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To: Tag Holders for Controlled Hunts 258A3 & 4
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The area open for the Zumwalt cow elk hunts is 95% privately owned, and includes The Nature Conservancy's 33,000 acre Zumwalt Prairie Preserve. The Nature Conservancy uses a lottery system to grant antlerless elk hunting access on the Preserve. **In order to hunt on Zumwalt Prairie Preserve, you must have applied and received hunting access from The Nature Conservancy through the drawing system.**

There is no charge for this hunting opportunity, but if you intend to hunt on the Conservancy's property, we require the following:

- 1) Prior to hunting on the Preserve, you must check-in at the check station located at the Nature Conservancy office in Enterprise (906 S. River St, Enterprise, OR 97828). The check station will be open daily from 6am to noon starting November 11th. You may check-in up to 2 days before to your hunt season begins.
- 2) At the check-in station you will be given a "Success Response Form." Immediately following the hunt please return the success form by placing it in the drop box at the junction of Zumwalt and Duckett Roads, the drop box at the bottom of Trail Creek, or at the Nature Conservancy's office (906 S. River Street, Enterprise).

Included in this mailing are hunting rules, maps, and a description of ethical hunting expectations. **The rules must be followed carefully to retain hunting privileges.** Staff and contractors will patrol during the hunts to ensure safe and ethical hunting and to help answer questions. Refer to the maps to become familiar with the preserve boundaries and ensure there is no trespassing on neighboring private property. Georeferenced PDF hunt map, a Zumwalt Prairie Preserve boundary ".gdb" file for Garmin or ".kml" file for Google Earth can be found on the TNC Zumwalt hunt website.

The Zumwalt Prairie Preserve's rugged terrain and limited access make the property a challenging and strenuous area to hunt. Be aware that **motorized vehicles are permitted only on public roads and the discharge of a firearm is not allowed within 100 yards of a public road on the prairie or within 50 yards of a public road in the canyons.**

Lastly, The Nature Conservancy is concerned about fragments of lead ammunition poisoning wildlife (such as hawks and eagles that scavenge gut-piles). Please consider using copper or other non-toxic bullets. For more information visit www.huntingwithnonlead.org.

If you have questions or need more information regarding the opportunity to hunt on the Zumwalt Prairie Preserve, you may reach me through email at chad.dotson@tnc.org.

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