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Congratulations! You have been selected for the Chimineas apprentice quail hunt. Your hunt will be held on Saturday October 26, 2013. Your hunt day will be listed on the email confirming your successful draw. The hunt will be held on the Chimineas Units of the Carrizo Plain Ecological Reserve. The facility will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 6:00 p.m.. Directions and a map to the check in station are attached.

These wild quail hunts will be guided by volunteers from the Arroyo Grande and Santa Maria Valley sportsmen's associations in conjunction with CDFW. Ten hunters will be in the field for each day of the hunt. All apprentice hunts are staffed by CDFW employees and trained volunteers who provide guidance and assistance to the hunters so that good safety practices are followed. A pre-hunt safety discussion and shooting practice will occur prior to going into the field.

There is no camping on the Chimineas Unit. However, camping is generally available on the Carrizo Plain National Monument. Please note that the BLM campgrounds may be closed due to the shutdown of the federal government so you will want to make back up plans in the event of campground closures. A small motel is available in California Valley approximately 8 miles north of the ecological reserve. **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.**

Feel free to contact me at (805) 528-8670, or Rocky Thompson, Senior Environmental Scientist at (805) 594-6175.

Good Luck,

Bob Stafford, Environmental Scientist  
San Luis Obispo Unit

## **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 Buttonwillow. 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.**



Carrisa Hwy

HWY 58

58

SODA LAKE ROAD (~7.7 MILES)

SPRAGUE HILL ROAD (~5.5 MILES)

Check Station

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## **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.





DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
Upland Game Bird Special Hunts Program
2013-2014 Liability Waiver: Adult Participants



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 persons 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 \_\_\_\_\_



DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Upland Game Bird Special Hunts Program

2013-2014 Liability Waiver: Minor (under the age of 18) Participant



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)