



To: Lānaʻi Hunter Community
From: Pūlama Lānaʻi Department of Conservation
Date: August 11, 2020
Subject: 2020 CGMA Doe Control Hunts and CGMA Agreement Extension

Following the cancelation of the 2020 hunts in the CGMA as a result of COVID-19, Hawaii's Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Pūlama Lānaʻi Conservation Department recognized a need to continue harvesting axis deer in an effort to keep pace with natural reproduction of the herd. To that end, Pūlama Lānaʻi applied for, and received a wildlife control permit from DLNR to conduct axis doe control hunts in the CGMA through October 31, 2020. This permit allows Pūlama Lānaʻi to manage control hunts in the CGMA with Pūlama Lānaʻi staff and community hunters. We are grateful to DLNR for the opportunity to help manage the deer herd on Lānaʻi during these unique times.

On a separate note, Pūlama Lānaʻi continues to work productively with DLNR towards extending the term of the Lānaʻi Cooperative Game Management Area, which expires in February, 2021. However, the COVID-19 pandemic has introduced new challenges for traveling to, and hunting on Lānaʻi. Because of this, we have agreed in principal to extend the term of the current agreement for 1 year until February, 2022. We are optimistic that this short extension will give Pūlama Lānaʻi and DLNR enough time to develop the framework for responsible and safe management of deer and sheep going forward.

2020 CGMA Doe Control Program

Because this is the first time Pūlama Lānaʻi has conducted control hunts in the CGMA in this fashion, we will be moving slowly to assess what works and what doesn't, and will modify these rules as appropriate. The following rules are in place between August 14 and September 6, 2020. Please read carefully.

Who may participate:

- Lānaʻi residents who possess a valid 2021 State of Hawaii hunting license, are otherwise legally allowed to hunt, and are NOT serving a COVID-19 related quarantine.
- Off-island hunters may NOT participate at this time. We may revisit this rule once the interisland quarantine is lifted.

When:

- Friday, Saturday, and Sunday mornings, 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 AM

General Rules:

- All rules involving safety areas, blaze, firearm use, permit carry, etc. remain in effect. DLNR and MPD rules can be found here (<https://tinyurl.com/StateMPD>), PL rules can be found here (<https://tinyurl.com/PLHuntRules>).

- Hunters are responsible for knowing and following these rules. Failure to do so may result in loss of hunting privileges and/or legal repercussions.
- Pūlama Lānaʻi staff and DLNR-DOCARE officers will be enforcing these rules.
- Hunters must carry a copy of their State Hunting License, as well as Control Permit while hunting, and have it available to show Pūlama Lānaʻi or DLNR-DOCARE staff.
- Hunters may harvest axis deer, does ONLY (no bag limit).
 - Hunters who intentionally shoot bucks will lose control privileges in the CGMA as well as hunting privileges in the unguided Pūlama Lānaʻi areas.
- Shooting times are from 30 min before sunrise until 10:30 AM
- Rifle, Shotgun, and Black-powder only.
- The CGMA will be divided into 4 subunits, A-D. Only one unit will be open on a given day. A map is included with this memo, and will be given to hunters on their control day.
- Animals **MUST** be removed from the field either whole, or quartered (with genitals attached to one leg).
- Limited to 30 hunters per day.
- Individual hunters may only participate once a week.

Check in/out

- Hunters must check into the control area at the usual Pūlama Lānaʻi hunter sign in/out station behind Central.
- **IMPORTANT:** All hunters **MUST** check out of the control area between 8:00-11:00AM at the designated field hunter check station. The station will be indicated on the map. A member of the Conservation Department will be at the station to check out hunters and record harvest.
- Failure to check in or out will result in loss of control privilege.

How to sign up:

- Call (808) 565-3102, Tuesday – Friday, 2-5 PM. First-come, first-serve. Please leave a message if no one picks up immediately.

