

FIRST NATIONS PARTICIPATION IN THE ELK HERD MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AT CANADIAN FORCES BASE (CFB) SUFFIELD

NOTIFICATION OF REMAINING SEASONS

1. Alberta Environment and Parks will be holding its annual Elk Herd Management Program for hunters and harvesters on the CFB Suffield Range Training Area from November 13, 2017 to February 8, 2018. First Nations Harvesters must submit their request to hunt and preregister with CFB Suffield prior to attending. The remaining seasons are as follows:
 - a. Season 4B. December 6-7;
 - b. Season 5A. January 15-16;
 - c. Season 5B. January 17-18;
 - d. Season 6A. January 22-23;
 - e. Season 6B. January 24-25;
 - f. Season 7A. January 29-30;
 - g. Season 7B. January 31-February 1; and
 - h. Season 8A. February 5-6; and
 - i. Season 8B. February 7-8.

The steps to be followed for preregistration are:

2. Preregister with CFB Suffield by email SUFHRP@forces.gc.ca and provide the following information:
 - a. number of participants (age 12 and up) in your hunting party;
 - b. Government-Issued Secure Certificate of Indian Status Card number for each hunting party member;
 - c. number of vehicles in your party;
 - d. desired season(s) and date(s) of participation based on the schedule below (multiple dates can be requested);
 - e. prioritize your seasons requested from most desirable to least desirable according to preference.
3. Once a preregistration request has been received, CFB Suffield will confirm its receipt with a confirmation number within two business days. This will be used as a reference number in follow-up communications, and during registration at the daily safety brief on the hunt dates attended.
4. First Nations harvesting parties may be comprised of both Harvesters and Helpers. Only those band members registered as Harvesters and with a confirmation number will be allowed to bring a rifle onto the range. The band members may allow helpers to shoot elk on the range but for control measures only Harvesters will be allowed to bring one rifle each onto the range training area.
5. **First Nations Harvester and Non First Nations hunters without a registration confirmation number will be denied access onto the range.**