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Department of Fish and Game Opens
Chimineas Unit of Carrizo Plain Ecological Reserve for Apprentice Deer Hunters

The Department of Fish and Game, in cooperation with the California Deer Association (CDA), will be hosting apprentice deer hunting opportunities on the 30,000-acre Chimineas Unit of the Carrizo Plain Ecological Reserve in San Luis Obispo County.

The hunt will be held on August 29-30, 2009 and will be for deer only. Three apprentice hunters will be chosen by drawing to participate. All apprentice hunters must be accompanied by an adult. The day includes classroom, range and field assistance in the techniques of gun handling and safety, deer hunting and game care. There will be shooting practice as well as instruction on wildlife and hunting. Participants will be guided on their hunts by CDA volunteers. This will be a two-day event, with overnight lodging available at the main ranch house on the ecological reserve. CDA will provide breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday as well as breakfast and lunch on Sunday. To apply for this hunt, applicants need to submit a postcard with the hunter's name, address, telephone number, and 2009-2010 junior hunting license number to:

California Department of Fish & Game
20 Lower Ragsdale Road
Monterey, CA 93940
Attn: Chimineas Junior Deer Hunt

Applicants may only submit a single application for this hunt and applications need to be received at the address above by 5:00 p.m., July 30, 2009. Applications received late or incomplete will not be considered in the draw. Successful applicants will be notified by phone and will receive additional information, including maps and special regulations, prior to their hunt.