



# 2011

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# Hunters against Hunger



SCI Contributed \$2,000  
To the Hunters Against  
Hunter Program



2010-2011  
47,670 lbs  
donated

Department  
paid \$48,850  
to processors

Estimated  
1,086 deer  
donated

Nearly  
200,000 meals  
provided, at a  
cost of 0.26\$  
per meal.

# Operation Game Thief



- SCI contributed a total of \$25,000
  - \$15,000 from Oklahoma Station Chapter
  - \$10,000 from National Chapter
- Contributions going towards a OGT trailer to educate the public
- Trailer will have confiscated wildlife from OGT

# Youth Essay Contest



**Calahan Henry**  
10th Grade  
Age 15  
Eufaula High School

**The Henry's Hunting: Sharing the Heritage**

My hunting heritage started in 1895 when my great great



**Tucker Boland**  
8th Grade Age 13  
Owasso 8th Grade Center

**Sharing the Heritage**

Hunting is a family tradition in my father's family. Ever since I was a young boy, my father dreamed of



**Amanda Swanson**  
11th Grade Age 17  
Hominy High School

**Archery: What I Like About Archery in Schools**

I never understood why people found archery so fun until I tried it myself. Since joining my school's archery program, I have discovered that I have a competitive



**Gabriella Peebles**  
7th Grade Age  
Porum Schools

**Archery in the Schools**

What do bows and arrows, friends and families, training across the country, making memories have in common? No, they are all Jeopardy categories, they are ingredients for

- Over 100 students in two age categories participate each year
  - YO Ranch Apprentice Hunter Program and expenses for the antelope hunts are covered by the Oklahoma Station Chapter of SCI

# Educational Programs

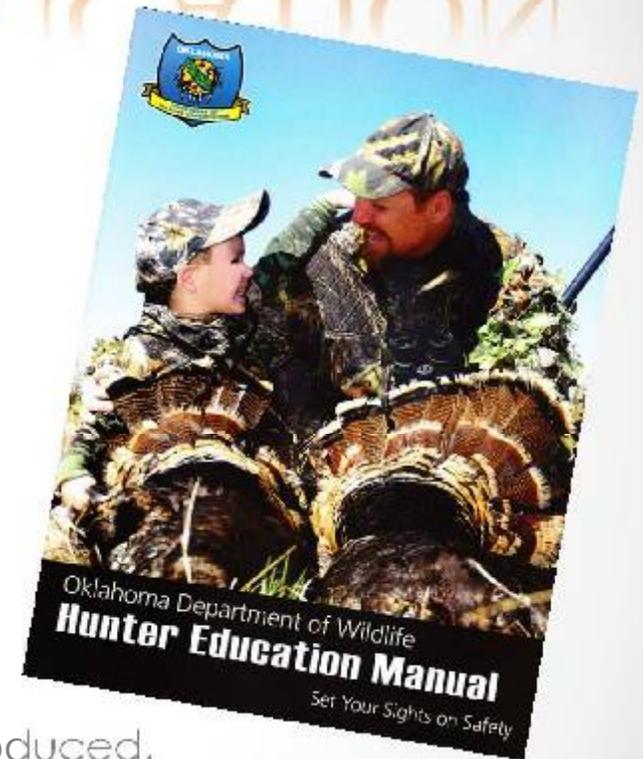
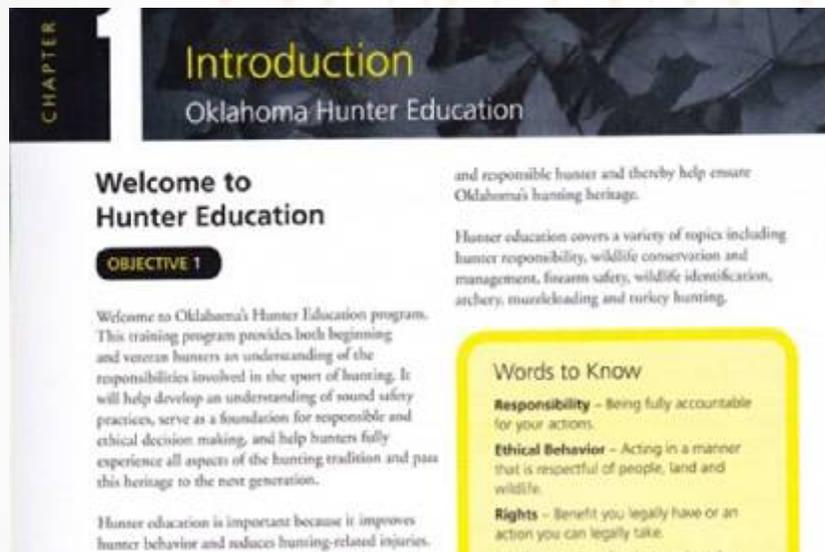
## HUNTER EDUCATION



- 2010 Record Year
  - 100 OKNASP Instructors
  - 17,600 Hunter Ed Certified
  - More OKNASP, FFA and others will be teaching in the classroom this year

# Educational Programs

## HUNTER EDUCATION



- New Hunter Education Manual
  - Oklahoma produced, one of the few state produced.
  - Complete control of content in manual.
  - 0.59\$ per copy to print, down from \$2.53 per copy when purchasing national manual.

# Educational Programs

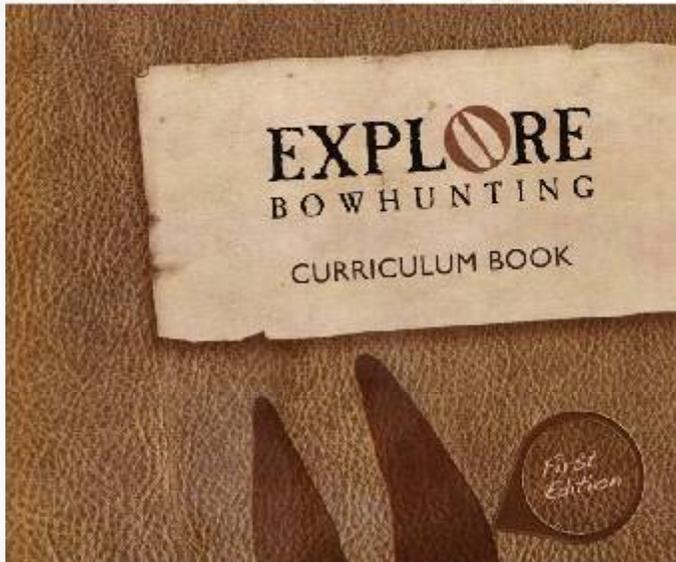
## HUNTER EDUCATION



- Online Course Coming Soon
  - Will be only state with our own online course.
  - Will follow content in new manual.
  - When completed online students will be certified (similar to Boating Ed).

# Educational Programs

## EXPLORE BOWHUNTING



- 2010/2011 school year, 10 pilot schools.
- Additional 25 teachers trained this summer, adding 20 schools.
- Will train 15 more schools this fall.

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# Educational Programs

## FISHING IN SCHOOLS



- 50 schools trained this year, each receive \$500 worth of equipment.

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# Educational Programs

## GOALS

2010

Hunter Education:  
17,600

Aquatic Education:  
20,000

OKNASP: 20,000

Explore Bowhunting:  
700

2016

Hunter Education:  
34,000

Aquatic Education:  
34,000

OKNASP: 34,000

Explore Bowhunting:  
20,000

# NE OK Bear Research



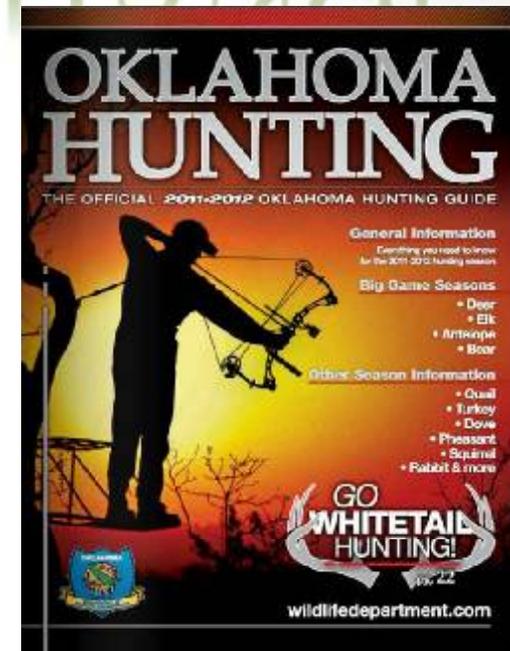
- SCI provided \$2,000 contribution.
- Partnership with OSU's Cooperative Fish & Wildlife Research Unit.
- 10 bears collected, 4 females & 1 male collared.
- Satellite collars provide four GPS readings a day.

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# Hunting

## REGULATION CHANGES



- Fiscal year license now available.
- Southeast region for Spring Turkey.
  - April 23 – May 6
  - Atoka, Choctaw, Coal, Latimer, LeFlore, McCurtain, Pittsburg & Pushmataha
- Southwest zone for dove season eliminated.
  - Entire state now.
  - Sept. 1 – Oct. 21 & Dec. 24 – Jan. 1

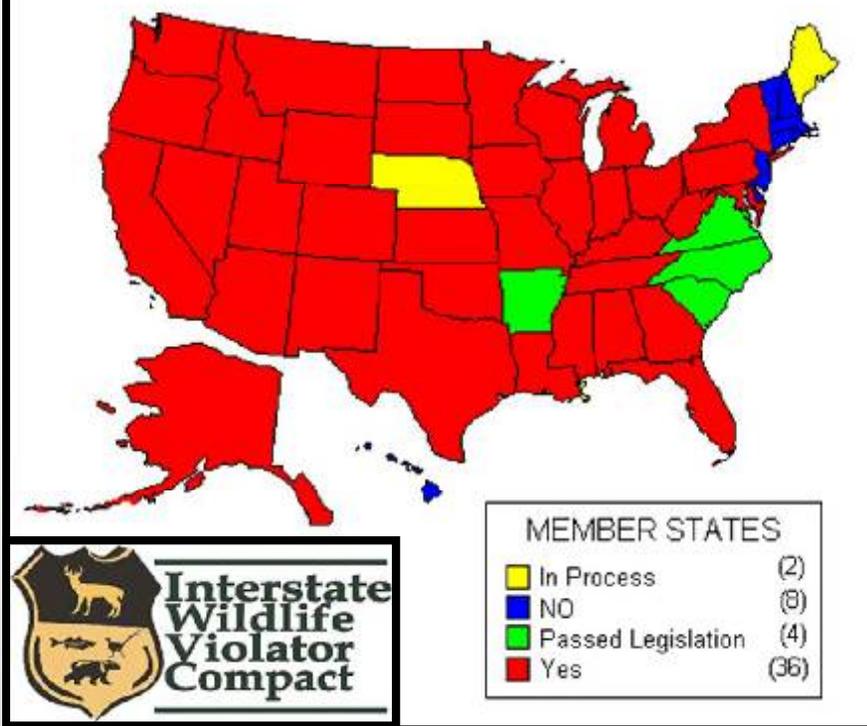
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- Hunter Education
  - Actually changed Aug. 26
  - Age of exemption lowers from 36 to 31
  - Hunters age 8 – 30 can purchase apprentice designated license
  - All big game hunters under the age of 10 must be accompanied while hunting big game, regardless of HE certification

# Hunting REGULATION CHANGES

Wildlife Compact Member States



- Oklahoma now a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact
  - 36 states, soon to be 42
  - Violators can lose hunting privileges in all member states.
- New (non-wildlife) laws have increased trespassing penalties and altered provisions.

# Hunting SEASON OUTLOOK



- Deer Harvest Numbers
  - 2010-2011: 109,000
  - 2011-2012 Estimated: 95,000 – 115,000
- Antler growth should not be affected by drought.
- No rainfall?
  - Could affect deer patterns if they have to look harder for food.
  - Drought could make deer feeders and watering holes a good bet.



# Hunting SEASON OUTLOOK



- Dove season outlook is good
  - Need cool air up north
  - Waterholes should be good spots, especially if we don't get rain.
- Season Changes
  - Must follow US Fish and Wildlife Service framework.
  - Changes made to allow residents to hunt dove during Christmas break.
  - Changes also allowed for more simplified regulations.

