

theHunter: Call of the Wild Announcing Pacific Northwest Hunting Reserve Release Trailer Now Available

STOCKHOLM (FEBRUARY 8, 2017) – With just over a week until the full release of *theHunter: Call of the Wild,* Avalanche Studios and Expansive Worlds are excited to share the <u>Release Trailer</u> featuring the game's second major hunting reserve, dubbed Layton Lake District.

Set in the Pacific Northwest, Layton Lake District offers a dramatic departure from the mellow autumn hues of the previously announced Hirschfelden hunting reserve. Featuring dense pine forests surrounded by snow-covered peaks; the vast landscape is inhabited by majestic game like the Moose, the Whitetail Deer, the Roosevelt Elk, the Black Bear, and more.

A total of 14 unique base weapons are available across the two massive reserves, ranging from long-range rifles to stealthy precision bows and agile handguns. Some can be customized with scopes and outfitted with different types of ammunition. A set of skills can also alter the way you handle weapons, like decreasing recoil or reloading faster in a tight spot.

Lastly, we announce that *theHunter: Call of the Wild* supports Tobii eye tracking at launch. This impressive technology heightens one of hunting's most important senses and makes it an even bigger part of the gameplay experience. Freely explore your surroundings, become more aware of the environment, and increase your sense of immersion.

The Release Trailer, all rendered in-game by Apex – Avalanche Studios Open World Engine, shows off the unique Pacific Northwest setting and features a level of detail previously never seen in a hunting game.

the Hunter: Call of the Wild launches on February 16, 2017 for PC. The game is priced at \$29.99, and will be supported by DLC packages. Find it on Steam here.

KEY FEATURES

A Next-Generation Hunting Experience.

- theHunter: Call of the Wild offers the most immersive hunting experience ever created. Step
 into a beautiful open world teeming with life, from majestic deer, black bears and aweinspiring bison down to the countless birds, critters and insects of the wilderness.
- Experience complex animal behavior, dynamic weather events, full day and night cycles, simulated ballistics, highly realistic acoustics, scents carried by a sophisticated wind system, and much more. All systems work together to increase immersion and bring out the hunter in you.

Explore a Vast Open World.

Explore 50 square miles of varied terrain, ranging from wetlands and dense forests to lush
valleys and open farm fields. The vast world of the Hunter: Call of the Wild is split up into
separate and distinct hunting reserves, each one filled with surprises and memorable
moments.

 Take on missions and challenges from the locals, or go off the beaten path. Discover lookouts, hunting towers and outposts. They will allow you to move swiftly and effortlessly throughout the massive open world.

A Decade in the Making.

- theHunter: Call of the Wild is the evolution of theHunter, Expansive Worlds' stand-out hunting game, with close to 7 million registered players and 7 years of live operations.
- Avalanche Studios and Expansive Worlds bring hunting to a new generation of players.
 theHunter: Call of the Wild is built using Apex Avalanche Open World Engine, awardwinning technology crafted during a decade of developing explosive action games.

Become a Hunter. Design the Hunt.

- Acquire and equip a range of rifles, handguns and bows and customize them with scopes and
 different ammunition types. Find and master your favorites. Develop your character by
 unlocking various skills and equipment. Learn how to use callers and scents, but above all
 else, study your prey: pay close attention to animal behavior, traits and patterns of
 movement.
- New to hunting? Not a problem. Intelligent systems will aid and assist to make sure you get the most out of your hunt, whether you're a hopeful novice or grizzled veteran.

Share Hunting Experiences. Earn Bragging Rights.

- In addition to its rich single player experience, the Hunter: Call of the Wild offers unique
 multiplayer options. Join up to 8 friends (or complete strangers!) in cooperative and
 competitive modes. Enjoy a wide range of in-game challenges and events. Hunting is more
 rewarding and exciting with friends, so share your experiences and earn those bragging
 rights.
- theHunter is a franchise built around its community. True to that legacy, the evolution of theHunter: Call of the Wild will be shaped by the deep knowledge and unrivaled dedication of its players. Together, we'll make it an even richer experience over time.

About Avalanche Studios

Avalanche Studios is the original creator of the award-winning Just Cause franchise, and most recently released Just Cause 3 (published by Square Enix). Just two months earlier, it released Mad Max (published by Warner Bros. Interactive Entertainment). The studio has also created acclaimed twin stick shooter Renegade Ops (published by SEGA) and self-published free-to-play service theHunter (developed by subsidiary Expansive Worlds) with close to 7 million registered players across 190 countries. Avalanche Studios, which is based in Stockholm and New York City, was founded in 2003 by Christofer Sundberg and Linus Blomberg. The studio develops games created using the proprietary Apex – Avalanche Open World Engine – enabling huge open worlds filled with emergent gameplay.

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Pre-release media copies of game, b-roll footage and limited interview opportunities available upon request.

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