

Species: Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep

Unit Group: 244

Hunt Geometry ID: 19

Hunt ID: [631, 8375913]

Access:

Unit 244 is situated in north central Clark County and comprises the Arrow Canyon Range and sub-ridges collectively referred to as the Battleship Hills. Elevations range from 1,640 feet near Moapa to the highest peak at 5,203 feet. Terrain varies from fairly level, unbroken bajada to steep, rocky canyons and broken ledges. Most of the area that offers opportunities to hunt bighorn sheep is public land, administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Las Vegas District. Access to occupied bighorn habitat on the Arrow Canyon Range can be challenging. The northern portion of the Arrow Canyon Range is designated Arrow Canyon Wilderness Area. A large portion of east side of the unit is the Moapa River Indian Reservation. It is strongly recommended that tagholders contact the Moapa Band of Paiutes First Nation office at 702-865-2787 to request permission to drive on main 2-track road across their reservation lands from the Ute Exit on Interstate 15 to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands to gain access to the east side of the Arrow Canyon Range. Access to the west side of the Arrow Canyon Range is from U.S. Highway 93 but due to cliff bands on the west side, the east side is not accessible.

Recommended Hunting Areas:

Areas to hunt include Side Canyon, Ute Canyon and the Battleship Wash/Hills. During dry conditions consider hunting in the area surrounding the 4 water developments on the main mountain and in the Battleship Hills.

Biologist Comments:

The main Arrow Canyon ridge is extremely steep and rocky, and as such, hunting the ridge is physically demanding. Full services are available in Las Vegas, and some services are available in Glendale and Moapa Valley. Generally, primitive camping is the rule.