

**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 Hunting Unit F (PWW) Youth and Disabled Hunt and Makai Sections pursuant to Title 13, Chapter 123, “Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting.”

Dates for each season are listed below:

SPECIAL YOUTH AND DISABLED HUNT SEASON:	August 7 – 29, 2021
MAKAI ARCHERY SEASON:	August 7 – 29, 2021
MAKAI MUZZLELOADER SEASON:	September 4-19, 2021

DLNR-DOFAW also announces a special Ungulate Control Programs for the PWW Makai and Mauka sections pursuant to Title 13, Chapter 123, “Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting,” §13-123-9.

Dates for the Makai programs are listed below:

MAKAI UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAMS	
ARCHERY:	July 24 – August 1, 2021
MUZZLELOADER:	September 25 – 26, 2021

Hunting days for all seasons and ungulate control programs are weekends and State holidays, with exception of the Mauka Ungulate Control program, which will only open on weekends. 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 by 7:45 p.m. There will be NO CAMPING allowed in the hunting area on any night before or during the hunt.

MAUKA ARCHERY UNGULATE CONTROL PROGRAM:

Hunters for the Mauka Archery Ungulate Control Program will be selected through a random lottery drawing to be held on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at the Kamuela DOFAW Office. Due to Covid-19, the lottery will be closed to the public. Depending on the number of applicants, not all hunters may be drawn for the hunt. There will be no stand-by list.

Applicants may only apply individually. There will be 25 permits available for each two-day slot. Applications are available online at <https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/recreation/hunting/>. Click on [Special Permits and Applications](#). There will be a bag limit of 1 ram and 2 goats per permit. Dates for this control program are as follows: September 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, and 25-26, 2021.

Hunters will need to purchase goat and ram tags to legally hunt these species in these areas. Tags may be purchased by mail, by appointment at the Kamuela and Hilo DOFAW offices, and at the Pu‘u Wa‘awa‘a Hunter Check Station on each day of the hunt between 5am and 12:00pm. The cost for each tag is \$10 for residents and \$25 for non-residents. To purchase tags by mail hunters must send a copy of their 2021 or 2022 State of Hawaii Hunting License, a cashier’s check or money order payable to DLNR, and a self-addressed stamped envelope to 66-1220 A Lalamilo Road, Kamuela, HI 96743. Due to the over-sized nature of the tags, postage may be \$4.00. Please allow for a 2 week turn around to receive tags. Exact

change of \$10/tag (resident hunters) and \$25/tag (non-resident hunters) is required when purchasing tags at the hunter check station.

The seasonal bag limits for the PWW Makai archery and muzzleloader seasons are one (1) pig, one (1) nontypical ram, and three (3) goats. These are separate from the ungulate control programs. The bag limits for the Makai Ungulate Control Programs are one (1) pig, one (1) non-typical ram, and three (3) goats per hunter per day.

The bag limits for the Mauka Ungulate Control Program are one (1) pig, one (1) ram, and three (2) goats per hunter per day.

There will be no compensation for any hunting days lost due to unforeseen circumstances (*i.e.*, COVID-19, Wildland fire, hurricane, etc.).

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

Done at Honolulu this _____ day of May, 2021.

**Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson
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