

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Tribal Member Hunting & Trapping Regulations

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PURPOSE OF THIS PAMPHLET

This pamphlet contains the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CTCR) Tribal Hunting, Trapping, and Snaring Season Regulations (effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2025) for the South Half and North Half of the Colville Reservation (CTCR Code Title 4 Natural Resources and Environment, Chapter 4-1, and Resolution 2022-366). It is your responsibility to be in compliance with the regulations contained within this pamphlet. A violation of any provision of these regulations is a prohibited act under CTCR Code Section 4-1-241 and is subject to civil and/or criminal sanctions under Chapter 4-1 (see Sections 4-1-320 to 4-1-334). We recommend that you read and understand this booklet prior to hunting. Any questions not answered in this booklet should be directed to the:

**Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
Fish & Wildlife Department
P.O. Box 150
Nespelem, WA99155
Phone: (509) 634-2110**

AUTHORIZATION

Exercising its sovereign authority to regulate hunting on the Colville Reservation and in accordance with the United States Supreme Court's decision in *Antoine v. Washington*, 420 U.S. 194 (1975), the Colville Business Council (CBC) of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation promulgates such regulations as it deems proper and necessary to carry out the policy of the Colville Tribes with respect to hunting. These hunting season regulations have been promulgated in the interest of preserving, protecting, and perpetuating the wildlife resources of both the North Half and South Half of the Colville Reservation and providing for public safety.

The following regulations are hereby enacted pertaining to seasons, open areas, bag and possession limits of animals harvested, equipment restrictions, public safety, harvest reporting, licensing, tags and special permits. These regulations are issued pursuant to Colville Tribal Fish and Wildlife Code, adopted by C B C Resolutions 1997-491, and 2022-366.

Any areas severely affected by any form of habitat destruction/degradation (i.e. fire, over-grazing, logging, etc.) may be closed at the discretion of the Natural Resource Committee.

ELIGIBILITY TO HUNT/ TRAP/ SNARE

Eligibility to hunt, trap, or snare is permitted only to those individuals whose name appears on the records of the Colville Confederated Tribes as an enrolled member. Any enrolled member under ten (10) years of age while hunting on the South Half, or (12) years of age while hunting on the North Half, must be accompanied by a Tribal Member eighteen (18) years of age or older.

HUNTING, TRAPPING, & SNARING SEASONS DATES

All hunting, trapping, and snaring season regulations contained in this pamphlet are for the 2022-2024 Tribal Member Hunting and Trapping Seasons. These regulations are effective June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2025 and will remain in place until new regulations are developed or otherwise stated through an approved Colville Tribal Resolution.

****ATTENTION HUNTERS****

Notable changes to the Regulations*

- **Added the ability for elders and disabled hunters to utilize a crossbow (with exceptions), while doing their own hunting, during any open archery season for which they have a valid tag.**
- **Added 10 tags each of the following in Hellsgate Game Reserve: Archery Whitetail, Rifle Whitetail, Archery Mule Deer, and Rifle Mule Deer.**
- **Added additional Hellsgate Elk tags to each of the four Special Hunts in the Reserve.**
- **Added elevation-based trapping restrictions to reduce accidental harvest of Canada lynx.**
- **Added requirement for trappers to possess a catch-pole while in the field checking their traps in order to safely release non-target species from their traps.**
- **Added requirement for snare stops or breakaways.**
- **Added requirement that all live, box-style traps be checked each day.**
- **Closed Vulcan Mountain Bighorn Sheep hunt due to low population numbers.**
- **Closed Omak Ridge Game Reserve Bighorn Sheep hunt due to low population numbers.**
- **Removed the cow/doe closure South and East of Silver Creek Road and Swawilla Basin.**

***Although these changes are highlighted above, it is the Hunter's responsibility to read and know all associated hunting regulations for the season that they choose to hunt, before they attempt to hunt.**

To Report your Harvest Online, sign in at: <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>



REWARD FOR CONVICTION OF POACHERS

The CTCR Fish and Wildlife Director shall, as needed, offer rewards for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of a person or persons involved in poaching cases. A \$500 reward is offered to individuals who provide information leading to the arrest and conviction of a person(s) violating CTCR hunting codes and regulations.

HUNTER INFORMATION - UNLAWFUL ACTS

It shall be unlawful for any Colville Tribal Member:

- To hunt without having a Tribal CTCR Identification Card (Blue Card) in possession.
- To hunt during the respective closed season.
- To kill, wound, harvest, or take game in excess of the number fixed as the bag and/or possession limit.
- To hunt while under the influence of intoxicating beverages or drugs.
- To hunt big game with an artificial light, except as permitted by regulation for selected species.
- To hunt or kill any eagles, hawks, owls or any other protected species.
- To hunt any private land without first obtaining permission from the landholder.
- To destroy, tear down, shoot at, deface, or erase any printed material or signs placed or posted to assist in the enforcement of Tribal hunting regulations.
- To shoot any other person or domestic livestock while hunting.
- To throw, drop, or leave any discarded objects, garbage, or waste upon any of the properties subject to the jurisdiction of the Colville Tribes; except into a litter or garbage receptacle or container installed for that purpose on such property.
- To permit any edible portions of deer, elk, moose, bighorn sheep, bear, game birds, or any other game species to go to waste after taking possession of the animal.
- To resist or obstruct any Conservation Officer or other duly authorized officer on the North Half or Tribal Law Enforcement officer on the South Half in the discharge of duty while enforcing Tribal regulations pertaining to hunting.
- To use an aircraft, including drones, to spot, locate, or report the location of wildlife for the purpose of hunting or hunt big game on the same day you were airborne (except for regularly scheduled commercial flights).
- To import, transport or possess any live wildlife to sell, trade or release within the South Half of the Reservation except as authorized by the Director of Fish and Wildlife.
- To counsel, encourage, solicit, request, aid, procure, or abet another to commit any act prohibited by the Fish Wildlife Code or Fish and Wildlife Regulation.
- To sell or barter any edible portion of deer, elk, moose, bighorn sheep, game birds, or waterfowl.
- To sell or barter any portion of a bear, except the hide, claws, and/or skull.
- To use an off-road vehicle (ORV) in violation of the Tribal ORV Code.
- To trespass on private lands on the South Half or North Half Reservation.
- That is a convicted felon to hunt with any firearm or possess ammunition while hunting on the South Half or North Half Reservation, unless your firearm rights have been legally restored.
- To trap, snare, kill, or harvest sharp-tailed grouse, sage grouse, jackrabbits, eagles, hawks and owls, song and insectivorous birds, common loons, swans, cranes, and/or herons.
- To hunt with hounds while accompanied by a Non-Tribal Member (*CBC Res. 1999-251*).
- To set leg-hold or killing traps or snares above 3,500 feet in elevation. This is to limit unanticipated harvest of Canada lynx (*Lynx canadensis*). Box-style, live traps are allowed for trapping above 3,500 ft but they must be checked every day.

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Hardcopies of Harvest Reports could be mailed to: CTCR Wildlife Division – Harvest Report
PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA 99155

CTCR REGULATIONS COMMON TO BOTH THE NORTH HALF AND THE SOUTH HALF

HUNTING HOURS

It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot any animal or bird except during the period of one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset daily, unless it is expressly permitted or further restricted by regulation of a specific species.

The following species are exempt from hunting hours and may be hunted at any time: black bear, cougars, bobcats, raccoon, and skunk. Artificial light may be used by Registered Hound Hunters and/or Registered Trappers when hunting these species. The intent of this rule is to aid in the safe and most humane harvest of dangerous animals while hunting at night (common for hound hunters and trappers). This exception does not allow “spotlighting” of any species.

AREA OPEN TO HUNTING, TRAPPING, & SNARING

The South Half of Colville Reservation is bounded on the East and South by the Columbia River, West by the Okanogan River and North by the Southern boundary of the North Half.

All of the North Half (except limited hunting access areas and private property without the permission of the landowner) is open to hunting, trapping, and snaring for enrolled CTCR members. The “North Half” refers to the northern portion of the Colville Reservation bounded on the East by the Columbia River, South by the North Half-South Half demarcation line, west by the Okanogan River, and North by the Canadian Border.

SAFETY ZONES

No hunting is allowed within ¼ mile of Safety Zones (see definitions). Safety Zones include, but are not limited to: residential areas, businesses, parks, campgrounds, home sites.

Mount Tolman Safety Zone (see map in appendices).

The Mount Tolman Complex and associated Safety Zone is closed to **all** motorized vehicle access by all persons, except those specifically authorized to be in the area. Unauthorized use of a motorized vehicle within this area shall constitute unlawful trespass. A portion of the larger Mount Tolman Project Area shall be designated as a Safety Zone and no hunting shall occur within the Safety Zone (¼ mile perimeter of the buildings.)

***NOTE:** It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt within one-fourth (¼) mile of the offices or any other building within the project area.*

GAME RESERVES: SPECIAL HUNT ONLY HUNTING AREAS

The Hellgate (a.k.a.Hellsgate) and Omak Lake Ridge Game Reserves are **CLOSED** to all General Hunting Seasons until further notice, except during an approved Game Reserve or associated Special Hunt Season that allows for hunting in a game reserve.

Omak Lake Ridge Game Reserve (see maps in appendices).

Closed to hunting except as provided under special regulations: Starting at the juncture of Omak Creek where it crosses the Omak Lake/ St. Mary's Mission Road, easterly along Omak Creek to "Camp 6", thence southerly from "Camp 6" along the "Camp 7" Road to its juncture with the Omak Lake Ridge Road, thence easterly along the Omak Lake Ridge Road to its juncture with the Dan Nason Road, thence southerly along the Dan Nason Road to its juncture with the Kartar Road to its juncture with Omak Lake, thence northerly along the eastern shore line of Omak Lake to its juncture with St. Mary's Mission Road, thence northerly along the Omak Lake Road to Omak Creek, the point of beginning.

Hellsgate Game Reserve (see maps in appendices).

Closed to hunting except as provided under special regulations: Starting at the juncture of the mouth of Silver Creek and the San Poil River, then easterly (upstream) up Silver Creek to the Silver Creek Road; then proceeding easterly along the Silver Creek Road to the Four Corners; then South along the Nine Mile-Hellsgate Road (Deppner Road) to the mouth of Nine Mile Creek (Nine Mile Falls) on Lake Roosevelt; then south and west (downstream) along the bank of Lake Roosevelt to San Poil Bay; then north (upstream) along the San Poil River (upriver) to the power lines and the point of beginning.

If a CTCR Tribal Member is in the Hellsgate or Omak Lake Ridge Game Reserves with a valid unfilled game reserve tag, they may harvest cougar, black bear, bobcat, coyotes, wolves, turkey, or grouse during the specific season for that tag, only with the weapon allowed during that respective hunt. Hunters must have an unfilled Game Reserve Tag in their Possession. If the tag is Reserve specific you can only hunt the game reserve identified on the tag. **The Game Reserve Special Predator Permit does not allow for other species to be hunted during the valid season, only the specific species that are open at that time.**

NORTH HALF GAME MANAGEMENT UNITS (GMU) AND BIGHORN SHEEP HUNTING UNITS (see map, Appendix B)

GMU 101-Sherman (Ferry & Okanogan Counties):

Beginning at the Kettle River & US-Canadian border near the Ferry Customs Office, North of town of Toroda; East on the US-Canadian border to Kettle River East of town of Laurier; South down Kettle River & Ferry-Stevens County line to mouth of Kettle River on Lake Roosevelt; South down western shore of Lake Roosevelt to northeastern corner of the South Half; West on northeastern North Half-South Half demarcation line to State Highway 21; North on Highway 21 to State Highway 20 at town of Republic; Northwest on Highway 20 to Toroda Creek Road (Okanogan Co. Rd 9495) at town of Wauconda; Northeast on Toroda Creek Road (Okanogan Co. Rd 9495 and Ferry Co. Rd 502) to Toroda Creek at town of Toroda; East along Toroda Creek to its mouth on the Kettle River; North up Kettle River to US-Canadian border near Ferry Customs Office North of town of Toroda and point of beginning.

Bighorn Sheep Hunt Area Unit 2 (within GMU 101) - Ferry County North of the Kettle River near Curlew. CURRENTLY CLOSED TO HUNTING BIGHORN.

GMU 105-Kelly Hill (Stevens County):

Beginning at the Kettle River (Ferry – Stevens Co line) and the US-Canadian border East of town of Laurier; then East on the US-Canadian border to Lake Roosevelt (Columbia River); then Southwest along the eastern shore of Lake Roosevelt to US Hwy 395 bridge; then west on US Hwy 395 over bridge to western shore of Lake Roosevelt; North on western shore of Lake Roosevelt to mouth of Kettle River; then North up Kettle River to US-Canadian border East of town of Laurier and point of beginning.

GMU 204 Okanogan East (Okanogan & Ferry Counties):

Beginning on the Eastern shore of Osoyoos Lake and the US-Canadian border; East on the US-Canadian border to the Kettle River near Ferry Customs Office, North of town of Toroda; South down the Kettle River to the mouth of Toroda Creek; West up Toroda Creek to the Toroda Creek Road (Ferry Co. Road 502); Southwest on Toroda Creek Road (Ferry Co. Rd 502 & Okanogan Co. Rd 9495) to State Highway 20 at town of Wauconda; East on State Highway 20 to State Highway 21 at town of Republic; South on State Route 21 to the North Half-South Half demarcation line; West on the North Half - South Half demarcation line to the Okanogan River; North up the eastern shore of the Okanogan River and the eastern shore of Osoyoos Lake to the US-Canadian border and point of beginning.

Bighorn Sheep Hunt Area Unit 10 (within GMU 204) - Part of Okanogan County within the following described boundaries: Beginning at Oroville; then South along U.S. Highway 97 to the Swanson’s Mill Road (Old Mt. Hull Road) near Lake Andrews; then East to the Dry Gulch Road; then North to the Oroville-Toroda Creek Road (Molson Grade Road); then West to Oroville and the point of beginning. **CURRENTLY CLOSED TO HUNTING BIGHORN.**

Nine Mile Hunt Area (Former Eder Property within GMU 204 - See Appendix E) – The portions of Sections 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, and 26, T40N, R27E and Sections 6, 7, 8, 18, and 19, T40N, R28E, WM purchased from the Eder Family by WDFW for the purpose of habitat and population management. The general area of this unit is between Tonasket Creek north to the Canadian border, and approximately 1 mile east of Osoyoos Lake and continuing east approximately 3 to 4 miles. The legal hunting area on this property excludes the farm fields and home site areas near the center of the property. Access is limited, and restricted to the county roads that border the hunt unit. See Appendix E for the legal hunting area.

CLOSED SEASONS

*All species for which no South Half Seasons are listed in this pamphlet are considered **OPEN** to hunting on the South Half and may be utilized for subsistence and/or cultural practices. Federal or other laws may apply.*

*All species for which no North Half Seasons are listed in this pamphlet are **CLOSED** to hunting on the North Half and may not be hunted.*

SHOOTING FROM PUBLIC HIGHWAY

It shall be unlawful for a Colville Tribal Member to negligently shoot a firearm or a bow and arrow from, across, or along the maintained portion of any public highway **on the North Half** (see definitions, “Public Highway”).

SHOOTING FROM VEHICLE – DISABLED HUNTERS

It is unlawful for a hunter with a disability to shoot from within a motor vehicle, unless the vehicle is

stopped, the motor is turned off and the vehicle is removed from the maintained portion of a public highway **on the North Half**. If the roadway is not paved, and it is impossible for the hunter with a disability to completely remove the vehicle from the roadway, then the hunter may shoot from the vehicle if the vehicle is as far off the roadway as possible. A disabled hunter vehicle identification placard must be displayed.

LOADED GUN IN VEHICLE

It shall be unlawful for a Colville Tribal Member, while in a motorized vehicle **on the North Half**, to have a shell in the chamber of a rifle or shotgun, with the exception of Disabled Hunters that are legally harvesting an animal (see above - shooting from a vehicle – Disabled Hunters)

HUNTER ORANGE RECOMMENDATION

FOR YOUR SAFETY: While hunting **on the North Half**, it is highly recommended that anyone engaged in hunting activity in any area where there is a current open, deer or elk modern firearm season for non-members, should wear hunter orange while hunting. A minimum of 400 square inches of florescent hunter orange exterior clothing is recommended. Florescent hunter orange exterior clothing should be worn above the waist and be visible from all sides.

LICENSE AND TAG / PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Hunting License: A CTCR Tribal Identification Card (Blue Card) shall serve as a legal identification to hunt, trap, or snare. This card must be in possession while hunting, trapping, or snaring and must be presented as identification upon request of a Natural Resource Enforcement Officer, another duly authorized Tribal officer, Department employee, or a Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Officer. Failure to do so shall constitute a violation of this regulation.

NOTE: *Enrolled Tribal Members are not subject to state license requirements while hunting on the South Half or North Half of the Reservation, but must always have a Blue Card in possession and the appropriate hunting tag (if applicable) while hunting and/or transporting animals and present it/them when requested.*

Tag Requirements: Tags are required for selected species and/or designated areas. When tags are required, they must be obtained prior to hunting and must be in the hunter's possession at all times while hunting the species and/or area for which the tag was issued. Successful hunters must sign and write the harvest date on the tag, and attach the tag securely to the harvested animal before transporting it. Tribal Members are required to provide proof of enrollment (CTCR Tribal Identification Card) with the Colville Tribes at the time of request for tags.

Tag Requirements (Hunters under the age of 18): Any Colville Tribal Member under the age of eighteen (18) must pass a tribally-approved hunter safety course before hunting **on the North Half** and must present a certificate demonstrating the Member's successful completion of a tribally-approved hunting safety course before any tags required for North Half seasons can be issued.

Hunters Under Age 12 (Hunting with an Adult): Any enrolled member under twelve (12) years of age, while hunting for elk, deer, bear, or cougar **on the North Half**, must be accompanied by a Tribal Member eighteen (18) years of age or older.

Hound Hunting Permit Requirements: Colville Tribal Hound Hunters must register their hounds and report harvest each year at a CTCR Fish and Wildlife Office or at <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>. Hound hunter harvest reporting must be submitted by June 15, 2022. Each Registered Hound Hunter will be issued a vehicle placard to be displayed (hung from the rear-view mirror) within the vehicle to aid Natural Resource Enforcement Officers in protecting our resources.

TRAP & SNARE REQUIREMENTS

Trap & Snare Permit Requirements: Colville Tribal trappers who wish to trap or snare on the South Half or North Half Reservation must register and report harvest each year at a CTCR F&W Office or at <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>. Trapping and snaring harvest reporting must be submitted by April 30 of each year. Each registered trapper will be issued a vehicle placard to be displayed (hung from the rear-view mirror) within the vehicle to aid Natural Resource Enforcement Officers in protecting our resources.

Trap and Snare Identification: Each trap/snare must have an identification tag indicating the owner and their address attached to the set. It is unlawful to take a wild animal from another person's trap/snare without permission or to damage or destroy another person's trap/snare, or to tamper with their set.

Traps and Snares Allowed for the Purpose of Trapping/Snaring under these Regulations: Traps allowed under these regulations include: body gripping traps (leg-hold, conibear-type), cage/box traps, foot or strangle snares, and in-water type drowning sets. Additional elevation requirements are listed below. Please contact the CTCR F&W Dept. if you are unsure if your traps are legal for use.

*It is recommended that all leg-hold traps and snares have an "end swivel" at the point where the trap or snare is attached to a stake, tree, or other anchoring point and an "in-line swivel" between the anchoring point and the trap or snare loop that allows free rotation if the animal twists or rolls.

Trap and Snare Elevation Requirements: It shall be unlawful to use killing or leg-hold traps or snares above 3,500 feet in elevation in order to protect Canada lynx populations from inadvertent harm or killing. The use of box-style, live traps (live-capture) that allow for animals to be trapped unharmed is permissible above 3,500 feet in elevation as long as they are checked every day (approximately every 24 hours) while they are set and the trapper can release the animal unharmed. It is mandatory to report any capture of a lynx or wolverine to CTCR F&W or CTCR Natural Resource Enforcement as soon as possible, but not to exceed within 24 hours of release.

Steel Trap/Snare Specification: A 3/16 inch spacer must be attached to the jaws of all steel traps that are #3 or larger, except that no spacer shall be required on drowning sets. Trappers utilizing snares must use break-away devices OR cable stops incorporated within the snare loop that will effectively catch the target animal but limit the potential harm to non-target animals.

Trap/Snare Monitoring: Traps and snares must be checked at least once every 72 hours. Although this is the maximum allowable time between trap checks, Tribal trappers are encouraged to check traps and/or snares once every 24 hours. Live, box-style traps are required to be checked every day (approximately every 24 hours).

All Trappers must have a catch-pole in their possession while checking traps to safely release non-target animals from their traps. This will reduce inadvertent harm and/or killing of non-target animals.

HARVEST/HUNTING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

General Hunting Tag Reporting Requirements: Harvest Data should be reported, either online or through one of the F&W Offices, as soon as possible after harvest or after the season ends regardless of whether the hunter was successful, unsuccessful, or did not hunt. If harvest has not been reported before the following season, hunters will be required to report their harvest before they are issued tags for the following season. Information from these harvest/hunting reports assists in game population monitoring and management.

Special Species Hunting Tag Reporting Requirements: Special species hunters, whether successful, unsuccessful, or did not hunt, must report their harvest data either online or to the CTCR Fish and Wildlife Department within 15 days after the Special Season closure. If harvest has not been reported before the following season, hunters will be required to report their harvest before they are issued tags for the following season. Information from these harvest/hunting reports assist in wildlife population monitoring and management.

General Trapping/Snaring Permit Reporting Requirements: Colville Tribal Trappers who wish to trap or snare on the South Half or North Half Reservation must register and report harvest each year at a CTCR F&W Office or at <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>. Trapping and snaring harvest reporting must be submitted by April 30 of each year. If harvest has not been reported before the following season, hunters will be required to report their harvest before they are issued tags for the following season. Information from these harvest/hunting reports assist in wildlife population monitoring and management.

General Hound Hunting Permit Reporting Requirements: Colville Tribal Hound Hunters must register their hounds and report harvest each year at a CTCR Fish and Wildlife Office or at <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>. Hound hunter harvest reporting must be submitted by June 15 of each year. If harvest has not been reported before the following season, hunters will be required to report their harvest before they are issued tags for the following season. Information from these harvest/hunting reports assist in wildlife population monitoring and management.

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PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA 99155**

Sealing Requirements for Bobcat, Cougar, Gray Wolf, and River Otter:

- It is unlawful to export from the Colville Indian Reservation any harvested bobcat, cougar, gray wolf, or river otter pelts without an approved Tribal seal attached. In addition, all of these species harvested on the North Half also require Tribal seals to be applied. All cougars, bobcats, and river otters that will be sold, transferred, or removed from the Reservation are required to have the hide/pelt sealed by CTCR Wildlife Staff within 15 days after legal harvest during an open season or within 15 days after the close of the appropriate hunting or trapping season.
- Hunters must report wolf harvest within 72 hours by contacting one of the authorized CTCR Wildlife Division personnel listed below to schedule an appointment to present the hide and skull for hide/pelt sealing and data collection. The hide/pelt seal will allow for transport off

Reservation and serve as identification of legal harvest.

- All hides/pelts must be presented in a way that the hide can be sealed. Frozen hides or carcasses must have a pre-made continuous hole with an object such as a stick in place, either behind the lower eyelid to the upper lip or between the tendon and bone on the hind leg.

Successful hunters and trappers need to call and schedule a hide/pelt sealing appointment with the CTCR Wildlife Staff. Call either location listed to schedule your appointment.

Inchelium F&W Office (509) 722-7659 or Nespelem F&W Office (509) 634-2110

TRANSPORTING WILDLIFE

- A valid tag or transport permit to transport game or parts thereof off the South Half must be obtained **BEFORE transporting any wildlife** off of the South Half. Valid South Half or North Half tags may be substituted for an off-reservation, transport permit.
- In addition, it is unlawful to export from the Colville Indian Reservation any harvested bobcat, cougar, gray wolf, or river otter pelts without an approved, legal identification seal attached.
- All CTCR Members, regardless of their legal residence, are limited to a maximum of two (2) deer per Tribal Member that may be removed from within the bounds of the South Half at any one time.

Transport permits may be obtained from the CTCR Fish and Wildlife Department offices (Nespelem, Inchelium, Bridgeport, and Omak), Parks and Recreation Office, Natural Resource Enforcement Officers, and other designated distribution sites.

RIFLE RESTRICTIONS

For Hunting Big Game Species: Rifle caliber is restricted to a minimum of a .20 caliber for deer and .24 caliber for all other big game species - center fire cartridges only. Rim fire rifles are prohibited. Shotguns must be 10 or 12 gauge using slugs. Crossbows or archery equipment may be used for harvest during any open rifle seasons for the species that are legal to hunt during that time.

During any open rifle season in which a hunter is legal to hunt a species either by regulation or valid tag, a hunter may choose to use a crossbow to harvest the legal animal. Crossbows cannot be used during an archery season to harvest an animal that is only legal to hunt with archery equipment during that time.

If a hunter chooses to hunt with archery equipment or does not have the right to legally possess a firearm due to any law or rule, the hunter may also use archery equipment during a rifle season if all the archery equipment regulations are also followed.

ARCHERY RESTRICTIONS

Hunters must pass an archery proficiency test to be eligible to hunt with archery equipment during any season.

- It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt big game with a bow that develops less than 40 pounds of pull and/or has a greater than 80% reduction (let off) in holding weight at full draw.

- It shall be unlawful to hunt big game with any arrow, including a broad head, weighing less than a minimum of 6 grains of arrow weight per pound of maximum bow draw weight, or having a sharp broad head blade or blades less than seven-eighths inches wide when open.
- It is unlawful to use any device secured to or supported by the bow for the purpose of maintaining the bow at full draw or in a firing position.
- It is unlawful to have any electrical equipment or device(s) attached to the bow or arrow while hunting (lighted nocks and video/still cameras for the purpose to record your hunt are allowed).
- It is unlawful for any person to carry or have in his/her possession any firearm while in the field for purposes of archery hunting, during the archery season specified for that area, except for handguns carried for personal protection. Handguns cannot be used to hunt big game or dispatch wounded big game during an archery big game hunting season.
- It is permissible to use archery equipment to hunt during rifle seasons if the hunter has in their possession a valid tag for that specific hunt. All regulations of the specific hunt apply and the archery equipment regulations also apply.
- It is permissible for Elders or Disable Hunters to utilize a crossbow to hunt during any open season that allows for archery hunting with the following exceptions: 1) the hunter must do their own hunting (no Designated Hunters), 2) the hunter must pass the archery proficiency test with the crossbow, 3) they must have a valid tag for the specific hunt they are participating in, and 4) no electronic devices may be attached to the crossbow including rangefinders, electronic/laser sights, “red dot” scopes, etc.

ROAD CLOSURES

Some South Half and North Half roads may be closed for purposes of resource protection, or to provide the safe and secure areas required to ensure healthy big game populations. It is unlawful to operate a motorized vehicle on any road or trail where motorized vehicle use is prohibited. Road closure may be by sign, gate or other physical barrier. It shall also be unlawful to tear down, deface, damage or otherwise destroy any signs, gates, or other devices used to close roads and trails. This regulation does not restrict administrative use of motorized vehicles by authorized personnel on closed roads.

HUNTERS WITH DISABILITIES

Colville Confederated Tribes Fish & Wildlife Department recognizes that Disabled Hunters with permanent disabilities (with proper ID) should be encouraged and assisted to hunt under certain conditions. Hunters with disabilities must follow all hunting regulations and restrictions, however may be eligible for concessions.

Colville Tribal Member hunters with disabilities (see definitions) may utilize their state-issued Disabled Person Placard or identification as verification as a Disabled Hunter's. All disabled hunters must follow CTCR hunting regulations applicable to all Member hunters, except where the regulations allow disabled hunters to act differently.

A companion Tribal Member may accompany hunters with disabilities on the South Half and/or North Half to assist them in hunting activities. The hunter with a disability, or the companion on behalf of the disabled hunter, must comply with all tagging requirements contained within these regulations. The hunter with a disability is not required to accompany the companion while tracking an animal wounded by the hunter with a disability, or while tagging or retrieving a downed animal on behalf of the hunter with a disability (see definition of disabled hunter).

AID IN THE FIELD BY AN UNPERMITTED HUNTER

While hunting on the South Half and North Half, additional person(s) are allowed to be in the field with the tag holder for the purpose of calling, dressing, packing, etc. whereas the additional person(s) are not carrying firearms or other hunting equipment designed to harvest animals. This does not apply to Hound Hunters in which it is unlawful for Non-Colville Tribal Members to accompany Tribal Members or be present in the field during a Tribal Member Hound Hunt.

USE OF DOGS

Dogs may be used for hunting the following species only: black bear, cougar, bobcat, raccoon, upland game birds, forest grouse, and waterfowl. Hounds used for the purpose of chasing and/or harvest of black bear, bobcat, or cougar are required to be registered annually through the CTCR Fish and Wildlife Department. A Hound Hunting Placard will be issued to all Registered Hound Hunters and must be visibly displayed (i.e. hung from the rear-view mirror) in the hunter's vehicle while hound hunting. Hunting of any bird or other animal with dogs, other than those listed above, is prohibited.

WILD ANIMALS DEPREDATIONS

As per Tribal Code Section 4-1-218, any person suffering depredation by predator species may exercise all reasonable measures to alleviate such damage, not including injuring or killing wildlife, except in cases where the offending animal poses an immediate threat of death or injury to any person. If threatened, any hunter, either on the North Half or South Half, may protect themselves, but must immediately report the incident and, if appropriate, must submit the entire carcass to the F&W Dept.

HUNTING FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIES IS CLOSED

Hunting is **closed** indefinitely on the following species on the South Half and North Half.

Big Game: Mountain Goat, Pronghorn, and Woodland Caribou.

Small Game: Sharp-tailed Grouse, Sage Grouse, Jackrabbit.

Non-Game: Grizzly Bear, Lynx, Wolverine, Badger, Fisher, Marten, Fox, Bald or Golden Eagles, all Hawks, all Owls, all native song and insectivorous birds, Common Loons, all Swans, Cranes and Herons.

All wildlife species not otherwise mentioned as regulated or closed in these regulations are considered **open to hunting** within the South Half and considered **closed to hunting** on the North Half.

To Report your Harvest Online, sign in at: <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>

CTCR SPECIAL HUNT TAG ALLOCATIONS

Special Hunt Title	Location	Variation	Allocated Tags per year	Wait Period	Legal Hunting Dates
Nine Mile Deer	Nine Mile Hunt Unit (North Half)	Archery	6	No Wait	Determined Annually (will be posted on F&W Website and sent with tags)
		Rifle	6	No Wait	
		Youth	6	No Wait	
		Muzzleloader	6	No Wait	
		Late Season	6	No Wait	
Hellsgate Game Reserve Deer	Hellsgate Reserve	Archery – Whitetail	10	No Wait	Nov. 1 – Nov. 15
		Archery – Mule Deer	10	No Wait	Oct. 16 – Oct. 31
		Rifle - Whitetail	10	No Wait	
		Rifle – Mule Deer	10	No Wait	
Game Reserve Elk	Hellsgate Reserve	Archery -Any elk	30	No Wait	Sept. 1 – Sept. 30
		Rifle - Any elk	10	No Wait	Oct. 20 – Dec. 31
		Elder Rifle - Any elk	10	No Wait	Oct. 15 – Dec. 31
		Cow Only	60	No Wait	Oct. 20 – Dec. 31
South Half Moose	South Half including Game Reserves	Archery - Any moose	15	No Wait	Sept. 16 – Oct. 15
		Rifle - Any moose	45	No Wait	Oct. 16 – Nov. 30
North Half Moose	North Half	Archery - Any moose	5	No Wait	Sept. 16 – Oct. 15
		Rifle - Any moose	10	No Wait	Oct. 16 – Nov. 30
Hellsgate Bighorn Sheep	Hellsgate Reserve	Rifle - Ram	5	Lifetime	Sept. 16 – Oct. 15
		Rifle - Ewe	15	Lifetime	
Omak Lake Bighorn Sheep	Omak Lake Reserve	Rifle - Ram	Closed	Lifetime	
		Rifle - Ewe	Closed	Lifetime	
Mt. Hull Bighorn Sheep	MT. Hull (North Half)	Rifle - Ram	Closed	Lifetime	
		Rifle - Ewe	Closed	Lifetime	
Vulcan Mt. Bighorn Sheep	Vulcan MT. (North Half)	Rifle - Ram	Closed	Lifetime	
		Rifle - Ewe	Closed	Lifetime	

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SPECIAL HUNT TAG APPLICATIONS

- Special Hunt Tags will be drawn on or before July 31st of each year.
- Hunters must pass an Archery Proficiency Test to qualify and be eligible for any Archery Hunt.
- Applicants will be drawn, at random, from the pool of eligible applications.
- You may only draw one (1) Special Hunt Tag for each species per year. Whitetail and Mule Deer, for this rule, will be considered the same. You are only eligible to be drawn for one Special Deer Hunt per year.
- You may only apply for one (1) Hunt Type per Special Hunt Location per year. (See Special Hunt Season Table).
- A point is awarded for the first year that a hunter applies for a specific special Hunt. Each year thereafter that the hunter applies for the same special hunt the points will be awarded exponentially.

Who May Apply for Special Hunts?

Any enrolled Colville Member who is able to successfully pass the Archery Proficiency Test (for archery hunts) or who is 12 years of age or older (for rifle hunts) by the closing date for special hunt applications, with the exemption that a maximum age limit applies for youth-specific hunts, may apply.

You may apply online at: <https://colville.nagfa.net/online/>

How to Apply for Special Hunts:

All applications must be made online. Log on to your online profile and submit for the Special Hunts that you have chosen to participate in. You may also call or visit a Fish and Wildlife Office to be assisted in your online application. Only one application per Special Hunt may be made per person during any calendar year.

When to Apply for Special Hunts:

Applications must be made online by 11:59 pm on June 30th to be entered into the annual drawing. If you need assistance in using the online system, please contact a Fish and Wildlife Office during normal work hours and with enough time to assist before the deadline.

GUIDELINES TO REDUCE INJURY & MINIMIZE NON-TARGET CATCHES SUCH AS WOLVERINE AND LYNX

- Set pan tension for wolf traps to at least 8 pounds of pressure to prevent a wolverine or lynx from firing a trap set for wolf.
- Do not use large bodygrip traps if wolverines or lynx tracks are observed in the vicinity of a set.
- To avoid wolverines in snares set for wolves, place the bottom of the snare loop just below knee cap level (18"- 21" above the ground or packed snow surface).
- Select habitat less likely to have lynx or wolverines (open fields or semi-open country near rocks, ridges, and trees).
- Avoid using rabbit parts as bait.
- If you observe wolverine or lynx tracks, it is best not to make a set in the area.
- If using a staked set, stake the trap so that a wolverine cannot get entangled around a solid object after being captured. Trap chains should be sturdy and equipped with at least two swivels. J-hooks should be spot-welded closed.
- Carry a catchpole to release non-target animals alive.

CTCR BIG GAME SEASONS – SOUTH & NORTH HALF

HUNT	METHOD	SEX	SEASON DATES	TAGS	BAG LIMIT
Deer - Whitetail or Mule	Any legal weapon	Buck only	July 1 – Sept. 30	NH - Required	2 per day
				SH - Not Required	
		Either Sex	Oct. 1 – Dec. 31	NH - Required	
				SH - Not Required	
Elk	Archery	Either Sex	Sept. 1 – Sept. 30	NH - Required	One NH and one SH either sex elk harvest per year (up to 2 total either sex elk)
				SH - Required	
	Elder Elk (any legal weapon)	Either Sex	Oct. 15 – Dec. 31	NH - Required	
				SH - Required	
	Rifle (any legal weapon)	Either Sex	Oct. 20 – Dec. 31	NH - Required	
				SH - Required	
Moose	Archery	Either Sex	Sept. 16 – Oct. 15	NH - Required	One (1) moose per year
				SH - Required	
	Rifle (any legal weapon)	Either Sex	Oct. 16 – Nov. 30	NH - Required	
				SH - Required	
Black Bear	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year round	NH - Required	No daily or season bag limit
			March 1 - June 30	Game Reserve Bear Permit Required	Two (2) Game Reserve Bear per year
Bighorn Sheep	Any legal weapon	As specified on Special Hunt Tag	Sept. 16 – Oct. 15	NH Vulcan Mtn. BHS Tag Required	One (1) Bighorn, per Tribal Member, per sex of animal, per hunt location, per lifetime.
				NH Mt. Hull BHS Tag Required	
				Hellsgate Game Reserve BHS Tag Required	
				Omak Lake Game Reserve BHS Tag Required	

- If a tag is required, Hunters are allowed to party hunt for that species if all hunters have valid tags.
- It shall be unlawful for any person to possess more than one (1) Either Sex North Half Elk Tag and/or one (1) Either Sex South Half Elk Tag at one time. Archery hunters must report on the success of their archery tag before receiving a rifle tag for both North Half and South Half hunts.
- It shall be unlawful to harvest more than one (1) elk from the North Half or one (1) elk from the South Half during any given calendar year, unless they have been properly “Designated” as the hunter on another Tribal Member’s tag.
- Designated hunters are allowed for all Colville Tribal Members for Elk and Moose during the respective Rifle Season for cow (antlerless) or spike (young bull) only. Designated hunters must be identified on the Designated Tag prior to hunting by writing the Designated Hunter’s name and

Blue Card number on the hunting tag.

- Designated hunters are not allowed for Bighorn Sheep/Lifetime Hunts. The hunter listed on the tag must do their own hunting.
- It is unlawful for a person who harvests a Moose or Bighorn Sheep taken on the South Half or North Half to fail, within seventy-two (72) hours of harvest, to present the head for inspection and validation at a Tribal Fish and Wildlife Department Office.
- All of the above species, including Black Bear, are classified as game animals. Liberal Bag Limits allow subsistence opportunities provided that no edible portions are wasted.
- Bears may be hunted in either Game Reserve (Hellsgate or Omak Lake) using a Game Reserve Bear Permit. Up to 2 Game Reserve Bear may be harvested by individual hunters each year.
- No portions of the bear, except the hide, claws, and skull may be bartered or sold.
Hounds may be used to aid in hunting Black Bear, but must be registered at CTCR F&W Office (see section, “Use of Dogs”).

<i>CTCR PREDATOR SEASONS – SOUTH & NORTH HALF</i>					
HUNT	METHOD	SEX	SEASON DATES	TAGS	BAG LIMIT
Cougar	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	NH – Required SH - Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Skunk	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Coyote	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Bobcat	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Raccoon	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Gray Wolf	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	NH – Required SH - Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Game Reserve Predator	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Game Reserve Predator Permit	No Daily or Season Limit

- **Sealing of Hides:** Cougar, Wolf, and Bobcat hides are required to be sealed (see section, “Sealing Requirements”).
- Registered hunting dogs can be used to hunt cougars, raccoons, and bobcats (see Hound Registry).
- These species are classified as predators; hunters are not required to retrieve meat from the animal.
- Electronic calls may be used to attract predators for the purpose of harvest.
- It is unlawful to take any animals (game, non-game, or predators) with aid of radio-telemetry or GPS Data from collared individuals.
- It is illegal to kill spotted cougar kittens or adults cougars accompanied by spotted kittens.

- You must have a Game Reserve Predator Permit in possession and valid displayed Placard in your vehicle while hunting predators in a Game Reserve.

<i>CTCR SMALL GAME SEASONS – SOUTH & NORTH HALF</i>					
HUNT	METHOD	SEX	SEASON DATES	TAGS	BAG LIMIT
Forest Grouse* (Blue, Ruffed, Spruce)	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	July 1 – Dec. 31	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Cottontail and Snowshoe Hare	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	September 1 – March 15	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Groundhog (marmots)	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Porcupine	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Wild Turkey	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Hellsgate Reserve Turkey Permit	No Daily or Season Limit
Quail* (California, Bobwhite)	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Ring-necked Pheasant*	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Chukar*	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Gray (Hungarian) Partridge*	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit
Non-native Doves (Pigeons or Eurasian Collared)	Any legal weapon	Either Sex	Year Round	Blue Card in possession	No Daily or Season Limit

- Forest Grouse with visible chicks may not be hunted until after September 1st of each year.
- Dogs may be used to hunt Forest Grouse, Quail, Pheasant, or Partridges (see section, “Use of Dogs”).

CTCR TRAPPING/SNARING SEASONS SOUTH & NORTH HALF

SPECIES	METHOD	SEX	SEASON DATES	TAG	BAG LIMIT
Gray Wolf	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – February 28	NH - Required SH – Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
River Otter	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 - March 31	Not Required	South Half: 5 otter per season North Half: 4 otter per season, not to exceed more than 2 river otter from any one Game Management Unit (GMU 101, 105, 204)
Mink	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – March 31	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Bobcat	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – March 31	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Cougar	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – March 31	NH - Required SH – Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Weasel	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – March 31	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Beaver	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – March 31	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Raccoon	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – April 15	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Muskrat	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – April 15	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit
Coyote	Any Legal Trap/Snare	Either Sex	November 1 – April 15	Not Required	No Daily or Season Limit

- Tags are required for gray wolf and cougar to aid in legal transport of harvest from the North Half. Multiple tags will be available for hunters.
- You must be registered as a Trapper and have a valid Trapper Permit in possession and valid displayed Placard in your vehicle to legally trap/snare.
- See regulations section (page 10) for additional trapping regulations and rules.

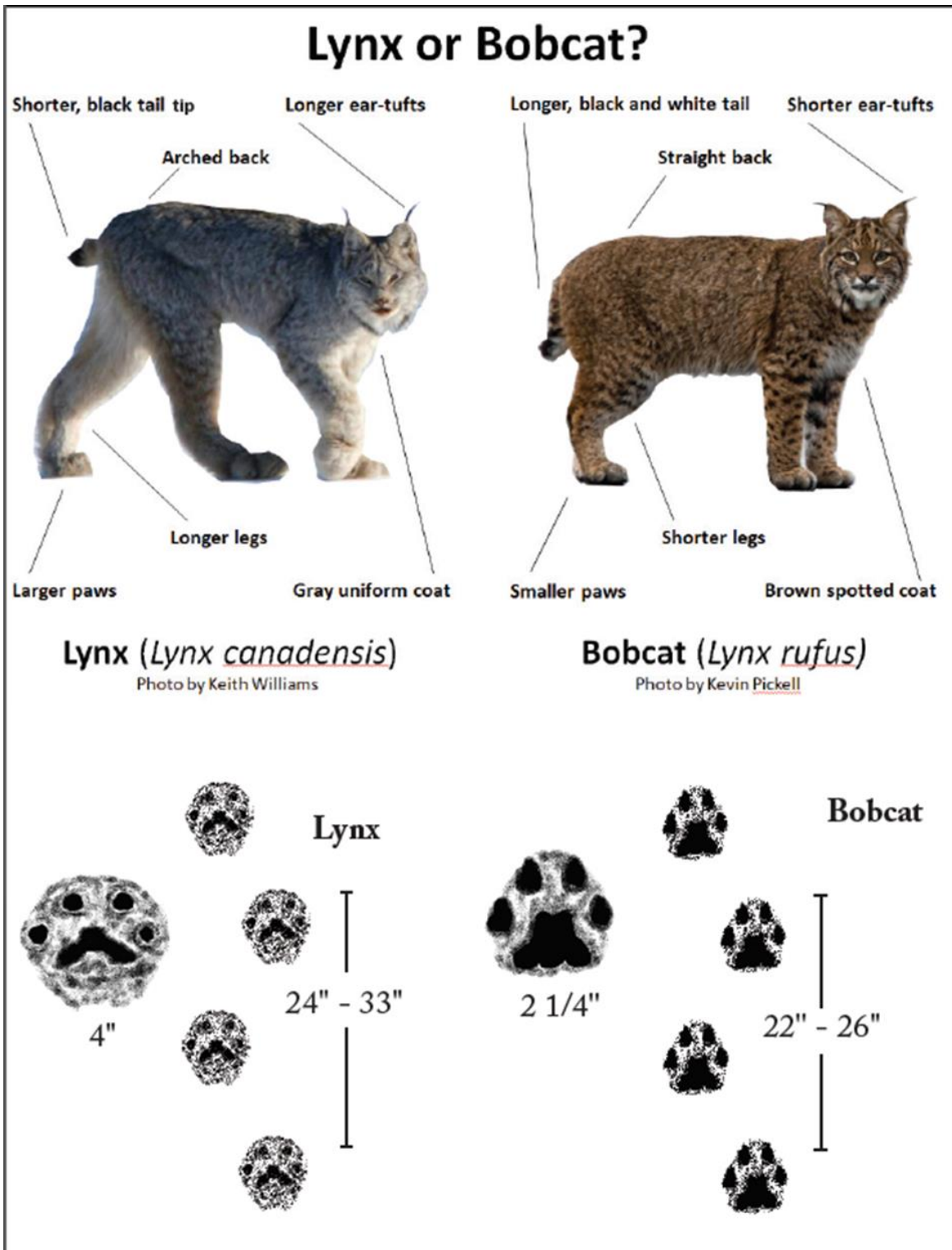
TRAPPING OR SNARING OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIES IS CLOSED

Big Game Species: White-tailed Deer, Mule Deer, Black Bear, Elk, Moose, Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, Woodland Caribou, and/or Pronghorn.

Species of Conservation Concern: Grizzly Bear, Lynx, Wolverine, Fox, Pine Marten, Badger, and/or Fisher.

***Note:** All incidental trapping/snaring of Non-Game Species must be immediately reported to the Fish and Wildlife Department along with the entire carcass of the animal(s).*

IF YOU CATCH A LYNX OR WOLVERINE, IMMEDIATELY CONTACT FISH AND WILDLIFE OR NATURAL RESOURCE ENFORCEMENT TO ASSIST WITH THE SAFE RELEASE OF THE ANIMAL AND TO AID IN MANAGEMENT.



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GENERAL DEFINITIONS

Artificial Light: Any light produced by other than natural sources, including but not limited to, jacklights, spotlights, flashlights, or vehicular headlights. Hunting big game (with the exception of black bears while hound hunting) with the aid of an artificial light, spotlight, or night vision equipment is prohibited. Registered Hound Hunters and Trappers may use hand held, battery operated lights to aid in legally harvesting game while hound hunting or trapping.

Adult: Any Colville Tribal member 18 years of age or older.

Bag Limit: Maximum number of wildlife which may be taken or possessed by any person, specified by regulations of the Business Council for any twenty-four (24) hour period, including size, sex or species.

Big Game: Refers to any of the following species: white-tailed deer, mule deer, elk, moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, pronghorn, and/or black bear.

Body-gripping Trap: means a trap that grips an animal's body or body part. Body-gripping traps include, but are not limited to, unpadded foot-hold traps, padded foot-hold traps, Conibear traps, neck snares, and non-strangling foot snares. Cage and box traps, suitcase-type live beaver traps, and common rat and mouse traps are not considered body-gripping traps.

Ceremonial hunting: means taking of game for use in traditional tribal ceremonies and/or for religious purposes. Only enrolled members of the Colville Tribes shall exercise ceremonial hunting rights.

CTCR Identification Card: Identification card (blue card) issued to enrolled members of the Colville Confederated Tribes.

Closed Areas: Those portions of the North Half or South Half of the Reservation not open for tribal hunting, trapping, or snaring.

Closed Season: A portion of or all of a year when hunting, trapping, and snaring is **NOT** allowed for a given species. All of the times during the calendar year, except during a corresponding "open season" for a specific species, are considered closed by this regulation.

Conibear or Conibear-type Trap: means any trap of various manufacturers having design and operational characteristics essentially designed and set to grip and hold an animal's body across its main axis.

Daily bag limit: means the maximum number of wildlife which may be taken or possessed by any person, specified and fixed by this Chapter or any regulations of the Business Council for any twenty-four (24) hour period, including size, sex or species.

Deer: Mule deer and/or white-tailed deer.

Department: Colville Tribal Fish and Wildlife Department.

Depredation: means any act by a wild animal that causes the destruction of or damage to property.

Designated Hunter: A Tribal member hunter selected by another tribal member to harvest game on their behalf. Designated hunters must be identified on the tag prior to hunting.

Designated Tag: Any tag that has been by rule given (designated) to another tribal member hunter by: elders, disabled hunters, or a Tribal Member needing game to be harvested on their behalf. During special hunt seasons, only elders and disabled hunters can designate their tags to another Tribal Member Hunter.

Disabled Hunter: A Colville Tribal member with a disability means a person with a permanent disability who is: not able to walk about or over natural terrain such that without a prosthesis or assistive device such as, but not limited to a wheelchair, crutches, cane, or unable to hold or shoot a firearm or other legal hunting device, or visually impaired. Visually impaired means central visual acuity that does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses, or the widest diameter of the visual field is no greater than 20 degrees. (This definition includes but is not limited to persons with upper or lower extremity impairments who have lost the permanent use of one or both upper or

lower extremities or who have a significant limitation in the use of upper or lower extremities, or who have a diagnosed disease or disorder which substantially impairs or interferes with mobility or the use of upper extremities. A physician letter is required to get the placard which is available at the Fish & Wildlife Department Office.

Drowning Set: – A drowning set is a trap, including colony traps, killer-type traps, and foothold traps, that is set completely underwater and rigged in such a way as to reasonably ensure the drowning of any species of trapped furbearer that would reasonably be expected to visit the set location and be held in the type of trap used at the set.

Elder: Any enrolled Colville Member who is 55 years of age or older.

Firearm: Any weapon from which a shot (projectile) is discharged by the action of an explosive (i.e. gunpowder).

Fur-bearing Animals: means those animals whose skins are used commercially as fur and are designated as fur bearing animals by the Council.

Game Animal: means wild animals that are normally hunted for food or sport and are designated as game animals by the Council.

General Tag: Any tag that does not require a special hunt application and drawing to obtain the tag.

Harassment of wildlife: means to engage in any act which demonstrates a disregard for the well-being of wildlife or which creates the likelihood of injury, or disrupts normal behavior patterns of wildlife including feeding, watering, resting, and breeding. Such acts include, but are not limited to, chasing, pursuing, herding, or attempting to take wildlife.

Harvest: To capture or kill and take into possession.

Honorary Hunter: A Colville Tribal Member that has signed up as a volunteer to hunt for those families in their community that are in need of assistance. Honorary Hunters are expected to follow all Hunting Regulations in effect during their hunt, unless otherwise approved by the CTCR F&W Program Director prior to the hunt. (Contact CTCR F&W for more info)

Hunt or Hunting: means shooting, shooting at, chasing, driving, flushing, attracting, brushing, pursuing, trapping, stalking or lying in wait for any wildlife whether or not such wildlife is then or subsequently captured, killed, taken, or wounded. Such term does not include stalking, attracting, searching for or lying in wait for any wildlife by an unarmed person solely for the purpose of watching wildlife or taking pictures or making sound recordings thereof.

In-water Type Trap: means beneath the water surface so that the trap is completely submerged.

Loaded weapon: means a firearm that has a bullet in the chamber.

Member or Tribal Member: Any person who is enrolled in the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (Colville Confederated Tribes, or Colville Tribes).

Natural Resource Enforcement Officer(s): Person(s) charged with the responsibility of enforcing all ordinances and regulations adopted by the Colville Business Council governing hunting, trapping, snaring, and fishing on the North Half or South Half of the Reservation and Usual and Accustomed Areas, and shall include: Police officers; Parks & Recreation, and Fish and Wildlife Program law enforcement personnel; Regulatory enforcement officer; and, any other qualified individual authorized by the Business Council to act as a Natural Resources Enforcement Officer.

Night Vision Equipment: Night Vision Equipment includes electronic light amplification devices, thermal imaging devices, and other comparable equipment used to enhance night vision.

Non-Game Species: All species in which hunting seasons are closed by regulation to all harvest and hunting is not legal.

No Open Season: Closed to hunting, trapping, and snaring indefinitely.

North Half: means all lands of the Colville Reservation as set apart in the Executive Order of July 2, 1872, that were ceded to the United States pursuant to the Agreement of May 9, 1891, in which the Tribes holds reserved rights to hunt, fish, and gather, and which consists generally of the lands

between the current northern boundary of the Reservation and the Canadian border and between the Okanogan and Columbia rivers.

Off-reservation: means all lands, territories, waters and streams located outside the Colville Reservation as defined in section 1-1-362 of Tribal Code, including but not limited to the North Half.

On reservation: means within the exterior boundaries of the Colville Reservation as defined in section 1-1-362 of Tribal Code.

Open and Unclaimed Lands: means all lands located outside the Colville Indian Reservation and other Reservations where the Colville Tribes reserved by Treaty or other agreement the right to hunt or fish.

Open Season: All times, areas, and manner for legally hunting or possessing game animals or game birds. All hunting season dates listed in this pamphlet are inclusive.

Party Hunting: When a group of Tribal Member hunters collectively pools their tags and allows any Tribal Member hunter in the group to harvest game for another Member in the group. All hunters must be present in the field, and harvested animals cannot exceed the number of valid tags. No party hunting is allowed to fill a special tag.

Possession Limit: means the maximum number of a given wildlife species that may be possessed at any one time.

Predator: Carnivorous wildlife species including: cougar, gray wolves, coyote, badger, bobcat, lynx, grizzly bear, fisher, marten, and/or mink. Liberal seasons are set depending on species status. If a season is open for a specific predator species, wastage laws for edible portions of meat do not apply, post-harvest.

Public Highway: means every road, regardless of surface, maintained by federal, state, county or other public funds.

Regulation: means any rule, regulation, resolution or ordinance promulgated by the Colville Business Council.

Safety Zones: Areas designated as no hunting zones for the purpose of public safety. No hunting or shooting is to occur within ¼ mile of designated "Safety Zones" unless otherwise stipulated. Safety Zones include, but are not limited to: residential areas, businesses, parks, campgrounds, home sites, Mt. Tolman office buildings, and the St. Mary's Mission, Rebecca Lake - Buffalo Lake, Twin Lakes, and Buttercup Lane.

Special Hunt Tag: Any tag that requires a member to submit an application for a specified hunt and has the possibility of being drawn.

Spotlighting: The act of illegally using an artificial light to aid in hunting or harvesting game animals.

Tag: A valid permit to hunt which is required to be in possession while hunting designated species (listed on the tag), and is designed to be attached to the carcass of those species when they are harvested. The bottom portion of the tag shall be filled out and submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Department, whether or not the hunter is successful.

Trespass: means to enter upon the real property of another that is posted to prohibit trespassing, is fenced or contains obvious outward signs of habitability without permission of the owner or the owner's agent.

Waste: means the abandonment or deterioration of those portions of fish or game normally utilized for human consumption.

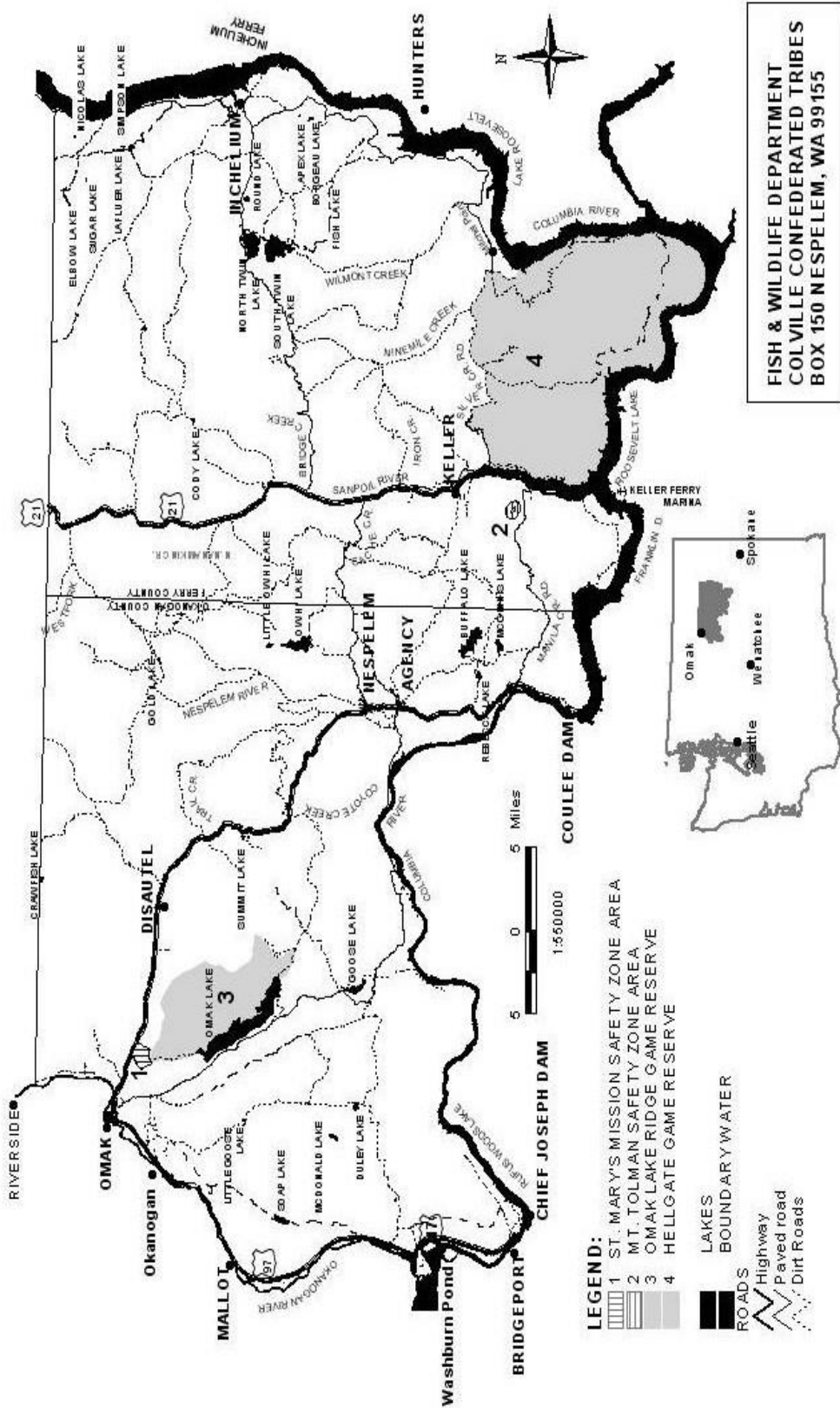
Wildlife: means all fish, birds, mammals, amphibians, reptiles, designated aquatic invertebrates and insects located on the Colville Reservation or migrating to the Colville Reservation, or available on the North Half, or off the Reservation at usual and accustomed grounds and stations, on open and unclaimed lands, or in aboriginal lands, excluding domestic animals.

Youth: A Colville Tribal Member that is at least twelve (12) and under eighteen (18) years of age.

Appendix A. South Half Reservation Map



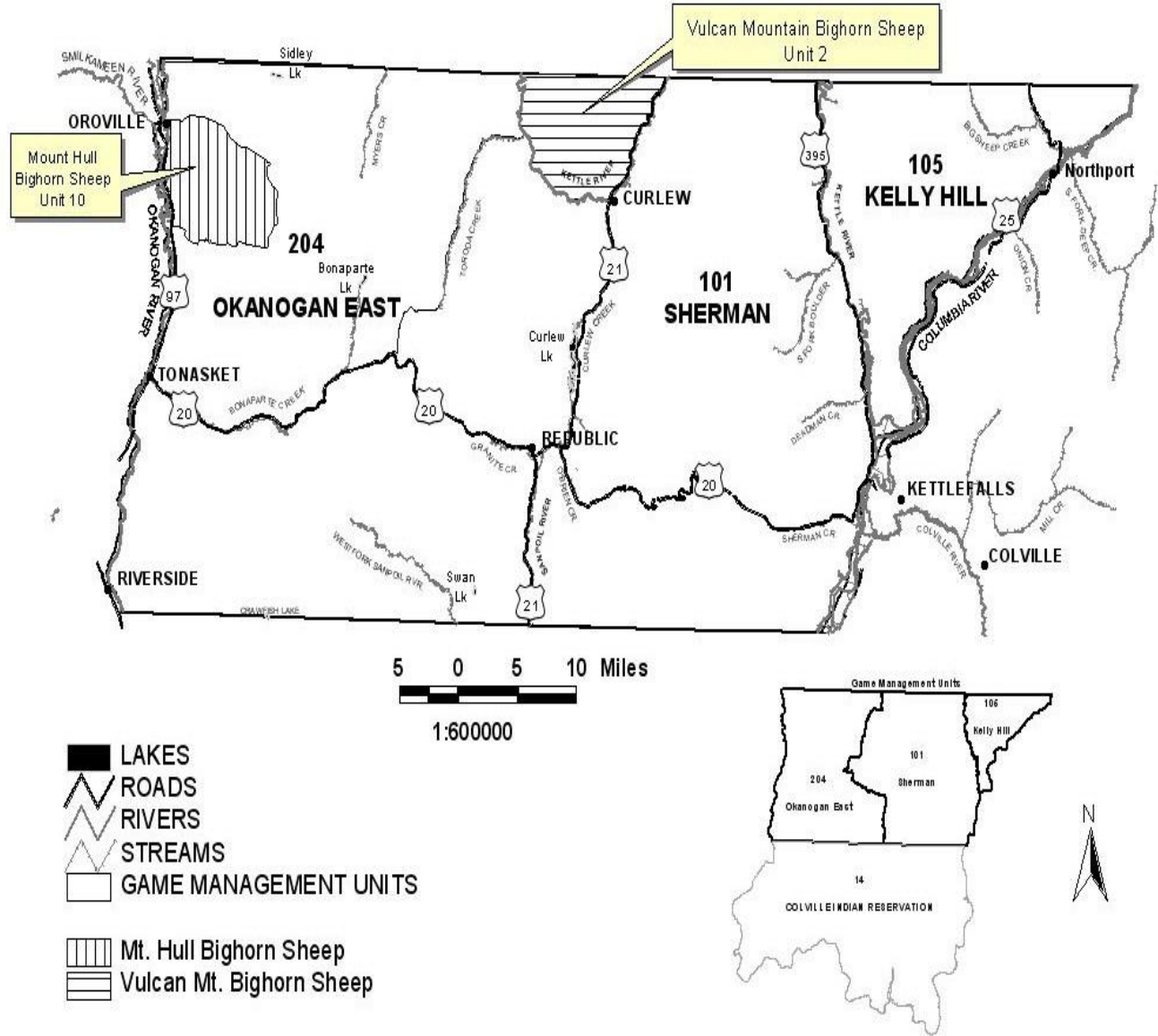
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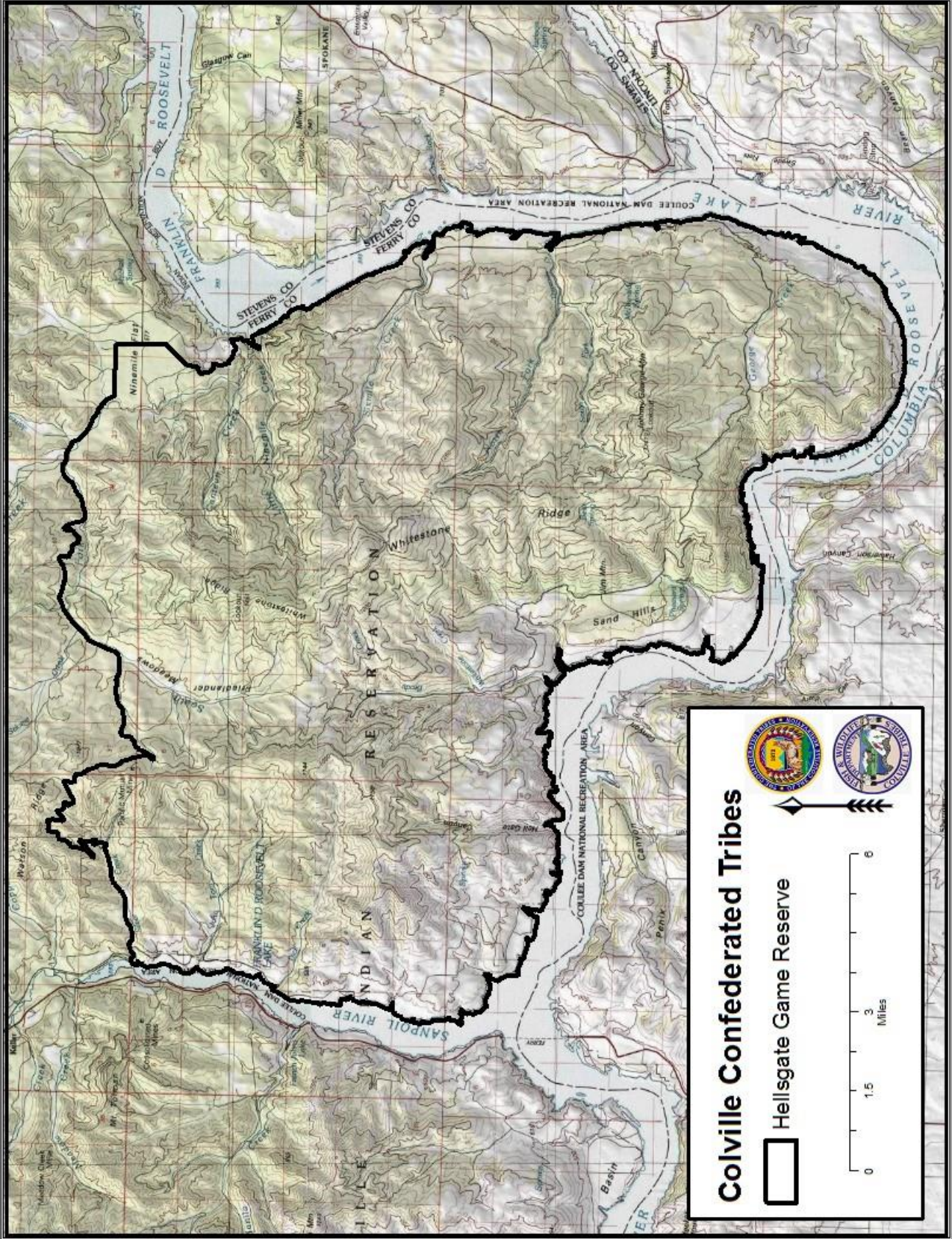
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Appendix B. North Half Reservation Map

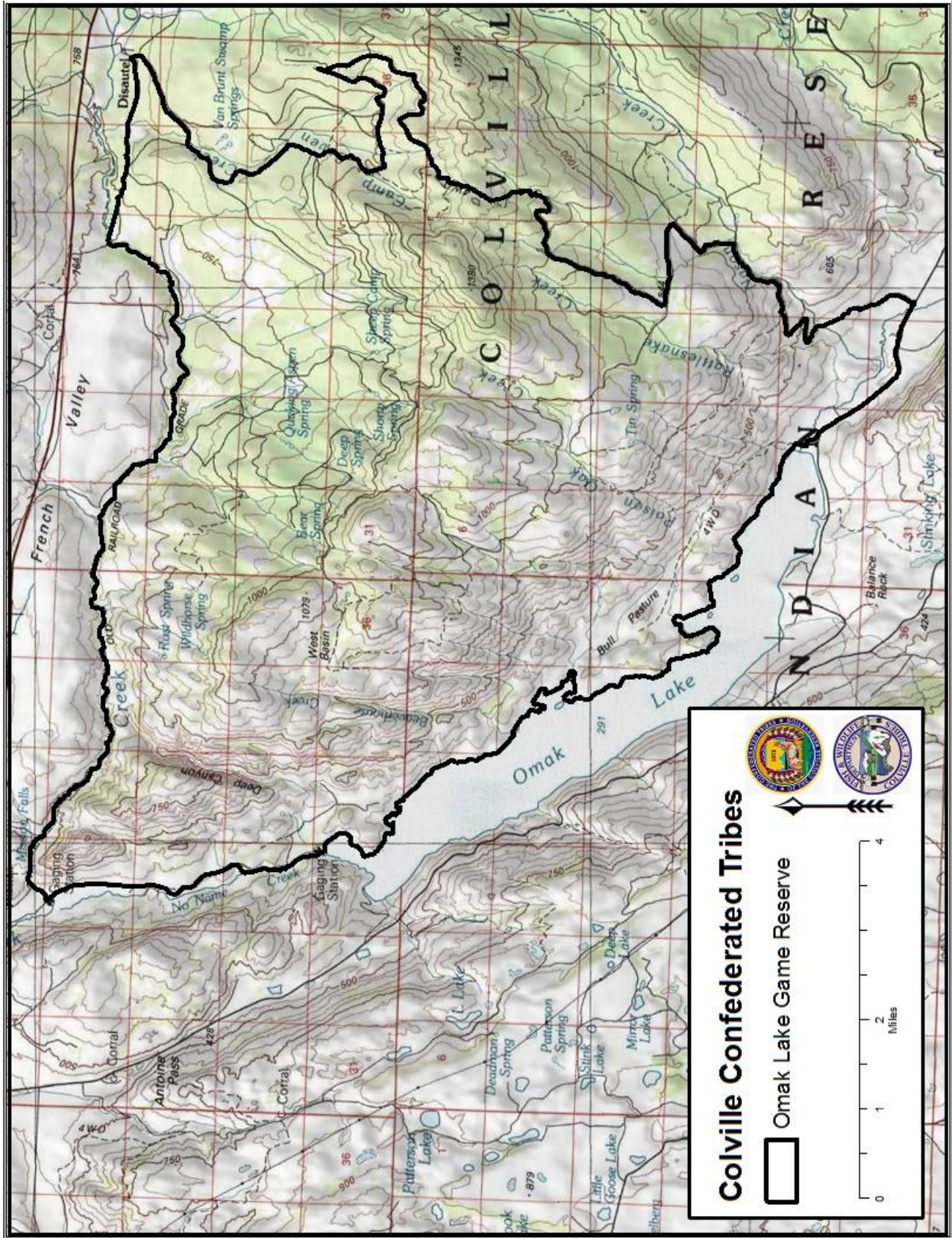
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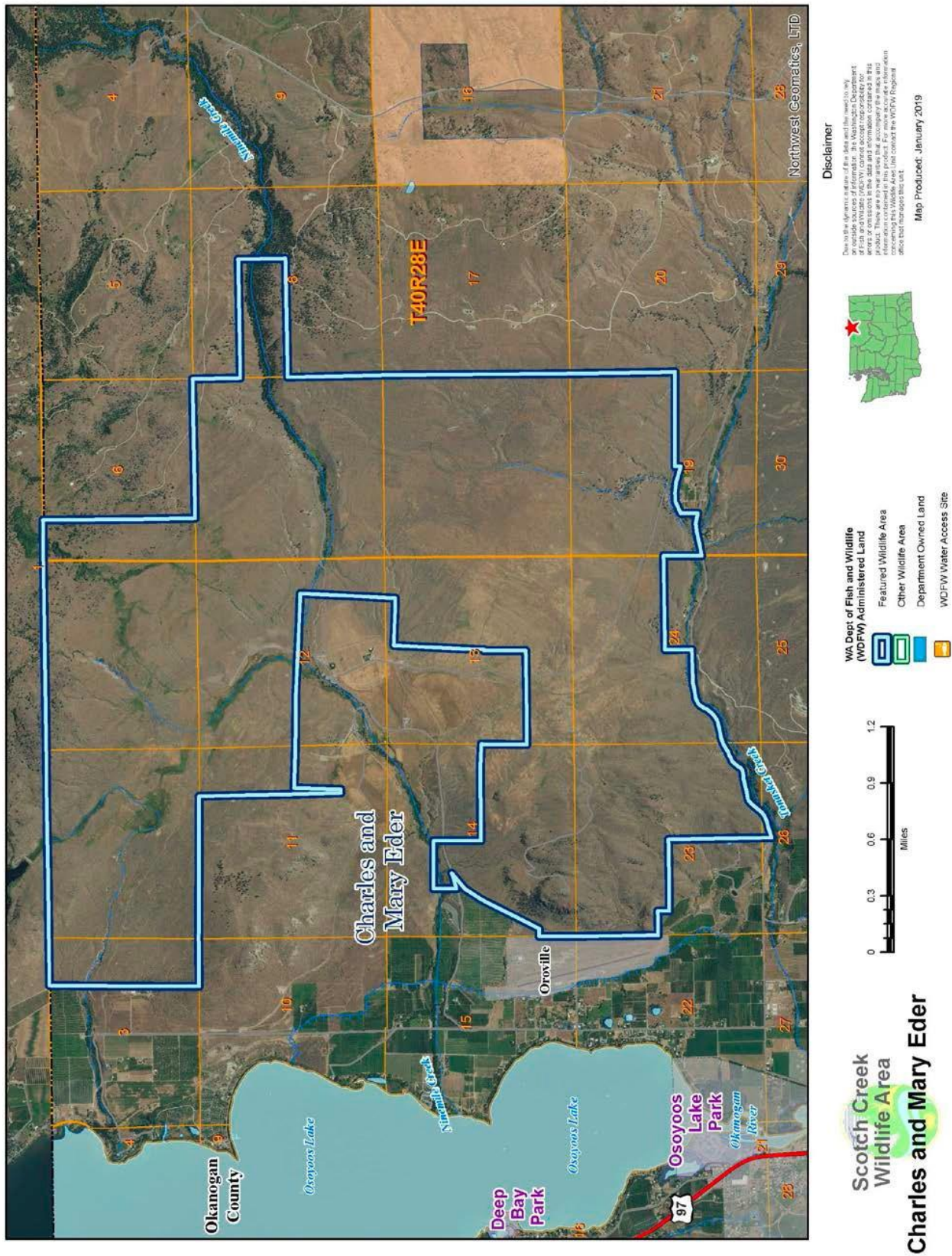
Appendix C. Hellsgate Game Reserve Boundary Map.



Appendix D. Omak Lake Game Reserve Boundary Map.



Appendix E. North Half Nine-mile Special Limited Access Hunt Area Map. Map provided by WDFW.



Appendix F. Tag Distribution Outlets for Colville Tribal Member Hunters

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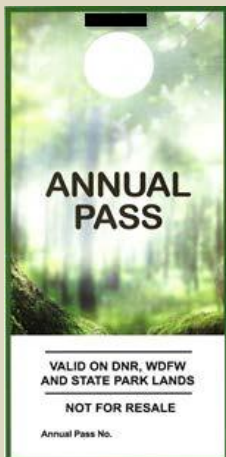
Tags also available through mail-in requests!!!

The Colville Tribes Fish and Wildlife Department will now accept mail-in requests from Tribal Members that submit a request for Tags. This convenience is designed for those Tribal Members that may live off of the Reservation or cannot find time to come in to one of the offices. Tribal Members must submit a photocopy of their Blue Card along with a signed, written request of the specific tags that they would like to be issued and a return address to mail the tag(s) to. All requests need to be received by our office with a minimum of seven (7) business days before you plan to hunt in order for your tags to be mailed to you on time. After verification of identification and eligibility for the tags requested, our office will mail the tags to the address that you have provided.

Mail your requests to:

**CTCR F&W – Hunting Tag
Request PO Box 150
Nespelem, WA 99155**

An Annual Pass may be required on portions of the North Half



Through a Memorandum of Agreement with the Colville Tribes, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife(WDFW) , Washington Department of Natural Resources(WDNR) and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission(WSPRC) have provided a tribal version of the Discover Pass called an Annual Pass, which will be distributed to the Tribe at no cost, for display in vehicles operated in or parked on State managed recreation lands by enrolled members of the Colville Confederated Tribes who are engaged in off-reservation rights that have been reserved through Federal Treaty or Executive Order. The State is making Annual Passes available for use by Tribal Members to avoid the inconvenience of citations based on failure to display an Annual Pass, when Tribal Members access state managed recreation lands in order to exercise reserved off-reservation rights.

*The Annual Passes are valid from March 1 to February 28 of the following year, and must be renewed annually. Annual Passes are available at the Parks and Recreation office located on the Mt Tolman Complex, Keller, Washington. A copy of your Tribal Identification is required along with current address and phone number and can be faxed to **(509) 634-3150** or mailed to: **Parks and Recreation, PO Box 150, Nespelem, WA 99155.***