

# The Alberta Fish and Game Association is your voice in conservation

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Travis Ripley, Executive Director Fish and Wildlife Stewardship Branch Environment and Parks

Emailed to: <u>Travis.Ripley@gov.ab.ca</u>

Director Travis Ripley;

Thank you for your communication on recent developments with the Minister's Special License program. As you know, The Alberta Fish and Game Association (AFGA) has had a decade-long commitment to this important Alberta Environment & Parks initiative.

The AFGA has always held a number of precepts as inviolate.

- 85% of all revenue derived has always been, and will be, directed towards qualified conservation projects in Alberta.
- The auctions are intended to attract an international audience and pocketbook.
- The raffles are limited to Alberta Residents only, giving them an equal opportunity for the same number of tags as the auctions.
- Raffle ticket purchases are initially limited, for the first 30 to 90 days, to 100 tickets per person per species per day.
- Only the actual winners of the auctions or the raffles can use the tags won. In other words, the tags cannot be resold/traded/given to any other individual.

It is with these fundamentals in mind that I carefully monitored this past weekend's Minister's Special License auction by the Alberta Professional Outfitters Society held as part of the 43rd Annual Wild Sheep Foundation Midwest Chapter Fundraiser.

I do note that the winner of all <u>three</u> auctions was identified as "Greatwhite1" (please see the attachment). This does raise the possibility that this winner may not intend to personally use all three tags in the 2022 hunting season and may be considering to resell/trade/give these tags to some other individual(s).

Could you please formally re-affirm that our principles covered in the five bullet points above still apply, and will specifically apply to Greatwhite1 as the winner of these recent auctions?

Yours in Conservation,

Victor Benz, President

The Alberta Fish and Game Association

cc: AFGA Executive

Attm: (1)

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# 10SNA - 2022/2023 ALBERTA MIRRIAM S TURKEY MINISTER S SPECIAL PERMIT

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## **Bidding Has Concluded**

2022 Mar 26 @ 19:45 Auction Local Time (UTC-5) 2022 Mar 26 @ 16:45 Pacific Time

Sold to Greatwhite1 for  $(3,200.00 + 128.00) \times 1 = 3,328.00$ 



## 20SNA - 2022 ALBERTA ANTELOPE MINISTER S SPECIAL PERMIT

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Sold to Greatwhite1 for  $(6,100.00 + 244.00) \times 1 = 6,344.00$  Sold to Greatwhite1 for  $(16,000.00 + 640.00) \times 1 = 16,640.00$ 



## 30SNA - 2022 ALBERTA MOOSE MINISTER S **SPECIAL PERMIT**

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