



# OHA TRACKER

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## Anti-hunting, gun control petitions circulating

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Anti-hunting and gun ownership initiative petitions are the focus of the OHA lobbyist team's work this summer. Signatures are being gathered for petitions that proponents have aimed for the ballot in November 2022. Here's the latest.

### IP13 Hunting, Trapping & Fishing Ban

The clock has begun for proponents to gather the 112,020 signatures needed by June 2022 to place initiative petitions on the November 2022 ballot.

OHA is working with two coalitions of farming, ranching, and sports groups

to form strong NO on IP13 campaigns.

More information on talking points and what members can do to help will be forthcoming as the coalitions develop campaign structures and move into the messaging phase.

IP13 would criminalize animal agriculture, making it virtually impossible to raise livestock, and it would also make hunting, fishing, and trapping activities illegal and classified as animal abuse.

For more information on the status of our efforts, visit the OHA website's legislative page at:  
<https://oregonhunters.org/legislative-news>

### IP 17 & IP18 Gun Control Initiatives

Two gun control initiative petitions have been filed with approved ballot titles from the Oregon Attorney General. The proponents are now gathering signatures for these petitions for the November 2022 ballot.

**IP 17** - Imposes a new permit system to purchase a firearm and prohibits possession or use of magazines over 10 rounds.

**IP 18** - Prohibits manufacturing/possessing/transferring many semiautomatic firearms.

OHA is working closely with gun advocate groups to stop these two petitions.

## OHA supporters turn out big for State Convention

A crowd of nearly 500 guests toasted OHA's 38 years of conservation at OHA's 2021 State Convention Aug. 7 at Seven Feathers Casino Resort.

More than 70 great firearms are going to new homes, including premium firearms donated by Legacy Sports International, Sig Sauer, Coastal Farm & Ranch and Nosler. Guests took home an amazing array of optics donated by OHA Platinum Sponsors Leupold & Stevens and Sig Electro Optics. Donations were too many to list here, but included great gear from Benchmade, KUIU, Coast, Work Sharp, Gerber, Danner, GrovTec, KuduPoint, Phelps Game Calls, Langer's Family Entertainment Center, Vortex, Tactacam, Klymit, G4 Outdoors, Cabela's and Sportsman's Warehouse.

Awesome adventures came from S2 Outfitters, Troy Rodakowski, Jody Smith Guide Service, Buck & Gerri Teasley, Upfront Outfitters, Ladies Hunting Camp,

Diamond A Guides, Peterson Guide Service, Sunriver Lodging, Hammerhead Guide Service, Seven Feathers, Chinooks Winds and Argentina's TGB Outfitters.

A raffled elk camp was sponsored by Cabela's and Cascade Lakes Brewing, crafters of Elk Camp IPA, the official brew of the OHA State Convention.

While many supporters contributed to making the night a success, special thanks go to Ron Burgess, Bret and Nikki Loper, Shirley Pritchett, Tom Derbyshire, Dale Guillory, Jeff Janssens, Cris Benitez, Kelly Smith, Leroy & Joy Miller, Waldron's Outdoor Sports, Century Printing, Valley Web Printing, ProntoPrint, and last but not least, our Herd Bulls – Jim Thompson, Brandt's Construction & fencing, Lamonte Group Real Estate Professionals and Table Mountain Forestry. Many of our donors were in the house, including Jane Vanderzanden, whose art graces OHA calendar covers.



Steve Exceen of Ride for 22 ([ridefor22.org](http://ridefor22.org)) – providing support to families of veterans with PTS – shows a spirited crowd an antler lamp up for auction crafted by Tammy Cook from antlers seized by ODFW and OSP.

# Video exposes Hwy 20 roadkills

By Ken McCall, OHA NW Director

The Burns Paiute Tribe recently released a video highlighting deer/vehicle collisions on Highway 20 between Juntura and Vale in eastern Oregon.

OHA partnered with conservation groups and agencies seeking solutions for wildlife passage on central Oregon Highway 97, where an 86-percent reduction in wildlife/vehicle collisions resulted from the underpass construction.

While Highway 97 is straight, forested and four lanes south of Bend where deer cross seasonally, this section of Highway 20 presents a different landscape and vegetation type. The deep Malheur River canyon and parallel Highway 20 bisect the mule deer winter range, where deer are forced to make numerous highway crossings in their wintering ground across a narrow, crooked highway with limited line of sight for drivers, a bad situation for deer and drivers.

There are many possible solutions to address the problem, such as using the existing river bridges as modified undercrossings, directional fencing, overpasses, and even electronic means to

signal drivers on the many blind corners.

Please view the video for a better understanding of the Tribe's efforts toward a collaborative solution:

<https://burnspaiute-nsn.gov/departments/natural-resources/>



## Exclusive Benchmade offer to OHA members in September

OHA members can get 40% off up to 5 Benchmade knives through the end of September. Have them engraved for \$5 extra. For proof of membership, provide a photo of the latest Oregon Hunter cover or chapter newsletter showing your address. Visit Benchmade at <https://www.benchmade.com> to view knives, and find the order form at: <https://oregonhunters.org/documents>



## Fewer than 50 vouchers needed to pass this plate!

As of mid-August, fewer than 50 vouchers need to be sold to make Oregon's Watch for Wildlife mule deer license plate a reality.

Deer are dying needlessly on our highways, sometimes taking human lives with them. OHA has committed more than \$128,000 to the next Highway 97 undercrossing and successfully lobbied to get grant funding, as well. How can you help? Reserve a mule deer license plate that helps fund wildlife crossings. Visit <https://www.myowf.org>



**"What's in YOUR gun case?"**

# 21-GUN SALUTE RAFFLE

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TIKKA SUPERLITE CAMO \$900

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CERAKOTE 7MM \$700

HENRY BIG BOY 44 MAG. \$850

TRISTAR VIPER MAX SHOTGUN \$650

POINTER O/U SHOTGUN \$500

CITADEL 1911 FLAG 9MM. \$399

Maximum tickets offered: 1,000. Drawing: 2 p.m., Dec. 30, 2021, OHA Office, 301 Crater Lake Ave. #C, Medford, OR

## Win a 2022 Dream Hunt for ELK on ZUMWALT PRAIRIE!

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