

Species: Desert Bighorn

Unit Group: 045, 153

Hunt Geometry ID: 118

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Access: Unit 045 and the Tobin Range can be accessed via Grass Valley Road (State Route 294) south from Winnemucca or Coal Canyon exit on Interstate I-80. Unit 153 and the Fish Creek Mountains (including Mt. Moses) can be accessed the same route above and then turning east and north on the Jersey Valley dirt road that travels along the west side of the Fish Creek Mountains. You may also access the Fish Creek Mountains from Battle Mountain travelling southwest on State Route 305, turning west on State Route 121 through Buffalo Valley, then over Jersey Summit into Jersey Valley on the west side of the Fish Creek Mountains. From Lovelock and Interstate 80, take the Coal Canyon exit onto State Route 396 through the Humboldt Range, across Buena Vista Valley, over McKinney Pass and down into Pleasant Valley on the southwest side of the Tobin Range.

Recommended Hunting Areas: Unit 045 Tobin Range: Areas to look for bighorns include (north to south on the west side of the range) Pollard Canyon/Jim Creek, Cottonwood Canyon, Bushee Creek, Rim Peak, Golconda Canyon south to Miller Basin and the Indian Caves (south of Pleasant Valley). Bighorns also use the area from Mount Tobin north along the ridge to Wood Canyon. Mt Moses and its surrounding ridges and canyons are where to focus your hunting while in the Fish Creek Mountains.

Special Comments: Hunters should be prepared for a physically demanding hunt. The area is steep and rocky. Hiking will be the main means of accessing bighorn use areas. There are no developed campgrounds but plenty of spots to tent camp or trailer camp off dirt roads. Lovelock, Winnemucca, and Battle Mountain provide full services including medical services, gas, vehicle repair, food, and lodging.