

NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
2009-2010 Mountain Lion Hunt

Hunt Code MTL - 1 – 30 permits – Zone A –West of Highway 191 (use of hounds prohibited)

Season Dates – December 1, 2009 to March 31, 2009

Bag Limit Any Lion (females with Kittens may not be legally taken)

Hunt Code MTL - 2 – 30 permits –Zone B - East of Highway 191 (Use of Hounds Prohibited)

Season Dates – Units 1-5 and 12-15 – December 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010

Bag Limit Any Lion (females with Kittens may not be legally taken)

Hunt Code HMT - 1 – 10 Permits – Zone A – West of Highway 191 (Use of Hounds Permitted)

Season Dates – Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 - December 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010

Units 7 and 16 – January 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010

Bag Limit Tom Only (If a female is harvested, there is a \$500 penalty fee)

Permits Available – Navajo 5, Non-Navajo 5 (Up until the draw)

Hunt Code HMT - 2 – 10 Permits – Zone B – East of Highway 191 (Use of Hounds Permitted)

Season Dates Units 1-5 and 13-15 – December 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010

Exception: Units 3, 5A, and 5B are closed from January 1st to January 10, 2010

Unit 12 and 16– January 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010

Bag Limit Tom Only (If a female is harvested, there is a \$500 penalty fee)

Permits Available – Navajo 5, Non-Navajo 5 (up until the draw)

All successful lion hunters are required to check their harvested animal out with the Management and Research Section within 5 (five) days of making a kill. Hunters will be required to provide a tooth for aging purposes, a photo, a lion harvest check sheet and a tissue sample for genetic research. Failure to do so will result in the hunter being ineligible for any big game hunts the following season.

PERMIT COST: MTL - Navajo (census # required) = \$50.00

Non-Navajo = \$75

HMT – Navajo (Census # required) = \$50.00

Non-Navajo = \$500

Permit Cost includes a non-refundable application fee of \$10.00

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **October 30, 2009 by 5 p.m.** We will not accept postmarked applications.

LEGAL METHOD OF TAKE: Any Legal Weapon according to Navajo Nation Hunting and Trapping Regulation Booklet.

- ❖ Applicants must indicate a complete **Hunt Code** for their 1st choice hunt on the application. A second hunt choice is optional.
- ❖ Permits will be issued to eligible applicants on a random drawing basis (if necessary).
- ❖ There is no Navajo/Non-Navajo quota for the MTL hunts.
- ❖ Payment should be made by certified or cashiers check, or money order, payable to the Navajo Nation.

- ❖ One applicant per application
- ❖ No transferring of permits, no refunds on drawn permits.
- ❖ Leftover permits will be available for sale on a first-come-first-serve basis beginning on November 9, 2009.
- ❖ Hound hunters may voluntarily participate in the collection of live genetic material from lions that are treed but not harvested (excluding kittens). There will be a prize drawing for a 2010-2011 HMT permit and houndsmen will get a ticket for each valid, independent genetic sample that they are able to provide to the Department of Fish and Wildlife. For more information on this program contact Jeff Cole at 928-871-7068.
- ❖ Hunters participating in the collection of genetic material from live lions may apply for a permit to utilize snowmobiles for the HMT Hunts.