

## STAFF SUMMARY FOR June 22-23, 2016

**24. ANNUAL PLM HARVEST PROGRAMS****Today's Item**Information Action 

Approve the annual Private Lands Wildlife Habitat Enhancement and Management (PLM) Area 2016-2017 harvest programs on 58 properties.

**Summary of Previous/Future Actions (N/A)****Background**

DFW has operated the PLM Program pursuant to Fish and Game Code Sections 3400-3409, and Sections 601 and 702, Title 14 since 1983. The program provides incentives for landholders to manage their property for the benefit of fish and wildlife in exchange for access to increased recreational opportunities, such as hunting tags or seals, which may generate an income for landholders. In return for a harvest program under conditions specified by DFW, the landholder must prepare a biologically sound wildlife management plan and complete specific wildlife habitat improvements on the PLM property. There are three types of applications to the PLM Program: an *initial application*, an *annual renewal application*, and a *five-year renewal application* unique to each participant's property.

DFW has reviewed the annual reports for the 58 properties and has found that the management plans are in compliance with FGC regulations and policies for PLM's. Full payment was made for all tags used in 2015, and all habitat work was completed (Exhibit 1).

**Significant Public Comments (N/A)****Recommendation**

**FGC Staff:** Approve 58 harvest programs as recommended by DFW, under a motion to adopt the consent calendar.

**DFW:** Approve the annual 2016/2017 PLM harvest programs for 58 properties, under the conditions specified in Exhibit 2.

**Exhibits**

1. [DFW Memo, received May 24, 2016](#)
2. [PLM prosed annual details](#)

**Motion/Direction**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Commission adopts the consent calendar, items 19-25.

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## Memorandum

Date: May 16, 2016

To: Valerie Termini  
Executive Director  
Fish and Game Commission

From: Charlton H. Bonham  
Director



Subject: **Agenda Item for the June 22-23, 2016 Fish and Game Commission Meeting Annual Private Lands Wildlife Habitat Enhancement and Management (PLM) Area License**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife has reviewed the annual reports for 58 properties in 16 counties consisting of 873,894 acres.

These PLM areas were previously licensed under Commission regulations Section 601, Title 14, California Code of Regulations. Full payment was made for all tags used in 2015, and all habitat work was completed.

The Department recommends that the Commission approve the 2016/17 harvest programs under conditions specified in the attached table.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Victoria Barr at (916) 445-4034 or by email at [victoria.barr@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:victoria.barr@wildlife.ca.gov).

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PLM Area	Proposed Season and Harvest	Habitat Improvement Program
<b>NORTHERN REGION</b>		
3D RANCH  DEER ZONE B5  TEHAMA  1,732 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 7 buck deer, forked horn or better and 5 bear</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 7 buck deer tags for the period of August 15, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 4 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 5 bear tags for the period of August 15, 2016 through December 25, 2016. The season ending date may be earlier, if the Department determines that the annual quota has been reached.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mechanically crush 15 acres of decadent brush to improve forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain a total of 7 acres of forage plots planted with legumes and clover by replanting as necessary and irrigating.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 4 water sources to provide water for wildlife by checking for broken pipes and repairing as necessary.</li> <li>➤ Remove at least ¼ mile of unnecessary interior fencing to prevent wildlife entanglement.</li> <li>➤ Improve 2 reservoirs by sealing leaks and dams.</li> </ul>
ALEXANDRE ECODAIRY FARMS PLM  DEL NORTE  1,728 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 2 bull elk and 4 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 4 antlerless elk tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Create 5 acres of perennial wetlands by using heavy equipment to excavate areas and modify existing surface drainage.</li> <li>➤ Plant 15 Sitka spruce seedlings adjacent to the wetlands and install an elk-proof fence to protect these young trees.</li> </ul>
AMANN RANCH  MENDOCINO  369 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Irrigate at least 60 acres of pasture for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 16 water troughs by ensuring they are holding adequate water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Leave unharvested the 2<sup>nd</sup> cutting of hay on 342 acres. This will retain approximately 500 tons of forage accessible to elk.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 rail-type elk fence crossing. The top cross rail will be no higher than 48” above the ground to accommodate adult elk and the bottom cross rail will be no lower than 22” to facilitate crossing by elk calves.</li> </ul>

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<p>ASH VALLEY RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE X3A</p> <p>LASSEN</p> <p>8,736 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 4 buck deer tags for the period August 20, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 buck pronghorn antelope tag for the period of August 6, 2016 through September 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from a 25 acre aspen stand.</li> <li>➤ Remove at least 2 acres of noxious weeds by grubbing and/or chemical application.</li> <li>➤ Through the use of rotational grazing prescriptions, retain approximately 50% of the forage in Pasture A for wildlife use.</li> </ul>
<p>BIG BLUFF RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B5</p> <p>TEHAMA</p> <p>3,736 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 8 deer of which no more than 5 may be forked horn or better buck deer and 3 may be antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 8 either-sex deer tags for the period of August 15, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain the Red Bank Restoration Project improvements (native vegetation restoration of 30 acres along 3 miles of creek) by repairing any damage to the livestock control fencing and irrigating until plants are fully established.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the water development at Miller Place as needed to provide water for wildlife by repairing any damage to the system.</li> <li>➤ Irrigate 35 acres of permanent pasture for wildlife use.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the wildlife friendly fence below Sunflower Dam to exclude livestock and allow wildlife access to wetlands.</li> <li>➤ Fill a 500 gallon water trough and 3,000 gallon storage tank as needed to provide water for livestock and wildlife away from riparian areas.</li> <li>➤ Participate in the Sunflower Conservation Resource Management Plan which is creating additional wildlife habitat on the surrounding 40,000 acres.</li> </ul>
<p>BIG LAGOON PLM</p> <p>HUMBOLDT</p> <p>109,367 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk and 2 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 bull elk tags for the period of August 15, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All habitat projects have been completed under the Big Lagoon PLM 5-year management plan (contributing and delivering logs and associated root wads to a stream restoration site). Therefore, no habitat work is required during this license year.</li> </ul>

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CAPISTRAN RANCH  DEER ZONE B1  MENDOCINO  13,200 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 20 deer of which no more than 15 may be forked horn or better buck deer and 5 may be antlerless deer; 2 bull elk, 2 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 10 either-sex deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 10 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before October 23, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 10 additional either-sex tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through December 1, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 15, 2016 through December 1, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Shorten the livestock grazing period to October 15, 2016 through June 20, 2017 (from year- round grazing) to increase residual vegetation for wildlife and, where necessary, manage invasive plants by focused high intensity short term grazing. The stocking rate will be held at 200 cow/calf pairs on the 13,200 acres.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 10 springs by checking the flow and wildlife escape ramps and repairing any damaged parts.</li> <li>➤ Exclude trespass livestock from USFS and BLM grazing allotments by inspecting and repairing the boundary fence.</li> <li>➤ Replace the nesting material in 3 bluebird nest boxes. Boxes will be relocated if not used the previous season.</li> <li>➤ Construct, install, and maintain 3 wood duck nest boxes.</li> <li>➤ Construct a brush pile for wildlife cover and oak seedling protection. The piles will be created using slash from down trees and brush. The piles will be 20 feet in diameter and at least 5 feet high when created. Piles will be located near a routinely used water source.</li> <li>➤ Maintain and monitor 3 approximately 1,000 sq. ft. food plots spread out over the property and in areas where green summer browse is limited. Each food plot is fenced from cattle and wild pigs. Each will have a motion sensing camera to record the day and night deer activity. The annual report will include a table of total number and composition of deer photographed.</li> <li>➤ Using a tractor, create a 6 foot wide and 300 foot long trail through decadent chaparral to provide access and new palatable forage for wildlife.</li> </ul>

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<p>CARLEY RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>MENDOCINO</p> <p>1,660 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 22 deer of which no more than 15 may be forked horn or better buck deer and 7 may be antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 10 either-sex deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before October 15, 2016, the licensee may request up to 12 additional either-sex deer tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All previously developed water sources (3 springs and 4 guzzlers; guzzlers total 3200 gallons) will be maintained to provide water wildlife. Annual maintenance at water sources includes repairing broken and deteriorating pipes and other components.</li> <li>➤ Cattle grazing will be used to help remove thatch buildup of medusa head and other nonnative grasses. Cattle will be limited to 30 head and grazing will only occur from December through May.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the wildlife-friendly livestock exclusion fencing around developed springs by repairing any damage.</li> <li>➤ Reseed a 5 acre dryland food plot if current alfalfa, chicory, and plantain crop has less than 50% cover.</li> <li>➤ The previously planted 1 acre alfalfa food plot will be irrigated during the dry season. Food plot is fenced with wildlife-friendly fencing to exclude livestock.</li> <li>➤ Brush rake removal of 15 acres of decadent chamise to improve browse and reduce fire hazard.</li> </ul>
<p>CHRISTENSEN RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>MENDOCINO</p> <p>1,061 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 22 deer of which no more than 15 may be forked horn or better buck deer and 7 may be antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 22 either-sex deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain a well on the property to fill the numerous water tanks that provide water to troughs for wildlife use.</li> <li>➤ Annually check 6 developed springs and repair any broken water pipes.</li> <li>➤ Irrigate the ¾ acre and the ½ acre <i>Brassica</i> forage plots to provide green forage during summer, and reseed areas that are sparsely vegetated.</li> <li>➤ Plant <i>Brassica</i> seed in the fall by manually seeding and raking in fresh pig rooting areas. The extent of this activity will depend on pig activity but is expected to represent at least 6 sites this year, scattered throughout the ranch.</li> <li>➤ Exclude cattle from the PLM area.</li> <li>➤ Improve fish habitat in Woodman Creek by continuing to work with California Trout and State Agencies on the Woodman Creek Barrier Removal Project. Open access through the PLM property to the project proponents will be provided through 2018.</li> </ul>

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<p>COTTRELL RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>HUMBOLDT</p> <p>6,500 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 15 deer of which no more than 10 may be antlerless deer, 1 bull elk, and 1 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 15 either-sex deer tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• Buck deer must be forked horn or better.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of August 1, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 antlerless elk tag for the period of September 15, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 40 acres of oak woodlands in sections 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, or 36.</li> </ul>
<p>DIAMOND C OUTFITTERS</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>HUMBOLDT</p> <p>3,200 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 17 deer of which no more than 10 may be antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 17 either-sex deer tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• Buck deer must be forked horn or better.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 20 acres of oak woodlands in Tracts 1, 3, or 4.</li> </ul>

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<p>FIVE DOT RANCH - HORSE LAKE</p> <p>DEER ZONE X5A</p> <p>LASSEN</p> <p>8,025 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 buck deer tag for the period of September 17, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 buck pronghorn antelope tag for the period of August 6, 2016 through September 20, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Rehabilitate a spring and riparian vegetation on 20 acres by excluding cattle, installing a water storage tank and troughs, and removing juniper from 80 acres surrounding the spring.</li> <li>➤ Livestock grazing of the 300-acre Packard Field will be deferred until after July 1<sup>st</sup> to improve duck and goose brood survival. Grazing will occur between July 2, 2016 and October 2, 2016.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 5 goose nesting platforms at Packard Reservoir and Coon Camp Reservoir as needed.</li> <li>➤ Monitor willow plantings along Pine Creek and Coon Camp Creek and replant new willows if survival of previous year's plantings is less than 80%.</li> <li>➤ Knock seed off bitterbrush plants in the fall so cattle can stomp them into the ground to regenerate them. New bitterbrush growth will be monitored annually.</li> </ul>
<p>FIVE DOT RANCH - TUNNEL SPRINGS</p> <p>DEER ZONE X5A</p> <p>LASSEN</p> <p>2,600 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 buck deer, forked horn or better and 2 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 buck deer tag for the period of September 17, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 buck pronghorn antelope tags for the period of August 13, 2016 through September 25, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Repair damaged livestock-exclusion fencing with wildlife friendly fencing at Tunnel Springs.</li> <li>➤ Maintain at least 50 percent of the current year's water capacity in 2 reservoirs for wildlife by filling the reservoirs with water.</li> <li>➤ Remove 100 junipers from around Tunnel Springs and the reservoirs.</li> <li>➤ Knock seed off bitterbrush plants in the fall so cattle can stomp them into the ground to regenerate them. New bitterbrush growth will be monitored annually.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the solar panel water pump system that keeps 12 water troughs full to provide water for wildlife.</li> </ul>
<p>FIVE DOT RANCH - WILLOW CREEK</p> <p>DEER ZONE X4</p> <p>LASSEN</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 7 buck deer, forked horn or better and 2 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 8 buck deer tags to take 7 buck deer for the period of September 17, 2016 through November 30, 2016. Of those tags, 1 shall be provided to an apprentice hunter.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Repair damaged livestock-exclusion fencing around 4 aspen and willow stands totaling 30 acres that provide deer fawning habitat.</li> <li>➤ Crush at least 25 acres of snowbrush to provide new forage at different sites in Sections 21, 22, 27, or 28.</li> </ul>

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<p>7,200 ACRES</p> <p>FIVE DOT RANCH - WILLOW CREEK CONT.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 buck pronghorn antelope tags for the period of August 13, 2016 through September 25, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> <li>• In no case shall the number of tags issued be used to exceed the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Exclude livestock grazing on 50 acres of native sagebrush vegetation in the Triangle Field for sage-grouse and other sagebrush dependent species.</li> <li>➤ Retain water in reservoirs and ponds at 50% of the current water year's capacity for wildlife by filling them as needed.</li> <li>➤ Leave the 3<sup>rd</sup> cutting of alfalfa on 100 acres for deer and pronghorn antelope use.</li> <li>➤ Allow deer to utilize a 50 acre field of alfalfa and grass.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 4 goose nesting platforms at Round Valley Reservoir.</li> </ul>
<p>FOUR PINES RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>MENDOCINO</p> <p>2,001 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 12 buck deer, forked horn or better and 4 antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 12 buck deer tags to take forked horn or better buck deer and 4 antlerless deer tags for the period of July 16, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 6 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain 5 previously improved springs and 2 existing ponds.</li> <li>➤ Develop 1 spring in section 1, 7, 11, 12, or 13.</li> <li>➤ Plant ¼ acre forage plot in section 1, 7, 11, 12, or 13 with legumes and vetch for wildlife use.</li> <li>➤ Treat ½ acre of invasive weeds in section 1, 7, 11, 12, or 13, by hand manipulation or herbicides, to allow native vegetation to grow.</li> <li>➤ Remove 100 feet of interior fence to enhance wildlife passage in section 1, 7, 11, 12, or 13.</li> <li>➤ Create ¼ acre browse opening through dense brush in section 1, 7, 11, 12, or 13 to enhance wildlife access to forage.</li> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers in ¼ acre of oak woodlands in section 1, 7, 11, 12, or 13.</li> <li>➤ Restrict livestock grazing to no more than 50 head of cattle during the winter and spring.</li> <li>➤ Plant 50 willow shoots at existing water sources; improve existing willow patches by trimming to encourage growth.</li> <li>➤ Create at least 3 new brush piles annually for wildlife cover.</li> </ul>
<p>FULTON RANCH</p> <p>HUMBOLDT</p> <p>2,844 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of September 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All habitat projects have been completed under the Fulton Ranch 5-year management plan (removal of encroaching conifers from oak woodlands). Therefore, no habitat work is required during this license year.</li> </ul>

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<p>HUNTER RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>HUMBOLDT</p> <p>16,103 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 20 deer of which no more than 5 may be antlerless deer and 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 20 either-sex deer tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• Buck deer must be forked horn or better.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period September 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All habitat projects have been completed under the Hunter Ranch 5-year management plan. Therefore, no habitat work is required during this license year.</li> </ul>
<p>JERUSALEM CREEK RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B5</p> <p>SHASTA</p> <p>726 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 buck deer, forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 4 buck deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain 2 water sources to provide water for wildlife by checking for broken pipes and repairing as necessary.</li> <li>➤ Plant 5 acres in areas previously treated for brush with a grass/vetch seed mix to provide forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Thin at least 15 acres of dense thickets of stunted live oak trees by severing the trunks at the bottom. The new shoots provide high-quality forage for wildlife.</li> </ul>
<p>JS RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE C3</p> <p>SHASTA</p> <p>6,500 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 12 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 12 buck deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 6 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain ½ mile of riparian livestock exclusion fencing by inspecting and repairing any damage.</li> <li>➤ Inspect and repair check dams in irrigation canals. Water is kept in canals year round and is accessible to wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Mechanically control the spread of extensive blackberry thickets within a 650 acre area. Bramble margins and some interior areas will be cut or crushed.</li> <li>➤ Install water bars on dirt roads adjacent to Cow Creek to prevent sediment erosion.</li> <li>➤ Exclude livestock from 345 acres (bringing the total exclusion area to 1000 acres) from June 1 through October 31.</li> <li>➤ Irrigate 650 acres to provide forage for wildlife during late summer and early fall.</li> </ul>

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JS RANCH CONT.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Irrigate 50 acres of pasture on the Rock Garden Flats to provide elk forage, and exclude cattle from June 8 to October 1.</li> <li>➤ Remove a minimum of ½ mile of interior fencing to enhance wildlife movement.</li> <li>➤ Add 5 new wood duck boxes and maintain 30 existing wood duck boxes. Check all boxes for use annually on Old Cow Creek and Clover Creek.</li> <li>➤ Retain vegetation for wildlife cover along irrigation canal banks to the extent it does not interfere with ditch maintenance.</li> <li>➤ Prohibit commercial firewood cutting on the property.</li> <li>➤ Maintain a 200 acre fenced area with no human disturbance or cattle grazing for wildlife use year-round.</li> <li>➤ Enhance and maintain 2 ponds by enlarging and repairing spillways and dams and making any other necessary repairs.</li> </ul>
KLAMATH PLM HUMBOLDT  32,594 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk and 2 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 bull elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from 360 acres of oak woodlands and prairies. All conifer stems less than or equal to 8 inches diameter at breast height will be removed.</li> </ul>
LOOKOUT RANCH  DEER ZONE X1  MODOC  6,880 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 6 buck deer and 1 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 6 buck deer tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> <li>• Issue 1 buck pronghorn antelope tag for the period of September 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Renovate and re-level at least 80 acres of wild rice to improve water storage for waterfowl.</li> <li>➤ Remove western juniper from 3 acres at Moon Pasture.</li> <li>➤ Plant 250 willows in the Buck Pasture draw below the 3<sup>rd</sup> pond and 250 willows in the southwest corner of the marsh.</li> <li>➤ Plant alfalfa and wild rice to establish an additional 10 acres of wildlife food plots.</li> <li>➤ Manage acreage enrolled in Wetland Reserve Program for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Build at least 5 brush piles in the Moon Pasture to provide escape cover for wildlife.</li> </ul>

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<p>MENDIBOURE RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE X5B</p> <p>LASSEN</p> <p>8,840 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 6 buck deer tags to take 3 buck deer for the period of September 17, 2016 through October 16, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 buck pronghorn antelope tag for the period of August 27, 2016 through September 11, 2016.</li> <li>• No person may take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> <li>• In no case shall the number of tags issued be used to exceed the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain aspen and willow livestock enclosure fencing at Ethchecopar Spring, Van Loan Creek, and Big Springs by checking and repairing fencing if needed.</li> <li>➤ Expand the Ethchecopar aspen enclosure to protect suckers outside the existing fence.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 3 aspen and willow livestock enclosures by checking and repairing any damage to the wildlife friendly fencing.</li> <li>➤ Create a 15 acre dryland alfalfa plot for wildlife. Construct a wildlife friendly fence to exclude cattle from the plot.</li> <li>➤ Cut 150 mountain mahogany branches with ripe seeds to recruit young plants.</li> <li>➤ Remove junipers from 5 acres to improve shrub and forb recruitment.</li> </ul>
<p>MILLER-ERIKSEN RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>MENDOCINO</p> <p>1,000 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 25 deer of which no more than 17 may be forked horn or better buck deer and 8 may be antlerless deer; 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 13 either-sex deer tags for the period of July 16, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 9 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before November 1, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 12 additional either-sex tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of deer tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plant 200 willow cuttings to provide food and cover for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 3 springs to provide additional water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Construct 2 new elk fence crossings to provide access for elk.</li> <li>➤ Hand thin at least ½ acre of understory conifer and decadent browse species to provide forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Plant 100 pounds of grass seed mix to provide food and cover for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the reduced number of livestock, not to exceed 25 cow/calf pairs.</li> </ul>

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PEPPERWOOD SPRINGS RANCH  DEER ZONE B1  HUMBOLDT  22,000 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 30 buck deer, forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 30 buck deer tags to take forked horn or better buck deer for the period of July 15, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 15 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 40 acres of oak woodlands.</li> </ul>
POTTER VALLEY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  MENDOCINO  7,767 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 6 bull elk and 10 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of August 6, 2016 through December 1, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 5 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 15, 2016 through December 1, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before October 12, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 4 bull tags and 5 additional antlerless tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of elk available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Irrigate the 5-acre permanent pastures on the Guntly Cold Creek subunit to provide summer forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the livestock exclusion fence around the 5-acre permanent pasture on the Guntly Cold Creek subunit.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the livestock exclusion fence along 1.4 miles of the Russian River.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the livestock exclusion fence on the 4 acre pond on the Mathews subunit.</li> <li>➤ Continue reduced livestock numbers at 120 cow/calf pairs.</li> <li>➤ Maintain all elk crossings.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 9 springs.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the bull elk wallow.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the new water system which includes a well, 2,000 gallon storage tank, a pump, a generator and a 500 gallon water trough to provide water for elk.</li> <li>➤ Fertilize 10 acres of rangeland pasture to increase forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the 825 acre livestock exclusion on the Guntly Cold Creek Subunit.</li> </ul>
RAINBOW RIDGE PLM  HUMBOLDT  DEER ZONE B4  20,321 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 15 buck deer, forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 15 buck deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 8 buck deer may be harvested after October 2, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 20 acres of oak woodlands and prairies.</li> </ul>

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<p>RED ROCK RANCH LASSEN DEER ZONE X3B 6,887 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 7 buck deer forked horn or better and 2 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 7 buck deer tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 16, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 buck pronghorn antelope tags for the period of August 20, 2016 through August 28, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than one buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain the livestock fencing at 2 springs near Windy Flat to exclude livestock.</li> <li>➤ Maintain a spring box at Windy Flat by checking and repairing any damaged parts.</li> <li>➤ Inspect and make any necessary repairs to the livestock exclusion fencing around 2 aspen and willow stands that provide deer fawning habitat.</li> <li>➤ Remove western juniper from 15 acres in Red Rock Valley and Neuland area to enhance shrub recruitment.</li> <li>➤ Construct a new aspen enclosure in Neuland area to exclude livestock grazing and encourage the development of additional fawning habitat.</li> <li>➤ Use rotational grazing to rest at least 1 meadow for wildlife cover and forage.</li> </ul>
<p>REDWOOD HOUSE RANCH DEER ZONE B1 HUMBOLDT 8,419 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 20 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 20 buck deer tags for the period of the August 20, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of September 17, 2016 through October 9, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 40 acres of oak woodlands and prairies.</li> </ul>
<p>ROBERTS RANCH DEER ZONE X1 MODOC 2,313 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 2 buck deer, forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 buck deer tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove 200 western junipers (less than 6 inches diameter at breast height) at locations where juniper was removed previously to create more forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ In a separate portion of the ranch, remove western junipers from at least 3 acres.</li> <li>➤ Maintain all previously developed springs, levees, and ponds by ensuring that recent earthwork (levees, water control structures and pipes) continue to function as designed.</li> <li>➤ Restrict cattle grazing to a level much reduced from what occurred prior to the current ownership to no more than 50 cow/calf pairs.</li> </ul>

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<p>SCHNEIDER RANCH DEER ZONE B1 MENDOCINO 4,222 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 9 buck deer, forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 9 buck deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 4 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain the 1-acre irrigated forage plot at Marks Place, which provides valuable summer forage and also contributes subsurface water to an additional 8 acres downslope. Maintenance includes weed control, soil management, and ensuring the functionality of the water supply system.</li> <li>➤ Cultivate with tractor equipment and irrigate the 1 acre Cabin food plot, which provides a year round deer feeding area.</li> <li>➤ Create 6 brush piles for wildlife cover. The piles will each be approximately 10 feet in diameter and 6 feet tall and will provide good habitat for both deer and quail.</li> <li>➤ Burn 6 brush piles. The remnant charcoal and ashes are nutrient rich and deer roll in them, perhaps for control of external parasites.</li> <li>➤ Cut/hinge at least 10 smaller sub-canopy oaks so they droop to a point where branches are within reach of deer.</li> <li>➤ Inspect 8 previously improved springs and repair any damaged parts, clear any brush that is intruding on the collection galleries, cleaning out accumulated debris and mud, and ensure the box is structurally sound.</li> <li>➤ Excluding all livestock from the ranch, including regular fence maintenance in order to prohibit trespass cattle from USFS and BLM grazing allotments.</li> </ul>
<p>SL RANCH DEER ZONE X3A MODOC 7,500 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 buck pronghorn antelope</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 4 buck deer tags for the period of August 15, 2016 through November 15, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 buck pronghorn antelope tag for the period of August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer annually in the X zones.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Use a combination of chainsaws and herbicides to remove western juniper in a 500 acre area adjacent to the BLM property.</li> <li>➤ Flood 400 acres of wild rice for waterfowl use after harvest.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the livestock exclusion fence around the spring below Likely Mill to to exclude cattle.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 2 springs on Rocky Prairie and 1 pond by ensuring that fencing excludes cattle. Any damaged fences and structures will be repaired as necessary.</li> <li>➤ Maintain the livestock exclusion fencing along the West Side Canal where willows are present. Fences and structures will be repaired as necessary.</li> </ul>

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SMITH RIVER PLM  HUMBOLDT  24,949 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk and 6 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 bull elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016</li> <li>• Issue 6 antlerless elk tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Enhance coho salmon habitat by harvesting and delivering 25 large, merchantable trees to a permitted stream restoration site on Rowdy Creek. The trees will be used and installed as in-stream large, woody debris structures.</li> </ul>
SPRING VALLEY RANCH  DEER ZONE A  MENDOCINO  4,860 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized harvest:</b> 24 buck deer forked horn or better, and 4 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 24 buck deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 8 buck deer may be harvested after September 20, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 4 bull elk tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before October 15, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 1 additional bull elk tag to complete the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• In no case shall the number of tags issued be used to exceed the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Create 2, 10 ft. x 6 ft. brush piles.</li> <li>➤ Remove 1.5 acres of Scotch Broom and coyote brush by mechanically removing with a tractor and by hand.</li> <li>➤ Remove and manipulate 0.5 acres of blackberries by tractor, by hand, and with the use of herbicide. Treatment areas will be monitored to determine the most effective method of removal and manipulation.</li> <li>➤ Mechanically remove with a tractor and by hand, 0.5 acre of decadent manzanita to improve wildlife forage.</li> <li>➤ Construct one rail-type fence crossing for elk. The top cross rail will be no higher than 48" above the ground to accommodate adult elk and the bottom cross rail will be no lower than 22" to facilitate crossing by elk calves.</li> <li>➤ Repair existing elk crossings as necessary.</li> <li>➤ Inspect and if necessary repair the 9 previously improved water development projects.</li> <li>➤ Develop 1 new spring. The spring will be dug out and collector boxes will be used. Water will be piped to troughs.</li> <li>➤ Remove at least 1,000 feet of woven wire cross fencing to reduce wildlife entanglement.</li> <li>➤ Maintain a 5 acre pond for use by migratory birds and other wildlife, including large mammals. The pond provides year-round water, as well as roosting, feeding, and nesting habitat.</li> </ul>

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<p>STACKHOUSE RANCH</p> <p>SHASTA</p> <p>DEER ZONE C3</p> <p>400 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 2 buck deer forked horn or better, or 1 buck deer forked horn or better deer and 1 antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 either-sex deer tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 1 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• In no case shall the number of tags issued be used to exceed the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Repair incised and leaking headwall of the dam at the lower pond to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Add 4 new wood duck boxes at the Lower and Upper Ponds.</li> <li>➤ Plant at least 1-2 willow and alder stems every 8 feet around the edge of the Barn Pond to provide cover for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 7 acres of meadow by removing invasive blackberries to provide forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Enhance 43 acres of conifer habitat by spraying to control noxious weeds and blackberries.</li> <li>➤ Retain at least 3 acres of young native shrub and herbaceous vegetation in a 43 acre thinned conifer stand by not treating with herbicides.</li> </ul>
<p>STEWART RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE B1</p> <p>TRINITY</p> <p>11,006 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 36 buck deer, forked horn or better and 5 antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 36 buck deer tags for the period of August 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016. Of those tags, 10 shall be provided to apprentice hunters.</li> <li>• Issue 5 antlerless deer tags for the period of September 15, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 18 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before October 15, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 5 additional buck tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• In no case shall the number of tags issued be used to exceed the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 20 acres of oak woodland.</li> <li>➤ Replant 4 irrigated food plots consisting of clover, chicory, and brassica totaling 10 acres to provide forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Replant 31 acres of dry land forage plots in grain and forbs to provide forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain electric livestock exclusion fencing around all fenced food plots.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 wood duck nest box along Kekawaka Creek.</li> <li>➤ Check use and replace nesting material in 15 wood duck nest boxes.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 8 water sources (ponds and springs) with cattle exclusion fencing by inspecting and repairing any damaged parts.</li> <li>➤ Plant 25 willow or alder stems around 8 water sources if needed to regenerate riparian cover for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain ½ mile of livestock exclusion fencing along Kekawaka Creek to improve riparian vegetation by inspecting and repairing any damaged parts.</li> </ul>

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<p>STOVER RANCH  HUMBOLDT  7,000 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 bull elk and 2 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 4 bull elk tags for the period September 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 80 acres of oak woodlands.</li> </ul>
<p>SUMMER CAMP RANCH  DEER ZONE B1  MENDOCINO  38,502 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 80 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 80 buck deer tags for the period of July 9, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of July 9, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 40 buck deer may be taken after October 23, 2016.</li> <li>• On or before October 15, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 20 additional buck deer tags and 1 additional bull elk tag to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• In no case shall the number of tags issued be used to exceed the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• The number of deer tag holders actively hunting shall not exceed the number of deer available to harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain 3 irrigated wildlife forage areas, totaling 12 acres.</li> <li>➤ Improve 1 spring by cleaning out and installing an off-site water trough.</li> <li>➤ Exclude livestock from 1 spring by installing at least 300 square feet of wildlife-friendly fencing.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 2 riparian exclusion areas totaling ¾ acre and plant willows.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 13 developed springs.</li> <li>➤ Exclude livestock grazing from mid-June through October.</li> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 10 acres of oak woodlands.</li> <li>➤ Construct a minimum of 20 brush piles within oak woodland habitat.</li> <li>➤ Maintain approximately 7 miles of riparian fencing on the Eel River and repair any damage.</li> <li>➤ Maintain a minimum of 10 miles of road to prevent sedimentation into the Eel River system. Road maintenance will generally include grading roads, pulling inside ditches where they exist, shaping the road surface to promote proper drainage, and maintenance of drainage facilities such as cross drains and culverts.</li> <li>➤ Burn 10 acres of grasslands to rejuvenate vegetation.</li> </ul>

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TRAVIS RANCH  DEER ZONE B1  TRINITY  11,907 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 15 deer of which no more than 5 may be antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 15 either-sex deer tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> <li>• Buck deer must be forked horn or better.</li> <li>• No antlerless deer shall be harvested before September 15, 2016.</li> <li>• No more than 7 buck deer may be harvested after October 23, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 20 acres of oak woodland in Area E.</li> <li>➤ Construct a spring in Area H.</li> <li>➤ Retain at least 5 slash piles for use as wildlife cover.</li> <li>➤ Treat at least 70 acres of yellow star thistle with herbicide and biological controls in Areas J and F.</li> </ul>
WIGGINS RANCH  HUMBOLDT  16,657 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 2 bull elk and 2 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period of October 1, 2016 through October 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Remove encroaching conifers from at least 40 acres of oak woodlands.</li> </ul>
<b>NORTH CENTRAL REGION</b>		
LLANO SECO RANCHO  DEER ZONE C4  BUTTE  14,500 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 25 buck deer, forked horn or better and 10 antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 25 buck deer tags to take forked horn or better buck deer and 10 antlerless deer tags to take 10 antlerless deer for the period of September 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Treat 1,150 acres of Yellow Star and Bull Thistle.</li> <li>➤ Fall seeding of vetch, rye grass, and oats in thistle treatment areas.</li> <li>➤ Grow 1,079 acres of dryland wheat.</li> <li>➤ Maintain or replace 50 existing wood duck and barn owl nest boxes.</li> <li>➤ Install 2 pond turtle basking structures in ponds or backwater areas near river.</li> <li>➤ Coordinate with CDFW Deer Program on annual deer surveys and captures for CDFW Sacramento River Deer Herd Survey and Study.</li> </ul>

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<b>BAY DELTA REGION</b>		
<p>CONNOLLY AND CORRAL HOLLOW RANCH</p> <p>SAN JOAQUIN</p> <p>11,758 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the periods of August 1, 2016 through October 1, 2016 and November 15, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Provide 800 acres of grasslands on the Connolly Ranch for exclusive use by elk from July through March.</li> <li>➤ Provide 480 acres of grasslands on the Corral Hollow Ranch for exclusive use by elk.</li> <li>➤ Continue to implement a rotational cattle grazing regime to provide adequate forage for elk.</li> <li>➤ Fell 3 acres of gray pines to provide additional forage for elk and to increase cover for small mammals, birds and reptiles. Trees will be felled outside bird breeding season (March 1 – June 30) and any trees with bird of prey nests shall be avoided altogether.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL REGION</b>		
<p>ALEXANDER RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE A</p> <p>MONTEREY</p> <p>786 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk, 2 antlerless elk and 1 buck deer forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of July 2, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period of August 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 buck deer tag to take a forked horn or better buck deer for the period July 2, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain existing springs, troughs and reservoirs to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Limit cattle stocking rate to 75 animals to enhance and provide habitat and feed for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Create 5 brush piles for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Burn or brush crush 5 acres of brush to stimulate new forage growth for elk and other wildlife.</li> </ul>

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<p>AVENALES RANCH  SAN LUIS OBISPO  11,300ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 bull elk, 3 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Avenales Ranch is not requesting their full allocation of tags.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Fence off “Surprise Springs” to protect it from cattle. Upgrade the water lines as needed.</li> <li>➤ Clean out dove nest cones that were installed in Douglas Canyon in 2013 and add 15 more nest cones.</li> <li>➤ Install a new water trough by “Turtle Pond” for wildlife only. Install wildlife access and escape ramps in the trough.</li> <li>➤ Install a new 1500 gal. water storage tank to supply year round water to the “35 canyon” area.</li> <li>➤ Maintain and repair projects as needed that were built in 2011.</li> </ul>
<p>CAMP 5 OUTFITTERS - ROTH RANCH PLM  DEER ZONE A  MONTEREY AND SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTIES  5,400 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk, 1 antlerless elk, 6 buck deer forked horn or better and 3 antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of July 2, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 antlerless elk tag for the period of August 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 buck deer tags for the period of July 9, 2016 through July 31, 2016 (Zone A, Archery) and August 13, 2016 through September 25, 2016 (Zone A, General).</li> </ul> <p>Note: Roth Ranch is not requesting their full allocation of tags.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Clear 5 acres of old growth brush to stimulate growth of new forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Re-seed 5 acre cleared area with appropriate range mix.</li> <li>➤ Adapt 1 existing water source to make it more wildlife accessible.</li> <li>➤ Maintain and improve water system.</li> <li>➤ Build 3-5, 100 square foot brush piles to provide cover for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ No grazing allowed in the 40 acre riparian area.</li> <li>➤ Plant 10 acres of barley or other suitable cover crop for wildlife use.</li> <li>➤ No grazing on the Fowler or Roth Ranches.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 elk crossing in the Roth Ranch fence line or where best utilized on the other ranches to facilitate elk movement between properties.</li> </ul>
<p>CARNAZA RANCH  SAN LUIS OBISPO  8,475 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk and 3 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 bull elk tags for the period July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 3 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plant 100 acres of dryland barley for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Pump water to 5 water troughs on a year-round basis to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Plant 10 willows to enhance wildlife habitat.</li> <li>➤ Construct 3 brush piles to enhance habitat for upland game.</li> </ul>

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CARRIZO RANCH  SAN LUIS OBISPO  11,040 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk; 4 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue up to 3 bull elk tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue up to 4 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plant 10, 1-gallon trees and 10, 1-gallon shrubs in the Big Spring Riparian area to enhance wildlife habitat.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 upland game guzzler.</li> <li>➤ Create 3 brush piles to enhance habitat for upland game.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 new wildlife watering trough.</li> </ul>
CHIMNEY ROCK RANCH  DEER ZONE A  SAN LUIS OBISPO  6,500 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk, 10 buck deer forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 bull elk tags for the period July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 16 buck deer tags to take no more than 10 forked horn or better buck deer for the period beginning with the opening day of archery season, July 9, 2016 through November 30, 2016. At the request of the licensee on or before October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 the licensee may request an addition of 4 deer tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Continue with the solar pump project in the “Triangle” pasture to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Defer cattle from the “Lake” pasture from mid-spring through mid-summer to allow cover for ground nesting birds to grow out and in turn enhance forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain existing water sources to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Construct 10 brush piles for use as cover for wildlife.</li> </ul>
CLARK AND WHITE RANCH  SAN LUIS OBISPO  5,660 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk and 2 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 antlerless elk tag for the period of August 15, 2016 through December 15, 2016.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Clark and White Ranch is not requesting their full allocation of tags.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plant 1,000 acres of barley for use by elk and other wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Repair 1 dam to increase standing water and enhance riparian/marsh habitats.</li> <li>➤ Install 3 brush piles around existing springs for quail.</li> <li>➤ Plant 1-acre of quail brush near springs for use by upland game.</li> </ul>
D- RAFTER- “L” RANCH, LLC  SAN LUIS OBISPO  3,156 ACRES	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk and 1 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 antlerless elk tag for the period August 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain brush piles 1-4 by adding new brush to enhance cover for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Plant 10 acres of barley or other forage mix to enhance cover and forage for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 elk crossing in appropriate section of fence behind the ranch house.</li> </ul>

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<p>HARTNELL RANCH  DEER ZONE A  MONTEREY  4,600 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> One bull elk, 2 antlerless elk and 2 buck deer forked horn or better</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of July 2, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 antlerless elk tags for the period August 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 2 buck deer tags to take forked horn or better buck deer for the period of July 2, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Burn or brush crush 10 acres to promote new forage growth for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain existing springs, troughs and reservoirs to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Create 8 brush piles for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Limit cattle stocking rate to 250 animals to enhance and maintain habitats for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Install 1 elk crossing in appropriate location in fence line.</li> </ul>
<p>HEARST RANCH  SAN LUIS OBISPO  5,381 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 2 bull elk and 5 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 5 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Irrigate 152 acres of pasture for year round use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain livestock exclusionary fencing on 105 acres (2.5 miles of fencing) of riparian pasture during periods of stream flow to enhance fishery and wildlife habitat.</li> <li>➤ Treat and remove 1-acre of nonnative Scotch Broom to enhance habitat for native plants and animals.</li> <li>➤ Treat and remove 1-acre of nonnative Jubata grass to enhance habitat for native plants and animals.</li> <li>➤ Install 2 upland game guzzlers</li> </ul>
<p>LEWIS RANCH  SAN BENITO  512 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 1 bull elk, 1 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 antlerless elk tag for the period of August 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ No cattle grazing on 512 acres to provide high quality habitat for tule elk, quail and other wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain perennial water in 4 guzzlers, their tanks and troughs for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain 12 brush piles in areas “A”, “B” and “C” for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Plant areas 1, 2 and 3 with barley to provide supplemental food for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Service 3 owl and 3 wood duck nest boxes for the upcoming nesting season.</li> </ul>

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<p>MORISOLI RANCH</p> <p>MONTEREY AND SAN BENITO COUNTIES</p> <p>14,700 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 bull elk and 4 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 3 bull elk tags for the period of July 2, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 3 antlerless elk tags for the period August 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Morisoli ranch is not requesting their full allocation of tags.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Build 1 elk crossing.</li> <li>➤ Construct 5 brush piles for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Develop 1 new water source for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Build and install 1 bird nest box.</li> <li>➤ Plant 10 acres of forage mix for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Clear 5 acres of old growth brush to stimulate new forage growth for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Seed cleared areas with barley/vetch mixture to provide additional forage for wildlife.</li> </ul>
<p>ROOSTERCOMB RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE A SOUTH</p> <p>STANISLAUS</p> <p>4,862 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 4 buck deer, forked horn or better and 1 bull elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 4 buck deer tags for the period of August 13, 2016 through November 27, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 1 bull elk tag for the period of September 10, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Clear up to 20 acres of decadent brush in all areas.</li> <li>➤ Use brush for quail habitat.</li> <li>➤ Reseed Areas C &amp; D with wild rye or grains.</li> <li>➤ Plant 30-40 acres with wild rye or vetch/forage mixes in Areas A &amp; B.</li> <li>➤ Maintain all water sources.</li> <li>➤ Maintain fences and elk crossings.</li> </ul>

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<p>TEJON RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE D-11</p> <p>KERN AND LOS ANGELES COUNTIES</p> <p>270,000 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 50 buck deer, 5 antlerless deer, 12 bull elk, 3 cow elk, 10 bearded turkeys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 40 either sex deer tags including 20 tags for the period of September 24, 2016 through November 6, 2016, harvest quota shall be 25 in the regular season and 25 in the extended season.</li> <li>• On or before October 25, 2016, the licensee may request (in writing) up to 10 either sex deer tags to accomplish the authorized harvest.</li> <li>• Issue 5 antlerless deer tags for the season of September 24, 2016 through December 31, 2016. Harvest quota of 5 antlerless deer.</li> <li>• Issue 10 bearded turkey tags for the season of March 18, 2017 through May 21, 2017.</li> <li>• Issue 12 bull elk tags for the season of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 3 cow elk tags for the season of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• No person shall take more than 1 buck deer or 1 bull elk.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Maintain wildlife guzzlers, use of mechanical means to fill guzzlers.</li> <li>➤ Continue installation of wildlife escape ramps in livestock troughs.</li> <li>➤ Install 1.5 miles of new riparian habitat fencing, cattle grazing management.</li> <li>➤ Maintain netted open top water tanks and spring containments.</li> <li>➤ Install 6 new water troughs and improved livestock water systems.</li> <li>➤ Continue collaboration with the Tejon Conservancy with invasive weed control, feral pig management study (USDA, Tejon Ranch, Tejon Conservancy), additional NRCS rangeland projects.</li> </ul>
<p>TEMBLOR RANCH</p> <p>SAN LUIS OBISPO AND KERN</p> <p>30,000 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 7 bull elk; 12 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 7 bull elk tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 12 antlerless elk tags for the period of September 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Upon request of the licensee on or prior to November 1, 2016, the licensee may request up to 7 additional bull elk tags and 12 additional antlerless elk tags to accomplish the authorized harvest of not more than 19 elk.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Plant 100 acres of barley at 100 lbs./acre for elk and pronghorn.</li> <li>➤ Install ½ mile of pipeline to provide water for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Construct 1 holding pond for use by wildlife</li> </ul>

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<p>TRINCHERO RANCH</p> <p>SAN BENITO</p> <p>4,452 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 3 bull elk, 1 antlerless elk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of July 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Trinchero Ranch is not requesting their full allocation of tags.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Limited cattle grazing on approximately 4,000 acres in Black and Red Mountain pastures from December through May.</li> <li>➤ Chemically control tamarisk in Long Canyon to improve habitat for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Construct 4-6 brush piles for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Burn 4 old decadent brush piles and reseed the areas with grasses and legumes.</li> </ul>
<p>WORK RANCH</p> <p>DEER ZONE A</p> <p>MONTEREY</p> <p>19,500 ACRES</p>	<p><b>Authorized Harvest:</b> 2 bull elk, 4 antlerless elk, 6 buck deer forked horn or better, and 2 antlerless deer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue 2 bull elk tags for the period of July 2, 2016 through December 31, 2016.</li> <li>• Issue 4 buck deer tags and 4 either sex deer tags to take no more than 6 forked horn or better bucks and 2 antlerless deer for the period of July 2, 2016 through November 30, 2016.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Work Ranch is not requesting their full allocation of tags.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Continue to practice holistic range management to maintain high quality habitats for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Plant 200 acres of barley or appropriate forage crop for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain all existing water points for use by wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Maintain existing Conservation Reserve Program contracts to maintain high quality habitats for wildlife.</li> <li>➤ Rehabilitate 1 upland bird guzzler.</li> <li>➤ Construct 10 brush piles to provide cover for wildlife.</li> </ul>