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## Theodore Roosevelt National Park      News Release

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### **Park Now Accepting Volunteer Applications for Elk Herd Reduction**

Theodore Roosevelt National Park is now accepting applications for volunteers to assist with its elk herd reduction program. Application materials and Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the Theodore Roosevelt National Park website at <http://www.nps.gov/thro>. Potential volunteers may apply as individuals; groups of up to four people may apply together. Applications will be accepted only through the on-line process.

“There has been a strong interest in volunteering for this program for some time, and we are very pleased to announce the availability of this application,” said Superintendent Valerie Naylor. “We have gone to great lengths to automate and streamline the application process, and to ensure the selection of volunteers will be as fair as possible.”

As each application is received into the database, it will be automatically assigned a unique identification number. At the close of the application period, successful applicants will be determined by a random selection. Twenty volunteers will be selected for each week of the twelve-week elk reduction period, which will run from November 1, 2010 to January 21, 2011. Applicants can expect to know the status of their applications 2 to 4 weeks after the close of the application period. As many as 240 people will be able to participate as elk reduction volunteers during the coming season.

Applications will be accepted through August 9, 2010. Questions regarding this volunteer program or opportunities for paid elk-packer positions should be directed to Theodore Roosevelt National Park Chief of Resource Management Bill Whitworth at 701-623-4466.

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