

Mule Deer License Article

Mammoth Pool Reservoir

To protect deer crossing Mammoth Pool Reservoir during spring migration, the Licensee shall maintain: (i) the fences around the Mammoth Pool Dam spillway; (ii) the Daulton Creek Bridge; and (iii) a device to discourage deer from crossing the reservoir near the spillway; such as the barrel line that is present across the spillway. If at any time during the term of the license, one or more of these facilities requires repair or replacement, the Licensee shall maintain the facility as needed. Prior to replacement/repair of the facility, the Licensee shall contact FS, CDFG, and USFWS to inform them of the problem and provide a replacement/repair plan and schedule. FS, CDFG and USFWS will approve any replacement/repair plan and schedule prior to implementation.

During the peak migration period (May 1 through June 15), the Licensee shall ensure sand is present on the dam road to encourage deer to use the dam road to cross and will close the road during the peak migration period to reduce any adverse effects from recreation.

Additionally, to ensure that the presence of debris that may impede deer migration across Mammoth Pool Reservoir is monitored and that any build up of debris is removed in a timely manner, the Licensee shall provide an annual photo documentation to CDFG, FS and USFWS of the area at the floating boom above the spillway (i.e., area of concern) along with an estimate of the extent of any debris present. This is especially important in years when Mammoth Pool Reservoir spills. If CDFG and/or FS and/or USFWS determines—based on review of the photograph and the estimate of the aerial extent of debris buildup—that the debris would impede deer migration, the Licensee shall remove sufficient levels of debris to allow deer to migrate without impediment.

Eastwood Power Station (Balsam Meadows)

The Licensee shall implement road closures within Big Creek Nos. 2A, 8 and Eastwood Project to prevent the disturbance of mule deer and other wildlife. Specific roads and road closure requirements are provided in Table 1.

Table 1. Roads and Road Closure Requirements.

USFS Road No.	Road Description	Gate (Closure Period)
9S58	9S58 from gate to NF Stevenson Gage	Gate A1 (<i>nights only</i>) Gates A2 & B (<i>all year</i>)
9S32	9S32 from gate near Hwy 168 to EPH transmission line	Gates J & M (<i>all year</i>)
9S32A	9S32A, spur from 9S32 to east side of Balsam Forebay	Gate L (<i>all year</i>)
9S312	Access to Eastwood Substation from Hwy 168	Gate G (<i>all year</i>)
9S24	From Hwy 168 to NF Stevenson Creek Gate No. 2 (Tunnel No. 7)	Gate H (<i>all year</i>)