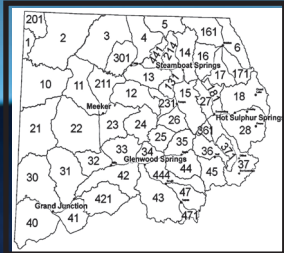


COLORADO BIG GAME HUNT GUIDE NORTHWEST REGION



HUNT GUIDE: 2017-2018 DEER ELK MOOSE PRONGHORN BEAR



INCLUDES:

- Harvest Stats by GMU
- Hunter Success Rates by GMU
- Game Sex/Age Ratios by Herd
- Important Phone Numbers
- Shooting Range Info
- Survival Tips

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NEW IN THE NORTHWEST - 2017

CHANGES TO LICENSE REFUND, REISSUE AND EXCHANGE POLICIES

All license exchanges will be charged a fee of fifty percent of the cost of the original license, not to exceed \$25. Read the license exchange policy in full at cpw.state.co.us/LCPolicy.Changes to CPW license refunds and reissues became effective April 2016: hunters who need to refund a license will have to do so at least 30 days prior to the start of the season for which the license is valid. Most licenses that have been returned will be made available to the public on the leftover license sales list (cpw.state.co.us/Leftover):

2017 LICENSE REISSUE POLICY

Any license that is returned to CPW that took 5 or more preference points to draw will be manually reissued to the next eligible person based on the residency status of the returned license.

- » If a resident license gets returned, it will be reissued to a resident; if a nonresident license gets returned, it will be reissued to a nonresident.

- **For** each license returned, CPW will contact the next 5 people from the current year's draw order.
- **If** one of those individuals accepts the license from the manual reissue process, all of that person's preference points will be used.
- **If** a person has a current conflicting license for that species, they may exchange their current license for the one being offered.
- **The** exchange fee will be assessed, which is fifty percent of the cost of the original license, not to exceed \$25.
- **If** none of those 5 people accept the license from the manual reissue process, it will be placed onto the leftover list at random intervals.
- **Any** license that is returned to CPW that took fewer than 5 preference points to draw will automatically be placed onto the leftover list at random intervals.
- Customers who obtain a license from the leftover list will NOT have to use their preference points.
- **CPW** will be making additional adjustments to the license refund, reissue and exchange policies in 2017. Check our website for the most up-to-date information: cpw.state.co.us/refunds

MANDATORY CWD TESTING IN SELECT GMUS

In order to better gauge the presence of CWD in select deer herds, CPW will require mandatory submission of CWD test samples from some hunter-harvested bucks and does during the 2017 archery, muzzleloader and rifle seasons. Any notified hunter that harvests a deer in the hunts specified (pages 19–28) will be required to present their deer for testing at a CPW facility. There will be no charge for this mandatory testing. Get more information at cpw.state.co.us/bg/CWD.

HUNTER PINK AN ALTERNATIVE TO HUNTER ORANGE

It is now legal for hunters to wear solid fluorescent pink clothing as an alternative to solid daylight fluorescent orange garments. This law applies to those who take deer, elk, pronghorn, moose or black bear with any firearm. Private Ranching for Wildlife hunters hunting with archery equipment are not required to wear fluorescent orange or pink, although they may wish to consider wearing it if concerned about visibility to other hunters. Read the fact sheet at cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Hunt.aspx.

HOOF OVERGROWTH

CPW's Wildlife Health Program Is Investigating 'Hoof Overgrowth' in Moose and Elk. If you harvest an animal with overgrown hooves, please report it immediately to a wildlife officer, your local CPW office or by email to karen.fox@state.co.us. Include your closest estimation of where the animal was harvested. GPS coordinates are helpful.

**FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PLEASE REFER TO THE
2017 COLORADO BIG GAME BROCHURE**

ANTLER POINT RESTRICTIONS

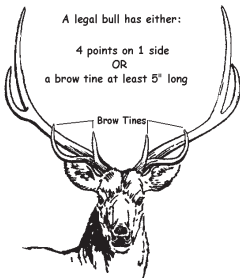
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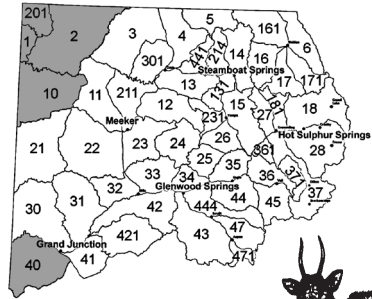
**Spike Buck
(at least 5")**

All buck (antlered) deer harvested in northwest Colorado must have at least one 5" spike.

ELK



Legal bulls in white units must have at least one brow tine that is at least 5 inches



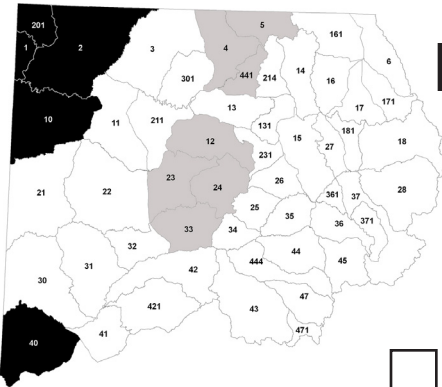
Legal bull in shaded limited units must have at least a 5 inch spike on one side.



UNLIMITED BULL ELK LICENSES

Over the counter bull elk licenses are available to non-resident and resident hunters in northwest Colorado.

The map below shows where these licenses are valid.

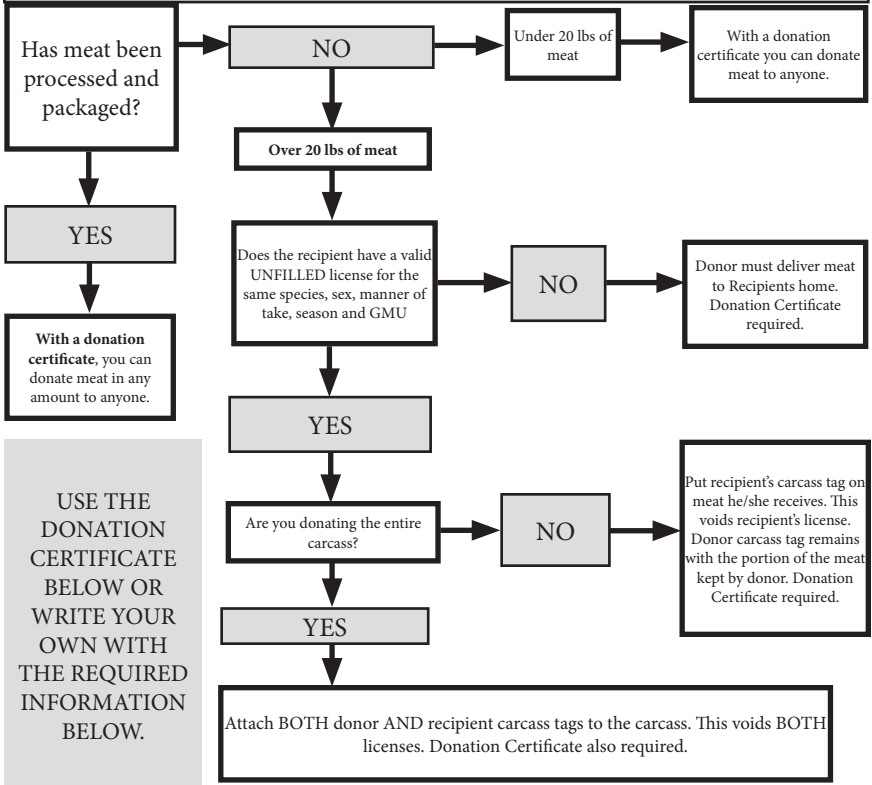


LIMITED UNITS - Draw Only
You may NOT hunt in these areas with an over-the-counter license

ARCHERY RESTRICTION
Rifle hunters may hunt in these areas with an over-the-counter license, however archery over-the-counter license holders may only hunt on private land in these units.

UNLIMITED UNITS
Hunters with an unlimited bull elk license (archery or rifle) may hunt in these units. Remember: You must still have permission to hunt private land.

DONATING GAME MEAT



USE THE DONATION CERTIFICATE BELOW OR WRITE YOUR OWN WITH THE REQUIRED INFORMATION BELOW.

STATE OF COLORADO

GAME DONATION CERTIFICATE

Date: _____

Donor name _____

Donor Address _____

Recipient name _____

Recipient Address _____

Kind of game donated _____

Number/Weight of donation _____

The above mentioned game and/or fish was legally taken on (date): _____

using hunting license # _____

Signature Recipient _____

Signature Donor _____

Make two copies - one for donor, one for recipient

Who Needs to Register

All OHVs owned and operated in Colorado (including motor vehicles and motorcycles that are not licensed for public road access) must display current Colorado OHV registration stickers when in a person's possession in an OHV staging area or operated on designated OHV trails or routes in Colorado.

All OHVs and motor vehicles (including motorcycles) that display a valid Colorado or out-of-state license plate must also display a current Colorado OHV use permit sticker when operated on designated OHV trails in Colorado.”

All out of state OHVs (including OHVs that display an out of state OHV registration) must also display a current Colorado OHV use permit sticker when operated on designated OHV trails or routes in Colorado.

Out-Of-State OHVs

Out-of-state residents who bring OHVs into Colorado must purchase a Colorado Non-Resident OHV permit which is valid from the date of purchase through the following March 31. These permits can be purchased anywhere you get your hunting/fishing licenses in Colorado, via mail-in request, or you can order one online.

Once purchased, this sticker should be placed on the vehicle's outside face of the right front fender or fork. Since this is only a use permit, no renewal notice will be sent to non-resident permit holders; you must purchase a new permit each year you come to Colorado with your OHV.

For more information about OHVs from CPW, go to

www.cpw.state.co.us/buyapply/Pages/RegistrationsOHV.aspx



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USING FIREARMS SAFELY IS YOUR *RESPONSIBILITY*

Pay Attention, or Pay the Price!



ALWAYS BE SAFE WITH YOUR FIREARM



IF YOU ARE NOT 100 PERCENT SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND WHAT'S BEYOND, DO NOT AIM! DO NOT SHOOT!

Your careless mistake can cause severe injuries or death.

THE BASIC RULES

- Treat every firearm as if it's loaded.
- Don't point the muzzle at anything you do not intend to shoot.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until you're on target and ready to shoot.
- Always be 100 percent sure of your target, and what's beyond.



Always use a good pair of binoculars.
Rifle scopes are for aiming only.

BE PATIENT AND USE GOOD OPTICS! SAFE HUNTING IS NO ACCIDENT!



**REPORT POACHING OR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO
OPERATION GAME THIEF
1-877-COLO OGT (265-6648)**

UNDERSTANDING HARVEST STATS & HERD RATIOS

Ever see a baseball player with a .125 batting average hit a home run? Ever see a ‘can’t miss’ stock take a plunge? Ever hunt a unit with a 100% success rate and not see any deer? If you’re nodding your head to any of these scenarios then you’re one of the people who knows that statistics are a good guide, but they aren’t a guarantee. So, here’s a guide to help make sense of these stats.

AGE & SEX RATIOS				
Herd	GMUs	Male:Female Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
A	B	C	D	E

A - Herd Name - A herd is generally defined as the area where a group of animals spends the entire year. A herd area includes winter range, transition range, migratory corridors, fawning and calving areas and summer range.

B - Game Management Units - geographic areas within a herd area. Herds may use many GMUs or a single GMU. Because herd areas and the booklet chapters don’t always overlap cleanly on a map, you may see that an area in this booklet may have multiple herds or herds may be split by multiple areas in the booklet.

C - Male:Female Objective - The ratio of male animals to female animals that CPW is trying to obtain. This is the goal that optimizes the herd as a quality herd (producing more ‘trophy’ type bucks and bulls), an opportunity herd (producing more hunting opportunity) or something in between.

D - Population Estimate - This is the current year estimate of the size of the herd. As it is impossible to physically count every animal, the estimate is derived through computer modeling, on-the-ground observation, harvest data and other factors.

E - Population Objective - Often given as a range, this is the population that CPW is trying to achieve. This number is based on herd plans (called “DAU Plans” internally) that are developed through a public participation process. The herd objective is set to try and balance concerns of interested parties, which may range from agricultural damage to hunter preference.

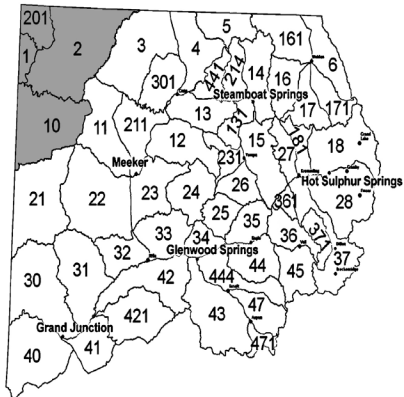
Because space is limited in the booklet, we generally only include the major seasons (archery, muzzleloader and four rifle seasons). In units where early or late seasons are critical, we’ve tried to list those numbers. Additional harvest stats can be found on our web site at cpw.state.co.us.

When reading the harvest stats, keep in mind that the statistics are derived utilizing statistical sampling techniques. With more than 300,000 hunting licenses sold in Colorado each year, it’s impossible to contact every hunter. So a statistical sample is matched with license sales data and an estimate of hunter numbers and hunter success is established.

In some smaller units you may not see any data reported for a season in which you participated. There are instances where not enough hunters respond to our survey inquiries and therefore it isn’t possible to report any data.

Also keep in mind that past performance doesn’t necessarily guide future success. Warm weather during the previous year may have limited harvest. Cold and snowy weather may have sent hunters home early the previous year, limiting the harvest. You may have better conditions. A forest fire or other event may have disrupted an area the last year.

To compensate for some of those factors that might skew harvest dramatically higher or lower in a unit, we’ve added three-year and five-year hunter success average columns.



GREEN RIVER

**GMU
1, 2, 10, 201**

**LOCAL CPW OFFICE
Meeker (970) 878-6090**

AREA MAPS	BLM Canyon of Lodore BLM Rangely
AREA INFO	www.rangely.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

In this area, 9,700' Diamond Mountain is the highest point, dropping to 5100' elevation at the White River. Sage and sage-grassland dominate, with the typical vegetation groups as the elevation increases.

Weather is generally mild through the later seasons, though the higher elevations can have significant snow accumulations.

Public land accounts for more than 85% of GMU 201. GMU 2 is a 'checker-board' of public and private land, and GMU 10 is mostly BLM land with a lot of scattered private land. Consult a map and be aware of where you are.

GMU 1 has poor access into the rough, rocky terrain and into the wilderness area. You must draw a license to hunt the Green River units, and it can take many years of preference points. Hence, the hunting pressure is typically light.

An agreement with a private land owner and the State Land Board opens several thousand acres in GMU 201 for public hunting access.

See the Craig Chamber of Commerce or the CPW office in Meeker for details.

Dinosaur National Park Is Closed To All Hunting.

GREEN RIVER DEER INFORMATION

Deer are scattered throughout GMUs 2,10 & 201. If there is winter range migration, it is usually during 3rd season. Deer in GMU 1 tend to stay at the south & north ends of Brown's Park Refuge. The average good buck in GMUs 2 and 201 measures 24-26". There are trophy bucks in GMU 10, however they tend to have tall versus wide antlers. Hunt the brush-covered areas, high elevations early in the season, lower elevations later.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objectives	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Little Snake	1, 2, 201	15:100	1800	13,500
Rangely	10	20:100	950	7,000

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
1	Archery	0	0	0	0	1	0	50	33
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	25
	2nd Rifle	9	0	0	9	9	100	100	100
	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	4	100	100	100
2	Archery	1	0	0	1	4	25	33	50
	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	5	80	92	84
	2nd Rifle	11	0	0	11	13	85	92	90
	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	9	89	83	88
10	Archery	0	0	0	0	1	0	33	20
	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	3rd Rifle	18	0	0	18	20	90	85	85
201	Archery	4	0	0	4	8	50	43	50
	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	7	86	90	83
	2nd Rifle	22	0	0	22	23	96	97	94
	3rd Rifle	12	0	0	12	12	100	97	88
	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	3	100	100	100



GREEN RIVER ELK INFORMATION

Big, 300 + size bulls are common. The elk tend to stay put over the seasons. Movement is weather dependent. Overall, elk are scattered in GMUs 2, 10, 201 and the northern portion of GMU 1. We recommend Blue Mountain and Moosehead Mtn in GMU 10, but be prepared for rough terrain. When hunting GMUs 2 or 201 - hold out for a good bull - the average size is around 305. In GMU 2, try the SW corner. In GMU 1, try Hoy Draw & Chokecherry Draw.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES				
Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Green River	1	30:100	200	170
Rangely - Blue Mt.	10	40:100	4,050	1,200
Cold Springs	2, 201	58:100	1,230	1,000

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS									
UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
1	Archery	2	0	0	2	2	100	60	57
	Muzzle	1	0	0	1	8	13	30	31
	Early	9	4	0	13	14	93	59	59
	1st Rifle	0	2	0	2	8	25	37	38
	2nd Rifle	0	3	0	3	20	15	20	20
	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	12	0	23	44
	4th Rifle	0	8	0	8	28	29	33	19
2	Archery	5	0	0	5	10	50	65	76
	Muzzle	7	3	0	10	12	83	69	59
	Early	27	5	0	32	40	80	74	71
	1st Rifle	0	9	2	11	28	39	47	46
	2nd Rifle	0	10	0	10	21	48	46	38
	3rd Rifle	0	26	0	26	31	84	62	48
	4th Rifle	0	26	2	28	38	74	58	43



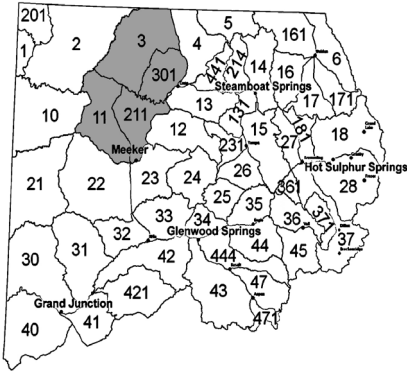
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GREEN RIVER ELK INFORMATION

2016 ELK HARVEST (Cont.)

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
10	Archery	12	0	0	12	14	86	91	74
	Muzzle	1	4	0	5	8	63	50	51
	Early	31	51	10	92	125	74	65	67
	1st Rifle	0	35	7	42	53	79	61	53
	2nd Rifle	0	23	4	27	62	44	44	48
	3rd Rifle	0	10	0	10	67	15	42	44
	4th Rifle	0	107	0	107	232	46	47	44
201	Archery	8	0	0	8	9	89	88	80
	Muzzle	10	4	0	14	15	93	88	72
	Early	26	0	0	26	26	100	98	94
	1st Rifle	0	18	1	19	31	61	61	61
	2nd Rifle	0	18	4	22	52	42	53	52
	3rd Rifle	0	9	2	11	27	41	46	53
	4th Rifle	0	11	0	11	42	26	49	47





LOWER YAMPA

**GMU
3, 11, 211, 301**

**LOCAL CPW OFFICE
Meeker (970) 878-6090**

AREA MAPS	BLM Craig BLM Meeker
AREA INFO	www.craig-chamber.com www.meekerchamber.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

The Lower Yampa units lie south of Wyoming, bordered by White and Little Snake rivers.

The lower elevations of 6,000' consist of sage and sage steeps. Pinyon and juniper cover the upper elevations up to 8,500'.

Expect zero to light snow cover in 1st & 2nd seasons. The later seasons may bring moderate snow and a potential for near zero temperatures. If the weather is mild, deer and elk will not be present in high numbers until the later seasons.

Overall access is easy and 4WD is not necessary in most areas. Hunting pressure is heavy.

Outside of GMU 301, 70 percent of the Lower Yampa is public land.

MOOSE IN AREA

BE PATIENT!
ALWAYS BE 100% SURE OF YOUR TARGET!



LOWER YAMPA DEER INFORMATION

The buck-doe ratio is increasing. The mid-range elevations with mountain shrub and pinyon-juniper breaks generally hold the most deer, especially during the regular rifle seasons. Movement occurs with weather and hunting pressure. In 211 and 11, deer are generally found in the Danforth Hills during 2nd rifle season moving to lower elevations in Axial Basin (GMU 211), Bitterbrush SWA and adjacent BLM (GMU 11), and Crooked Wash (GMU 11) by 3rd and 4th rifle. Several thousand acres are open for public hunting in Axial Basin through a coordinated resource management plan (see Meeker CPW office for more details.)

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Bear's Ears	3, 4, 5, 14, 214, 301,441	22:100	33,130	37,800
White River	11, 12, 13, 22, 23, 24, 131, 211,231	22-25:100	30,550	67,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
3	Archery	29	0	0	29	61	48	44	41
	Muzzle	6	5	0	11	26	42	57	57
	2nd Rifle	323	66	4	393	585	67	72	69
	3rd Rifle	428	69	13	510	673	76	82	80
	4th Rifle	6	0	0	6	8	75	82	71
11	Archery	5	5	0	10	30	33	16	14
	Muzzle	11	0	0	11	26	42	36	33
	2nd Rifle	209	4	0	213	290	73	68	64
	3rd Rifle	235	3	0	238	279	85	80	80
	4th Rifle	4	0	0	4	4	100	64	63
211	Archery	0	0	0	0	17	0	8	7
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	8
	2nd Rifle	6	0	0	6	10	60	57	43
	3rd Rifle	122	4	0	126	203	62	65	62
	4th Rifle	162	12	0	174	207	84	78	75
	Late	9	0	0	9	11	82	85	87
301	Archery	0	0	0	0	11	0	42	54
	Muzzle	9	14	0	23	30	77	63	53
	2nd Rifle	163	18	0	181	290	62	71	72
	3rd Rifle	337	28	0	365	492	74	78	77
	4th Rifle	5	0	0	5	5	100	100	60

LOWER YAMPA ELK INFORMATION

The large elk herd occupies all available habitat. The later seasons are usually better, especially on public land, due to snow and hunting pressure pushing the elk out of the adjacent units. The success rate is very good on late cow elk hunts. Axial Basin CRM is a hot spot for hunting, but crowding is significant. The best bull hunting will be on private lands. *Youth hunting participation during the late seasons in these GMUs is now limited. Please see big game brochure for details.*

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Bears Ears	3, 4, 5, 14, 214, 301, 441	20-25:100	22,910	15,000-18,000
White River	11, 12, 13, 23, 24, 25, 26, 33, 34, 131, 211, 231	20-27:100	41,350	32,000 - 39,000

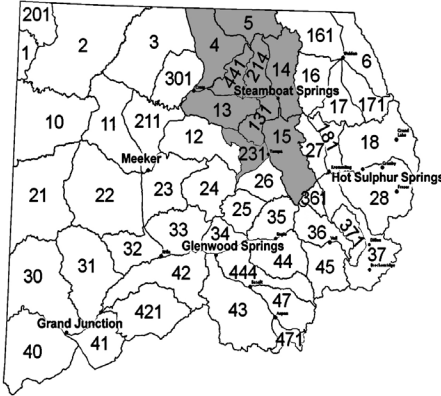
2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
3	Archery	0	0	0	0	78	0	10	11
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
	Early	0	65	0	65	189	34	54	53
	1st Rifle	100	37	0	137	296	46	39	37
	2nd Rifle	40	25	2	67	447	15	14	13
	3rd Rifle	27	55	5	87	1197	7	13	12
	4th Rifle	25	136	9	170	1045	16	25	26
11	Archery	20	10	0	30	228	13	15	16
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	4
	Early	0	64	5	69	136	51	57	48
	1st Rifle	285	170	9	464	1295	36	31	32
	2nd Rifle	50	29	7	86	653	13	13	15
	3rd Rifle	83	70	0	153	1075	14	16	16
	4th Rifle	44	147	18	209	1067	20	25	24
211	Archery	51	10	3	64	293	22	19	19
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	21	10	17	20
	Early	0	27	0	27	94	29	49	36
	1st Rifle	53	33	0	86	265	32	35	38
	2nd Rifle	95	41	4	140	521	27	24	24
	3rd Rifle	80	12	0	92	792	12	18	18
	4th Rifle	22	44	17	83	479	17	22	20
301	Archery	7	3	0	10	62	16	5	6
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
	Early	0	47	0	47	96	49	48	48
	1st Rifle	24	0	0	24	101	24	30	27
	2nd Rifle	28	15	2	45	313	14	18	14
	3rd Rifle	37	18	0	55	684	8	16	16
	4th Rifle	23	53	14	90	480	19	20	22

UPPER YAMPA

GMUs

**4, 5, 13, 14, 15,
131, 214, 231, 441**



LOCAL CPW OFFICE
GMUs 4 & 5-Meeker office
(970) 878-6090
Others - Steamboat Springs
(970) 870-2197

AREA MAPS	USFS Routt National Forest
AREA INFO	www.craig-chamber.com www.ci.steamboat.co.us

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

From a low of 6,300 to 12,000' along the Continental Divide. The Routt National Forest dominates the eastern 2/3 of the Upper Yampa units with coniferous forests and aspen.

Most of the land outside of the national forest is private land. Mountain shrub and rolling sage cover the low country.

Expect light to moderate snow in the 1st season, gradually increasing through the 4th season. 4WD is usually necessary on the secondary roads.

Hunting pressure is heavy. Hunters will have better success and enjoy more solitude by walking into remote areas.

Hunting pressure may create refuge situations on the private lands in GMUs 13, 131, 214 and 441. Mt. Zirkel (GMU 14) and Sarvis Creek (GMU 15) Wilderness Areas access is restricted to non-vehicle methods. Public hunting in GMUs 13 and 131 is limited to a few small parcels of BLM land and some State Trust Land parcels.

Domestic sheep grazing typically occurs on parts of the Routt National Forest through the months of August and September. Elk will typically avoid areas actively used by sheep but often are not far away. Hunters can use this knowledge to their advantage. To learn more about sheep management and actively grazed areas, archery and muzzleloader hunters are encouraged to contact the Hahns Peak-Bears Ranger District in Steamboat Springs at 970-870-2299, or visit the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests website at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/mbr>.

MOOSE IN AREA

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UPPER YAMPA DEER INFORMATION

The deer herd has declined in the upper Yampa units due to a variety of factors. Most of the deer will be found in the western section of these units. Movement is also to the west. Hot spots are located north of Hayden. Some good trophy bucks are seen in the southern portion. In GMUs 4 & 5, the buck hunting has shown steady improvement. This area is not managed for trophy bucks, but it does have a good number of adult males in the population. Hunt the aspen and brush areas.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Bears Ears	3, 4, 5, 14, 214, 301, 441	22:100	33,130	37,800
State Bridge	15, 35, 36, 45, 361	26-30:100	16,670	13,500 - 16,500
White River	11, 12, 13, 22, 23, 24, 131, 211, 231	22-25 :100	30,550	67,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
4	Archery	0	0	0	0	86	0	14	21
	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	27	22	39	44
	2nd Rifle	328	65	5	398	620	64	61	62
	3rd Rifle	291	27	3	321	402	80	83	81
	4th Rifle	10	0	0	10	13	77	84	89
5	Archery	23	0	8	31	132	23	29	22
	Muzzle	9	0	0	9	25	36	27	30
	2nd Rifle	62	4	2	68	132	52	63	62
	3rd Rifle	49	5	0	54	57	95	85	83
	4th Rifle	10	0	0	10	10	100	100	97
13	Archery	2	5	0	7	28	25	34	30
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	21	31
	2nd Rifle	96	5	0	101	151	67	66	59
	3rd Rifle	73	5	0	78	132	59	64	65
14	Archery	31	15	8	54	111	49	33	31
	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	28	14	37	34
	Early	15	0	0	15	30	50	41	36
	2nd Rifle	25	11	0	36	218	17	38	30
	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	19	0	5	8

UPPER YAMPA DEER INFORMATION

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS (Cont.)

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
15	Archery	33	23	0	56	250	22	24	20
	Muzzle	15	12	0	27	189	14	19	20
	2nd Rifle	143	98	7	248	736	34	36	38
	3rd Rifle	189	58	9	256	512	50	51	55
	4th Rifle	25	0	0	25	36	69	71	71
131	Archery	5	2	0	7	20	35	13	22
	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	9	22	31	24
	2nd Rifle	9	0	0	9	34	26	38	34
	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	18	22	26	24
214	Archery	15	11	0	26	56	46	25	19
	Muzzle	2	3	0	5	17	29	34	41
	2nd Rifle	52	12	0	64	135	47	46	43
	3rd Rifle	9	0	0	9	23	39	43	38
441	Archery	7	8	0	15	53	28	25	22
	Muzzle	2	6	0	8	11	73	54	46
	2nd Rifle	96	5	5	106	222	48	56	54
	3rd Rifle	32	0	0	32	72	44	69	65
	4th Rifle	1	0	0	1	1	100	100	100



UPPER YAMPA ELK INFORMATION

Elk are plentiful throughout the Upper Yampa area. Licenses are also readily available, but hunters should not rely on leftover license availability as these herds approach population objective. CPW has been working to minimize crop damage and significantly reduce the number of elk in these units. There are good numbers of bull elk, however, do not expect to see many large adult males. Large elk numbers occur on the Routt National Forest. The basic movement is from the higher to lower elevation in response to hunting pressure and weather. Hunt the timber and hunt the Routt National Forest early. Within the Upper Yampa GMU's, private lands access is primarily available on a fee hunting basis.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES				
Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Bears Ears	3, 4, 5, 14, 214, 301, 441	20-25:100	22,910	15,000-18,000
White River	11, 211, 12, 13, 131, 231, 23, 24, 25, 26, 33, 34	20-27:100	41,350	32,000-39,000
Gore Pass	15, 27	24-28:100	5,400	3,5000-4,500

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS									
UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
4	Archery	54	31	6	91	387	24	20	21
	Muzzle	0	21	2	23	76	30	24	27
	Early	0	122	0	122	274	45	45	45
	1st Rifle	200	158	8	366	893	41	38	39
	2nd Rifle	165	49	0	214	1371	16	18	19
	3rd Rifle	130	58	0	188	1005	19	26	27
	4th Rifle	23	42	0	65	502	13	27	27
5	Archery	17	11	0	28	152	18	22	24
	Muzzle	0	8	0	8	28	29	26	31
	Early	0	19	0	19	52	37	72	81
	1st Rifle	102	42	8	152	411	37	34	37
	2nd Rifle	111	10	2	123	542	23	25	26
	3rd Rifle	26	6	0	32	244	13	27	27
	4th Rifle	1	4	0	5	74	7	18	18
13	Archery	31	24	3	58	261	22	20	21
	Muzzle	0	6	0	6	29	21	31	31
	Early	0	86	13	99	264	38	56	59
	1st Rifle	86	30	0	116	355	33	35	42
	2nd Rifle	66	55	9	130	446	29	32	34
	3rd Rifle	89	46	4	139	479	29	34	37
	4th Rifle	0	77	8	85	323	26	48	51

UPPER YAMPA ELK INFORMATION

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

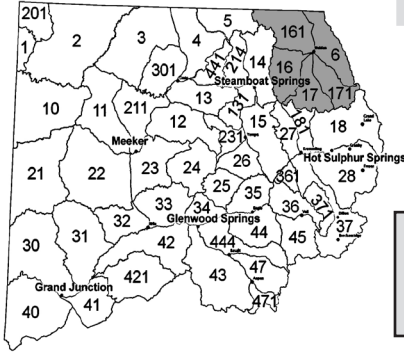
UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
14	Archery	102	27	7	136	1285	11	13	12
	Muzzle	0	10	0	10	35	29	14	17
	1st Rifle	45	15	5	65	201	32	22	25
	2nd Rifle	47	15	0	62	666	9	14	13
	3rd Rifle	20	8	0	28	333	8	12	14
	4th Rifle	8	4	0	12	107	11	21	24
	Late	0	35	0	35	50	70	48	54
15	Archery	31	13	4	48	1045	5	10	9
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	73	0	6	8
	1st Rifle	43	34	3	80	451	18	18	18
	2nd Rifle	75	47	0	122	1294	9	8	10
	3rd Rifle	31	16	13	60	945	6	9	10
	4th Rifle	10	32	0	42	240	18	20	20
	Late	0	76	0	76	149	51	45	42
131	Archery	44	37	0	81	396	20	15	18
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	20	0	18	19
	1st Rifle	15	26	0	41	131	31	25	23
	2nd Rifle	18	25	2	45	273	16	21	26
	3rd Rifle	0	20	0	20	193	10	27	28
	4th Rifle	2	15	5	22	79	28	30	33
	Late	0	41	6	47	117	40	47	50
214	Archery	44	17	3	64	496	13	14	16
	Muzzle	0	6	0	6	22	27	18	28
	Early	0	26	0	26	57	46	65	64
	1st Rifle	19	19	0	38	145	26	36	40
	2nd Rifle	65	59	3	127	594	21	26	27
	3rd Rifle	14	13	4	31	204	15	18	22
	4th Rifle	5	3	0	8	43	19	29	31
	Late	0	60	15	75	112	67	55	56
441	Archery	23	14	0	37	168	22	23	23
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	38	5	25	32
	Early	0	26	0	26	75	35	57	65
	1st Rifle	96	23	0	119	261	46	41	35
	2nd Rifle	54	21	0	75	481	16	19	21
	3rd Rifle	40	13	0	53	306	17	29	27
	4th Rifle	9	0	0	9	140	6	28	25
	Late	0	42	0	42	69	61	74	76

NORTH PARK

GMU

6, 16, 17, 161, 171

LOCAL CPW OFFICE
Steamboat Springs
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AREA MAPS

USFS Routt National Forest

AREA INFO

www.ci.steamboat.co.us

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

North Park borders Wyoming between the Continental Divide and Medicine Bow Mtns. The valley floor at 7,880' supports ag lands and sage.

Extensive willow stands line the streams - a favorite moose habitat, so be sure of your target. The forest surrounding the basin varies from aspen/lodgepole to spruce/fir.

The area is generally windy and colder than places in western Colorado. Prepare for snow during your hunt. 4WD is helpful, as are chains.

Over 2/3 of North Park is public land.

Mt. Zirkel (west) and Never Summer (southeast) are the Wilderness Areas.

Access to State Trust Lands and Wilderness Areas is non-motorized.

Big game can move onto private lands with no public access.

MOOSE IN AREA

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NORTH PARK DEER INFORMATION

If you are patient, you could have success hunting trophy bucks. North Park has an early rifle, deer-only season that begins as soon as possible after archery closes. This season provides additional hunter opportunities as many of the deer in North Park migrate early. Few deer are found in North Park during January classification flights. Small sample sizes lead to higher observed buck:doe ratios than can be expected during the hunting seasons. Use 3-year average success rates for choosing a hunt.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
North Park	6, 16, 17, 161, 171	30-40:100	6,470	5,400 - 6,600

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
6	Archery	0	0	0	0	31	0	16	16
	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	13	31	29	32
	Early	12	0	0	12	24	50	57	56
	2nd Rifle	15	0	0	15	20	75	75	65
	3rd Rifle	15	0	0	15	19	79	81	74
	4th Rifle	11	0	0	11	12	92	95	96
16	Archery	8	0	0	8	19	42	20	31
	Muzzle	11	0	0	11	15	73	73	65
	Early	28	0	0	28	47	60	58	55
	2nd Rifle	8	0	0	8	23	35	57	48
	3rd Rifle	3	0	0	3	6	50	32	20
17	Archery	0	0	0	0	17	0	9	17
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	75	56
	Early	9	0	0	9	24	38	53	47
	2nd Rifle	2	0	0	2	14	14	17	23
	3rd Rifle	2	0	0	2	10	20	19	20
161	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	42	43
	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	6	33	54	43
	Early	10	0	0	10	14	71	69	59
	2nd Rifle	8	0	0	8	21	38	68	64
	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	6	67	55	38
171	Archery	11	0	0	11	14	79	47	36
	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	13	46	44	46
	Early	7	0	0	7	20	35	50	47
	2nd Rifle	8	0	0	8	14	57	54	50
	3rd Rifle	3	0	0	3	13	23	56	53

NORTH PARK ELK INFORMATION

Elk are distributed evenly throughout these units. During the day, the bulls will be in dark timber - glass in the early morning and evening. The herd tends to stay in the coniferous timbered areas until late in the season, moving to lower elevations with snow and hunting pressure.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
North Park	6, 16, 17, 161, 171	20-23:100	4,490	4,000 - 4,500

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
6	Archery	27	37	3	67	840	8	10	9
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	97	0	11	10
	Early	0	12	0	12	27	44	53	50
	1st Rifle	50	112	4	166	748	22	17	19
	2nd Rifle	57	42	19	118	1030	11	9	9
	3rd Rifle	28	5	0	33	582	6	10	11
	4th Rifle	3	19	3	25	169	15	21	19
16	Archery	37	38	9	84	755	11	15	15
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	25	0	6	8
	Early	0	39	0	39	73	53	48	44
	1st Rifle	22	24	10	56	254	22	17	22
	2nd Rifle	40	19	0	59	437	14	14	16
	3rd Rifle	35	9	0	44	336	13	11	11
	4th Rifle	2	7	0	9	133	7	13	15
17	Archery	16	7	3	26	454	6	6	7
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	21	10	5	2
	Early	0	15	0	15	47	32	41	42
	1st Rifle	18	68	0	86	322	27	20	20
	2nd Rifle	35	26	0	61	527	12	14	13
	3rd Rifle	15	30	0	45	503	9	13	14
	4th Rifle	0	5	0	5	153	3	15	14
161	Archery	24	10	0	34	335	10	10	11
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	28	7	16	17
	Early	0	5	0	5	15	33	20	14
	1st Rifle	5	25	4	34	272	13	14	17
	2nd Rifle	29	27	9	65	343	19	8	10
	3rd Rifle	15	0	0	15	172	9	6	9
	4th Rifle	3	5	3	11	47	23	21	20
171	Archery	17	13	0	30	559	5	8	9
	Muzzle	0	5	0	5	34	15	13	10
	Early	0	28	5	33	35	94	79	65
	1st Rifle	4	14	0	18	299	6	17	16
	2nd Rifle	22	15	0	37	611	6	12	12
	3rd Rifle	24	0	2	26	370	7	10	10
	4th Rifle	3	0	3	6	157	4	6	8

BOOKCLIFFS/PICEANCE

GMU

21, 22, 30, 31, 32

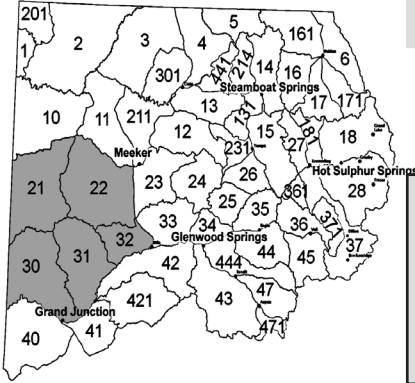
LOCAL CPW OFFICES

Meeker (GMU 21, 22)

(970) 878-6090

Grand Junction (GMU 30, 31, 32)

(970) 255-6100



AREA MAPS	BLM Douglas Pass BLM Meeker BLM Grand Junction	BLM Rangely BLM Glenwood Springs BLM Roan Plateau Travel Map
AREA INFO	www.visitgrandjunction.com or www.rangely.com	

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

Pinyon-juniper, with pockets of sagebrush, cover most of area at lower elevations. Higher elevations are characterized by sagebrush interspersed with aspen stands and some dark timber. Terrain varies from rolling sagebrush to steep-sided canyons. Some areas are steep & rugged, especially in southern portion..

Rains bring muddy roads. High elevation snows make roads impassible without chains.

75% of area is BLM land.

There are remote hunting areas accessible by foot, horseback or ATV. Get maps and study BLM access points.

Weather is generally mild.

Significant energy development occurring in these units.

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BOOKCLIFFS/PICEANCE

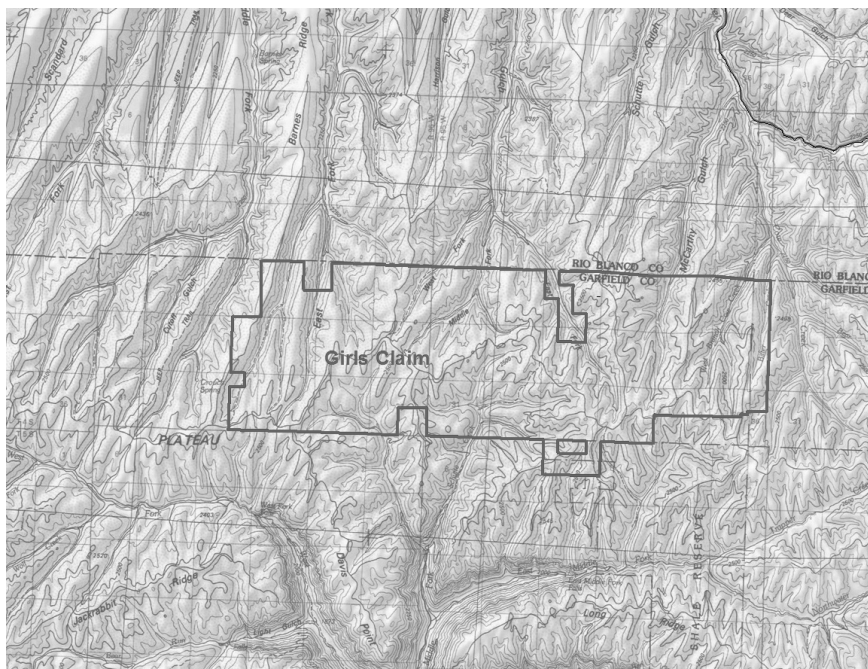
Important Note for Bookcliffs / Piceance Hunters

In 1986, the federal government sold thousands of acres of public land in the Piceance/Roan area (GMUs 22 and 32) to energy companies. The agreement required that the companies keep the land open to the public for 20 years. The public access agreement ended in 2006. These parcels, known as the “Girls Claims”, are now private property. Beyond the thousands of acres that are owned by the companies, these parcels also control access to thousands of acres of public land.

Access to these areas are not guaranteed and may change from year to year based on agreements and changing ownership.

DO NOT ASSUME PRIVATE LANDS REMAIN OPEN EACH YEAR, even if you have hunted there for years. Check signage or verify with landowners prior to hunting in these areas. Make sure you have current maps.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife has no control over closed lands. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the BLM or energy companies directly.



BOOKCLIFFS/PICEANCE DEER INFORMATION

The hunting ranges from fair to good in the Bookcliffs and Piceance units. Deer are well-distributed in the northern portion from mid-October. Concentrate on higher elevations in early seasons. If the weather is dry, you'll need to do a lot of walking and looking. Good snows will move the herds to lower elevations to the north and to the south. Hunt high early, low later. Cathedral Rim has some big bucks, but tough terrain. Little Hills and Dry Fork of Piceance is better late. GMUs 21 and 30 are managed as quality deer units and licenses are separate from licenses that are valid in units 22, 31 or 32.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Bookcliffs	21, 30	30-35:100	8,560	10,000 - 12,000
Logan Mountain	31, 32	25-30:100	6,470	6,500 - 8,500
White River Herd	22	22-25:100	30,550	67,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
21	Archery	22	0	0	22	52	42	39	44
	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	17	18	44	43
	2nd Rifle	229	0	0	229	251	91	86	87
	3rd Rifle	53	0	0	53	59	90	90	90
22	Archery	13	0	0	13	48	27	36	38
	Muzzle	33	0	0	33	46	72	60	52
	2nd Rifle	251	9	0	260	340	76	73	73
	3rd Rifle	256	7	0	263	321	82	79	80
	4th Rifle	8	0	0	8	15	53	50	63
30	Archery	4	2	0	6	23	26	28	33
	Muzzle	7	0	0	7	12	58	56	46
	2nd Rifle	38	4	0	42	75	56	59	60
	3rd Rifle	38	8	0	46	52	88	75	73
31	Archery	46	6	0	52	118	44	44	44
	Muzzle	50	0	0	50	63	79	64	66
	2nd Rifle	122	0	0	122	190	64	59	62
	3rd Rifle	121	0	0	121	172	70	66	65
32	Archery	14	9	0	23	60	38	34	36
	Muzzle	10	0	0	10	33	30	39	49
	2nd Rifle	34	0	0	34	75	45	63	55
	3rd Rifle	19	0	0	19	29	66	76	67

BOOKCLIFFS/PICEANCE ELK INFORMATION

Good cow hunting opportunities. The best hunting is in remote areas, mostly at high elevations, where the elk tend to hold up in pockets of green timber and aspen. Check out the Texas Mountain area and Rat Hole Ridge. Hunting pressure will push some bulls into the large expanses of pinyon-juniper. If snow and hunting pressure are sufficient, some elk will move into the Little Hills and Dry Fork area of Piceance later in the seasons. Most of the GMU 32 elk move into GMU 22 to winter. Elk normally concentrate on the north side of Douglas Pass during the archery, muzzleloader, and early rifle seasons. Movement of large numbers of elk into GMU-30 generally does not occur until early November.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Yellow Creek	21, 22, 30, 31, 32	18-22:100	10,920	7,000 - 9,000

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

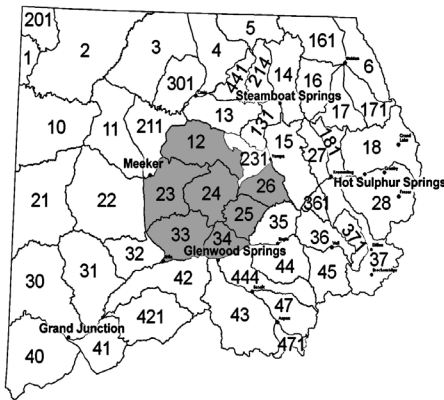
UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
21	Archery	47	28	0	75	480	16	18	16
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	34	0	11	9
	1st Rifle	78	20	4	102	375	27	19	22
	2nd Rifle	50	31	16	97	632	15	12	14
	3rd Rifle	15	78	11	104	526	20	18	17
	4th Rifle	18	24	5	47	178	26	21	20
22	Archery	40	13	0	53	420	13	20	17
	Muzzle	0	6	4	10	46	22	14	14
	Early	0	113	0	113	267	42	40	38
	1st Rifle	51	6	0	57	239	24	28	29
	2nd Rifle	99	25	4	128	675	19	14	15
	3rd Rifle	64	46	8	118	648	18	15	15
	4th Rifle	32	45	20	97	258	38	34	31
30	Archery	10	0	0	10	159	6	6	7
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	16	13	8	4
	1st Rifle	0	0	0	0	60	0	5	21
	2nd Rifle	18	15	9	42	229	18	16	14
	3rd Rifle	7	8	0	15	312	5	12	14
	4th Rifle	14	30	0	44	233	19	22	22

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS (Cont.)

BOOKCLIFFS/PICEANCE ELK INFORMATION

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
31	Archery	31	6	0	37	234	16	21	21
	Muzzle	0	4	0	4	14	29	42	20
	Early	0	25	0	25	90	28	38	44
	1st Rifle	70	0	6	76	160	48	44	38
	2nd Rifle	22	38	0	60	320	19	20	20
	3rd Rifle	33	17	5	55	379	15	19	18
	4th Rifle	0	96	24	120	453	26	25	22
32	Archery	17	10	0	27	261	10	12	14
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
	Early	0	24	16	40	47	85	40	54
	1st Rifle	39	3	3	45	88	51	54	36
	2nd Rifle	22	9	6	37	254	15	17	18
	3rd Rifle	4	7	0	11	195	6	12	13
	4th Rifle	0	14	0	14	60	23	16	20





WHITE RIVER

GMU

12, 23, 24, 25, 26, 33, 34,

LOCAL CPW OFFICES	
Glenwood Springs (GMU 25, 26, 34)	(970) 947-2920
Meeker (GMU 12, 23, 24)	(970) 878-6090
Steamboat Springs (GMU 26)	(970) 870-2197
Grand Junction (GMU 33)	(970) 255-6100

AREA MAPS	USFS White River National Forest
AREA INFO	www.glenwoodchamber.com or www.meekerchamber.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

White River offers variety & extremes. Several peaks in the Flattop Wilderness are 12,200' in elevation. Elevation drops to 5,300' near Rifle. The lower elevation vegetation starts out with sage, progressing to oakbrush/mtn brush, aspen, evergreens and alpine tundra.

Expect mild weather with light snow in the 1st season, with roads becoming impassable in the upper half of the area by the 3rd season. The high country in GMU 24 is prone to heavy snowstorms in late seasons. Heavy snowstorms can strand hunters on Flattops after 1st season. While there is a great deal of public land, hunting pressure is heavy especially in northern half of GMUs 23 & 24. 4WD is necessary on all but the few main paved roads. Half of the area is roadless - which makes for very good hunting if you can walk or pack in.

You may encounter heavy ATV traffic in GMUs 12, 23 and 33. Hunters in GMU 25 and 26 can gain access using Forest Service Road 610 (Stump Park Rd) or USFS Road 613 (Crescent Lake Rd).

MOOSE IN AREA

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WHITE RIVER DEER INFORMATION

The deer are scattered and will move in response to hunting pressure and weather. On National Forest lands in GMUs 12, 23, and 24, deer hunting is generally better in early seasons. Good public land deer hunting can typically be found in GMU 12 on the Jensen and Indian Run State Wildlife Areas. Jensen SWA is north of Meeker and Indian Run SWA is east of Hamilton. GMU 23 deer hunters can try Hay Flats and Miller Creek southwest of Meeker and the Jensen and Oak Ridge State Wildlife Areas north and east of Meeker. Deer densities are lower across GMU 24 but hunters can find deer on the south facing slopes above the White River. **UNIT 33 ARCHERY & MUZZLELOADER LICENSES NO LONGER VALID IN 23 & 24**— If you purchase an archery or muzzleloader license for unit 33, you can no longer also hunt in unit 23 and 24, and vice versa. There are now separate tags for these units. See the hunt tables for corresponding hunt codes.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Rifle Creek	33	30-35:100	7,680	7,700 - 9,400
Sweetwater Creek	25,26,34	28-32:100	5,550	5,000-6,000
White River	11, 12, 13, 22, 23, 24, 131, 211, 231	22-25:100	30,550	67,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS (Cont.)

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
12	Archery	9	7	0	16	60	27	25	20
	Muzzle	10	3	0	13	32	41	28	26
	Early	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
	2nd Rifle	128	0	0	128	248	52	55	55
	3rd Rifle	190	1	1	192	309	62	64	60
	4th Rifle	9	0	0	9	11	82	71	67
23	Archery	21	4	0	25	155	16	25	25
	Muzzle	23	0	2	25	71	35	30	35
	2nd Rifle	105	2	0	107	293	37	47	43
	3rd Rifle	89	1	0	90	149	60	57	53
	4th Rifle	4	0	0	4	4	100	71	82



WHITE RIVER DEER INFORMATION

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS (Cont.)

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
24	Archery	2	4	0	6	61	10	18	14
	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	26	15	14	15
	Early	1	0	0	1	5	20	25	19
	2nd Rifle	16	2	0	18	103	17	30	24
	3rd Rifle	17	0	0	17	58	29	30	30
	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
25	Archery	4	14	0	18	107	17	16	17
	Muzzle	13	4	0	17	89	19	18	20
	Early	0	0	0	0	2	0	13	7
	2nd Rifle	54	36	4	94	369	25	31	31
	3rd Rifle	101	20	0	121	270	45	47	49
	4th Rifle	25	0	0	25	43	58	61	62
26	Archery	0	2	0	2	77	3	7	13
	Muzzle	3	4	0	7	36	19	17	16
	2nd Rifle	77	36	4	117	255	46	38	35
	3rd Rifle	64	39	4	107	239	45	48	52
	4th Rifle	7	0	0	7	25	28	31	43
33	Archery	14	9	0	23	136	17	25	26
	Muzzle	21	3	0	24	74	32	40	34
	2nd Rifle	177	0	0	177	448	40	35	38
	3rd Rifle	185	0	0	185	322	57	52	49
	4th Rifle	12	0	0	12	15	80	69	68
34	Archery	8	10	0	18	105	17	13	13
	Muzzle	8	16	0	24	120	20	14	17
	2nd Rifle	23	25	4	52	285	18	21	19
	3rd Rifle	61	0	0	61	185	33	25	26
	4th Rifle	18	0	0	18	41	44	33	35
231	Archery	5	7	0	12	43	28	12	13
	Muzzle	7	0	0	7	26	27	41	35
	2nd Rifle	14	0	0	14	44	32	38	35
	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	26	31	34	28



WHITE RIVER ELK INFORMATION

Generally all of GMUs 12, 23 and 24 are considered very good elk hunting. They are generally at higher elevations in the eastern portions of GMUs 12 and 24 during early seasons, and move west to lower elevations (and private lands) as hunting pressure and snow depth increase. Try the abundant public lands in eastern GMU 12 and 24 early on. Because of access roads, hunting pressure is high on Sleepy Cat, Lost Park and Sand Peak. The Flattops Wilderness Area offers good hunting, but travel is limited to walking or horseback and the potential for heavy snowfall means hunters must be prepared. Successful hunters avoid the main roads and hunt the dark timber and deeper canyons. Jensen State Wildlife Area is good during most seasons. Oak Ridge State Wildlife Area is good during 3rd and 4th rifle seasons. Both properties are limited to foot or horseback travel.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES				
Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
White River	11, 12, 13, 131, 231, 23, 24, 25, 26, 33, 34,131, 211, 231	20-27:100	41,350	32,000-39,000

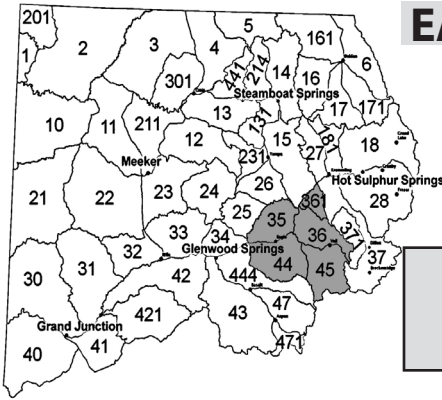
2016 ELK HARVEST STATS									
UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
12	Archery	122	58	10	190	652	29	27	26
	Muzzle	0	21	5	26	83	31	28	28
	Early	0	75	11	86	188	46	57	58
	1st Rifle	357	134	18	509	1518	34	33	34
	2nd Rifle	130	88	11	229	1390	16	19	21
	3rd Rifle	55	120	8	183	1169	16	21	26
	4th Rifle	25	54	20	99	496	20	27	27
23	Archery	100	25	0	125	487	26	23	20
	Muzzle	0	4	0	4	42	10	15	12
	Early	0	56	0	56	104	54	52	56
	1st Rifle	171	60	9	240	913	26	19	21
	2nd Rifle	78	64	0	142	1138	12	13	15
	3rd Rifle	87	28	10	125	1015	12	14	16
	4th Rifle	13	113	0	126	429	29	28	24
Late	0	20	6	26	37	70	76	75	
24	Archery	53	26	0	79	507	16	17	16
	Muzzle	0	5	0	5	39	13	8	9
	Early	0	0	0	0	8	0	35	37
	1st Rifle	90	107	0	197	963	20	21	25
	2nd Rifle	61	76	11	148	1179	13	13	13
	3rd Rifle	31	0	0	31	451	7	9	13
	4th Rifle	7	12	0	19	166	11	12	17
Late	0	0	0	0	3	0	25	32	

WHITE RIVER ELK INFORMATION

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
25	Archery	20	10	0	30	349	9	9	9
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	69	0	4	6
	Early	0	26	20	46	128	36	32	34
	1st Rifle	46	18	0	64	218	29	23	19
	2nd Rifle	21	6	0	27	361	7	10	9
	3rd Rifle	14	2	0	16	233	7	10	12
	4th Rifle	2	5	0	7	47	15	13	16
26	Archery	13	10	0	23	412	6	9	8
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	27	0	17	12
	Early	0	53	10	63	112	56	57	49
	1st Rifle	33	9	6	48	218	22	22	20
	2nd Rifle	29	7	3	39	350	11	14	15
	3rd Rifle	24	23	0	47	294	16	16	17
	4th Rifle	8	0	0	8	75	11	11	15
33	Archery	35	25	0	60	599	10	14	14
	Muzzle	0	10	2	12	56	21	15	18
	1st Rifle	37	18	0	55	545	10	11	14
	2nd Rifle	48	60	0	108	956	11	12	13
	3rd Rifle	26	8	8	42	541	8	10	11
	4th Rifle	18	18	3	39	187	21	16	16
	Late	0	11	0	11	33	33	39	36
34	Archery	17	7	0	24	382	6	11	11
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	41	0	5	7
	Early	0	19	3	22	43	51	47	44
	1st Rifle	18	18	0	36	191	19	21	18
	2nd Rifle	22	3	0	25	399	6	8	8
	3rd Rifle	8	3	0	11	184	6	6	11
	4th Rifle	2	0	0	2	30	7	15	19
231	Archery	44	27	6	77	719	11	10	10
	Muzzle	0	3	0	3	41	7	8	11
	Early	0	34	0	34	116	29	36	41
	1st Rifle	36	18	0	54	409	13	22	24
	2nd Rifle	18	24	0	42	422	10	10	12
	3rd Rifle	17	15	7	39	206	19	17	20
	4th Rifle	3	2	0	5	45	11	15	17

EAGLE RIVER VALLEY



GMU

35, 36, 44, 45, 361

LOCAL CPW OFFICE
Glenwood Springs
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AREA MAPS	USFS White River National Forest
AREA INFO	www.glenwoodchamber.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

These units are bordered by the Colorado River, the Gore Range, the Red Table Mountains and the Continental Divide.

Elevation climbs from 6,000' with sage and pinyon to over 14,000' with alpine vegetation starting at 10,500'.

Weather varies widely with heavy high country snow. Motorized travel restricted to designated routes.

GMUs 35 & 44 have plenty of public access, however the northern part of GMU 44 between Edwards and Eagle is primarily private property with no hunting allowed.

Check your map and contact the BLM/USFS office regarding off road travel.

MOOSE IN AREA

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EAGLE RIVER VALLEY DEER INFORMATION

Deer herds are scattered from 6,500' to timberline, moving down to the lower elevation pinyon-juniper areas as heavy snow arrives. Over 18" of snow will move the deer. Hunt the aspen, open parks and shrublands. GMUs 35 and 36 have the most mule deer. After the first heavy snow, most GMU 45 deer will move into GMU 36. GMU 44 is managed for trophy deer, with limited number of licenses available.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Red Table Mountain	44	35:100	2,380	7,000
State Bridge	15, 35, 36, 45, 361	26-30:100	16,670	13,500-16,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
35	Archery	0	0	0	0	104	0	9	13
	Muzzle	32	26	0	58	173	34	32	36
	2nd Rifle	105	33	0	138	435	32	35	42
	3rd Rifle	175	17	0	192	411	47	53	53
	4th Rifle	9	0	0	9	16	56	70	71
36	Archery	24	6	0	30	116	26	13	16
	Muzzle	28	12	0	40	103	39	39	32
	Early	0	0	0	0	15	0	24	46
	2nd Rifle	108	33	0	141	478	29	36	37
	3rd Rifle	113	10	0	123	377	33	43	47
	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	9	33	41	50
44	Archery	11	0	0	11	57	19	22	24
	Muzzle	11	2	0	13	47	28	26	28
	Early	2	0	0	2	10	20	33	27
	2nd Rifle	43	7	0	50	82	61	59	57
	3rd Rifle	22	2	4	28	37	76	68	65
	4th Rifle	17	0	0	17	20	85	79	84
45	Archery	8	12	0	20	121	17	19	25
	Muzzle	23	6	0	29	73	40	39	38
	Early	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	18
	2nd Rifle	74	6	0	80	262	31	39	40
	3rd Rifle	15	10	0	25	55	45	41	37
361	Archery	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	33	48
	2nd Rifle	10	2	6	18	61	30	46	37
	3rd Rifle	26	7	0	33	75	44	38	35
	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

EAGLE RIVER VALLEY ELK INFORMATION

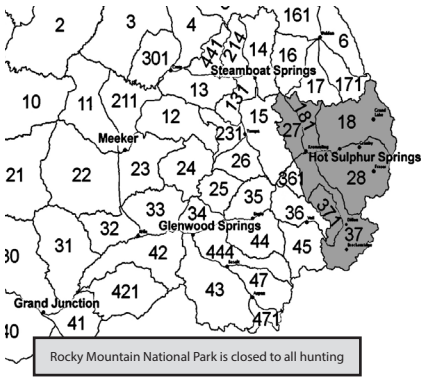
Elk are scattered from about 7,000' to above timberline. As hunting pressure increases, they seek the deeper canyons and dark timber areas way from roads. Concentrating on the large stands of dark timber and the larger wilderness areas will increase your chance of finding a big bull on public lands.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Frying Pan	44, 45, 47, 444	18-30:100	6,490	5,500-8,500
Piney River	35, 36, 361	22-44:100	3,850	3,000-4,600

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
35	Archery	7	0	0	7	285	2	8	8
	Muzzle	2	5	0	7	143	5	11	11
	Early	0	20	0	20	45	44	47	49
	1st Rifle	25	10	5	40	214	19	23	20
	2nd Rifle	4	0	0	4	262	2	8	10
	3rd Rifle	43	29	10	82	417	20	21	20
36	4th Rifle	3	2	2	7	37	19	27	29
	Archery	10	17	3	30	561	5	6	7
	Muzzle	8	7	0	15	158	9	10	8
	Early	0	9	0	9	17	53	42	36
	1st Rifle	19	8	0	27	148	18	24	22
	2nd Rifle	59	6	0	65	534	12	13	14
44	3rd Rifle	28	1	5	34	346	10	9	10
	4th Rifle	1	0	0	1	26	4	16	22
	Archery	20	9	0	29	346	8	10	8
	Muzzle	32	3	3	38	199	19	12	10
	Early	0	19	5	24	42	57	50	55
	1st Rifle	16	12	0	28	166	17	16	17
45	2nd Rifle	0	1	0	1	320	0	6	8
	3rd Rifle	13	5	0	18	284	6	8	9
	4th Rifle	2	6	0	8	88	9	16	15
	Archery	20	13	0	33	565	6	6	6
	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	112	3	10	11
	Early	0	9	2	11	51	22	32	30
361	1st Rifle	10	16	0	26	90	29	18	22
	2nd Rifle	46	1	0	47	337	14	9	11
	3rd Rifle	17	3	0	20	257	8	7	9
	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	62	5	9	14
361	Archery	0	0	0	0	92	0	0	2
	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	39	5	2	3
	Early	0	7	0	7	25	28	19	26
	1st Rifle	2	6	0	8	36	22	13	18
	2nd Rifle	3	2	0	5	73	7	5	7
	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	133	6	9	9
4th Rifle	1	12	0	13	44	30	25	22	



MIDDLE PARK

GMU

18, 27, 28, 37, 181, 371

LOCAL CPW OFFICE
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AREA MAPS	USFS Routt National Forest USFS White River National Forest USFS Arapahoe/Roosevelt National Forest
AREA INFO	www.kremmlingchamber.com www.granbychamber.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

The Continental Divide and the Gore Range Divide encircle Middle Park. Most of this terrain is steep to very steep. The weather can change rapidly. Areas can become snowbound. 4WD is recommended, along with chains.

Sagebrush/shrubs are common on southern exposures at lower elevations. The valley bottoms are mostly private lands. The remaining 2/3 of this area is public land.

GMU 27 has less public land than the other GMUs. Check USFS maps for ATV closures/restrictions.

Hunters around Wolford Mountain (GMU 181 and 27) should be aware that a travel management plan is in place - check with the BLM Kremmling office at (970) 724-3000 for information. Horses/pack animals are recommended for remote tracts and for Wilderness Areas.

Due to the proximity to Denver, there are many weekend hunters & recreationalists (bikers, hikers, ATVers).

The past decade's mountain pine beetle killed an estimated 80 percent of mature lodgepole pine trees in Grand County, creating numerous hazards along public roadways as these trees begin to fall.

As a result, fire danger is increased, big game distribution is changing in some areas and logging operations are likely in some spots. Hunters might focus on some of the dead lodgepole areas as increased sunlight to the forest floor creates more forage and these areas tend to hold deer and elk for longer periods of time. However be aware of possible falling trees when hiking, or setting up camp in pine beetle kill sections! Set up camps etc, in cleared areas away from dead trees. These dead trees can fall on their own without wind, or warning!

Road closures for tree removal will likely occur this season and next in this area. To avoid disappointment, be sure to call the Sulphur Ranger District's Visitor's Information Hotline at 970-887-4100, the Kremmling BLM office at 970-724-3000, the Yampa Forest Service Office at 970-638-4516 or the Dillon Ranger District Office at 970-468-5400 BEFORE planning your hunting trip or setting up camp. You can also sign up for updates by emailing SRDUpdates@fs.fed.us.

You can stop by the visitor's center at 9 Ten Mile Drive in Granby, visit www.fs.usda.gov/arp; or follow us on Twitter: www.twitter.com/usfsarp.

MIDDLE PARK DEER INFORMATION

All GMUs have good numbers of deer. The buck-to-doe ratios continue to increase as a result of limited buck hunting and mild winters. All units are managed for quality bucks. There are good numbers of mature bucks, but they rarely reach trophy status found in lower elevation mtn shrub & mild winter areas. Concentrate on transition zones that have aspen, shrub and coniferous cover. Deer tend to move west and down in elevation over the seasons, snow will move them faster and farther. They typically migrate out of GMU 371 with average snowfall. A limited number of 4th season deer licenses available.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Middle Park	18, 181, 27, 28, 37, 371	30-35:100	16,920	10,500 - 12,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
18	Archery	47	28	0	75	376	20	15	14
	Muzzle	29	11	0	40	303	13	23	23
	2nd Rifle	83	41	0	124	1094	11	19	22
	3rd Rifle	101	68	26	195	1081	18	27	30
	4th Rifle	76	0	0	76	154	49	57	55
27	Archery	8	8	0	16	124	13	21	22
	Muzzle	14	34	0	48	101	48	32	33
	2nd Rifle	83	45	10	138	490	28	25	28
	3rd Rifle	68	25	6	99	404	25	27	27
	4th Rifle	31	0	0	31	49	63	57	47
28	Archery	28	33	0	61	323	19	15	15
	Muzzle	34	26	0	60	252	24	17	21
	2nd Rifle	70	119	4	193	921	21	21	22
	3rd Rifle	90	76	19	185	815	23	24	28
	4th Rifle	22	0	0	22	66	33	42	45
37	Archery	20	8	0	28	152	18	17	15
	Muzzle	11	17	9	37	177	21	19	24
	2nd Rifle	99	66	31	196	623	31	26	29
	3rd Rifle	112	54	8	174	472	37	34	35
	4th Rifle	16	0	0	16	46	35	40	42

MIDDLE PARK DEER INFORMATION

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS (Cont.)

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
181	Archery	8	3	0	11	64	17	11	11
	Muzzle	0	0	9	9	88	10	13	15
	2nd Rifle	56	16	0	72	337	21	22	23
	3rd Rifle	39	42	6	87	416	21	23	28
	4th Rifle	17	0	0	17	37	46	60	56
371	Archery	0	8	0	8	61	13	10	9
	Muzzle	17	0	0	17	70	24	15	15
	2nd Rifle	57	0	0	57	158	36	23	25
	3rd Rifle	40	8	0	48	91	53	32	24
	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	16	0	9	19



MIDDLE PARK ELK INFORMATION

Elk are well distributed in all units. Bull to cow ratios are good because the area is fairly steep and heavily timbered. Generally, trophy bulls are rare (a few are taken every year) because bulls are managed for hunter opportunity. With hunting pressure and snow, elk head for the inaccessible timber and private property. GMU 27 has a lot of private land. Hunt the rough terrain and heavy cover away from roads and trails to increase your success.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Gore Pass	15, 27	24-28:100	5,450	3,500-4,500
Troublesome Creek	18, 181	21-26:100	4,550	3,600-4,300
Williams Fork River	28, 37, 371	21-31:100	6,200	4,700-5,500

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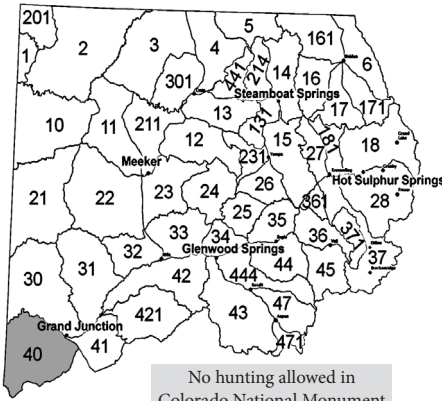
2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
18	Archery	44	20	0	64	1159	6	5	5
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	134	0	2	3
	1st Rifle	54	105	0	159	1037	15	14	15
	2nd Rifle	50	66	8	124	1224	10	9	10
	3rd Rifle	54	32	24	110	1235	9	10	10
	4th Rifle	9	56	24	89	991	9	8	8
27	Archery	30	0	0	30	465	6	9	9
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	24	8	10	13
	1st Rifle	15	24	5	44	180	24	20	20
	2nd Rifle	22	40	0	62	515	12	10	12
	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	299	3	4	5
	4th Rifle	0	3	0	3	117	3	10	10
28	Archery	60	13	0	73	1219	6	6	6
	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	81	2	11	9
	1st Rifle	47	36	11	94	651	14	17	18
	2nd Rifle	59	58	0	117	1067	11	11	12
	3rd Rifle	31	25	2	58	866	7	9	10
	4th Rifle	11	41	7	59	460	13	17	15
37	Archery	31	13	3	47	853	6	7	6
	Muzzle	0	7	0	7	52	13	14	13
	1st Rifle	3	26	6	35	205	17	20	21
	2nd Rifle	16	25	7	48	532	9	14	13
	3rd Rifle	28	2	8	38	442	9	9	9
	4th Rifle	7	37	0	44	246	18	17	14
181	Archery	20	7	3	30	243	12	8	8
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	36	0	0	6
	1st Rifle	24	4	0	28	193	15	17	18
	2nd Rifle	14	4	2	20	363	6	5	5
	3rd Rifle	11	2	0	13	340	4	8	8
	4th Rifle	0	1	0	1	313	0	6	7
371	Archery	16	7	0	23	457	5	7	7
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	9	0	6	5
	1st Rifle	27	17	8	52	244	21	21	24
	2nd Rifle	11	3	0	14	207	7	7	8
	3rd Rifle	15	0	0	15	173	9	9	11
	4th Rifle	4	27	0	31	284	11	17	16

GLADE PARK

GMU
40

LOCAL CPW OFFICE
Grand Junction (970) 255-6100



AREA MAPS	USFS Uncompahgre National Forest BLM Delta BLM Grand Junction BLM Moab BLM Westwater
AREA INFO	www.visitgrandjunction.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

This 750 square mile unit consists of a relatively flat summit leading to sloping mesas bisected by deep, rugged canyons. The highest elevation range is approximately 9,800’.

Roads provide access to the mesas, but many of the canyons are remote and accessible only by foot or horseback.

Weather starts out mild but mud/snow accumulation is likely in later seasons.

Early season hunters should favor higher elevations of the USFS land, while later season hunters will do better on the lower BLM lands.

Hunters can find many water holes within the dark timber stands on north facing slopes.

Elk and deer frequent these areas during warm temperatures and heavy hunting pressure.

GMU 40 has a lot of private land, and public access to BLM is often difficult to reach by vehicle.

GLADE PARK DEER INFORMATION

There are some good bucks in GMU 40 but they are hard to locate. The upper end of the Little Dolores drainage is a good place for quality mule deer bucks but there is considerable private land. Late season hunters may have success near Seiber Canyon, but it is foot or horseback only. Areas along the Utah border and north of Gateway can be good during the rifle seasons however be aware of private land and the state line.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Glade Park	40	30-35:100	4,820	6,500-8,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
40	Archery	32	0	0	32	71	45	48	47
	Muzzle	19	0	0	19	33	58	60	61
	2nd Rifle	88	0	0	88	146	60	64	65
	3rd Rifle	94	0	0	94	112	84	76	73



GLADE PARK ELK INFORMATION

Bulls will be bugling from mid-Sept through 1st rifle opening weekend. Elk are widely distributed. Most stay high until hunting pressure pushes them to lower elevations and less accessible drainages. Do not hunt areas that have previously received heavy hunting pressure - elk will not be there. Successful hunters do a lot of walking and looking.

GMU 40 is a limited unit. You must apply in the draw.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES				
Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Glade Park	40	30-35:100	3,040	2,800-3,800

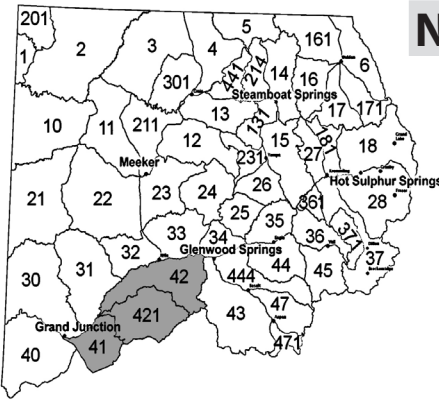
2016 ELK HARVEST STATS									
UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
40	Archery	30	0	0	30	83	36	47	50
	Muzzle	0	8	0	8	26	31	13	12
	Early	0	115	3	118	236	50	43	44
	1st Rifle	24	12	3	39	63	62	56	52
	2nd Rifle	23	16	5	44	66	67	60	60
	3rd Rifle	18	8	0	26	60	43	57	51
	4th Rifle	13	10	1	24	56	43	50	48



NORTH GRAND MESA

GMU
41, 42, 421

LOCAL CPW OFFICE
Grand Junction
(970) 255-6100



AREA MAPS	USFS Grand Mesa National Forest USFS White River National Forest
AREA INFO	www.visitgrandjunction.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

Grand Mesa terrain ranges from high elevation (11,000') spruce/fir forests to low elevation (4,800') pinyon-juniper woodlands.

Weather can be rainy or snowy, then warm up and dry out the following day. Roads can become very muddy and 4WD is recommended.

Hunters should be prepared to spend time on foot or horseback.

Much of the area is public land.

Overall, the hunting pressure is heavy.

Contact the USFS Grand Valley Ranger District, 970-242-8211 for more details on energy development in this area.

MOOSE IN AREA

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NORTH GRAND MESA DEER INFORMATION

The deer population has declined in recent years. The fourth, buck-only season was eliminated in 2016. However deer are still abundant and at the lower end of the population objective range. Deer are found on forest lands and higher elevation private lands during Oct. The resident deer stay in lower agricultural areas year round. The migrating deer herd begins to move off the forest to lower elevations in mid-Nov, often to BLM lands. The best deer hunting is at mid elevations (8,500-9,500'), with more buck opportunities in the later seasons. The Battlements can be good in late seasons, but the terrain is rugged. The open country offers good opportunities for those who get out on foot or horseback.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
North Grand Mesa	41, 42, 421	25-30:100	13,850	17,000-23,000

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
41	Archery	13	16	0	29	105	28	26	28
	Muzzle	32	0	0	32	62	52	38	39
	2nd Rifle	64	3	0	67	162	41	37	39
	3rd Rifle	187	0	0	187	298	63	51	49
42	Archery	10	33	0	43	112	38	24	33
	Muzzle	16	0	0	16	76	21	27	28
	2nd Rifle	160	2	0	162	358	45	45	44
	3rd Rifle	290	0	0	290	456	64	60	56
421	Archery	3	22	0	25	135	19	24	27
	Muzzle	27	3	0	30	80	38	28	35
	2nd Rifle	167	2	0	169	364	46	47	42
	3rd Rifle	223	0	0	223	406	55	58	56



NORTH GRAND MESA

ELK INFORMATION

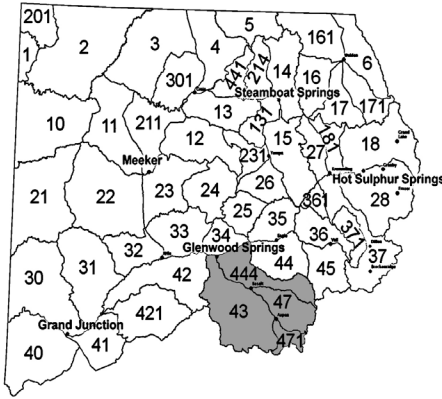
The elk herd is well distributed with good hunting success expected. Elk are scattered throughout the forest and on private lands. Most elk stay at higher elevations (8500- 10,000') in thick timber and oakbrush. There is no migration during the season, movement to the more remote areas is in response to hunting pressure. They will seek classic cover - the heavily wooded, north-facing slopes near water. You will need to get away from the roads. There are lots of legal bulls as the area is managed for quantity of bulls rather than trophy status. Hence, trophy bulls are present but relatively rare.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMU	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
North Grand Mesa	41, 42, 52, 411, 421, 521	20-25:100	13,310	15,000-19,000

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
41	Archery	0	6	0	6	334	2	9	12
	Muzzle	19	11	0	30	370	8	20	19
	Early	0	72	11	83	172	48	37	35
	1st Rifle	55	36	0	91	518	18	19	22
	2nd Rifle	35	34	0	69	430	16	14	17
	3rd Rifle	17	22	0	39	402	10	14	14
	4th Rifle	2	19	0	21	176	12	17	15
42	Archery	58	24	7	89	940	9	15	16
	Muzzle	19	21	0	40	303	13	20	19
	1st Rifle	30	26	15	71	414	17	23	28
	2nd Rifle	92	95	4	191	1254	15	19	20
	3rd Rifle	56	84	25	165	1024	16	18	18
	4th Rifle	21	26	15	62	354	18	21	22
421	Archery	78	96	7	181	1074	17	16	16
	Muzzle	19	25	0	44	325	14	17	15
	Early	0	133	13	146	346	42	42	44
	1st Rifle	80	36	0	116	493	24	20	22
	2nd Rifle	97	72	10	179	1243	14	14	16
	3rd Rifle	48	9	3	60	592	10	17	18
	4th Rifle	16	13	0	29	185	16	12	17



ROARING FORK

GMU
43, 47, 444, 471

LOCAL CPW OFFICE
 Glenwood Springs
 (970) 947-2920

AREA MAPS	USFS White River National Forest
AREA INFO	www.glenwoodchamber.com

GENERAL AREA INFORMATION

This area encompasses the Roaring Fork, Frying Pan and Crystal River drainages.

The lower elevations (6500') are primarily developed or agricultural.

Timberline is around 11,500' and there are 14,000' peaks in the Wilderness Areas. Be prepared for daytime highs of 75F dropping to 20F at night. Snow can exceed several feet in the higher elevations and moisture can make roads dangerous or impassible. 4WD is a necessity.

About 40% of the area is wilderness (Hunter-Fryingpan, Maroon Bells, Raggeds, Collegiate Peaks) and vehicles are not allowed.

These rugged areas offer increased hunting success, but require horseback/pack-in camps. Hunting pressure is moderate.

There are large blocks of private lands in GMU 43 east of Hwy 133 & in the western part of GMU 444.

MOOSE IN AREA

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ROARING FORK DEER INFORMATION

This herd is concentrated in aspen and oakbrush habitats before the snow flies. Hunting pressure does not generally cause herd movement, but they will move to lower elevation woodlands as snow accumulates. Archery and muzzleloader hunters should head to timberline.

Early rifle season hunters should focus on high elevation areas around timberline, Capitol Creek, Haystack Mountain and East Snowmass Creek. Later season hunters could try “The Crown”, Holgate Mesa, Williams Hill and Light Hill, but expect to see other hunters in these areas. Some good bucks can be found if hunters focus in areas away from roads.

2016 DEER OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doe Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Basalt	444	30:100	4,520	5,300
Maroon Bells	43, 47, 471	30-35:100	6,410	7,500-8,500

2016 DEER HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
43	Archery	6	8	0	14	119	12	16	17
	Muzzle	48	5	0	53	153	35	40	34
	Early	16	0	0	16	29	55	53	49
	2nd Rifle	70	11	0	81	232	35	39	39
	3rd Rifle	62	2	0	64	163	39	46	47
	4th Rifle	8	0	0	8	17	47	61	47
47	Archery	0	4	0	4	48	8	17	13
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	10	0	5	9
	Early	9	0	0	9	24	38	39	38
	2nd Rifle	19	0	0	19	50	38	46	37
	3rd Rifle	18	0	0	18	38	47	43	41
	4th Rifle	2	0	0	2	8	25	43	57
444	Archery	14	4	0	18	95	19	25	27
	Muzzle	24	4	0	28	54	52	46	48
	Early	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	15
	2nd Rifle	128	15	0	143	313	46	53	48
	3rd Rifle	56	3	0	59	137	43	49	49
	4th Rifle	19	0	0	19	24	79	84	75
471	Archery	0	4	4	8	27	30	18	15
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	11	15
	Early	12	0	0	12	24	50	43	51
	2nd Rifle	0	2	0	2	2	100	47	24
	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	3	0	21	31

ROARING FORK

ELK INFORMATION

Early seasons find elk anywhere from 7500' to above timberline. With increased hunting pressure and snow, herds tend to move to remote areas or private lands - away from roads and hunters. The wilderness areas are a good bet for success but hunters must hike or horseback as motorized travel is prohibited. Try Snowmass Creek, Conundrum Creek, Capitol Creek, Avalanche Creek, Difficult Creek, McFarland Creek, Maroon Creek, Thompson Creek, Basalt Mountain, Four-mile, the Marble area, and the upper Frying Pan drainages. Kobey Park and Sloans Peak are good but deep snow and bad roads should be expected, especially later in the seasons.

2016 ELK OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
Avalanche Creek	43, 471	17-27:100	4,245	3,600-5,400
Frying Pan River	44, 45, 47, 444	18-30:100	6,554	5,500-8,500

2016 ELK HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	CALF	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
43	Archery	81	3	7	91	865	11	9	11
	Muzzle	26	6	0	32	169	19	16	17
	Early	0	47	5	52	115	45	49	47
	1st Rifle	51	11	0	62	230	27	24	23
	2nd Rifle	68	50	12	130	759	17	15	16
	3rd Rifle	35	32	0	67	588	11	16	17
47	4th Rifle	7	23	4	34	130	26	27	27
	Archery	17	10	0	27	209	13	10	10
	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	74	4	9	10
	Early	0	20	0	20	33	61	52	51
	1st Rifle	3	3	1	7	60	12	16	15
	2nd Rifle	7	1	2	10	206	5	12	11
444	3rd Rifle	8	6	0	14	156	9	10	14
	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	23	13	22	24
	Archery	6	10	0	16	368	4	8	8
	Muzzle	27	10	0	37	122	30	14	15
	Early	0	37	5	42	121	35	35	37
	1st Rifle	8	5	0	13	75	17	16	20
471	2nd Rifle	21	4	0	25	381	7	9	13
	3rd Rifle	24	4	0	28	282	10	10	11
	4th Rifle	2	10	0	12	67	18	13	13
	Archery	16	3	3	22	175	13	10	10
	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	7
	Early	0	0	0	0	5	0	17	34
471	1st Rifle	3	3	0	6	27	22	14	13
	2nd Rifle	18	10	0	28	105	27	23	23
	3rd Rifle	4	2	0	6	35	17	16	19
	4th Rifle	0	0	3	3	23	13	13	13

PRONGHORN

PRONGHORN INFORMATION

Northwest Colorado offers good pronghorn hunting opportunities. Hunter success varies by GMU. Hunter success is typically higher on private land, but public land pronghorn can still be found. The pronghorn season in GMUs 41, 62, and 411 is closed (new this year) to manage the population.

2016 PRONGHORN OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Buck:Doer Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
North Park	6,16,17,161,171	30-40:100	1,459	1,500-1,600
Great Divide	3,4,5,13,14,214,301,441	55:100	17,685	15,800
Maybell	11	40:100	821	1,400
Sand Wash	1,2,201	68:100	630	3,200
Axial Basin	12,23,211	35:100	245	300
Middle Park	18,27,28,37,181,371	40:100	889	630

2016 PRONGHORN STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BUCK	DOE	FAWN	TOTAL HARVEST	TOTAL HUNTERS	SUCCESS %		
							LAST YR	3 YR	5 YR
2	Rifle	12	0	0	12	13	92	68	72
3	Rifle	340	132	15	487	530	92	88	85
4	Rifle	78	62	9	149	192	78	82	76
5	Rifle	8	7	0	15	24	63	51	42
6	Rifle	18	10	0	28	28	100	100	99
11	Rifle	41	41	17	99	117	85	81	83
12	Rifle	1	2	0	3	3	100	43	62
13	Rifle	35	43	5	83	120	69	72	69
16	Rifle	22	3	0	25	34	74	77	73
17	Rifle	9	2	0	11	15	73	70	69
18	Rifle	13	22	0	35	94	37	48	53
23	Rifle	17	11	0	28	39	72	60	60
27	Rifle	10	7	0	17	33	52	46	47
28	Rifle	8	4	4	16	26	62	57	54
37	Rifle	10	0	0	10	10	100	87	73
131	Rifle	0	3	0	3	5	60	60	59
161	Rifle	19	9	0	28	28	100	91	92
171	Rifle	0	2	1	3	3	100	50	42
181	Rifle	13	7	0	20	72	28	41	44
201	Rifle	18	15	1	34	47	72	77	79
211	Rifle	3	3	0	6	6	100	78	70
214	Rifle	8	5	0	13	36	36	48	54
301	Rifle	101	39	10	150	178	84	80	76
441	Rifle	16	8	0	24	30	80	66	65

MOOSE

MOOSE INFORMATION

Northwest Colorado's moose population is thriving since moose were first re-introduced by the CPW into North Park in 1978, with sportsmen's dollars, providing increasing opportunity each year.

1. ALL MOOSE LICENSE HOLDERS must complete and return a harvest questionnaire provided by CPW within 30 days after their hunting season ends. Anyone who does not complete and return it will not be eligible for a future moose license or point, including those who were unsuccessful or did not hunt.
2. ALL MOOSE MUST BE SUBMITTED IN PERSON FOR INSPECTION within five working days of harvest. A mandatory report will be completed during inspection. Hunters must submit the head of antlerless moose or head of antlered moose with antlers attached to a CPW office during normal business hours.
3. TOOTH EXTRACTION IS MANDATORY. An incisor will be extracted and retained to determine age. Heads must be unfrozen for inspection.
4. VOLUNTARY CWD TESTING. During inspection, hunters may choose to have their moose tested for chronic wasting disease. Testing cost is \$25.



Big game hunters in all areas in northwest Colorado are reminded to be sure of their target.

The accidental kill of moose by elk hunters is a threat to these new populations.

In cooperation with Colorado chapters of Safari Club International, an extensive education campaign is being conducted to alert hunters to these new populations.

MOOSE

2016 MOOSE OBJECTIVES

Herd	GMUs	Bull:Cow Objective	Population Estimate	Population Objective
North Park	6, 16, 17, 161, 171	60-70:100	732	500-600
Gore	14,18, 28, 36, 37, 181, 371	65:100	360	190
Grand Mesa (N)	41, 42, 43, 52, 411, 421, 521	55-65:100	675	300-400
White River	12, 23, 24	(undeter.)	150	100-200

2016 MOOSE HARVEST STATS

UNIT	SEASON	BULL	COW	BULL HUNTERS	COW HUNTERS	SUCCESS %	
						BULL	COW
6	All	17	16	18	20	94	80
12	All	0	0	0	1	0	0
14	All	4	7	4	7	100	100
15	All	3	1	3	3	100	33
16	All	6	4	6	4	100	100
17	All	3	6	5	11	60	55
18	All	10	8	12	11	83	73
24	All	3	2	3	3	100	67
28	All	12	12	13	13	92	92
36	All	2	0	2	0	100	0
37	All	2	3	3	5	67	60
41	All	0	1	2	6	0	17
43	All	1	0	1	0	100	0
45	All	1	0	1	0	100	0
161	All	0	1	0	1	0	100
171	All	7	11	6	14	117	79
181	All	1	0	1	1	100	0
201	All	1	0	1	0	100	0
371	All	2	0	3	1	67	0
421	All	6	6	8	12	75	50

BLACK BEAR

MANDATORY BEAR INSECTIONS AND SEALS

Hunters must personally present bears to a CPW office listed on the inside cover) for a free inspection, check report and sealing within five working days after the kill.

Bear heads and hides must be unfrozen when presented for inspection. Seals must be attached to the hide until tanned.

Contact the nearest CPW office or CPW officer for inspection and sealing. At inspection, the CPW is authorized to extract and keep a premolar tooth. If the head and hide are frozen, the CPW may keep them long enough to thaw so that a tooth can be removed. Hunters can help by making sure the jaw is propped open with a stick before rigor sets in.

Bears cannot be taken out of Colorado until hide and skull are inspected and sealed. Having a bear hide without a seal after the five-day period is illegal, and the hide becomes state property.

To transport a bear or parts to a foreign country, you must first obtain CITES documents. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 303-342-7430. Do not call the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service about inspections or seals for bears.

2016 BEAR HARVEST STATS

Bear harvest stats are reported differently than other big game species. Because bears are relatively reclusive and fewer in number statewide than deer or elk, estimating populations at the local level is problematic. It is estimated that Colorado has between 16,000 and 18,000 black bears statewide. Success rates for bear hunters tend to be lower than other big game animals, and requires the issuance of a large number of licenses to achieve a relatively small harvest.

Population	GMUs	Licenses Issued	Boar Harvest	Sow Harvest	Total Harvest	Success %
B-1	21, 22, 30, 31, 32	841	23	17	40	5
B-4	4, 5, 6, 14, 16, 17, 161, 171, 214, 441	1268	26	18	44	3
B-10	12, 13, 23, 24, 25, 26, 33, 34, 131, 231	1641	49	28	77	5
B-11	35, 36, 361, 43, 44, 45, 47, 444, 471	1585	44	33	77	5
B-15	1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 201, 211, 301	236	4	1	5	2
B-16	15, 18, 27, 28, 37, 181, 371	470	25	16	41	9
B-17	41, 421, 52, 411, 521, 53, 63	2646	97	44	141	5

GUN RANGES IN THE NW REGION

Basalt State Wildlife Area Shooting Range

Basalt

Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Glenwood Springs Office

970 - 947-2920

The range is located in the Christine unit of the Basalt SWA. Take Highway 82 to Two Rivers Road, turn on to Homestead Drive and then turn into the Basalt SWA entrance that is on the west end of Homestead Drive. There is a large green/white CPW sign at the bottom of the hill on the road up to the shooting range.

Public pistol range, 100 yard rifle and shotgun ranges. Open weekdays 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and weekends 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. year 'round. Fully automatic firearms are prohibited. Not including muzzleloader and shotgun, rifles on the range must be .50 caliber or lower. For a fee, the Roaring Fork Valley Sportsman's Association offers trap and skeet shooting on Wednesday evenings and weekends from noon to 5 p.m. The range is otherwise unsupervised.

Bears Ears Sportsman Club

P.O. Box 622, Craig

970-824-8376

300-yard rifle and handgun range for members. Open to the public the first Sunday/Monday of each month. Also open during daylight hour, the Thursday and Friday prior to each big game season for hunter sight-in. For more information, pick up brochures at the Craig Sportsman's Center.

Byers Canyon Rifle Range

Hot Sulphur Springs

970-725-6200

Colorado Parks and Wildlife - Hot Sulphur Springs Office. This range is closed during winter months to provide winter forage to big game. This closure is generally in effect beginning the first week in January. The range will remain closed until deer move toward higher ground in the spring, which typically occurs in early April.

Open daily, sunrise to sunset (except as noted, above). Range improvements include new benches and the addition of four rifle lanes, a 50-yard lane for .22 rifles and two additional handgun lanes, including a 100-yard handgun range. Range also has straw bales for archery. One rifle range has wheel chair access to 25/100-yard target range. Paper targets only (exception for clay birds for shotgun, and targets for archery). No bowling pins or other breakables allowed on range. Unsupervised range! Eye and ear protection mandatory. Portable toilet and trash dumpster on site.

GUN RANGES

Castle Peak Gun Club

P.O. Box 319, Gypsum

Open prior to hunting season for hunter sight-in. Range visible from I-70; north-side of the Interstate, west of the interchange.

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Glenwood Springs Gun Club

Glenwood Springs

970-945-7401

Public welcome to shoot when range is open. Sporting clays, trap, black powder, rifle and pistol ranges up to 200 yards. Hunter education courses are available also.

Grand Junction BLM Public Shooting Ranges

North of Grand Junction

Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Junction Field Office

970 -244-3000

From Grand Junction, take Horizon Drive northeast to H Road; west on H Road approximately 1.25 miles to 27¼ Road; north on 27¼ Road 5 miles to the rifle range or 5.8 miles to the pistol range.

Open to the public year-round; no supervision provided. The rifle range has a sheltered firing line with 25 stations and 8 benches with range distances from 50 to 500 yards. The pistol range has 4 benches with range distances up to 150 yards. There is no trash service—shooters are responsible for removing their own brass, shell casings, targets and trash. Please be aware of other users of these public lands such as hikers, horseback riders, and OHV operators.

East of Grand Junction

Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Grand Junction Field Office

970 -244-3000

(Acquire a map of this shooting area at the Grand Junction BLM office.)

Shooting area is located on East Orchard Mesa. To reach the shooting area, travel east on C Road past 34 Road.

This public land shooting area is open to the public year around. There are several no-shoot zones to protect nearby residences, nearby FAA communication equipment and a power sub-station. It is a federal offense to shoot in or through these areas. Do not shoot across a road or trail. Establish a safe shooting location with a good backstop down range. Users are responsible for removing all targets, shells, brass and trash. No glass targets.

GUN RANGES

Grand Junction Trap and Skeet Club, Inc.

116 32 Rd., Grand Junction

970-245-0780

Public and league trap and skeet shooting.

Grand Mesa Bowmen

PO Box 752, Grand Junction

970-244-2977

Bowhunting club with 42 outdoor targets near Colorado National Monument. Family memberships are \$36 per year.

Hayden Shooting Range

2 miles south of Hayden

Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Steamboat Springs Office

970-870-2197

100-, 200- and 300-yard rifle and pistol range is open to the public 7 days a week from dawn until dusk.

Meeker Sportsman's Club

4.5 miles southwest of Meeker on Colorado Highway 13

Hunter sight-in Thursdays and Fridays prior to each big game season. Look for more information on flyers around town. Public is welcome to shoot in other organized events. Memberships are \$20 per family and include full use of range, including archery, trap, rifle and pistol ranges. Write for more information.

Plateau Creek State Wildlife Area

West of Collbran

Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Grand Junction Office

970-255-6100

From Grand Junction, take I-70 east to Highway 65 (Exit 49), then 8 miles east to Highway 330, then about 7.5 miles east to county road V, then north .25 mile to the range. The range, operated by Colorado Parks and Wildlife, is open year 'round during daylight hours. There are four adjustable shooting benches with 50, 100, 200, and 300 yard ranges. There is no trash service; shooters are asked to remove all trash, targets, and brass after use. The county road leading to this range can be impassable in wet weather.

GUN RANGES

Red Rock Archery **3193 Hill Ave., Grand Junction** **970-241-2697**

Open to the public. 20 and 30 yard indoor archery range, 3D shoots on Tuesdays and Thursdays and DART Video Target System

West Rifle Creek State Wildlife Area **North of Rifle** **970-255-6100**

Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Grand Junction Office Range distance: 200 yards. Small bore rifle, large bore rifle, pistol, and shotgun are allowed. Range is open to the public year round; no supervision provided. No trash service; shooters are responsible for removing trash including brass, shell casings, and targets. Directions: From Rifle, take Highway 13 north to Highway 325, then north on 325 to Rifle Gap Reservoir. At the dam turn west on CR 252 and travel approximately 2 miles; shooting range is on a dirt road off to the left just before reaching the intersection with CR 210.

Rifle Sportsmen's Club **West of Rifle** **970-876-2133**

Range is located north of the US Forest Service office on Fravert Road. Public can access the range during sight-in days two days prior to each of the big game seasons, except 4th season when range is open to the public on Friday only. Cost is \$5 per gun during sight-in days. Targets at 25, 100, 200 and 300 yards; gongs at 100-500 yards. Annual membership can be purchased for \$50/yr. Membership includes access to large and small bore range, long distance range, pistol range, archery targets, action pistol and trap/skeet/five-stand range. Hunter safety and concealed carry classes available.

Routt County Rifle & Pistol Club **P.O. Box 3116, Steamboat Springs** **970-870-0298**

Call for dates and times that the club is open to the public. Facilities include trap, skeet, sporting clays, indoor .22, outdoor pistol, 25-, 50-, 100- and 200-yard rifle ranges.

GUN RANGES

Summit County Public Shooting Range

639 County Rd 66

Dillon, CO 80435

www.summitrange.org

There are limited facilities at range. There is now a porta-potty, but there is no running water or electricity. Take note before planning your day at the range.

The ground beneath the range is compacted recycled asphalt. Driving a target stand into the ground is not advised as it may damage the surface. Self-supporting stands with sandbags are one useful method of creating a target stand. Try making a 2x4 stand and drill holes in the stand for your stake-equipped targets.

Vail Rod & Gun Club, Ltd.

001 Sporting Clay Way, Wolcott

970-926-3472

Open to the public for sporting clays during summer months. In fall, archery, pistol and 100 yard rifle range open to the public.

Walden Public Shooting Area

East of Walden

970-723-4625

Take Jackson CR 12E east out of Walden. Go four miles. Shooting range is on the north side of the road and is marked with a white sign displaying the range rules and small CPW and BLM emblems.

Open to the public year-round; no supervision provided. The range has benches with range distances from 50 to 300 yards. There is no trash service—shooters are responsible for removing their own brass, shell casings, targets and trash. Please be aware of other users of these public lands such as hikers, horseback riders, and OHV operators.

White River Bowmen

Post Office Box 32, Rangely

970-675-8559

Bowhunting club with 14 outdoor targets and clubhouse. Memberships \$30 per year.



LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES

Bureau of Land Management BLM www.co.blm.gov/offices.htm	Grand Junction Field Office 2815 H Road		(970) 244-3000
	Glenwood Springs Field Office (Silt) 2300 River Frontage Road		(970) 876-9000
	White River Field Office (Meeker) 220 E. Market Street		(970) 878-3800
	Little Snake Field Office (Craig) 455 Emerson Street		(970) 826-5000
	Kremmling Field Office 2103 East Park Avenue		(970) 724-3000
United States Forest Service USFS www.fs.usda.gov/whiteriver www.fs.usda.gov/gmug www.fs.usda.gov/mbr	White River National Forest	Blanco RD (Meeker) 220 E. Market Street	(970) 878-4039
		Rifle RD (Rifle) 0094 County Rd 244	(970) 625-2371
		Aspen RD (Carbondale) 620 Main St.	(970) 925-3445
		Eagle RD (Eagle) 125 West 5th St.	(970) 328-6388
		Holy Cross RD (Minturn) 24747 Hwy 24	(970) 827-5715
		Dillon RD (Silverthorne) 680 Blue River Pkwy	(970) 468-5400
	Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison National Forest 2250 Hwy 50, Delta (970) 874-6600	Grand Valley RD (Grand Junction) 2777 Crossroads Blvd #1	(970) 242-8211
		Other Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, & Gunnison National Forest Ranger Districts are located in the CPW's SW Region, see <i>Big Game Hunting in SW Colorado</i> booklet.	
	Medicine Bow & Routt National Forest 2468 Jackson St. Laramie, WY (307) 745-2300	Hahns Peak/Bears Ears (Steamboat Springs) 925 Weiss Dr	(970) 870-2299
		Parks RD (Walden) 100 Main Street	(970) 723-2700
		Yampa RD (Yampa) 300 Roselawn Ave	(970) 638-4516
	Arapaho National Forest	Sulphur RD (Granby) 9 Ten Mile Drive	(970) 887-4100

GENERAL VISITORS INFORMATION

State Parks Reservations www.cpw.state.co.us Reservations (800) 678-2267 General Info (970) 255-6100	Colorado Tourism Board www.colorado.com (800) COLORADO 800-265-6723
US National Park Service www.nps.gov	Campground and cabin info www.coloradodirectory.com

ROADS AND WEATHER

Colorado Dept. of Transportation www.cotrip.org Toll free (877) 315-ROAD	www.crh.noaa.gov/gjt/ www.weather.com
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MAPS

TOPO Maps US Geological Survey http://topomaps.usgs.gov (800) 435-7627	BLM Maps www.co.blm.gov (303) 239-3600
	US Forest Service Maps www.nationalforeststore.com (303) 275-5350

GUIDE AND OUTFITTER INFORMATION

CO Dept of Regulatory Agencies www.dora.state.co.us/outfitters (303) 894-7778	Colorado Outfitters Association www.coloradooutfitters.org P.O. Box 10 Silt, CO 81652 (970) 824-2468
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IMPORTANT - If you are hunting or fishing on BLM or U.S. Forest Service public lands, make sure your outfitter is permitted for that activity in that area. Check with your local BLM or Forest Service office before you book a trip.

BE SAFE AND RETURN TO YOUR FAMILY

This is a basic, preliminary list of survival tips, suggestions and equipment. There are many survival guides and manuals that provide much more detailed information. ***Be sure to pick one up, and read it.***

REMEMBER THESE TIPS

- Inspect your survival kit each season
- Always tell someone where you are going and when you will return!
- Always stick to your plan, stay put if you become lost or stranded!
- Always take someone with you - avoid going out alone.
- You must have shelter each night.
- The ability to build a fire is paramount.
- Signaling, like everything else in survival, is not a spur-of-the-moment thing and you must prepare for it so that it is ready when you need it.
- You must have a way to find, purify and drink water
- Dress for weather but remember it can change *suddenly and drastically!*

BASIC SURVIVAL KIT

SHELTER PACKAGE:

- 1 GOLD AND 1 SILVER EMERGENCY BLANKETS (SPACE BLANKETS)
- 1 SHEET PLASTIC, 3 MIL., 6 FOOT BY 6 FOOT
- 50 FEET PARACHUTE CORD
- ELECTRICIAN'S TAPE, MUST BE COLD RESISTANT

FIRE PACKAGE:

- 2 CONTAINERS OF MATCHES, STRIKE ANYWHERE TYPE, IN WATERPROOF CONTAINERS
- MAGNESIUM FIRESTARTING TOOL[®] OR METAL MATCH[®]
- COTTON BALLS IMPREGNATED WITH PETROLEUM JELLY
- 1 CANDLE

SIGNAL PACKAGE:

- 1 GLASS 'G.I.'-TYPE SIGNAL MIRROR (EVEN AN OLD COMPACT DISC MAY WORK)
- 1 PLASTIC WHISTLE
- 1 DAYLIGHT FLUORESCENT ORANGE CLOTH SIGNAL PANEL, 3 FOOT BY 3 FOOT

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES:

- FIRST-AID KIT THAT ADDRESSES WILDERNESS EMERGENCIES.
- A GOOD KNIFE—THIS IS YOUR MOST IMPORTANT SURVIVAL TOOL!
- RAIN GEAR—PONCHO PREFERRED.
- BACKPACK HYDRATION SYSTEM OR CANTEEN, AND WATER PURIFICATION TABLETS.
- HIGH ENERGY, LIGHTWEIGHT FOOD BARS AND SNACKS.
- A CELL-PHONE WITH A CHARGED BATTERY - YOU *MIGHT* HAVE CELL COVERAGE

CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE

Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a neurological disease that can be found in some deer, elk and moose, and is fatal to these animals. The disease has been found throughout northern Colorado, and in a number of other states and provinces. If you have questions about CWD and public health, contact the **Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment at (303) 692-2700.**

PRECAUTIONS

- Do not shoot, handle or consume any animal that appears sick.
- Wear disposable rubber gloves when field dressing and processing animals.
- Bone out the meat from your animal.
- Minimize the handling of brain, spinal tissues, and viscera.
- Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.
- Avoid consuming brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen, tonsils, pancreas and lymph nodes of harvested animals. Normal field dressing, coupled with boning out a carcass, will remove most, if not all, of these body parts.
- Do not consume meat from animals known to be infected with CWD.
- Knives, saws and cutting table surfaces can be disinfected by soaking in a solution of 50 percent unscented household bleach and 50 percent water for an hour. Afterward, rinse thoroughly and allow them to air dry.
- Submit harvested animals for testing at a CPW-CWD testing station



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



The Habitat Partnership Program is a unique collaboration between sportsmen, landowners and land management agencies, including the BLM, employees of the U.S. Forest Service, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

The Habitat Partnership Program's purpose is to reduce conflicts and losses to ranchers and farmers caused by big game.

One way HPP does this is by developing more and better habitat on both public and private lands. Nearly 3/4 of HPP's funds are spent on habitat improvements each year.

Five percent of revenue generated by the sale of hunting licenses fund HPP projects throughout Colorado. This money (over \$2 million dollars annually) is matched with other people's money and time. This allows HPP to get more done at a lower cost for everyone.

By reducing landowner losses, HPP is helping increase a tolerance for big game animals on private property. Simply put, if HPP didn't exist, hunters could not enjoy the enormous hunting opportunities that they have today. Habitat conditions would be poorer than they are now and landowners and sportsmen wouldn't have the good relationships they do now.

HUNTERS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO

www.bit.ly/hppprogram



This book is intended to provide a general overview of big game hunting in Northwest Colorado, and should not be considered a legal document. Despite our best efforts, some errors may exist or information can become outdated. Call your local Colorado Parks and Wildlife office with questions or further details.

For specific details on regulations, restrictions, licenses and applications, please refer to the current Colorado Big Game Brochure, or for a full legal document, you can view general and big game regulations on our web site at cpw.state.co.us



Colorado Parks and Wildlife is an enterprise agency, relying primarily on license sales, state parks fees and registration fees to support its operations, including: 42 state parks and more than 350 wildlife areas covering approximately 900,000 acres, management of fishing and hunting, wildlife watching, camping, motorized and non-motorized trails, boating and outdoor education. CPW's work contributes approximately \$6 billion in total economic impact annually throughout Colorado.



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