

# Tribal Treaty Rights

Many of the Tribes who were Native to Montana and Surrounding Regions Entered into Treaties that Preserved Their Right to Continue to Hunt Bison Outside of Their Respective Reservations.

Tribal hunters from the Confederated Salish and Kootenai, the Shoshoni-Bannock, the Nez Perce, and the Umatilla tribes are able to hunt bison in regions of Montana based on the off-reservation hunting rights within their respective treaties.

What are the Off-Reservation Hunting Rights of Other Tribes? Not as Clear Due to Treaty Disputes, but That Does Not Mean That They May Not Have Off-Reservation Hunting Rights.

A legislative statute preserves the limited rights to hunt bison of the Assiniboine and Sioux, Blackfeet, Chippewa Cree, Crow, Gros Ventre and Assiniboine, Northern Cheyenne, and Little Shell Band of Chippewa (MCA 87-2-731).

