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Congratulations! You have been selected for the Spring Chimineas wild pig hunt. This hunt may be cancelled or rescheduled if roads become unsafe due to rain.

This hunt will be on a portion of the North Chimineas Unit. The check station is located off Soda Lake Road on the Carrizo Plains and accessed from Highway 58. Please see the attached map and directions included with this letter. You will need to register and get a free permit each morning prior to your hunt. You will also need to check out at the end of each day. Water and toilet facilities are not available.

The terrain is highly variable with rolling hills and steep canyons. The access roads are all dirt and while a 4-wheel drive vehicle is not necessary, a vehicle with good clearance is highly recommended. You can review the hunt area by checking out interactive map website at:

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/lands/viewer/index.html> .

The ecological reserve is located in southeastern San Luis Obispo County. There is no camping on the North Chimineas Unit. However, camping is available on the Carrizo Plain National Monument and the Los Padres National Forest. **The nearest gas station is approximately 50 miles away in either Atascadero (west at Highway 101) or Buttonwillow (east at Interstate 5) so make sure to fill your tank prior to getting out to the hunt. You may only hunt wild pigs during this hunt. Hunting for all other species is prohibited on the ecological reserve.**

As of July 1, 2019, regulations prohibit the use of lead ammunition for hunting big game within the range of the California condor, which includes the Chimineas Unit. Therefore, the use of lead free ammunition for hunting pigs is required during this hunt.

Some of the properties to the north and west of the North Chimineas Unit are privately owned. Access to this private property is prohibited. All vehicle access is restricted to existing roads. If you require any special accommodations, cannot attend this hunt, or have any questions please contact the Department of Fish and Wildlife at (559) 243-4005 ext.133.

Good Luck,
Ben Lewis
Upland wildlife Biologist

Welcome to the North Chimineas Drive on Hunt

FIRE HAZZARD IS HIGH PLEASE DO YOUR PART TO MINIMIZE RISK

- Only drive your vehicle on established and open roads
- Hiking closed roads or cross country on foot is permitted
- When you park, avoid tall vegetation and do not block the road
- Do not cross over fenced boundaries
- Do not pass, block or open any closed gates
- Be aware of and allow space for other hunters
- Please clean up all trash and spent shells
- Bring a fire extinguisher if you have one

Cell phone service is generally found on high ground. In the event of an emergency call **911**. CDFW staff can be found at the **North Gate** where you entered if you need help or have questions.

The Ten Commandments of Firearms Safety:

1. Watch that muzzle! Keep it pointed in a safe direction at all times.
2. Treat every firearm with the respect due a loaded gun.
3. Be sure of your target and what is in front of it and beyond it.
4. Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot .
5. Check your barrel and ammunition.
6. Unload firearms when not in use.
7. Point your firearm only at something you intend to shoot.
8. Don't run, jump, or climb with a loaded firearm.
9. Store firearms and ammunition separately and safely.
10. Don't drink alcohol, use drugs or take medications that might impair your abilities and good judgment before or while handling firearms or archery equipment.

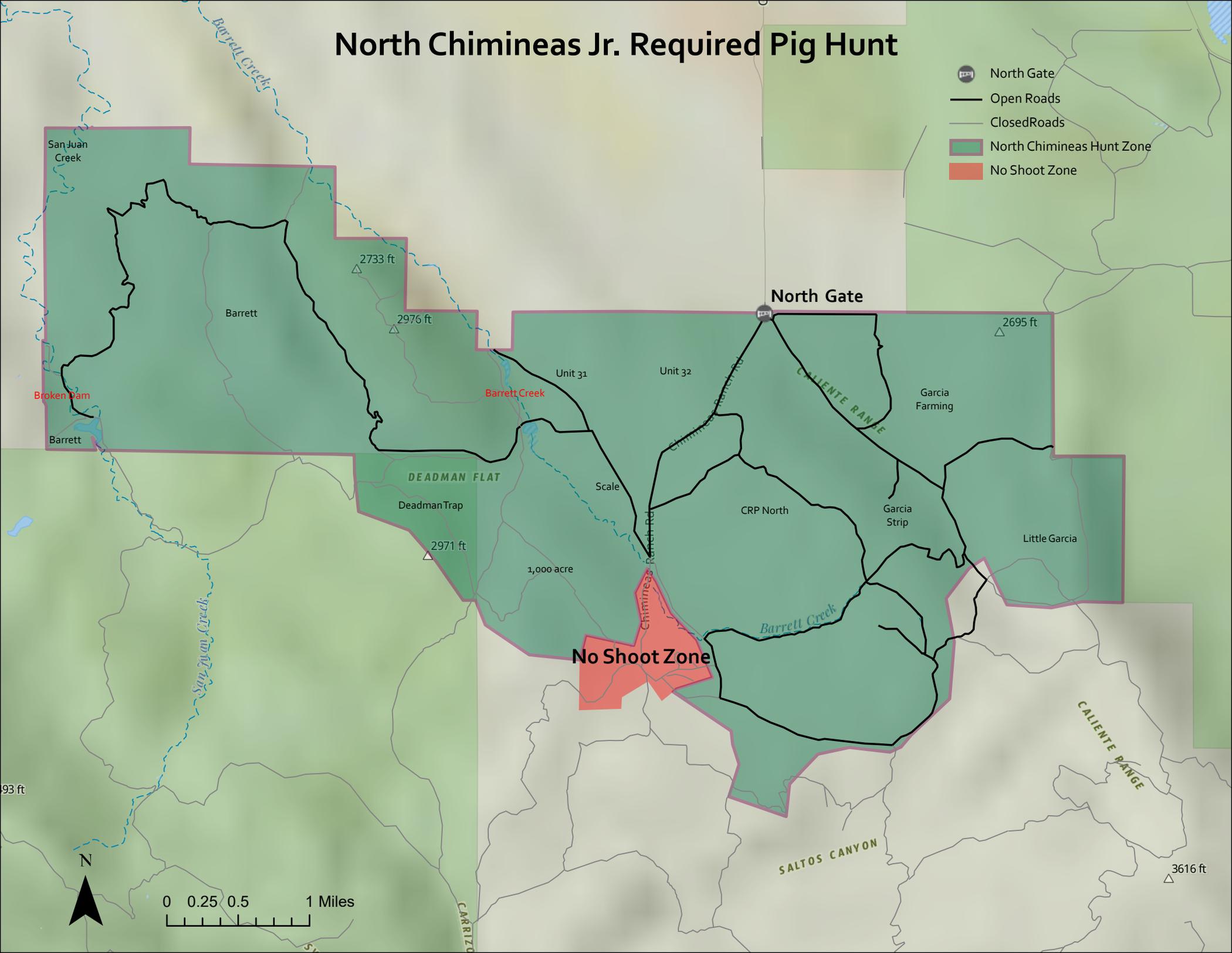


Directions to Chimineas Unit – Northern Entrance

- 1. Take Highway 58 to Soda Lake Road. Soda Lake Road is approximately 50 miles east of Highway 101 in Atascadero or 50 miles west of Interstate 5 at Button Willow. Turn south on Soda Lake Road.**
- 2. Go south approximately 7.7 miles on Soda Lake Road until you reach the Carrizo Plains National Monument boundary. There will be a major power line that crosses the road immediately south of the turn off.**
- 3. Turn right (south) onto the dirt road (Sprague Hill Road) at this location and proceed approximately 5.5 miles until you reach the main entrance gate and check in station for the north Chimineas Unit.**

North Chimineas Jr. Required Pig Hunt

-  North Gate
-  Open Roads
-  Closed Roads
-  North Chimineas Hunt Zone
-  No Shoot Zone





Carrisa Hwy

HWY 58

SODA LAKE ROAD (~7.7 MILES)

SPRAGUE HILL ROAD (~5.5 MILES)

check station

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lat 35.263013° lon -119.985376° elev 2513 ft eye alt 13.97 mi



READ, INITIAL AND SIGN BEFORE HUNT DAY

Waiver of Potential Claims and Release of Liability

I, _____, as a condition of my being able to participate in hunting activities on State property acknowledge and represent to the State of California each of the following:

1. Hunting is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injuries or death caused by myself or other people who are present, participating in or watching such activities. _____.

Initial

2. Hunting also includes an inherent risk of serious injury or death caused by conditions of the land, including both defects in or improvements thereto, or natural conditions including animals (whether those being hunted or not) on the property. The State has not made any representations that the conditions of the property are suitable for hunting or that the property is free from defects. _____.

Initial

3. I acknowledge that in allowing me to participate in hunting activities on State property, the State owes me no duty to supervise the activity or the persons participating in or watching the activity. I further acknowledge that by providing rules, signs, guides, chaperones or other volunteers to assist in hunting activities, neither the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers owe me any duty whatsoever to supervise or control the actions of myself or other persons participating in, watching the activity or on the property. _____.

Initial

4. Waiver And Release Of Claims: I hereby expressly waive any right that I might have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for any physical or emotional injuries, illnesses, death or other damages that I might suffer as a result of participating in hunting activities on State property. _____.

Initial

5. Waiver And Release Of Claims Based On Negligence: In addition to the inherent dangers involved in hunting on State property described above, I further acknowledge that serious injuries or death may be caused by the negligent acts of State employees, its agents, volunteers or other persons which increase the risk of injury beyond those normally anticipated while hunting. I hereby expressly agree to assume the risk that I may be seriously injured or killed through the negligent acts of others. I agree to waive any right I may have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for injuries or death that I may suffer arising out of participating in hunting or related activities including physical or emotional injuries, illnesses or death caused by the negligent acts of the State, its agents, employees, volunteers or other persons. _____.

Initial

Prior to executing this waiver and release of liability, I was given the opportunity to thoroughly read the entire document and to consult my own legal counsel regarding the potential effect of signing this agreement. I hereby consent to be bound by its terms and conditions.

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND BRING WAIVER TO CHECK IN ON THE DATE OF THE HUNT. YOU MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNT

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____



READ, INITIAL AND SIGN BEFORE HUNT DAY

Waiver of Minor’s Potential Claims and Release of Liability

I, _____, am the legal parent/guardian of, _____, a minor under the age of 18 years (the "Child"), as a condition of the Child being able to participate in hunting activities on State property, I hereby acknowledge and represent to the State of California each of the following:

1. Hunting is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injuries or death caused by myself, the Child or other people who are present, participating in or watching such activities. _____.

Initial

2. Hunting also includes an inherent risk of serious injury or death caused by conditions of the land, including both defects in or improvements thereto, or natural conditions including animals (whether those being hunted or not) on the property. The State has not made any representations that the conditions of the property are suitable for hunting or that the property is free from defects. _____.

Initial

3. I acknowledge that in allowing the Child to participate in hunting activities on State property, the State owes the Child no duty to supervise the activity or the persons participating in or watching the activity. I further acknowledge that by providing rules, signs, guides, chaperones or other volunteers to assist in hunting activities, neither the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers owe the Child any duty to supervise or control the actions of the Child or other persons participating in, watching the activity or on the property. _____.

Initial

4. Waiver And Release Of Claims: I hereby expressly waive any right that the Child might have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for any physical or emotional injuries, illnesses, death or other damages that the Child might suffer as a result of participating in hunting activities on State property. _____.

Initial

5. Waiver And Release Of Claims Based On Negligence: In addition to the inherent dangers involved in hunting on State property described above, I further acknowledge that serious injuries or death may be caused by the negligent acts of State employees, its agents, volunteers or other persons which increase the risk of injury beyond those normally anticipated while hunting. I hereby expressly agree that the Child assumes the risk that the Child may be seriously injured or killed through the negligent acts of others. I agree to waive any right the Child may have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for injuries or death that the Child may suffer arising out of participating in hunting or related activities including physical or emotional injuries, illnesses or death caused by the negligent acts of the State, its agents, employees, volunteers or other persons. _____.

Initial

Prior to executing this waiver and release of liability, I was given the opportunity to thoroughly read the entire document and to consult my own legal counsel regarding the potential effect of signing this agreement. I hereby consent to be bound by its terms and conditions and consent to the Child being bound by its terms and conditions.

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND BRING WAIVER TO CHECK IN ON THE DATE OF THE HUNT. YOU MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNT

Signature _____ Date _____
(Parent/Guardian)

Printed Name _____
(Parent Guardian)