and disabled hunters may hunt in this area. Only one adult licensed hunter may accompany each youth hunter and one licensed, non-hunting assistant may accompany each disabled hunter. The bag limit for this hunt is three (3) non-typical rams and one (1) typical ram per hunter per day. This is also the season limit (See Table 1). Youth and disabled hunters may also be issued a permit to harvest pigs in this area, upon request. There will be no fee for this permit. Hunters can harvest one pig per day during this hunt. Deboning and skinning is allowed. Skull with attached horns (for sheep) must remain intact and genitals must remain attached to the carcass.

The **MAKAI ARCHERY UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAM** (below Mamalahoa Highway) will take place from July 20, 2019 through July 28, 2019 on weekends only. The bag limit for this hunt is one (1) pig, one (1) non-typical ram, and three (3) goats per hunter per day. Deboning and skinning is allowed. The tail and genitalia of harvested animals must remain attached for species and sex identification purposes.

The **MAKAI ARCHERY** season (below Mamalahoa Highway) season will take place during the first four consecutive weekends in August, and during any State holidays that occur during that time (i.e. August 16, 2019; Statehood Day). The bag limit for this hunt is one (1) pig, one (1) non-typical ram, and three (3) goats per hunter per day. This is also the season limit. Deboning and skinning is allowed. The tail and genitalia of harvested animals must remain attached for species and sex identification purposes.

The **MAKAI MUZZLELOADER** season will take place during the three weekends following the archery season, and during any State holidays that occur during that time (i.e. September 2, 2019; Labor Day). The bag limit for this hunt is one (1) pig, one (1) non-typical ram, and three (3) goats per hunter per day. This is also the season limit. Deboning and skinning is allowed. The tail and genitalia of harvested animals must remain attached for species and sex identification purposes.

The **MAKAI MUZZLELOADER UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAM** will take place from September 21, 2019 through September 29, 2019, weekends only. The bag limit for this hunt is one (1) pig, one (1) non-typical ram, and three (3) goats per hunter per day. Deboning and skinning

is allowed. The tail and genitalia of harvested animals must remain attached for species and sex identification purposes.

The **PWW MAUKA UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAM** (above Mamalahoa Highway), will be a non-typical ram and feral goat hunt, and will take place concurrently with the Makai Muzzleloader Season and the Makai Ungulate Control Program (during the five consecutive weekends following the Makai Archery season, including State holidays). The bag limit will be one (1) non-typical ram, two (2) goats (either sex) and one (1) pig per hunter per day. During this program, the whole carcasses (entrails can be cleaned but with attached genitalia on carcass) need to be inspected at checkout. For safety purposes, a maximum of 30 permittees will be allowed per day. Hunters interested in participating on the PWW MAUKA UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAM will be issued permits at the hunter check station on a first-come, first-served basis.

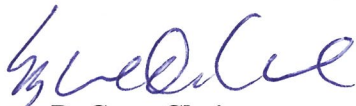
Hunters will need to purchase 2019 goat and ram tags to legally hunt these species in these areas. Tags may be purchased from any Hawaii Island Division of Forestry and Wildlife office and at the PWW Hunter Check Station during the hunt. Exact change of \$10/tag (resident hunters) and \$25/tag (non-resident hunters) is required when purchasing tags at the hunter check station. The harvest tags will be non-transferable and non-refundable and must be placed through the hind leg of the animal immediately after each kill and remain tagged until the hunter checks out of the hunting area and arrives home or to their final destination.

Hunters are to check in at the Pu'u Wa'awa'a hunter check station beginning at 5 a.m. the day of the hunt and must be checked-out 7:45 p.m. There will **NO CAMPING** allowed in the hunting area on any night before or during the hunt.

There will be no compensation for any hunting days lost due to unforeseen circumstances (*i.e.*, Wildland fire, hurricane, etc.).

Further information may be obtained by contacting the DOFAW Office in Kamuela at (808) 887-6063.

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