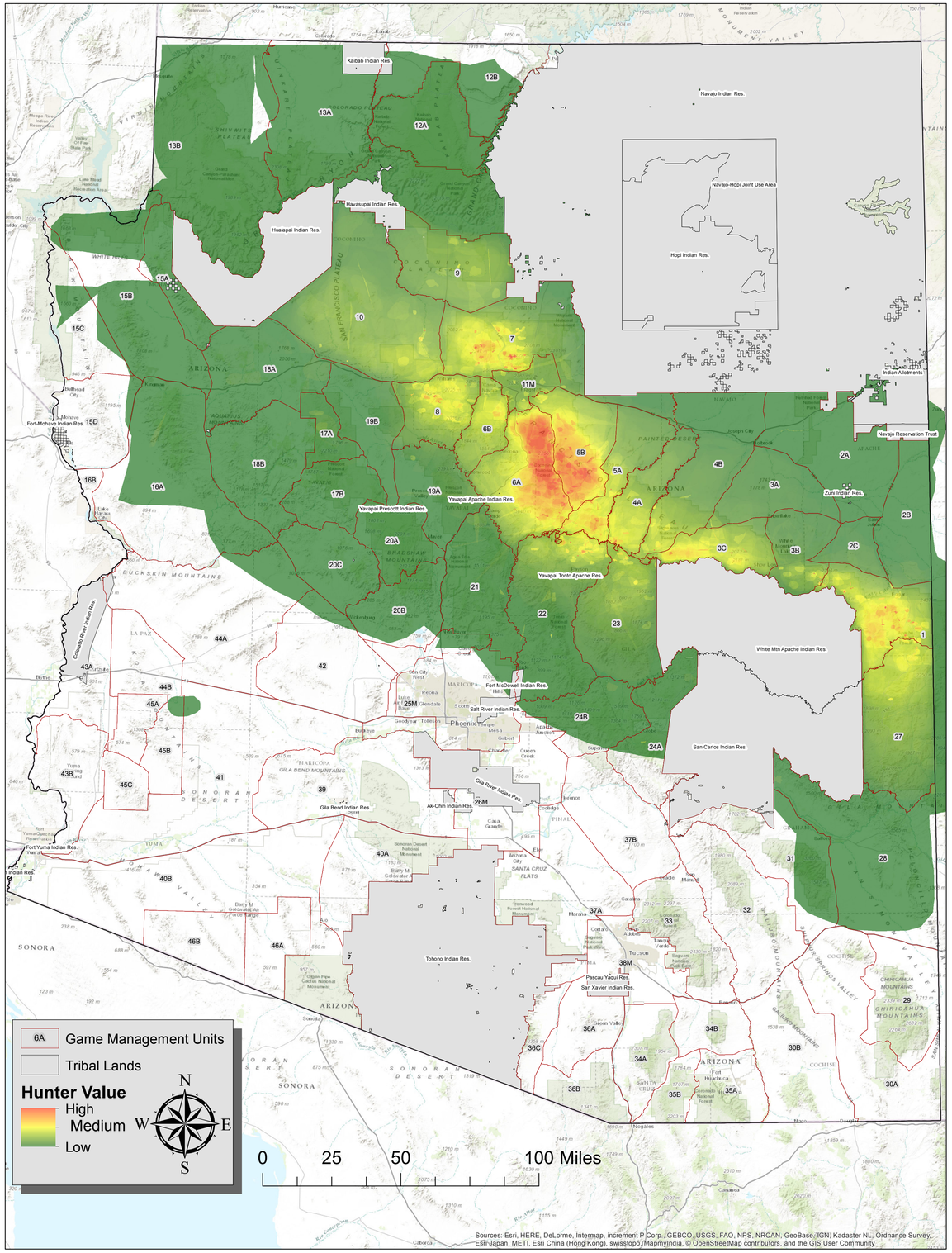
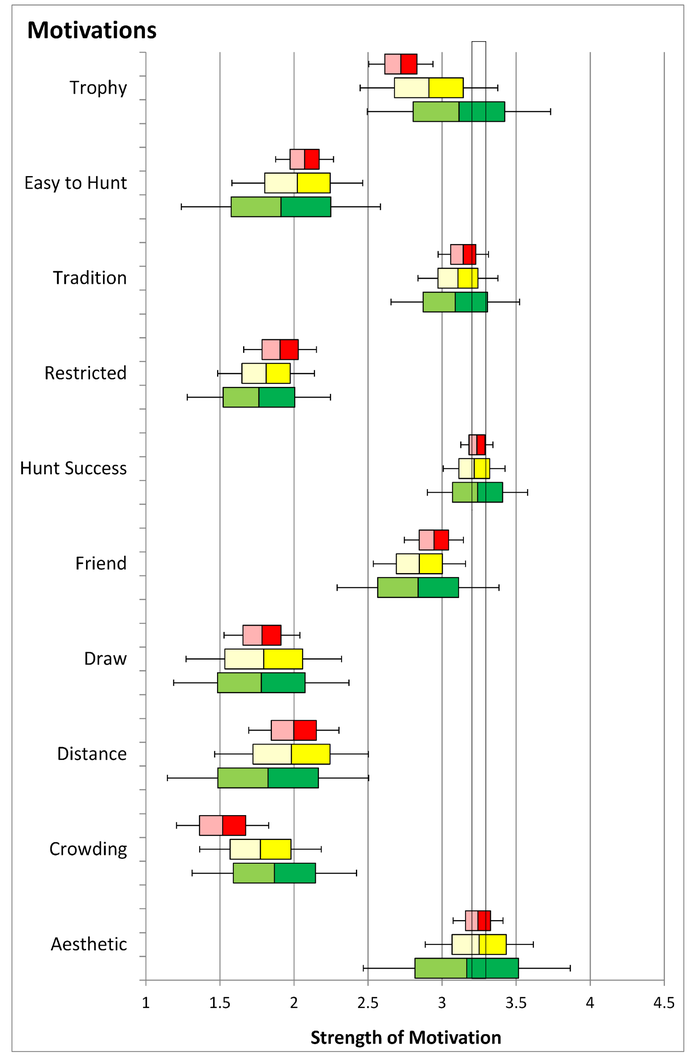
Highly Valued Elk Hunting Locations in Arizona



The Sportsmen's Values Mapping Project captures input from local hunters and anglers to delineate the areas that they value most for hunting and fishing. This project directly involved hunters and anglers in issues that affect them in Arizona, and to ensure that their interests are represented in land-management decisions.

This map depicts the most highly valued locations where over 1100 survey respondents prefer to hunt elk. In general, large, less-specific areas received less weight than specific, carefully drawn areas. The motivation chart below shows the strongest attitudes that influenced where respondents drew their most highly valued hunting areas. For elk, the most influential attitudes in areas that were most highly valued by hunters were:

- Aesthics - the scenery and landscape aesthetics here are high
- Hunter Success - there is a high chance of harvesting game
- Tradition - it is my usual place to hunt
- Friend - a friend suggested this location
- Trophy - there is a high chance of harvesting a trophy individual



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