

# Can I apply for both Incentive and Compensation Programs?

Any single piece of property, (i.e. a native hayfield) cannot be considered for both programs in a single year, but a claimant could have property that qualifies for both programs, i.e. NDOW could fence an alfalfa field (Damage-Compensation Program) and the same ranch could have native elk habitats on adjacent private lands that qualify for the Incentive Tag Program.

Initiated by the Nevada State Legislature in 1989 through NRS 504.155 and 504.165. In 1990, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners adopted NAC 504.350 through 504.440 to define the program.

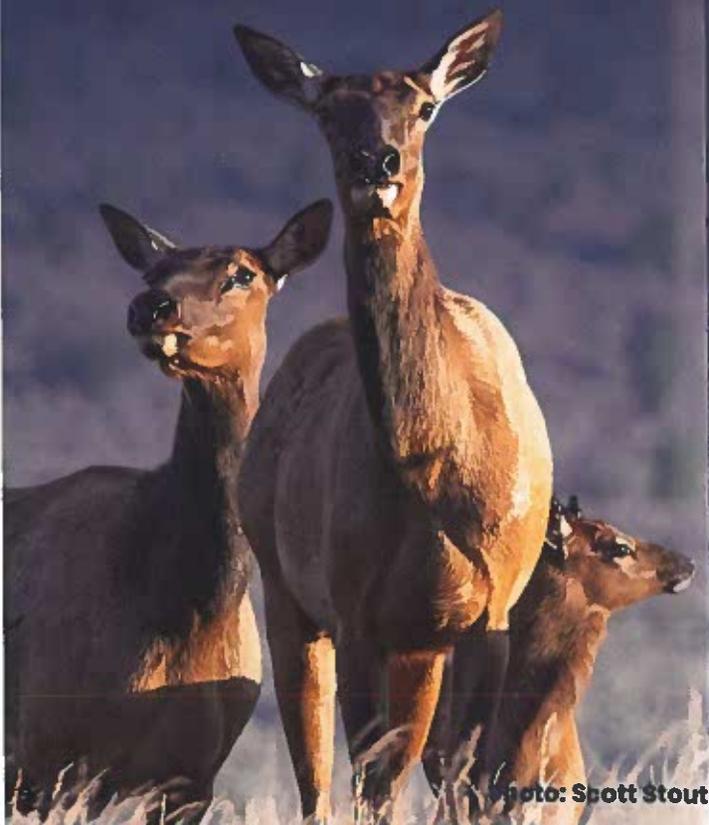


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## FIND THE RIGHT OFFICE FOR ASSISTANCE

### WESTERN REGION



### EASTERN REGION



### SOUTHERN REGION

#### WESTERN REGION OFFICE SOUTHERN REGION OFFICE

1100 Valley Road  
Reno, NV 89512  
(775) 688-1506

3373 Pepper Lane  
Las Vegas, NV 89120  
(702) 486-5127

#### EASTERN REGION OFFICE

60 Youth Center Road  
Elko, NV 89801  
(775) 777-2300

#### Pioche Field Office

137 Hollywood Way  
Pioche, NV 89043  
(775) 962-8109

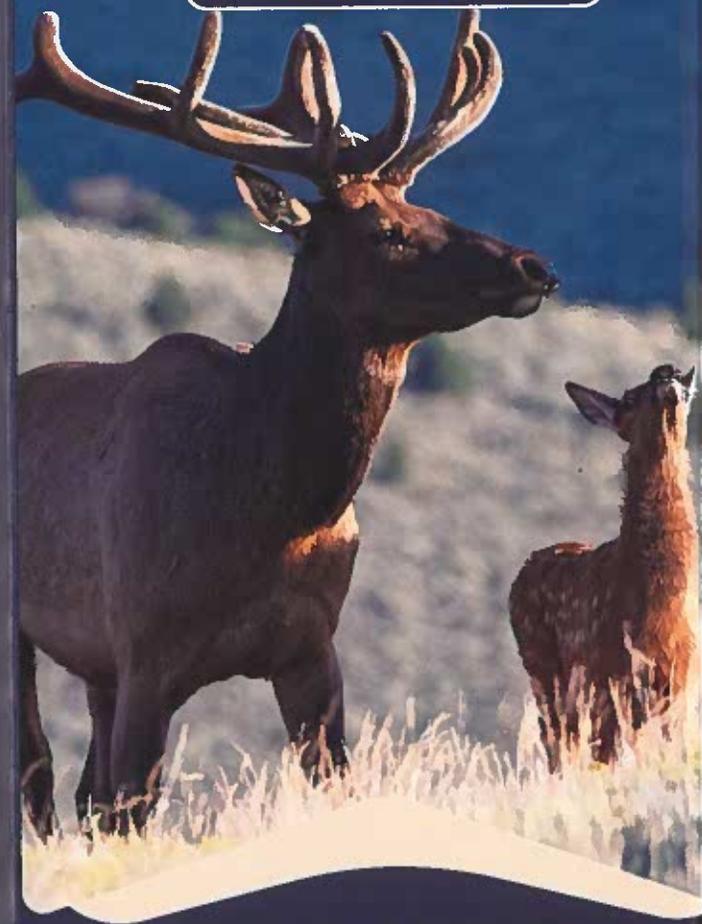
#### Ely Field Office

1218 North Alpha St.  
Ely, NV 89301  
(775) 289-1655

#### Tonopah Office

P.O. Box 1032  
Tonopah, NV 89049  
(775) 482-3153

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## ELK DAMAGE COMPENSATION PROGRAM

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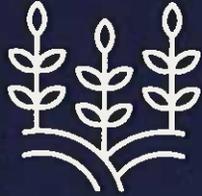


## HOW DOES IT WORK?

### Purpose

To mitigate and compensate private landowners, primarily agricultural producers, for losses or damage caused by elk. This program permits NDOW to issue direct payments for crop loss and damage. NDOW may directly fund the construction of protective fencing for crops and haystacks.

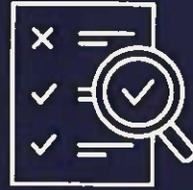
### What crops, improvements or losses apply.



Cultivated crops, privately maintained improvements such as fences or irrigation equipment, etc., or any site containing an orchard, stack of hay, stored crops and standing crops. Specific crops that qualify under this program include alfalfa, clovers, grass and grain. A loss from grazing reductions on private or public property must be contingent upon whether a preponderance of the evidence proves the loss was caused solely by elk.

Native hay meadows are eligible for both the Elk Damage Compensation Program and the Incentive Tag Program (NAC 502.42253 – 502.42283). However, a single property cannot be enrolled in both programs during the same calendar year. A NDOW representative and landowner will determine appropriate program for enrollment.

Claims to an insurance company are not eligible for payment under this program. Any single damage claim exceeding \$10,000 must be approved by the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioner before payment can be issued by NDOW.



**1. NDOW representative will investigate the damage with the claimant as soon as possible and definitely no later than 10 days following notice of damage and enter into a Cooperative Agreement (Form 110) with the claimant.**



**2. An elk depredation damage or loss report (Form 111) will be filled out by the Department investigator in cooperation with the claimant.**



**3. If the claimant and the Department do not agree on the amount a Local Panel formed pursuant to NAC 504.430 shall be used to determine payment. Anything over this amount requires Wildlife commission approval.**

### Who is eligible?



Any landowner, or a lessee or manager with a letter of authorization of private land with an eligible claim of damage by elk.

### What lands are eligible?



Private lands, especially those used to grow agricultural crops including native meadows and privately maintained improvements on public or private lands qualify for the program.

### How do I apply?



Initiate the process by contacting your nearest NDOW office and filling out the Cooperative Agreement (Form 110).

### When should I apply?



Within 5 days of discovery of elk damage and also inform NDOW when the elk damage ceases.

This program is funded by a \$5 fee collected from all elk hunting applications.