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Up to \$1,500 reward offered in cow elk poaching near Chevelon Canyon

PINETOP, Ariz. — The Arizona Game and Fish Department is asking for the public's help in finding the individual or individuals responsible for the illegal killing of a cow elk at Mormon Crossing near Chevelon Canyon on or before April 7. The elk was illegally shot and killed in Game Management Unit 4A south of Winslow, adjacent to Forest Road 504.

"The elk was needlessly killed and left to waste with nothing removed from the carcass," says Ken Clay III, wildlife manager in Unit 4A. "This isn't the action of a hunter. This is a criminal act of stealing wildlife assets and resources from the people of Arizona."

The department's Operation Game Thief Program is offering a reward of up to \$1,500 for information leading to the arrest of the subject or subjects who committed this crime. To report information on this incident, or any wildlife law violation, call the department's Operation Game Thief hotline toll-free at (800) 352-0700, or report online at www.azgfd.gov/thief, and reference case number 12-000625. Caller identities may remain confidential upon request.

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