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Military Training to be Conducted in Owyhee County's Hunt Unit 40

Are you hunting in Unit 40 this October? There may be more birds in the sky.

During the month of October, the National Guard will be conducting helicopter maneuvers and training in and around the mountains near Silver City and South Mountain in Owyhee County. These areas fall within Idaho's Hunt Unit 40 and hunters may experience increased noise, traffic and disturbance during their October hunts.

From September 20 through November 8, helicopter maneuvers and training may occur at any time, night and day. Maneuvers will include eight landings each day and another eight each night among nine different landing zones. Due to the nature of these activities, specific times and locations of training activity are not available.

The Bureau of Land Management, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and the Idaho Army National Guard hope this information will be useful to Unit 40 hunters. Have a safe and enjoyable fall hunting season.

The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land, the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's mission is to manage and conserve the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations under our mandate of multiple-use and sustained yield. In Fiscal Year 2015, the BLM generated \$4.1 billion in receipts from activities occurring on public lands.