

Species: California Bighorn Sheep

Unit Group: 011, 013 ** in the Hunt narrative list there is a hyphen, not a comma. MUST BE COMMA!!
Unit 012 not included!!!

Hunt Geometry ID: 105 ** Potential issue. Has same ID as Deer 011-013. For Sheep- 012 not included.

Hunt ID: [8375969]

Access: To access Unit 013, drive north from Reno on Highway 447 to Gerlach, then north either on Highway 447 or 34. Unit 011 lies north of Unit 013 by continuing on Highway 447 to Cedarville, then east on SR 299 or by traveling further north on Highway 34 to its intersection with SR 299. For the most part, dirt roads within the unit are not maintained. Many of the hunting areas are accessible only by four-wheel drive vehicles or UTV. Carry extra gas, spare tires, tire chains and water. This hunt area encompasses approximately 230 square miles; approximately 20 percent is private land. Fortynine Mountain in the north end of Unit 013 is privately owned and off limits to sheep hunters in this unit. The access main barrier to this unit group is the limited road network.

Recommended Hunting Areas: Successful hunters in Unit 013 focus their efforts from Hays Peak north to Slide Spring. The Hays Range contains dense juniper woodlands which rams will occupy, so spend time glassing. Successful hunters in 011 devote their time to glassing the large boulder fields along the Massacre Rim near Big Point. Rams can also be found in Unit 011 along the Coleman Canyon Rim, however they may move back and forth between Oregon and Nevada.

During the early part of the season ram and ewe groups will both be tied to water sources. Many hunters find it beneficial to spend time glassing around water sources including water developments. Hunters can also utilize internet mapping services for big game guzzler locations. During the later part of the season, rams will begin to seek ewes as the rut begins in late October through mid November.

Biologist Comments: This area is incredibly remote, and it is important to be prepared for limited facilities and resources. Fuel, food, vehicle repair facilities, and motels are available in Cedarville and Gerlach. There are no developed campgrounds. Hunters typically take advantage of tree cover and or perennial water sources adjacent to the area that they are hunting. Tent camps are recommended. Trailer or RV-type hunters are confined to better road systems in the valley floors and are required to travel farther each day to reach their hunt area.