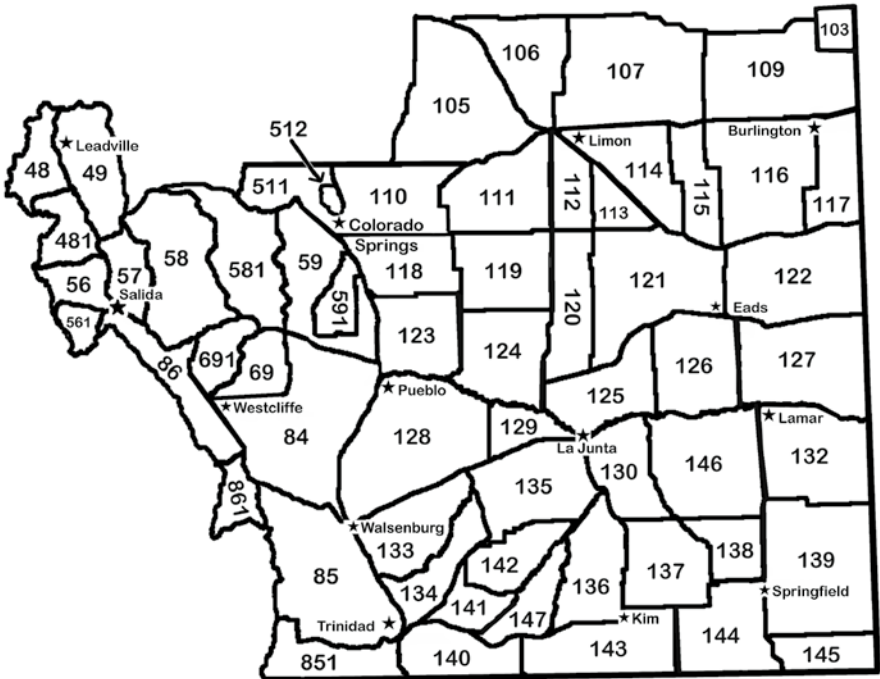


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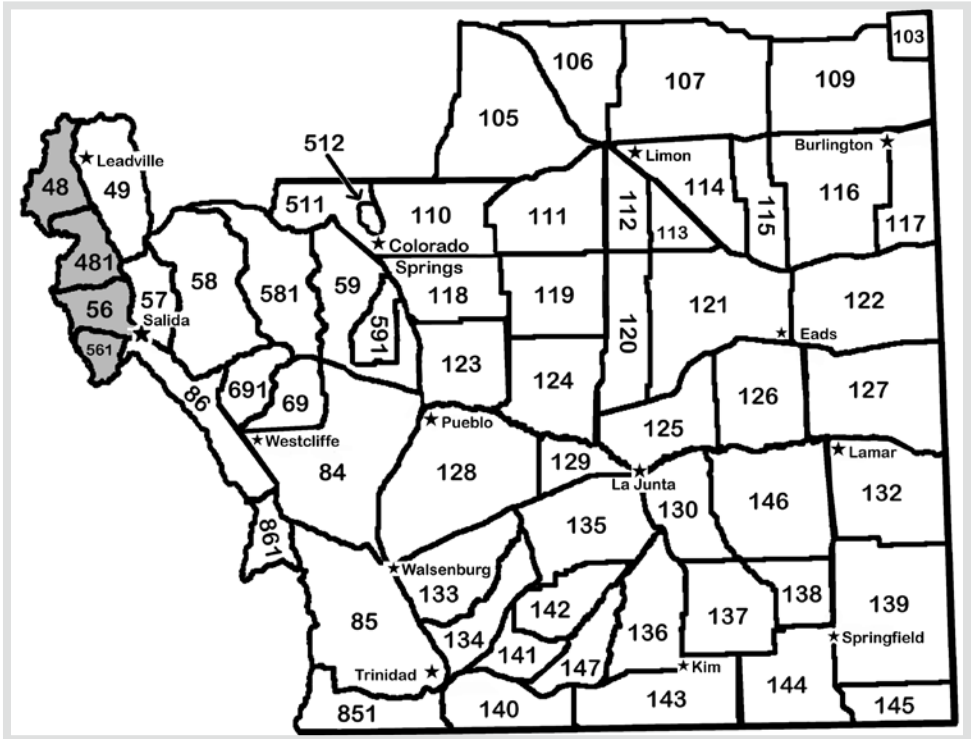
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## COLLEGIATE PEAKS: UNITS 48, 481, 56, 561



### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
48	Archery	8	0	0	8	77	10	13	12
48	Muzzle	9	0	0	9	33	27	25	28
48	2nd Rifle	46	0	0	46	113	41	29	25
48	3rd Rifle	9	0	0	9	30	30	29	28
481	Archery	5	0	0	5	63	8	6	4
481	Muzzle	9	0	0	9	34	26	17	22
481	2nd Rifle	88	16	0	104	207	50	46	43
481	3rd Rifle	63	15	0	78	164	48	54	50
481	Late	0	31	2	33	36	92	92	92
56	Archery	11	0	0	11	50	22	10	18
56	Muzzle	9	0	0	9	27	33	22	27
56	2nd Rifle	62	25	0	87	214	41	37	39
56	3rd Rifle	17	15	3	35	154	23	29	27
561	Archery	0	0	0	0	32	0	1	4
561	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	18	33	12	24
561	2nd Rifle	21	0	0	21	60	35	24	25
561	3rd Rifle	37	0	0	37	103	36	46	33

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## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
48	Archery	12	5	0	17	141	12	15	14
48	Muzzle	6	2	3	11	89	12	17	18
48	1st Rifle	29	0	0	29	64	45	37	38
48	2nd Rifle	20	30	0	50	227	22	32	26
48	3rd Rifle	3	14	4	21	67	31	33	29
48	4th Rifle	0	13	4	17	70	24	25	21
481	Archery	7	4	0	11	99	11	17	14
481	Muzzle	8	0	0	8	71	11	15	16
481	Early	0	26	0	26	69	38	40	40
481	1st Rifle	22	0	0	22	81	27	32	37
481	2nd Rifle	22	33	2	57	309	18	25	22
481	3rd Rifle	15	15	4	34	155	22	19	16
481	4th Rifle	3	11	0	14	42	33	25	19
56	Archery	9	3	3	15	104	14	12	10
56	Muzzle	2	5	2	9	99	9	9	11
56	Early	0	29	0	29	45	64	36	41
56	1st Rifle	12	0	0	12	80	15	16	15
56	2nd Rifle	12	12	0	24	196	12	16	15
56	3rd Rifle	10	23	3	36	141	26	19	15
56	4th Rifle	2	2	0	4	66	6	20	15
561	Archery	3	2	0	5	88	6	8	9
561	Muzzle	4	3	0	7	59	12	11	14
561	1st Rifle	4	0	0	4	42	10	10	22
561	2nd Rifle	4	9	0	13	100	13	23	21
561	3rd Rifle	9	9	0	18	74	24	18	14
561	4th Rifle	0	5	2	7	28	25	22	17

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
48	Archery	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
48	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	6	24
481	Archery	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	7
481	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	5	0	26	22
481	Rifle	2	4	0	6	8	75	83	87
56	Archery	6	0	0	6	12	50	33	19
56	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	20
56	Rifle	2	0	0	2	2	100	43	50

### ***Don't Shoot a Moose!***

There are moose in Colorado! Moose favor wetlands but can be found in any terrain where elk live. Please, be sure of your target. The fine for killing a moose is \$1,370. If the animal is killed and the carcass abandoned the shooter can be charged with a Class 5 felony.

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### GMU 48

**Location:** Portions of Lake and Chaffee counties bounded on N by the Continental Divide; on E by Tennessee Creek and the Arkansas River; on S by Clear Creek and the South Fork of Clear Creek; and on W by the Continental Divide.

**Elevation:** From 14, 431-foot Mt. Elbert to 9,023 feet near Clear Creek Reservoir.

**Terrain:** Broad valley bottoms changing rapidly to steep, rough mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grass & hay meadows to aspens & ponderosa to spruce & fir to alpine tundra.

**Weather:** Extremely variable; first freeze or snow may occur in early September.

**Land Status:** Approximately 80 percent public land.

**STLs:** Crystal Lake, Box Creek.

**SWAs:** Granite, Clear Creek Reservoir, Hardeman.

**Hunter Access:** Good. Public roads and trails provide access to public lands.

**Deer:** Some large bucks found in the alpine areas early in the seasons; otherwise concentrate in low elevations in the southern part of the unit. (Otherwise, not the best deer unit because of the high elevation).

**Elk:** The southern 30 percent of unit usually holds more elk than rest of unit. Twin Peaks and Lake Creek are a good place to drive through on Hwy. 82 scanning for elk. Keep in mind this is very high country with elevations not going far below 9,000 feet. This is a good area for early season hunts and there are many high points you can scan from.

**Sm Game:** Dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hare hunting between the alpine areas to the valley bottoms. Ptarmigan in the alpine and timberline areas; cottontails are spread throughout except for alpine areas. Waterfowl hunting can be good along streams and rivers early in the season. Snowshoe hares at high elevations above timberline.

**Additional Resources:** Leadville: hospital, gas, food.

Maps: BLM: Leadville, Gunnison quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: San Isabel National Forest. TOPOs - Homestake Reservoir, Leadville North, Leadville South, Mount Massive, Mount Champion, Independence Pass, Mount Elbert, Granite, Pie Plant and Winfield.

### GMU 481

**Location:** That portion of Chaffee Co bounded on N by the South Fork of Clear Creek and Clear Creek; on E by the Arkansas River; on S by Chalk Creek and the Tincup Pass Rd from St. Elmo; and on W by the Continental Divide.

**Elevation:** 14,419 on Mt. Harvard to 7,710 near Nathrop.

**Terrain:** Broad, level valley bottom, changing rapidly to steep, rough mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grassy hay meadows to aspens and ponderosa to spruce and fir to alpine tundra.

**Weather:** Extremely variable; first freeze or snow may occur in early September.

**Land Status:** Approximately 80 percent public and 20 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair. Public roads, trails provide limited access to public lands. Considerable wilderness with trails that are foot or horseback only.

**State Trust Land:** Maxwell Park, Tiger Lily.

**SWAs:** Clear Creek and Heckendorf.

**SWAs (fishing access only):** Buena Vista, Champion, Cottonwood Creek, Harmon, Johnson Village, and Wrights Lake.

**Deer:** Deer found throughout the unit, but better deer hunting at lower elevations. In later

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seasons deer will move down toward the town of Buena Vista and along Hwy 24.

**Elk:** Look for elk throughout the unit primarily in the 8,000 to 10,000-foot elevation range. Steep, rough country. Elk above timberline in the areas around Frenchman Creek, east face of Mt. Princeton and the Heckendorf State Wildlife Area, which is below timberline. 1st season finds elk anywhere from 7500' to above timberline. The amount of snow will determine where the elk are. Follow the snow line down as snow progresses.

**Pronghorn:** This unit is combined with GMUs 48 & 56 for muzzle loader season, and with 56 only for rifle season. There are fewer than 150 pronghorn in all three units combined, but there are hunting opportunities. Look for grazing areas and watering holes along the valley floor. Best opportunities in the southern portion of 481 and northern portion of 56.

**Sm Game:** Ptarmigan in the alpine areas; dusky grouse (blue grouse) and snowshoe hares between the alpine areas and the valley bottoms. Cottontail rabbits throughout the unit.

**Maps:** Topographic maps: Winfield, Granite, Mt. Harvard, Harvard Lakes, Buena Vista West, Mt. Yale, Tincup, Cumberland Pass, St. Elmo, Mt. Antero, Nathrop. US Forest Service: San Isabel National Forest

**Additional Resources:** Leadville, Salida, Buena Vista: medical, gas, food.

### GMU 56

**Location:** That portion of Chaffee Co bounded on N by Chalk Creek and the Tincup Pass Rd; on E by the Arkansas River and Colo. Hwy. 291; on S by US Hwy. 50; and on W by the Continental Divide.

**Elevation:** From 14,269 feet on Mt. Antero to 7,054 feet near Salida.

**Terrain:** Steep to moderately steep mountains with some level areas at low elevations.

**Vegetation:** Grassy, brushy slopes in low areas to spruce/fir to alpine tundra.

**Weather:** Extremely variable, but first snow or freeze can occur in early September.

**Land Status:** Approximately 90 percent public.

**STLs:** Sand Creek.

**SWAs:** Frantz Lake, Mount Ouray, Mount Shavano, Wrights Lake, Droney Gulch.

**SWAs: (fishing access only):** Big Bend, Everett, Smyth.

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands.

**Deer:** Look for deer in the lower elevations on the east and south sides of the unit.

**Elk:** Elk found throughout the unit, but most will generally be found between 8,000 feet and 10,000 feet in elevation. This is a 'high-country' unit with numerous 14er's in the area. The area around Shavano provides good elk habitat for early seasons at ~10,000 feet.

**Sm Game:** Dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hares can be hunted at higher elevations. Ptarmigan can be hunted in alpine areas. Hunt waterfowl early in the season along streams and rivers. There are turkeys in this area at lower elevations, but hunting is marginal because of low numbers.

**Maps:** BLM - Gunnison quadrangle. U.S. Forest Service - San Isabel National Forest. TOPOs - Cumberland Pass, St. Elmo, Mt. Antero, Nathrop, Salida West, Maysville, Garfield.

**Comments:** National Geographic 'Trails Illustrated' Map #130, *Salida, St. Elmo, Shavano Peak* is another good reference map.

**Additional Resources:** Buena Vista, Salida; medical, food, lodging, gas.

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### GMU 561

**Location:** Portions of Chaffee and Saguache counties bounded on N by US 50; on E by US 285; on S by the divide between the Arkansas River Drainage and the Rio Grande River Drainage; and on W by the Continental Divide.

**Elevation:** 13,944 feet on Mount Ouray to 7,036 feet near Salida.

**Terrain:** Steep to moderately steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grassy, brushy hillsides at low elevations to aspen, spruce and fir to alpine tundra.

**Weather:** Extremely variable; expect snow or freeze in early September.

**Land Status:** Approximately 90 percent public (six percent BLM land, 84 percent USFS) and 10 percent privately owned.

**Hunter Access:** Access is good with 90 percent of the unit being public.

**STLs:** Little Cochetopa Creek, Poncha Pass.

**Deer:** Look for deer in the lower elevations in the east part of unit, as this is their winter concentration. Look towards areas such as Cleveland Mountain and the Dry Lake area.

**Elk:** Found throughout the unit, especially in the western two-thirds of the area up to timberline.

**Sm Game:** Small numbers of waterfowl found along the South Arkansas River, early in the season. Dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hares will be found between the alpine areas and the valley bottoms. The alpine areas have small numbers of ptarmigan. Cottontails found throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM: Gunnison, Saguache, Pike's Peak quadrangles U.S. Forest Service: San Isabel National Forest TOPOs - Garfield, Maysville, Salida West, Poncha Pass, Mt. Ouray, Pahlone Peak. National Geographic 'Trails Illustrated' Maps #139 - *La Garita, Cochetopa Hills*; and Map #130, *Salida, St. Elmo, Shavano Peak* are good Maps.

**Additional Resources:** Salida: hospital, food, gas, lodging.

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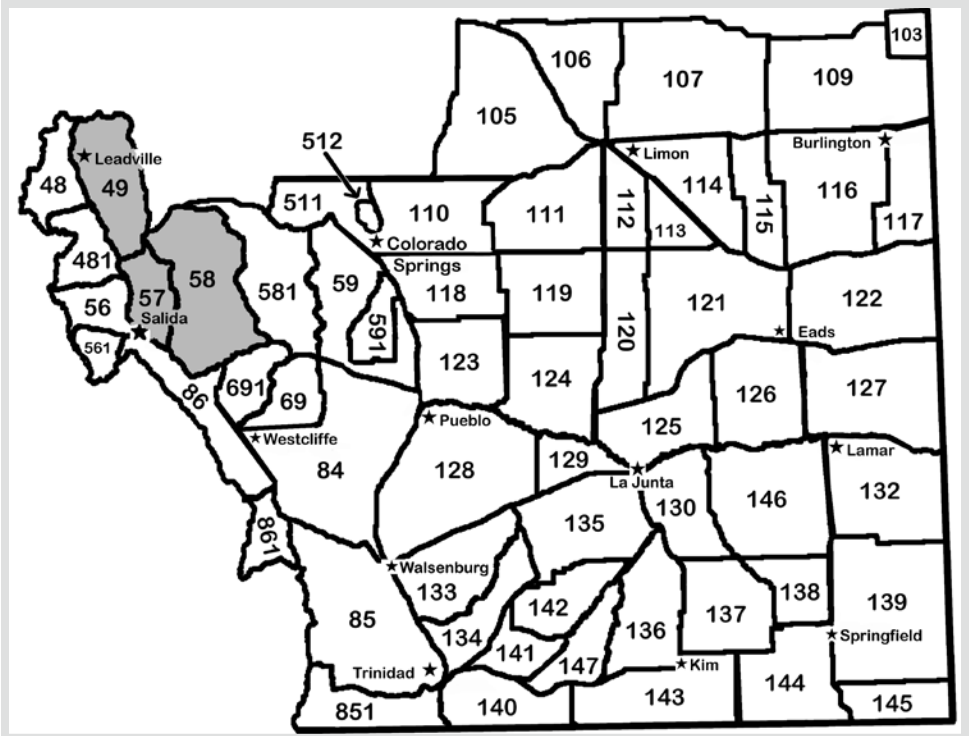
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## BUFFALO PEAKS: UNITS 49, 57, 58



### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
49	Archery	21	12	0	33	111	30	17	13
49	Muzzle	9	1	0	10	73	14	19	19
49	2nd Rifle	208	40	0	248	388	64	58	53
49	3rd Rifle	171	33	3	207	402	51	53	55
57	Archery	3	0	0	3	39	8	10	11
57	Muzzle	13	1	0	14	38	37	48	41
57	2nd Rifle	57	7	0	64	191	34	42	48
57	3rd Rifle	29	20	0	49	202	24	25	33
58	Archery	19	18	0	37	87	43	17	22
58	Muzzle	19	4	0	23	38	61	50	43
58	2nd Rifle	108	8	0	116	183	63	50	54
58	3rd Rifle	71	14	0	85	191	45	48	44

#### Definitions:

A deer is considered a buck if it has an antler **at least** five inches long.  
 It is considered a doe or a fawn (antlerless) if it has no antlers,  
 or antlers **less than** 5-inches long.

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### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
49	Archery	15	4	4	23	163	14	18	21
49	Muzzle	15	7	4	26	116	22	27	26
49	1st Rifle	37	0	0	37	70	53	51	49
49	2nd Rifle	30	37	1	68	231	29	30	29
49	3rd Rifle	22	39	0	61	190	32	31	26
49	4th Rifle	3	21	8	32	164	20	30	28
57	Archery	17	0	0	17	88	19	20	19
57	Muzzle	9	2	0	11	65	17	21	22
57	Early	0	17	0	17	55	31	39	41
57	1st Rifle	32	8	3	43	100	43	35	30
57	2nd Rifle	9	6	5	20	93	22	23	23
57	3rd Rifle	12	19	0	31	88	35	29	28
57	4th Rifle	13	8	0	21	70	30	26	26
58	Archery	11	0	0	11	92	12	13	16
58	Muzzle	9	0	2	11	56	20	23	23
58	Early	0	45	0	45	112	40	39	41
58	1st Rifle	11	6	3	20	75	27	24	27
58	2nd Rifle	17	4	0	21	99	21	23	26
58	3rd Rifle	20	11	0	31	93	33	35	29
58	4th Rifle	17	16	4	37	133	28	28	28
58	Late	0	27	3	30	56	54	43	40

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
49	Archery	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
57	Archery	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
57	Rifle	8	9	2	19	21	90	90	82
58	Archery	2	0	0	2	18	11	19	18
58	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	2	100	100	50
58	Rifle	14	15	0	29	37	78	76	81

### **GMU 49**

**Location:** Portions of Lake, Park and Chaffee counties bounded on N by the Continental Divide; on E by Colo. Hwy. 9 and US 285; on S by US 24; and on W by the Arkansas River and Tennessee Creek.

**Elevation:** From 14,240-foot Mt. Cameron to 7,874 near Johnson Village.

**Terrain:** Broad valley bottoms up to moderately steep hills, climbing to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Piñons & junipers, aspens & pine, spruce & fir, alpine with grassy meadows

**Weather:** Extremely variable; first freeze or snow may be in early September.

**Land Status:** Approximately 80 percent public.



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**STLs:** Antero, Chubb Park, Crystal Lake, High Creek, Tiger Lilly.

**SWAs:** Alma, Buena Vista, Chubb Park Ranch, Granite/Hardeman (fishing access), Johnson Village (fishing access), Paddock, Reddy (fishing access).

**Comments:** Paddock SWA is comprised of several parcels. Hunters are advised to pick up a detailed property map that shows ranch roads at the Salida CPW office or the Leadville Forest Service Office and scout the property before hunting.

**Hunter Access:** Good. Many public roads and trails to and through public lands. No motorized vehicles allowed in the Wilderness portion.

**Deer:** Better areas are in the piñons and junipers in the Chaffee County portion of the unit. Paddock State Wildlife Area provides good hunting in later seasons. Weston Pass is a good access road to public National Forest Land.

**Elk:** Most are on the Fairplay side of the mountain range. Herds are increasing near Leadville. Weston Pass is a good area to hunt because it is in between summer and wintering grounds. The national forest area around Leadville is worth checking out as well.

**Sm. Game:** Dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hares are found between timberline and the valley bottoms. Ptarmigan hunting at timberline and above; cottontails are spread through the area with the exception of the alpine areas. Waterfowl hunting can be good early in the season on streams and rivers.

**Maps:** BLM: Leadville, Gunnison, Pikes Peak, Bailey quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: San Isabel & Pike National Forest. TOPOs - Leadville North, Climax, Alma, Fairplay East, Fairplay West, Mt. Sherman, Leadville South, Granite, South Peak, Jones Hill, Garo, Antero Reservoir, Marmot Peak, Harvard Lakes, Buena Vista East, Buena Vista West.

**Additional Resources:** Leadville and Fairplay: hospital, gas, food. Buena Vista: gas, food.

### GMU 57

**Location:** Portions of Chaffee, Park and Fremont counties bounded on N by US 24; on E by Kaufman Ridge and Badger Creek; on S by US 50 and Colo. Hwy. 291; and on W by the Arkansas River.

**Elevation:** 10,995 feet on Cameron Mountain to 6,890 feet near Swissvale.

**Terrain:** Relatively level to moderately steep, low mountains with steep, rocky areas on the west side above the Arkansas River.

**Vegetation:** Grassy meadows with large aspen stands, piñons, junipers, pines, spruce & fir.

**Weather:** Variable, but expect snow or freeze in mid-Sept. or early Oct. Access during late season hunts may be limited due to snow.

**Land Status:** Approximately 80 percent public.

**STLs:** Aspen Ridge (542 acres), Badger Creek (6,032 acres in GMUs 57 & 58), Chubb Park (3,640 acres mostly in GMU 49), Sand Gulch #2 (2,400 acres), Waugh Mountain (17,773 acres in GMUs 57 & 58)

**SWAs:** Champion (fishing only), Chubb Park Ranch (tiny portion of SWA in 57), Johnson Village SWA (fishing access only), Ruby Mountain (fishing access only), Sands Lake.

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands.

**Deer:** Better deer areas are in the lower elevation piñons and junipers along the north, west and south sides of the unit. The areas around Turret are improving, and area near Wellsville should be good.

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**Elk:** Better elk hunting at higher elevations from about Cameron Mountain north to Trout Creek Pass. Be especially cautious around private property in the center of the unit. Private property is not always contiguous, property ownership maps are highly recommended in this portion of the unit.

**Small game:** Dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hares at higher elevations; cottontail rabbits spread throughout. Early in the season, waterfowl found along streams and rivers.

**Additional Resources:** Salida: hospital, food, gas. Johnson Village: gas, food. Buena Vista: gas, food.

**Maps:** BLM: Pikes Peak, Gunnison quadrangles. U.S. Forest Srv: San Isabel Natl. Forest. TOPOs - Antero Reservoir, Castle Rock Gulch, Buena Vista East, Nathrop, Cameron Mountain, Gribbles Park, Jack Hall Mountain, Salida East, Wellsville, Howard.

### GMU 58

**Location:** Portions of Fremont and Park counties bounded on N by US 24; on E by Park County Rd. 59 and Colo. Hwy. 9; on S by US 50; and on W by Kaufman Ridge and Badger Creek.

**Elevation:** 11,710 feet on Waugh Mountain to 5,760 feet at Parkdale.

**Terrain:** Level valley bottoms to moderately steep hills to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grass, piñons, junipers, brush, aspens, spruce and fir.

**Weather:** Extremely variable; expect snow or freeze in early Sept. at higher elevations.

**Land Status:** Approximately 40 percent public.

**STLs:** Agate Mountain, Antero, Badger Creek, Cottonwood Ridge, Dick's Peak, Dirty Gulch, Fernleaf Gulch, Hartsel, Parkdale, Sand Gulch #1, Sand Gulch #3, Sand Gulch #4, Stoney Face Mountain, Tallahassee Road, Texas Creek #1, Texas Creek #2, Three Mile Mountain, Warmer Gulch, Waugh Mountain

**SWAs:** Badger Basin (fishing access), Charlie Meyers, Spinney Mountain, Warmer Gulch, Treat/Ogden (fishing access).

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good. Most public land accessible, but some blocked by private. Landowners fairly cooperative to grant permission; some leased areas.

**Deer:** Better in southern half on BLM land. The Sand Gulch and Badger Creek STLs provide good habitat for deer.

**Elk:** Most elk hunting is in the 39-Mile Mountain, Dick's Peak, Black Mountain and Waugh Mountain areas. Another place to check would be Waugh Mountain STL.

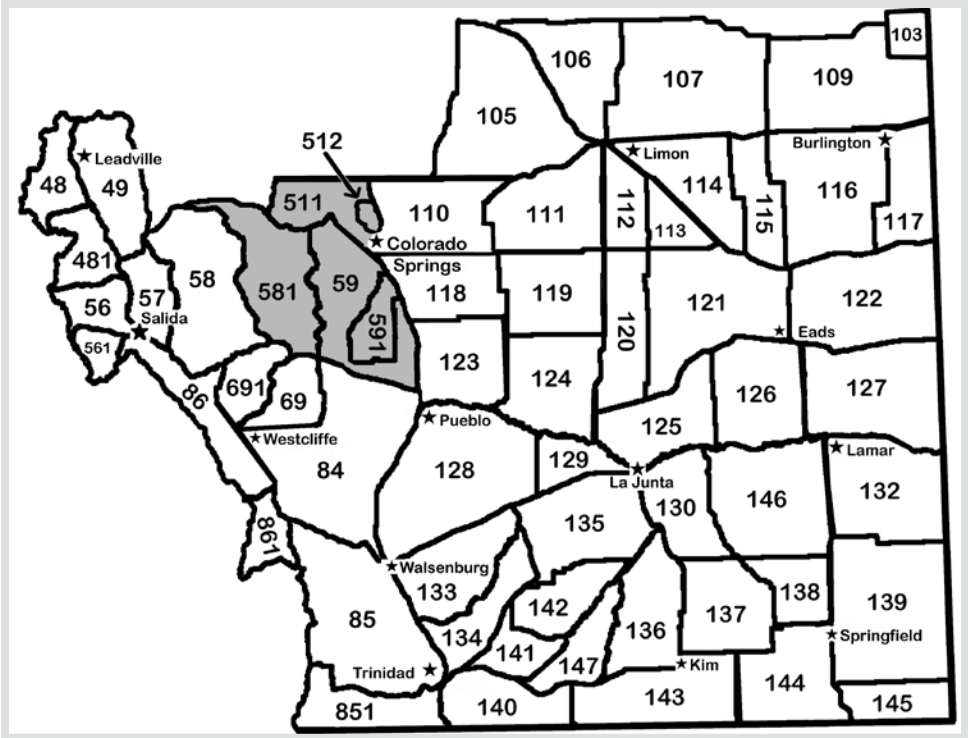
**Pronghorn:** Good pronghorn hunting on the north end.

**Sm. Game:** Hunt Dusky (blue) grouse at high elevations along ridges but below timberline. The best cottontail hunting is at low elevations in the rocky piñons. Spinney Mountain Reservoir offers decent waterfowl hunting early in the season. Your best bet for turkeys in unit 58 is the southern half of the area around pines and oakbrush thickets.

**Maps:** BLM: Pikes Peak, Canon City, Bailey quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: Pike National Forest. TOPOs: Antero Reservoir, Antero Reservoir NE, Guffey NW, Spinney Mountain, Witcher Mountain, 39-Mile Mountain, Dick's Peak, Agate Mountain, Gribbles Park, Black Mountain, 31-Mile Mountain, Cover Mountain, Gribble Mountain, Hall Gulch, Waugh Mountain, Jack Hall Mountain, Howard, Arkansas Mountain, Echo, McIntire Hills, Royal Gorge, Cotopaxi.

**Additional Resources:** Canon City: hospital, food, gas.

**CRIPPLE CREEK / PIKES PEAK: UNITS 511, 512, 581, 59, 591**



**DEER HARVEST STATISTICS**

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
511	Archery	33	50	0	83	153	54	45	40
511	Muzzle	19	7	0	26	61	43	51	45
511	2nd Rifle	84	14	0	98	165	59	51	44
511	3rd Rifle	44	13	0	57	117	49	49	48
511	4th Rifle	30	0	0	30	60	50	51	48
581	Archery	30	9	0	39	59	66	47	37
581	Muzzle	8	3	0	11	27	41	44	45
581	2nd Rifle	92	11	0	103	227	45	52	55
581	3rd Rifle	123	6	0	129	255	51	60	58
59	Archery	9	14	0	23	68	34	20	20
59	Muzzle	3	2	0	5	16	31	45	32
59	2nd Rifle	51	0	0	51	76	67	50	42
59	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	27	15	38	41
591	Archery	9	5	0	14	36	39	20	25
591	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	11	27	56	46
591	Late	31	32	2	65	84	77	77	80

**CRIPPLE CREEK / PIKES PEAK: UNITS 511, 512, 581, 59, 591**

<b>ELK HARVEST STATISTICS</b>									
Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
511	Archery	11	32	10	53	792	7	6	6
511	Muzzle	0	5	0	5	54	9	11	14
511	1st Rifle	8	5	0	13	68	19	19	24
511	2nd Rifle	25	9	0	34	541	6	9	9
511	3rd Rifle	8	3	0	11	470	2	5	4
511	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	89	0	4	4
581	Archery	13	4	4	21	370	6	4	4
581	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	15	0	13	16
581	Early	0	89	33	122	186	66	49	48
581	1st Rifle	9	5	0	14	118	12	15	20
581	2nd Rifle	28	15	4	47	447	11	9	10
581	3rd Rifle	29	9	0	38	455	8	8	8
581	4th Rifle	0	15	0	15	214	7	14	11
581	Late	0	37	0	37	91	41	31	36
59	Archery	17	3	3	23	276	8	6	6
59	Muzzle	0	3	0	3	24	13	19	22
59	Early	0	35	2	37	107	35	26	26
59	1st Rifle	10	0	0	10	121	8	13	14
59	2nd Rifle	34	11	4	49	202	24	17	15
59	3rd Rifle	15	0	0	15	154	10	8	10
59	4th Rifle	0	13	0	13	114	11	9	9
59	Late	0	0	0	0	44	0	12	14
591	Archery	0	0	4	4	102	4	5	7
591	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	11	13
591	1st Rifle	0	5	0	5	23	22	22	29
591	2nd Rifle	4	4	0	8	68	12	12	16
591	3rd Rifle	12	0	0	12	67	18	13	11
591	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

<b>PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS</b>									
Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
511	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
581	Archery	2	0	0	2	8	25	18	18
581	Muzzle	0	3	0	3	3	100	73	69
581	Rifle	3	11	0	14	18	78	73	75
59	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
591	Archery	0	0	0	0	18	0	6	4
591	Rifle	3	0	0	3	12	25	44	47
591	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	1	100	27	21
591	Rifle	4	2	0	6	6	100	46	50

## CRIPPLE CREEK / PIKES PEAK: UNITS 59, 591, 511, 512, 581

### GMU 59

**Location:** Portions of Pueblo, Fremont, El Paso and Teller counties bounded on N by US 24; on E by I-25; on S by US 50; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 67 and the Phantom Canyon Road; EXCEPT those portions within the boundaries of Fort Carson Military Base.

**Elevation:** From 14,112 feet on Pikes Peak to 4,593 feet near Pueblo.

**Terrain:** Level prairies to moderately steep foothills and plateaus to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairies, piñons, junipers, pine, oakbrush, spruce/fir and alpine tundra.

**Weather:** Variable, with first freeze or snow any time from early Sept. to mid-Oct.

**Land status:** Approximately 50 percent public. Note: Fort Carson is stand-alone GMU 591.

**STLs:** Table Mountain

**SWAs:** Beaver Creek, Brush Hollow, Pikes Peak (limited bighorn sheep access granted by the town of Victor), Rosemont Reservoir, Skaguay Reservoir

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands, fair to private lands. Access BLM land through Beaver Creek SWA. Access national forest off Gold Camp Road.

**Mule Deer:** Better deer hunting is generally south of the Gold Camp Road to Hwy. 115. Decent sized bucks are being seen above timberline.

**Elk:** Better elk hunting in Teller County portion of unit however, terrain is very steep and heavily forested. Early seasons (archery and muzzleloader) see success above timberline.

**Sm. Game:** Best bet for dusky (blue) grouse is in the northern half at higher elevations. Cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit. East of Hwy. 115 offers some scaled quail hunting along with small numbers of band-tailed pigeons. Decent turkey hunting along Gold Camp Road and Skaguay area. Limited for turkeys in Beaver Creek SWA.

**Maps:** BLM: Pikes Peak, Canon City, Colorado Springs, Pueblo quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: Pike National Forest. TOPOs -Woodland Park, Cascade, Cripple Creek North, Pikes Peak, Manitou Springs, Colorado Springs, Cripple Creek South, Big Bull Mountain, Mt. Big Chief, Cheyenne Mountain, Fountain, Phantom Canyon, Mt. Pittsburgh, Timber Mountain, Buttes, Florence, Pierce Gulch, Stone City, Steele Hollow, Hobson, Swallows, Northwest Pueblo, Northeast Pueblo, Piñon.

**Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs, Florence, or Woodland Park: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 591

**Location:** Portions of Pueblo, Fremont and El Paso counties within the boundaries of the Fort Carson Military Reservation. **See Comments on next page for access information.**

**Elevation:** 5,500 to 6,500 feet.

**Terrain:** Rolling prairie to moderately steep foothills and plateaus.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie, piñon, juniper, pine, oakbrush.

**Weather:** Variable, with first freeze or snow any time from late-Sept. to mid-Oct.

**Land status:** U.S. Army.

**Hunter access:** Extra fee and restrictions on Fort Carson. Training on Fort Carson takes priority to hunting.

**Deer:** Good on the west and south sides.

**Elk:** Can be good on the south side depending on elk movements.

**Pronghorn:** Not a good pronghorn area.

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**Small game:** Turkey hunting is available as well as other small game species.

**Maps:** BLM - Pikes Peak, Canon City, Colorado Springs, Pueblo quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - Pike National Forest. TOPOs - Woodland Park, Cascade, Cripple Creek North, Pikes Peak, Manitou Springs, Colorado Springs, Cripple Creek South, Big Bull Mountain, Mt. Big Chief, Cheyenne Mountain, Fountain, Phantom Canyon, Mt. Pittsburgh, Timber Mountain, Buttes, Florence, Pierce Gulch, Stone City, Steele Hollow, Hobson, Swallows, Northwest Pueblo, Northeast Pueblo, Piñon.

**Comments:** Fort Carson requires hunters to attend a down-range safety briefing to hunt Fort Carson. Safety briefings are held the first and last Wednesdays of the month at 1800 hours (except December) at 9550 Wilderness Road. For more information contact Ft. Carson at 719-526-4136, or 719-526-1329, or 719-524-5393, or 719-526-5469 or check online at: <http://www.mwrfortcarson.com/hunting-fishingfc.php>.

**Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 511

**Location:** Portions of Teller, El Paso and Park counties bounded on N by the Douglas Co Line; on E by I-25; on S by US 24; and on W by the South Platte River, except land within boundaries of United States Air Force Academy.

**Elevation:** 9,423 feet on Blodgett Peak to 6,400 in Colorado Springs.

**Terrain:** Consists of mostly steep to moderately steep mountains with rocky outcrops.

**Vegetation:** Pine & oakbrush or pine & meadows at low elevations to spruce & fir higher.

**Weather:** Variable. Look for first snow or freeze in early October.

**Land Status:** Approximately 60 percent public. Private property parcels and restricted government land boarder Rampart Range road so hunters must mind land status. Be aware that Douglas County is a limited license area for elk.

**Hunter Access:** Good. Public roads provide access to public lands. Access is from the north and northwest of Divide, either side of Hwy. 67 north of Woodland Park and on either side of the Rampart Range Road from about Ormes Peak to the Douglas-El Paso county line.

**Mule Deer:** Look for deer at lower elevations in the oakbrush and pines or adjacent to meadows at higher elevations. Areas with forest thinning operations and wild land fires have provided good deer habitat. In later seasons look for deer along Camp Creek

**Elk:** Elk found just about anywhere in the unit. Look for elk in the Trout Creek drainage. During early seasons, look for elk near South Beaver Creek and Rampart Reservoir.

**Sm. Game:** Dusky grouse (blue grouse) can be hunted at higher elevations. Small densities of turkey throughout unit. Band-tailed pigeons and cottontail rabbits spread throughout.

**Maps:** Topographic maps: Cheesman Lake, West Creek, Dakan Mountain, Larkspur, Hackett Mountain, Signal Butte, Mount Deception, Palmer Lake, Lake George, Divide, Woodland Park, Cascade, Pike View, Manitou Springs, Colorado Springs. US Forest Service: Pike National Forest.

**Comments:** The southeast portion of the unit was severely impacted by the Waldo Canyon Fire in June, 2012.

**Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs or Woodland Park: hospital, food, gas. Monument: food, gas.

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### GMU 512

**Location:** U.S. Air Force Academy.

**Elevation:** 7,874 feet near the west boundary to 6,069 feet near Colorado Springs.

**Terrain:** Rolling hills at the base of the Rampart Range.

**Vegetation:** Willow creek bottoms to park-like alpine areas. Lawns and ornamental plantings around the campus.

**Weather:** Generally fair with first frost or snow anytime between mid-Sept. to mid-Oct.

**Land Status:** 100 percent US Air Force Academy.

**Hunter Access:** All hunting is by special licensing through the United States Air Force Academy (USAFA). Successful applicants must buy an Air Force Academy access permit and attend a mandatory safety orientation before hunting. Please refer to the Colorado Big Game brochure for more information, or call the USAFA at 719-333-3336.

**Deer:** Hunt areas determined annually; hunters are directed to and may only hunt in those areas determined by the USAFA. Some white-tailed deer on Monument Creek. Hunting allowed only on days, areas and by method of take authorized by Academy.

**Elk:** Very few elk occur in the unit. A limited number of cow elk licenses are available. Call 719-333-3336 for information.

**Sm. Game:** Spring and fall turkey licenses are available for USAFA. Turkey hunting is limited to youth and women only. Contact the Colorado Springs Parks and Wildlife office at 719-227-5200 for information on how to gain access. No other Sm. Game.

**Maps:** Topographic Maps: Monument, Pike View. US Forest Service: Pike National Forest

**Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 581

**Location:** Portions of Park, Teller and Fremont counties bounded on N by US 24; on E by Colo. Hwy. 67 and the Phantom Canyon Road; on S by US 50; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 9 and Park Co Rd 59.

**Elevation:** 10,863 feet on Stoll Mountain to 5,250 feet near Canon City.

**Terrain:** Level bottom lands to moderately steep hills to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grassy, shrub, piñon, juniper in low areas to spruce & fir at higher elevations.

**Weather:** Variable, but first snow or freeze can occur in early to mid-Sept.

**Land Status:** Only 35 percent public.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good. Some public lands blocked by private property. Minimal hunting near subdivisions.

**STLs:** Portions of Badger Flats, Deer Haven, Eleven Mile, Saddle Mountain, Spinney Mountain.

**SWAs:** Badger Basin, Dome Rock .

**State Parks:** Elevenmile Canyon, Mueller, Spinney Mountain.

**Deer:** Winter concentration for mule deer is generally in the northern and western portions of this unit. Recommended areas include Puma Hills and Eleven Mile Canyon in the northwestern portion. In the western portion, look toward Witcher Mountain and Cap Rock Ridge.

**Elk:** This unit tends to be a winter concentration area for elk, especially the western and northeastern portion of the unit. In the northeast, look toward Dome Rock SWA and Sheep Rock. In the west, look toward Witcher Mountain and Cap Rock Ridge.



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**Pronghorn:** Good pronghorn hunting in the northwest part of the unit, especially north of Eleven Mile Canyon Reservoir. This area is mainly private, making access difficult.

**Small Game:** Elevenmile Reservoir offers very good goose hunting, early in the season. The southern half of the unit has a small number of turkeys in the ponderosa pines and oakbrush areas. Cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM: Pikes Peak, Canon City, Bailey quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: Pike National Forest.

**Additional Resources:** Canon City or Colorado Springs: hospital, food, gas. Cripple Creek: food, gas.

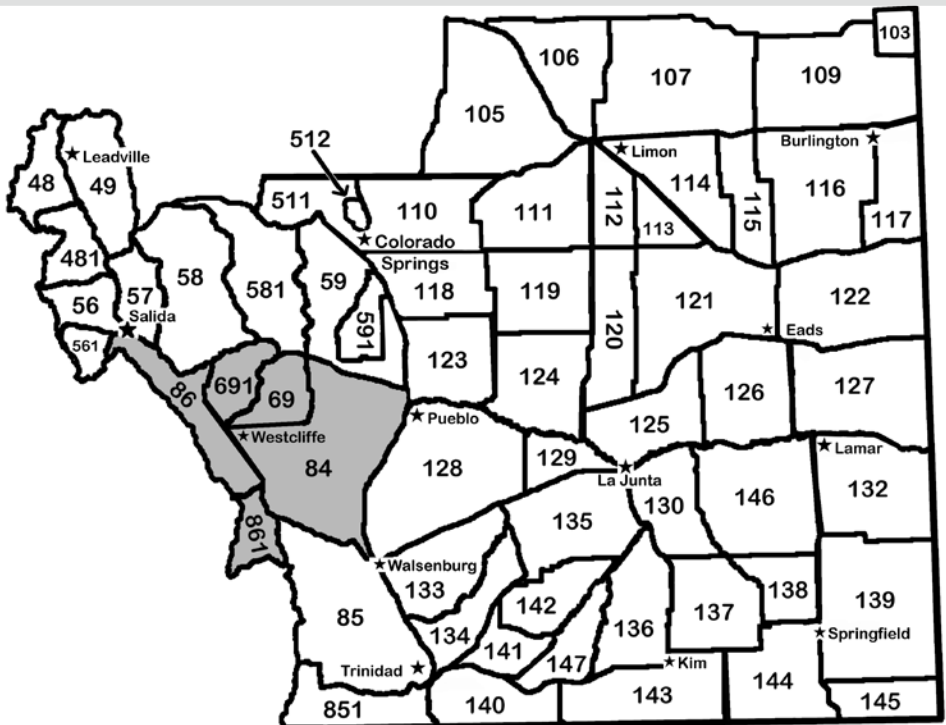


### Attention Bear Hunters



Hunters must personally present bears to a CPW office for inspection and sealing within five (5) working days of harvest. The CPW is authorized to remove a premolar tooth for research purposes. Bear heads and hides must not be frozen when presented for inspection. If the head and hide are frozen, the CPW may have to keep them long enough to thaw, so that a tooth can be removed. Seals must remain attached to the hide until tanning.

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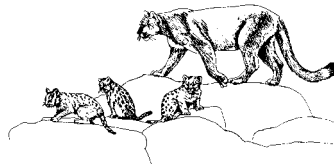




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## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
69	Archery	18	0	0	18	88	20	15	11
69	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	44	14	19	17
69	Early	0	42	0	42	97	43	33	35
69	1st Rifle	13	0	0	13	28	46	44	41
69	2nd Rifle	13	4	3	20	85	24	20	20
69	3rd Rifle	10	0	0	10	52	19	13	12
69	4th Rifle	4	10	0	14	47	30	17	14
691	Archery	0	0	0	0	34	0	8	7
691	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
691	Early	0	9	0	9	56	16	19	19
691	1st Rifle	5	2	0	7	17	41	36	40
691	2nd Rifle	7	0	0	7	47	15	11	14
691	3rd Rifle	6	4	0	10	65	15	9	9
691	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
84	Archery	14	0	5	19	77	25	15	17
84	Muzzle	11	2	0	13	56	23	17	15
84	Early	0	27	0	27	92	29	33	32
84	1st Rifle	28	0	0	28	50	56	50	46
84	2nd Rifle	19	9	0	28	90	31	26	24
84	3rd Rifle	10	9	0	19	55	35	28	26
84	4th Rifle	9	0	0	9	47	19	23	29
86	Archery	24	7	4	35	610	6	7	8
86	Muzzle	13	3	3	19	123	15	15	16
86	Early	0	81	0	81	175	46	48	47
86	1st Rifle	10	2	0	12	136	9	19	24
86	2nd Rifle	58	7	0	65	509	13	13	13
86	3rd Rifle	35	3	0	38	255	15	9	9
86	4th Rifle	3	3	0	6	45	13	17	12
861	Archery	14	0	0	14	144	10	12	10
861	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	27	11	16	9
861	Early	0	9	0	9	9	100	60	60
861	1st Rifle	15	0	0	15	43	35	37	41
861	2nd Rifle	13	7	1	21	128	16	16	12
861	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	67	6	18	14
861	4th Rifle	4	0	2	6	36	17	24	23
861	3rd Rifle	15	0	0	15	41	37	16	20
861	4th Rifle	12	0	0	12	19	63	24	19



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## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
69	Archery	1	21	0	22	117	19	31	31
69	Muzzle	12	0	0	12	51	24	35	38
69	2nd Rifle	166	13	0	179	317	56	48	49
69	3rd Rifle	116	9	2	127	264	48	50	50
691	Archery	6	0	0	6	23	26	21	17
691	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
691	2nd Rifle	8	0	0	8	27	30	33	42
691	3rd Rifle	16	0	0	16	47	34	43	46
84	Archery	13	7	0	20	80	25	34	28
84	Muzzle	20	3	0	23	60	38	29	28
84	2nd Rifle	87	0	0	87	258	34	40	46
84	3rd Rifle	131	9	0	140	326	43	46	50
86	Archery	12	12	0	24	62	39	31	26
86	Muzzle	26	0	0	26	58	45	43	40
86	Early	7	0	0	7	10	70	75	75
86	2nd Rifle	86	2	0	88	164	54	48	48
86	3rd Rifle	72	0	0	72	138	52	46	48
861	Archery	0	6	0	6	6	100	22	18
861	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	5	60	11	29
861	2nd Rifle	9	2	0	11	49	22	49	48
861	3rd Rifle	28	2	0	30	62	48	40	45
861	3rd Rifle	27	0	0	27	52	52	34	44

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
69	Archery	0	0	0	0	24	0	13	15
69	Muzzle	2	2	0	4	36	11	9	10
69	Rifle	30	73	0	103	179	58	70	69
691	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
691	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	5	40	27	21
691	Rifle	0	0	0	0	18	0	47	49
84	Archery	15	0	0	15	51	29	28	25
84	Muzzle	5	4	0	9	36	25	27	35
84	Rifle	48	50	0	98	137	72	71	73
86	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	10
86	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	4	50	25	17
86	Rifle	24	6	0	30	60	50	79	78
861	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	40
861	Rifle	3	0	0	3	13	23	44	45
861	Rifle	10	0	0	10	20	50	44	48

## WET MTNS / SANGRE DE CRISTO: UNITS 69, 691, 84, 86, 861

### GMU 69

**Location:** Portions of Custer and Fremont counties bounded on N by US 50; on E by Colo. Hwy. 67; on S by Colo. Hwy. 96; and on W by Grape Creek and the Arkansas River.

**Elevation:** From 9,771 feet on Lock Mountain to 5,168 feet near Florence.

**Terrain:** Relatively flat to rolling hills to steep, rocky canyons.

**Vegetation:** Grass to piñons, junipers and shrubs to pine and spruce/fir.

**Weather:** Variable, first freeze or snow could occur in mid-Sept.

**Land Status:** Approximately 50 percent public.

**STLs:** Bear Gulch, Florence, Grape Creek, Newlin Creek (shotgun, muzzleloader, archery only), West Bear Gulch

**SWAs:** DeWeese Reservoir.

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands; permission difficult to obtain for private land.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found on DeWeese SWA.

**Mule Deer:** Deer found throughout the unit. Slightly higher densities on the west end.

Summer concentrations found at higher elevations in the San Isabel National forest.

**Elk:** The San Isabel National Forest offers good public land for earlier seasons. Curley Peak, Adobe Peak, Bear Peak, and Gem Mountain are good places. Winter weather in the later seasons move elk lower onto private lands.

**Sm. Game:** Dusky (blue) grouse are mainly concentrated in the eastern half of the unit at high elevations. Cottontail rabbits are spread throughout mostly in the brushy areas. The eastern half of unit 69 offers good turkey hunting; best locations are areas with ponderosa pines and oak.

**Maps:** Canon City, Rockvale, Hardscrabble Mountain, Mt. Tyndall, Westcliffe, Beckwith Mountain, Royal Gorge, Florence SE, Wetmore, Curley Peak, Florence, Iron Mountain, McIntyre Hills, Echo, Hillside.

**Additional Resources:** Pueblo, Canon City or Florence: Hotels, hospital, food, gas, gear. Westcliffe: Gas, food, gear.

### GMU 691

**Location:** Portions of Custer & Fremont counties bounded on N by U.S. Hwy. 50; on E by Grape Creek and the Arkansas River; on S by Colo. Hwy. 96; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 69.

**Elevation:** 6,142 feet at Webster Park to 8,700 feet at Gem Mountain.

**Terrain:** Relatively flat with rolling hills and steep, rocky canyons.

**Vegetation:** Large open grassy meadows to pinion juniper hills. Ponderosa Pine at lower elevations with spruce and fir at higher elevations.

**Weather:** Variable, first freeze or snow could occur in mid-Sept.

**Land Status:** Approximately 50 percent public.

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands. Permission is difficult to obtain on private lands.

**SWAs:** Portion of DeWeese Reservoir.

**STLs:** Beddows Mt. (500 acres); Turkey Gulch (640 acres); West Bear Gulch (640 acres); Cody Park (1,560 acres); Grape Creek (1,280 acres); Parkdale (640 acres); Pinnacle Rock (520 acres).

**Mule Deer:** Deer are found throughout the unit in the early seasons and move down to private land during winter. Best densities in west end of unit.

**Elk:** Elk are found in the middle third of the unit in the early seasons.

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**Pronghorn:** DeWeese Res. Area, Rockvale southeast to Wetmore, in winter look south of Parkdale and the Buck Mountain area.

**Sm. Game:** Cottontail rabbits are spread throughout mostly in brushy areas. There are a few turkeys in unit 691; best locations are areas with ponderosa pines and oak. Turkey Gulch STL is good for turkey.

**Maps:** BLM – Cañon City quadrangle. U.S. Forest Service - San Isabel National Forest. USGS TOPOs - Canon City, Rockvale, Hardscrabble Mountain, Mt. Tyndall, Westcliffe, Beckwith Mountain, Royal Gorge, Florence SE, Wetmore, Curley Peak, Florence, Iron Mountain, Mc Intyre Hills, Echo, Hillside.

**Additional Resources:** Canon City or Florence: hospital, gas, food, lodging. Westcliffe: gas, food lodging.

**Comments:** Good pronghorn hunting on private land near Westcliffe, but limited access. Only public access for pronghorn is on DeWeese and Cody Park STL. Beddows Mtn. STL is good for turkey, bear, deer, and elk. Turkey Gulch STL is good for deer and turkey. There are special restrictions on Beddows - shotgun, muzzleloader, and archery only unless it is a youth accompanied by a mentor, then the youth can use rifle.

### GMU 84

**Location:** Portions of Custer, Fremont, Huerfano and Pueblo counties bounded on N by US 50; on E by I-25 and Colo. Hwy. 1; on S by Colo. Hwy. 9; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 96 and Colo. Hwy. 67.

**Elevation:** 12,412 feet on Greenhorn Peak to 4,593 feet near Pueblo.

**Terrain:** Flat to rolling prairie to moderately steep foothills to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie to piñons, junipers and shrubs to pines and oaks, to spruce-fir, to alpine meadows.

**Weather:** Extremely variable. First freeze or snow from mid-Oct. in low lands to mid-Sept. in higher areas.

**Land Status:** Approximately 30 percent public.

**STLs:** Blue Spring (640 acres); Black Mountain (640 acres); Lapin Creek (640 acres); Rosita (640 acres).

**SWAs:** Pueblo Reservoir (4,100 acres), Lake Beckwith (fishing access).

**State Parks:** Lake Pueblo.

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands. Private lands vary from reasonable to no access allowed.

**Deer:** The north end of the Greenhorns. Good hunting on private lands, but permission difficult and needs to be obtained early. Pueblo Reservoir SWA offers opportunities for late season hunts.

**Elk:** Better elk hunting on the west and north sides of the Greenhorns, around Deer Peak, Williams Creek, Froze Creek, and Reville Canyon. Black Mountain is good after it snows.

**Sm. Game:** Most dusky (blue) grouse are in the Greenhorn Mtn. area. Cottontails spread throughout unit. Pueblo Res. area offers good waterfowl hunting. The central part of unit has decent numbers of turkeys. Good concentration of Abert's, pine and fox squirrels, although the fox squirrels are mainly found along river bottoms.

**Maps:** BLM - Cañon City, Pueblo, Walsenburg, Blanca Peak quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - San Isabel National Forest. USGS TOPOs - Rockvale, Florence SE, Hobson,

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Swallows, Northwest Pueblo, Northeast Pueblo, Wetmore, Owl Canyon, Beulah ME, Southwest Pueblo, Southeast Pueblo, Aldrich Gulch, Rosita, Deer Peak, St. Charles Peak, Beulah, Muldoon Hill, Verde School, Devil's Gulch, Bear Creek, San Isabel, Rye, Colorado City, Graneros Flats, Creager Reservoir, Gardner, Badito Cone, Hayden Butte, Huerfano Butte, Farisita, Black Hills, Walsenburg North.

**Additional Resources:** Pueblo or Florence: hospital, gas, food. Westcliffe: gas, food, clinic. Colorado City, Gardner or Beulah: gas, food.

**Comments:** Check hunting regulations brochure carefully for antlerless deer restrictions. Totally limited for elk.

### GMU 86

**Location:** Portions of Fremont, Custer and Chaffee counties bounded on N by US 50; on E by Colo. Hwy. 69; on S by the Huerfano-Custer County line; and on W by the Sangre de Cristo Divide and US 285.

**Elevation:** 14,064 feet on Humbolt Peak to 5,667 feet near Texas Creek.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling valley bottom climbing quickly to steep, rough mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grassland to Grass to pine to spruce, firs and aspens to alpine meadows.

**Weather:** Variable, but first snow or freeze can occur mid-Sept.

**Land Status:** Approximately 70 percent public.

**STLs:** Beddows Mountain (500 acres); Froze Creek (640 acres); McCoy Gulch (640 acres); Short Creek Baldy (640 acres).

**SWAs:** Middle Taylor Creek (486 acres); Treat/Ogden (fishing access)

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good access for public lands. Fair to poor on private lands.

**Deer:** The northern 30 percent of unit. On public lands, try McCoy Gulch Kerr Gulch, the area around Texas Creek and lower elevation public land around Hayden Creek Mule deer inhabit both lower and higher elevation habitat, but tend to utilize lower elevations containing more piñon/juniper and brushy vegetation.

**Elk:** Throughout the unit during the regular fall seasons depending on the snow and weather. Elk hunting is best at higher elevations with pine, fir and meadows in the earlier seasons. Elk may move to lower elevations when heavy snows come.

**Pronghorn:** Good pronghorn hunting in valley bottom. High weekend pressure.

**Sm. Game:** Higher elevations offer dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hare hunting. Ptarmigan found in alpine areas. Cottontails found in greater number in lower elevations containing brush, and cover. Waterfowl numbers, early in the season along streams and rivers, can be good. Turkeys found in lower and higher elevations depending on the time of the year. Turkeys are generally found below the snow line during the spring season, and are found throughout the unit in suitable habitat during the fall season.

**Maps:** BLM - Saguache, Canon City quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - San Isabel National Forest. USGS TOPOs - Blanca Peak, Mosca Pass, Red Wing, Gardner, Beck Mountain, Crestone Peak, Horn Peak, Aldrich Gulch, Westcliffe, Beckwith Mountain, Rito Alto Peak, Electric Peak, Hillside, Cotopaxi, Coaldale, Bushnell Peak, Howard, Wellsville.

**Additional Resources:** Pueblo, Trinidad or Walsenburg: hospital, gas, food. Westcliffe, La Veta: gas, food.

**Comments:** Access to national forest at Music Pass, S. Colony Road, Horn Creek, Alvarado Campground, Hermit Pass Rd., Lake of the Clouds Trail & Lake Creek

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Campground. Earlier seasons best for deer and elk in the Sangre de Cristo Range (archery & first rifle). McCoy STL has good deer hunting opportunities as well as Sm. Game, turkey, lion, and occasional elk. Froze Creek STL is good for pronghorn.

### **GMU 861**

**Location:** That part of Huerfano Co bounded on N by the Custer-Huerfano Co line; on E by Colo. Hwy. 69, Huerfano County Roads 555 (Muddy Creek Rd), 570, and 572 (Pass Creek Rd); and on S and west by the Sangre de Cristo Divide.

**Elevation:** 6,966 feet near Gardner to 14,042 at Ellingwood Point

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling valley bottom climbing quickly to steep, rough mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grass to pine to spruce, firs and aspens to alpine meadows.

**Weather:** Variable, but first snow or freeze can occur mid-Sept.

**Land Status:** Approximately 30 percent public.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good access for public lands. Fair to poor on private lands.

**STLs:** Manzanares Creek (1,420 acres).

**SWAs:** Huerfano (544 acres).

**Deer:** Deer are found throughout the unit. Deer move into the lower areas during heavy snows.

**Elk:** SW of Bradford and the northern slopes of Slide Mountain in the early seasons.

**Pronghorn:** Gardner to West of Sharpsdale and north to Bradford. Heavy winters drive the animals onto private land. Concentrate on BLM tracks (if access allows) North and West of Malachite.

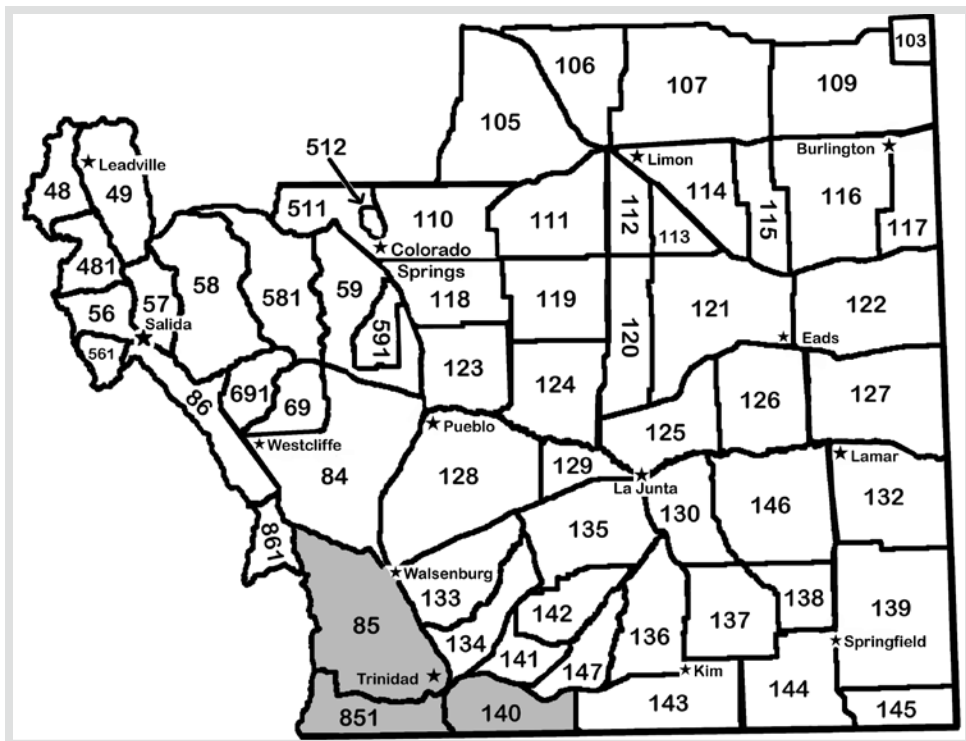


**Sm. Game:** Higher elevations offer dusky (blue) grouse and snowshoe hare hunting. Ptarmigan found in alpine areas. Cottontail rabbits found in all areas of GMU 86 where good cover exists. Waterfowl numbers, early in the season along streams and rivers, can be good. The lower elevations offer marginal turkey hunting.

**Maps:** BLM - Saguache, Canon City quads. USFS - San Isabel Ntl. Forest. USGS TOPOs - Blanca Peak, Mosca Pass, Red Wing, Gardner, Beck Mtn., Crestone Peak, Horn Peak, Aldrich Gulch, Westcliffe, Beckwith Mtn., Rito Alto Peak, Electric Peak, Hillside, Cotopaxi, Coaldale, Bushnell Peak, Howard, Wellsville.

**Additional Resources:** Westcliffe, Walsenburg: gas, food, medical.

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### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
140	Archery	12	0	0	12	39	31	38	43
140	Muzzle	5	0	0	5	11	45	36	45
140	Rifle	54	15	2	71	94	76	81	81
85	Archery	3	0	0	3	24	13	37	38
85	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	9	22	21	29
85	Rifle	10	17	0	27	31	87	82	80
851	Archery	3	0	0	3	3	100	100	38

### SPECIAL NOTE

#### ***JAMES M. JOHN STATE WILDLIFE AREA (in GMU 140)***

Access only allowed during regular rifle seasons to deer and elk hunters with permits issued by drawing. Max. 10 hunters per season; max. 2 per group. Apply at CPW, 600 Reservoir Rd., Pueblo, (719) 561-5300. Successful applicants notified by mail. Foot or Horseback access only.

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## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
140	Archery	25	3	0	28	88	32	23	18
140	Early	0	0	0	0	33	0	3	14
140	1st Rifle	9	3	0	12	29	41	33	42
140	2nd Rifle	22	0	0	22	52	42	39	44
140	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	31	26	22	22
140	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	23	13	30	46
140	Late	0	0	2	2	10	20	45	40
85	Plains	3	0	0	3	8	38	30	30
85	Archery	53	38	0	91	689	13	15	15
85	Muzzle	0	10	0	10	87	11	13	16
85	Early	0	71	0	71	279	25	38	33
85	1st Rifle	60	19	0	79	302	26	30	31
85	2nd Rifle	119	7	2	128	547	23	24	22
85	3rd Rifle	54	3	0	57	367	16	20	19
85	4th Rifle	23	23	6	52	141	37	33	25
85	Late	0	175	18	193	302	64	52	51
851	Archery	25	0	0	25	136	18	13	17
851	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	20	20	34	23
851	Early	0	23	0	23	33	70	51	55
851	1st Rifle	37	0	0	37	67	55	40	44
851	2nd Rifle	25	0	0	25	61	41	43	38
851	3rd Rifle	22	0	0	22	87	25	26	33
851	4th Rifle	8	0	0	8	24	33	38	32
851	Late	0	44	8	52	104	50	34	43

## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
140	Archery	5	0	0	5	7	71	43	38
140	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	6	67	55	55
140	2nd Rifle	22	0	0	22	53	42	43	57
140	3rd Rifle	26	0	0	26	28	93	70	69
85	Archery	32	0	0	32	82	39	47	43
85	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	11	55	51	43
85	2nd Rifle	133	0	0	133	289	46	45	45
85	3rd Rifle	95	0	0	95	230	41	42	46
851	Archery	4	0	0	4	15	27	34	35
851	Muzzle	8	0	0	8	10	80	55	50
851	1st Rifle	2	0	0	2	2	100	100	100
851	2nd Rifle	9	0	0	9	48	19	44	41
851	3rd Rifle	10	0	0	10	13	77	34	48



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### GMU 140

**Location:** In Las Animas County. Bounded on N by US Hwy. 160; on E by Colo. Hwy. 389; on S by the New Mexico line; on W by I-25. **Elevation:** 9,544 to 5,414 feet.

**Terrain:** Gently rolling; changing rapidly to steep canyons and mesas.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie, pinion-pine, oak, spruce and fir.

**Weather:** Variable with first freeze possible early October.

**Land Status:** Approximately 99 percent private.

**Hunter access:** Poor to average for deer, elk, and pronghorn. Landowner permission required before making application for pronghorn limited licenses. See SWAs brochure for regulations covering big game hunting at Lake Dorothea and James M. John SWAs.

**STLs:** None. **SWAs:** Lake Dorothea: (big game, turkey), James M. John: (big game, turkey)

**Elk:** Foothills and mesas in south half of unit.

**Deer:** Foothills and mesas in south half of unit.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the grassland areas in the north and east portions of the unit.

**Sm. Game:** Cottontail rabbits throughout the unit. Small numbers of scaled quail along the lowland areas. The southern half of Unit 140 has a good turkey population. Turkey hunting at Lake Dorothea and James M. John is limited through the license draw.

**Maps:** BLM - Kim Trinidad quadrangles. USGS TOPOs - Trinidad West, Trinidad East, Mooney Hills, Patterson Crossing, Starkville, Fishers Peak, Barela, Abeyta, Trinchera, Branson, Trementina Canyon.

**Additional resources:** Trinidad has gas, food lodging and a hospital. Engleville and Barela have gas and food. Raton, NM (hospital, gas, food)

**Comments:** At Lake Dorothea SWA, no rifles allowed; big game hunting by archery only. Access limited to 10 hunters per season during the regular rifle seasons on the James M. John SWA, please see the big game brochure for details or call the Pueblo Office at 719-561-5300. Access to the JMJ is also via a 3.5 mile trail through Lake Dorothea SWA – foot or horseback only. Best way to access JMJ and Lake Dorothea SWAs is to leave Colorado and go to Raton, NM and then head northeast back into Colorado.

### GMU 85

**Location:** Portions of Huerfano and Las Animas counties bounded on N by Colo. Hwy. 69; on E by I-25; on S by Colo. Hwy. 12, the North Fork of the Purgatoire River, and the West Fork of the Purgatoire River; and on W by the Sangre de Cristo Divide, Huerfano County Roads 570, 572 (Pass Creek Rd), and 555 (Muddy Creek Rd).

**Elevation:** 13,518 feet on Trinchera Peak to 6,025 feet near Trinidad.

**Terrain:** Flat valley bottoms to moderately steep foothills to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grassland to piñons & junipers to pine-oak to spruce-fir to alpine meadows.

**Weather:** Variable; expect first freeze or snow from mid-September to mid-October.

**Land status:** 75 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good to public lands; reasonable to private lands.

**STLs:** Guillermo Ranch (2,118 acres); Little Sheep Mountain (640 acres); Schultz Canyon (960 acres); Black Hawk (1,511 acres); South Middle Creek (585 acres); Aguilar (500 acres); Sakariason (560 acres);

**SWAs:** North Lake (840 acres); Spanish Peaks (Three tracts: Dochter, Oberosler, Sakariason - 6,450 acres); Wahatoya (80 acres);

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**State Parks:** Lathrop (camping, fishing) 575 acres.

**Deer:** Generally, the south half of the unit is better than the north half. In later seasons, deer tend to concentrate in Apishapa River drainage, Jarosa, Burro, Chicosa, and Road Canyon. Canyon del Agua is also a good area.

**Elk:** Better elk hunting is in the Silver Mountain area, west and southwest of La Veta. Good population in Apishapa River drainage but it is on private land. Earlier season areas include Cross Mountain and the Huerfano River drainage. Later seasons areas include Jarosa Canyon, Santa Clare Creek and Abeta Creek drainages. See brochure for special season structures.

**Pronghorn:** Fair antelope hunting in valley bottom along I-25 but entirely private and by draw only (rifle). Other areas include along Colo. Hwy. 69 south and east of Badito.

**Bear:** North Fork Purgatoire River west of Highway 12 including North Lake SWA; any of the major drainages west of Aguilar or Trinidad, however, private land in these drainages so MUST OBTAIN PERMISSION from landowner prior to hunt.

**Sm. Game:** High elevations just below timberline, are best bets for dusky (blue) grouse. Cottontail rabbits throughout the unit depending on habitat. Some of the best turkey hunting in the state. Good numbers can be found in the southern two-thirds.

**Maps:** BLM - Alamosa, Walsenburg, Blanca Peak, Trinidad quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - San Isabel National Forest. TOPOs - Gardner, Badito Cone, Red Wing, Little Sheep Mountain, Farisita, Black Hills, Walsenburg North, La Veta Pass, La Veta, Ritter Arroyo, Walsenburg South, Pryor, McCarty Peak, Cuchara, Spanish Peaks, Santa Clara, Aguilar, The Hogback, Trinchera Peak, Cucharas Pass, Herlick Canyon, Gulnare, Delagua, Ludlow, El Valle Creek, Stonewall, Vigil, Weston, Madrid, Trinidad West, Trinidad East.

**Comments:** Heavy weekend hunting pressure.

### GMU 851

**Location:** Portions of Las Animas County bounded on N by the West Fork of the Purgatoire River, the North Fork of the Purgatoire River, and Colo. Hwy. 12; on E by I-25; on S by the Colorado-New Mexico state line; and on W by the Sangre de Cristo Divide.

**Elevation:** 14,000 feet on Culebra Peak to 6,025 feet near Trinidad.

**Terrain:** Moderately steep and steep foothills to steep mountains.

**Vegetation:** Grass to pine to spruce, firs and aspens to alpine meadows.

**Weather:** Variable, but first freeze of snow could occur in mid-Sept. at higher elevations.

**Land Status:** 98 percent private with some state land available.

**STLs:** None. **SWAs:** North Lake (840 acres), Bosque del Oso (30,000 acres).

**State Parks:** Trinidad Lake. Archery hunting allowed on the west end of the park.

Facilities include showers and laundry facilities, camping (primitive, electric, and full hook up), and a dump station. Land acres are at 2,060, and approximately 800 water acres.

**Hunter Access:** There is very little public land in 851. There is a small portion of USFS land available on the north GMU boundary. The only other major public portion of 851 for big game hunting is the Bosque del Oso SWA. The Bosque del Oso SWA is by draw only for turkey and big game species other than mountain lion. There is an access closure on BdO SWA from 12/1 thru 3/31 unless the hunter possesses a big game license valid for BdO SWA only. Otherwise, public access is poor in the rest of the unit. Large tracts of private land charge high access fees. Permission is difficult on others. NOTE: Please

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review the appropriate USFS map and cross reference with topographic maps. See <http://wildlife.state.co.us/Hunting/Pages/BosqueDelOsoStateWildlifeArea.aspx> website for information on Bosque del Oso SWA rules and regulations.

**Deer:** Deer are distributed throughout the unit.

**Elk:** Near Tercio and Stonewall, but all private land (Possible public opportunity through limited license draw on Bosque del Oso SWA or the Hill Ranch or Tercio Ranch through Ranching for Wildlife Program).

**Bear:** North Fork Purgatoire River (USFS) and any of the major drainages. Private land so must obtain permission.

**Sm. Game:** Turkeys and cottontails. West portion has dusky grouse (blue grouse) along mountain ridge tops. Small numbers of band-tailed pigeon. Trinidad Reservoir and surrounding agricultural areas offer good waterfowl hunting, early in the season.

**Maps:** BLM - Alamosa, Trinidad quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - San Isabel National Forest. USGS TOPOs - El Valle Creek, Stonewall, Vigil, Weston, Madrid, Trinidad West, Starkville, Valdez, Little Pine Canyon, Culebra Peak.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad: hospital, gas, food. Stonewall: gas, food, licenses, some motel/cabin/camping availability in Stonewall.

### Antler Requirements: ELK

1. An antler point is a projection of antler at least 1-inch longer than the width of its base. A brow tine is an antler projection min. 5-inches long on lower half of antler. Projection is usually not more than 8-inches from skull.

2. Bull elk taken must have four (4) points or more on one (1) antler, or brow tine at least 5-inches long for all seasons in units: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, 52, 53, 54, 55, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 85, 86, 131, 140, 161, 171, 181, 191, 211, 214, 231, 301, 361, 371, 411, 421, 441, 444, 471, 511, 521, 551, 581, 681, 691, 711, 741, 751, 771, 851, 861.

3. No antler-point restrictions for any season in units: 1, 2, 10, 20, 29, 39, 40, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 56, 57, 58, 61, 69, 76, 84, 201, 391, 461, 481, 500, 501, 561, 591, 682, 791, or units east of I-25 (except unit 140).

4. There are no antler-point restrictions on Ranching For Wildlife properties.

5. Minimum antler lengths apply.

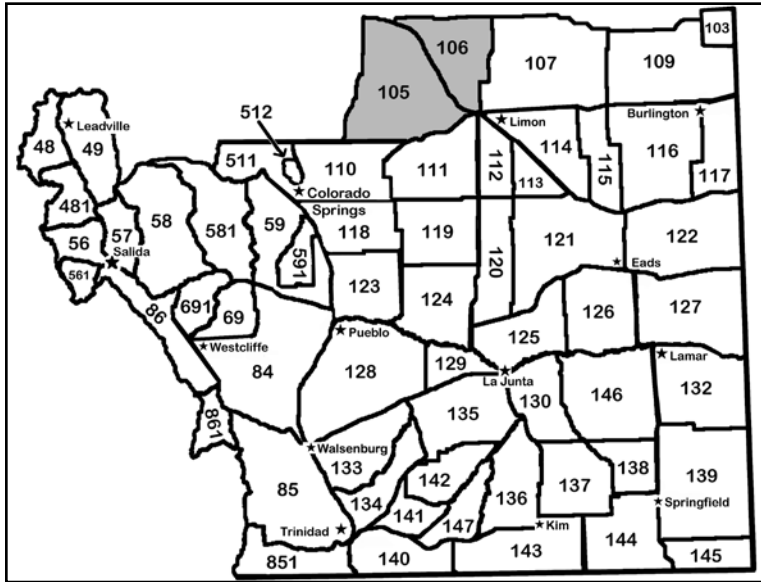
### Antler Requirements: DEER

A legal buck has antler(s) at least 5-inches long.

There are no antler point restrictions for deer.



## KIOWA / DEER TRAIL: UNITS 105, 106



### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
105	Plains	21	0	0	21	62	34	29	28
105	Early	0	13	0	13	34	38	12	15
106	Plains	3	3	0	6	13	46	54	51

### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
105	Archery	50	9	0	59	108	55	33	34
105	Muzzle	12	5	1	18	42	43	48	46
105	Rifle	178	34	8	220	364	60	60	58
105	Late	35	80	5	120	179	67	68	64
106	Archery	17	0	0	17	29	59	42	41
106	Muzzle	3	3	0	6	12	50	45	37
106	Rifle	26	18	3	47	93	51	56	56
106	Late	19	5	0	24	44	55	64	67

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
105	Archery	9	0	0	9	86	10	16	14
105	Muzzle	5	2	0	7	15	47	25	22
105	Rifle	215	264	32	511	618	83	78	78
106	Archery	6	0	0	6	33	18	22	19
106	Muzzle	2	2	0	4	8	50	38	24
106	Rifle	146	104	0	250	394	63	66	65

## KIOWA / DEER TRAIL: UNITS 105, 106

### GMU 105

**Location:** Those portions of Adams, Arapahoe and Elbert counties bounded on the north by U.S. 36; on the east by I-70; on the south by U.S. 24 and the Elbert-El Paso Co line; and on the west by Arapahoe CR 137 (the Kiowa-Bennett Mile Rd) Elbert CR 53, 166, and 45-49, Colo. 86, and Elbert CR 25-41.

**Elevation:** 6,473 to 5,086 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling and moderately steep mesa type topography.

**Vegetation:** Predominantly shortgrass prairie, ponderosa pines, cottonwood riparian, agricultural crops

**Weather:** Mild & dry. First freeze mid-Oct. to mid-Nov. Possible severe weather by Dec.

**Land Status:** 95 percent private land.

**Hunter Access:** Limited.

**SWAs:** Jumping Cow: Hunting restricted to dove, turkey, doe pronghorn, antlerless elk, antlerless deer. by permit only. Applications are available from CPW office in Denver by calling 303-291-7227.

**Deer:** Cottonwood riparian areas throughout the unit, particularly those near crop land.

**Elk:** Near the town of Elbert and in the southwest portion of the unit.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit. South 50 percent higher density than north.

**Maps:** BLM - Castle Rock, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Strasburg, Byers, Peoria, Deer Trail, Byers SW, Strasburg SE, Strasburg SW, Kiowa NW, Kiowa NE, Bijou, Cattle Gulch, Agate, River Bend, Limon Beuck Draw, Kuhn's Crossing, Bijou SW, Big Gulch, Kiowa, Elizabeth, Bijou Basin, Elben, Fondis, Raman North, Simla, Matheson NE, Matheson.

**Additional Resources:** Byers, Strasburg, Deer Trail and Kiowa have gas or food.

### GMU 106

**Location:** Those portions of Arapahoe, Elbert, Washington and Lincoln counties bounded on the north by U.S. 36; on the east by Colo. 71; on the south and west by I-70.

**Elevation:** 6,500 to 4,922 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling prairies. Some moderately steep areas including steep "break" country interspersed with canyons.

**Vegetation:** Primarily shortgrass prairie with interspersed wheat crops. Cedar, ponderosa pine and cottonwood tree stands may be found in northeast portion of unit.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-October to mid-November. There is the possibility of severe winter weather by December.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** By permission only.

**Deer:** Creek drainages near cropland, cropland and cedar breaks (all privately owned).

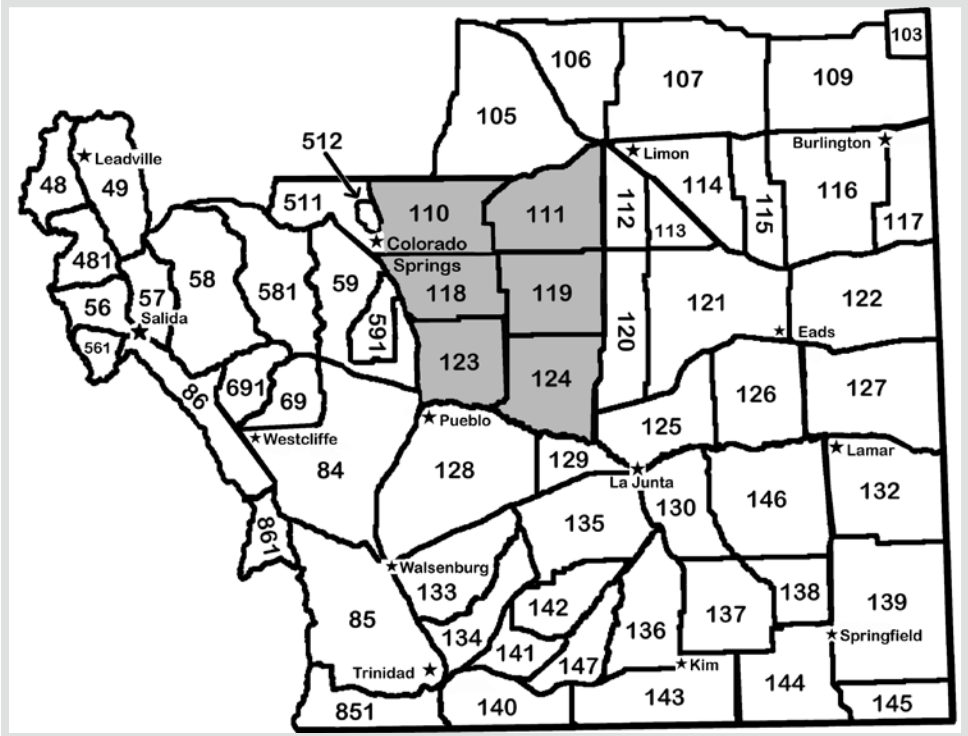
**Elk:** The southern portion of the unit may hold a elk during the late rifle seasons.

**Pronghorn:** Found throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Limon quadrangle. TOPOs - Peoria, Noonan Reservoir, Cotton wood Valley North, Last Chance, Last Chance NW, Lusto Springs, Last Chance SW, Cottonwood Valley South, Deer Trail, Noonan Reservoir SW, Agate, Barking Dog Springs, T Draw, Limon, River Bend.

**Additional Resources:** The town of Hugo has a hospital with food and gas being found in the town of Byers, Strasburg, Deer Trail, and Kiowa.

# CALHAN / CHICO BASIN: UNITS 110, 111, 118, 119, 123, 124



## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
110	Archery	17	13	0	30	56	54	46	36
110	Muzzle	1	5	0	6	12	50	37	46
110	Rifle	28	24	0	52	97	54	47	51
111	Archery	0	2	0	2	8	25	24	37
111	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	15
111	Rifle	22	12	4	38	42	90	82	77
118	Archery	12	0	0	12	18	67	49	46
118	Muzzle	0	3	0	3	10	30	32	32
118	Rifle	21	0	0	21	47	45	54	51
119	Archery	9	0	0	9	15	60	37	42
119	Muzzle	2	2	0	4	6	67	46	35
119	Rifle	16	7	3	26	51	51	68	67
123	Archery	6	0	0	6	15	40	27	23
123	Muzzle	0	5	0	5	10	50	41	44
123	Rifle	14	13	0	27	52	52	56	56
124	Archery	13	2	0	15	26	58	51	39
124	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
124	Rifle	18	20	0	38	73	52	50	59
124	Rifle	18	18	3	39	64	61	57	65

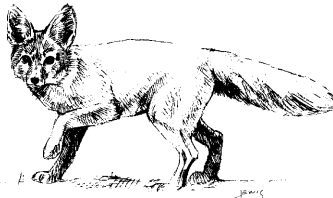
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## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
110	Plains	5	0	0	5	36	14	23	37
110	Archery	3	0	0	3	9	33	18	12
111	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
118	Plains	3	0	3	6	10	60	18	34
118	Archery	3	0	0	3	10	30	10	9
119	Plains	3	0	0	3	3	100	60	38
123	Plains	5	5	0	10	34	29	24	21
124	Plains	5	0	0	5	23	22	14	12

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
110	Archery	3	3	0	6	48	13	20	17
110	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	16	19	10	13
110	Rifle	60	60	0	120	185	65	71	73
110	Late	0	27	0	27	153	18	42	42
111	Archery	3	0	0	3	45	7	7	8
111	Muzzle	5	0	0	5	13	38	18	22
111	Rifle	105	75	0	180	282	64	67	66
111	Late	0	27	0	27	127	21	39	39
118	Archery	0	0	0	0	33	0	18	20
118	Muzzle	8	2	0	10	26	38	34	36
118	Rifle	82	59	4	145	323	45	55	64
118	Late	0	54	9	63	198	32	36	36
119	Archery	0	0	0	0	27	0	27	22
119	Muzzle	3	2	0	5	19	26	32	33
119	Rifle	142	122	5	269	459	59	70	72
119	Late	0	0	9	9	144	6	32	32
123	Archery	0	0	0	0	15	0	10	11
123	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	4	100	58	50
123	Rifle	42	24	2	68	118	58	56	56
123	Late	0	9	0	9	27	33	51	51
124	Archery	3	0	0	3	21	14	4	3
124	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	28
124	Rifle	140	112	14	266	397	67	66	69
124	Late	0	27	18	45	72	63	63	63



## CALHAN / CHICO BASIN: UNITS 110, 111, 118, 119, 123, 124

### GMU 110

**Location:** El Paso Co. Bounded on north by Douglas-Elbert-El Paso Co. line, on east by U.S. 24 & Calhan Hwy (El Paso CR 523), on south by Colo. 94 and west by I- 25.

**Elevation:** 5,971 to 7,686 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling, steeper with bluffs to the north.

**Vegetation:** Primarily shortgrass prairie. Northern portion has ponderosa pine and montane shrubland.

**Weather:** First freeze or snow possible mid-Sept.

**Land status:** 99 percent private.

**Hunter access:** Fair to poor; better in east half. Western portion of the unit is urban/suburban with small to medium sized ranchettes. Larger sized private ranches in the eastern half of the unit.

**STLs:** None. No public access to STLs in Unit 110 without permission from lessee.

**SWA:** Ramah (400 acres)

**Mule Deer:** In the Black Forest area along the north boundary, mainly north of Hwy 24.

**Whitetail Deer:** Northeast boundary, near riparian areas.

**Pronghorn:** Eastern half of the unit.

**Turkey:** The Black Forest area along the north boundary, riparian areas between towns of Calhan and Ramah.

**Sm. game:** The southern portions offer limited scaled quail hunting. Some teal hunting early in the season, Ramah SWA can be productive for waterfowl when water exists at the reservoir; cottontail rabbits are found throughout. Limited dove hunting near riparian and tree groves. Coyotes throughout.

**Maps:** BLM - Colorado Springs, Castle Rock quadrangles. TOPO - Monument, Black Forest, Eastonville, Peyton, Calhan, Holcolm Hills, Haegler Ranch, Falcon, Falcon NW, Pikeview, Colorado Springs, Elsmere, Corral Bluffs, Ellicott, Big Springs Ranch, Yoder.

**Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs is the major city in the area. It has a hospital, gas, food, and motels.

### GMU 111

**Location:** Portions of Elbert, Lincoln and El Paso counties bounded on N by U.S. 24; on E by Colo. Hwy. 71; on S by Colo. Hwy. 94; and on W by U.S. 24 and El Paso CR 523 (the Calhan Hwy.).

**Elevation:** 6,923 to 5,364 feet.

**Terrain:** Consists primarily of flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Primarily short-grass prairie with interspersed agricultural crops. There are limited cottonwood riparian zones.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-Oct. to mid-Nov. There is the possibility of severe winter weather by Dec.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** The access to private land in the GMU is fair. Some landowners are difficult to locate. The landowners are more liberal for pronghorn and more restricted for deer. Many landowners are willing to give access to a pronghorn hunter in the middle of the week VS opening weekend when they may be maxed out.

**STLs:** None **SWAs:** None



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**Deer:** The riparian zones and along north boundary are the best places to look for deer.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Castle Rock, Colorado Springs, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Ramah North, Simla, Matheson, Matheson NE, Lake, Long Creek, Matheson SE, Matheson SW, Alta Vista, Ramah South, Calhan, Holcolm Hills, Rush NW, Holdwold Store, Kutch NW, Kutch, Punkin Center NW, Punkin Center, Kutch SE, Kutch SW, Rush, Yoder.

**Comments:** No public access to STLs without permission from lessee. Only STL properties listed in the Colorado Parks and Wildlife's STLs brochure are open for wildlife recreation.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo, Colorado Springs and Limon all have hospitals, gas, food and lodging.

### GMU 118

**Location:** That portion of El Paso Co bounded on N by Colo. 94; on E by the Yoder Rd, Shear Rd, and Boone Rd; on S by Hanover Rd, Finch Rd, and Myers Rd; and on W by I-25.

**Elevation:** 6,280 to 5,250 feet.

**Terrain:** Consists of flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farm and limited cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-Oct. to mid-Nov. There is the possibility of severe winter weather by Dec.

**Land Status:** 99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Hunting access is Fair to good for pronghorn; and fair for deer.

**STLs:** Turkey Track Ranch: (big game, small game).

**SWAs:** None

**Deer:** Most deer are found in cottonwood riparian areas. Fountain Creek is one concentration area; expect populations in farmland planted with grass on Conservation Reserve Program lands. Hunters looking for whitetails should be able to find them along the creeks.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the GMU, best places to start looking are around crop fields.

**Elk:** South and southwest region of the unit.

**Sm. Game:** Dove in cottonwood stands along creeks and drainages, and in tree rows. Limited numbers of scaled quail in the southern portion. Habitats to look for are shortgrass, cactus and yucca. Best time to hunt waterfowl is early in the season along Fountain Creek and farm/ranch ponds. Cottontails are found throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Colorado Springs quadrangle. TOPOs - Colorado Springs, Elsmere, Corral Bluffs, Ellicott, Big Springs Ranch, Yoder, Truckton, Hanover NE, Hanover NW, Fountain NE, Fountain, Buttes, Fountain SE, Hanover, Hanover SE, Edison School.

**Comments:** Turkey Track Ranch State Trust Land is open to the public from Sept. 1st through the end of Feb. The rest of the unit is privately owned. Landowner permission required.

**Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs has a hospital, lodging, and gas.

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### GMU 119

**Location:** Portions of El Paso and Lincoln counties bounded on N by Colo. Hwy. 94; on E by Colo. Hwy. 71; on S by the Crowley-Lincoln and the El Paso-Pueblo Co line; and on W by the Yoder Rd., Shear Rd., and Boone Rd.

**Elevation:** 4,685 feet to 6,300 feet. **Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with interspersed wheat lands and limited cottonwood riparian and farmland returned to grass through Conservation Reserve Program.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow by mid-Oct. to mid-Nov. Possibility of severe winter weather by Dec.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Hunting access is good for pronghorn; and fair to poor for deer.

**State Trust Land:** None **SWAs:** None

**Deer:** Found in cottonwood riparian zones, and agricultural crops that have been enrolled into the CRP program.

**Pronghorn:** Found throughout the GMU.

**Sm. Game:** Scaled quail found in high plains with cactus, yucca and shortgrass, but concentrated in the southern end of the unit. Waterfowl should be hunted early in the season. Cottontail rabbits throughout.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Colorado Springs quadrangles. TOPOs - Yoder, Rush, Kutch SW, Kutch SE, Punkin Center, Forder, Peace Valley, Sanborn Reservoir, Truckton NE, Truckton, Edison School, Truckton SE, Cockleburn Springs, Walker Point, Sharp Lake. **Comments:** 100 percent private: Landowner permission required to hunt. **Additional Resources:** Colorado Springs, Rocky Ford, Limon, and Pueblo have hospital, gas, and food.

### GMU 123

**Location:** Portions of El Paso and Pueblo counties bounded on N by the Hanover Rd, Finch Rd, and Myers Rd; on E by the Yoder Rd, Shear Rd, and Boone Rd; on S by the Arkansas River; and on W by I-25.

**Elevation:** 5,151 to 4,528 feet.

**Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with some farmland and cottonwood/willow riparian.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze and snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** One hundred percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn, fair for deer.

**SWAs:** Runyon/Fountain Lakes (fishing only).

**Mule Deer:** Fountain Creek and Arkansas River.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit but higher density in north end.

**Sm. Game:** Small numbers of pheasants are found in the agricultural areas. Bobwhite quail are mostly concentrated along drainages, while the scaled quail found in the cactus and sage habitat. Hunt along ditches and creeks for best waterfowl results. Cottontails are scattered throughout the unit. Small numbers of sandhill cranes may also be found in unit 123. **Maps:** BLM - Pueblo, Colo. Sprgs. quadrangles. TOPOs - Buttes, Fountain SE, Hanover, Hanover SE, Edison School, Highlands Church, North Avondale NE, Bar JH Ranch, Piñon, Northeast Pueblo, Devine, North Avondale, Boone Hill. **Comments:** White-tailed deer also in unit. **Additional Resources:** Pueblo: hospital, food, gas.

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### GMU 124

**Location:** Portions of Crowley and Pueblo counties bounded on N by the Lincoln-Crowley and El Paso-Pueblo Co. lines; on E by Colorado 71; on S by the Arkansas River; and on W by the Yoder-Boone Rd.

**Elevation:** 4,381 to 5,381 feet.

**Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farm land and cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze and snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** One hundred percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for antelope, fair for deer.

**State Trust Land-**none

**SWAs:** None

**Mule Deer:** Along Arkansas River.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout unit but higher density in northern half.

**Sm. Game:** Agricultural areas hold low densities of pheasants. Bobwhites found along drainages, while scaled quail found in the yucca, cactus and sage habitat. Best waterfowl hunting along open creeks and ditches. Cottontails are scattered throughout.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Pueblo, Las Animas, Colorado Springs quadrangles. TOPOs - Edison School, Truckton SE, Cockleburn Springs, Walker Point, Sharp Lake, Box Springs, Windmill Lake, Ninemile Springs, Grandview School, Highlands Church, Boone Hill, Grandview School SE, Pronghorn Mesa, Nero Hill, Lake Henry, Ordway, Olney Springs, Fowler, Mepesta, Manzanola. **Comments:** White-tailed deer also in unit.

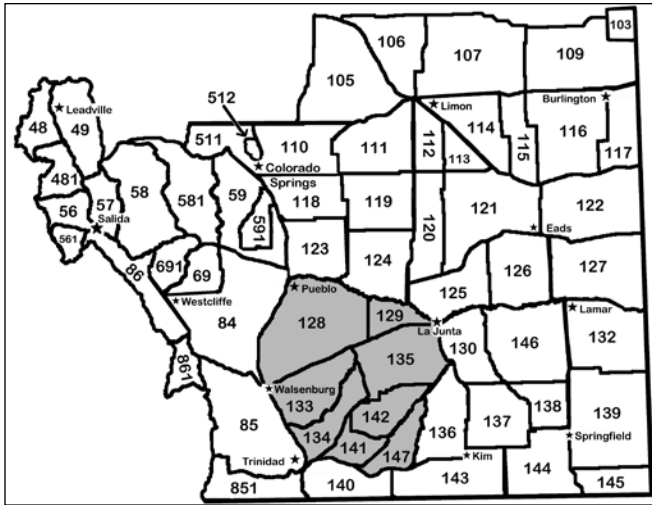
**Additional Resources:** Rocky Ford: hospital, food, gas. Fowler: food, gas.

### BIG GAME ACCESS PROGRAM

The Big Game Access Program offers deer and pronghorn hunting on specific properties in southeast Colorado. Hunters 18 and older must buy a \$40 permit from a license agent or CPW office. Hunters under 18 must obtain a free permit. Hunters must carry permit while hunting.

1. Closed 2 hours after sunset until 2 hours before sunrise.
2. Open Aug. 15 - Dec. 31, on dates for which hunters have a valid license unless otherwise posted.
3. Motor vehicles prohibited except in parking areas or on designated roads. Walk-in access only.
4. Only portable blinds or tree stands allowed, which must be removed by the last day of hunting season. Pit blinds prohibited.
5. Open only to hunting pronghorn and deer. Hunting small game and waterfowl allowed only with landowner permission. People accompanying hunters don't need a license or access permit if they don't hunt.
6. Access permits cannot be transferred to anyone, nor do they allow anyone else to hunt.
7. For information and a list of units with enrolled properties, including maps, go to: [www.wildlife.state.co.us/Hunting/BigGame/AccessProgram/](http://www.wildlife.state.co.us/Hunting/BigGame/AccessProgram/).

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## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Archery	14	0	0	14	67	21	23	27
128	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	1	100	20	29
128	Rifle	23	15	2	40	105	38	35	38
129	Archery	0	0	0	0	9	0	14	12
129	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
129	Rifle	3	4	0	7	21	33	31	27
129	Late	4	1	0	5	17	29	37	46
133	Archery	2	0	0	2	21	10	25	25
133	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	18
133	Rifle	6	3	0	9	32	28	21	27
134	Archery	9	0	2	11	16	69	61	59
134	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	16	23
134	Rifle	14	14	0	28	46	61	61	56
135	Archery	4	4	0	8	15	53	37	32
135	Muzzle	4	0	0	4	7	57	46	30
135	Rifle	11	0	0	11	30	37	54	54
141	Archery	4	0	0	4	18	22	17	23
141	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
141	Rifle	13	8	0	21	24	88	79	76
141	Late	2	6	1	9	15	60	76	80
142	Archery	0	2	0	2	21	10	23	24
142	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	60	60
142	Late	10	4	0	14	25	56	71	77
147	Archery	2	0	0	2	15	13	22	20
147	Rifle	13	0	0	13	26	50	52	37

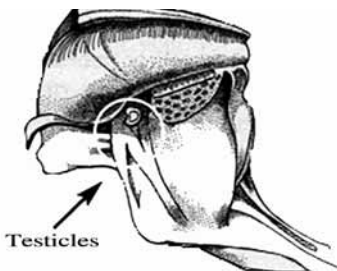
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## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Plains	40	36	5	81	297	27	30	30
128	Archery	0	0	0	0	7	0	8	5
129	Plains	0	3	0	3	8	38	26	23
129	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
133	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
133	Archery	0	0	0	0	9	0	21	15
133	1st Rifle	0	0	0	0	9	0	17	18
133	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	9	0	40	40
134	Archery	7	0	0	7	34	21	23	27
134	2nd Rifle	3	0	0	3	24	13	19	15
134	4th Rifle	2	0	0	2	2	100	44	31
135	Plains	3	0	0	3	41	7	12	13
141	Archery	3	0	0	3	10	30	29	26
141	1st Rifle	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
141	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	16	0	45	38
141	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	14
141	4th Rifle	2	0	0	2	2	100	100	100
142	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
142	1st Rifle	0	7	0	7	26	27	16	18
142	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0
142	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	25	0	26	17
142	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	14	0	31	18
147	Plains	10	0	0	10	59	17	16	17

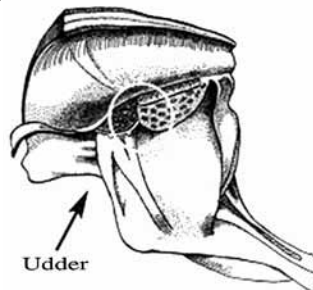
### Evidence of Sex

After harvest, evidence of sex must remain naturally attached to the carcass. You can use either the head or sex organs, but they must be naturally attached to the carcass. Leaving the evidence attached to one-quarter of the carcass is acceptable – so long as all four quarters are being transported together. The head or skull plate with both antlers naturally attached must accompany the carcass of a buck or bull while it is in camp or being transported – even when the testicles are used to meet proof of evidence of sex.



#### Bucks and Bulls

Attached head with antlers or attached testicle, scrotum or penis



#### Does and Cows

Attached head or udder

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<b>PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS</b>									
Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Archery	3	0	0	3	51	6	24	25
128	Muzzle	9	11	0	20	40	50	48	49
128	Rifle	121	149	4	274	349	79	82	81
128	Late	0	61	0	61	178	34	52	52
129	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	68	67
129	Rifle	36	18	0	54	62	87	87	86
129	Late	0	10	0	10	10	100	61	61
133	Archery	24	0	0	24	57	42	38	43
133	Muzzle	2	3	0	5	16	31	38	39
133	Rifle	88	75	3	166	214	78	78	80
133	Late	0	58	0	58	81	72	45	45
134	Archery	24	3	0	27	51	53	53	49
134	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	5	40	16	13
134	Rifle	71	65	3	139	191	73	81	85
134	Late	0	10	0	10	29	34	40	40
135	Archery	6	0	0	6	69	9	14	20
135	Muzzle	13	6	0	19	54	35	27	31
135	Rifle	90	91	16	197	269	73	78	80
135	Late	0	10	0	10	58	17	41	41
141	Archery	6	0	0	6	15	40	39	28
141	Rifle	40	8	0	48	61	79	81	82
142	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	30	32
142	Muzzle	5	3	0	8	14	57	50	50
142	Rifle	14	12	2	28	36	78	77	85
147	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	25	29
147	Rifle	3	4	0	7	10	70	75	77

### **GMU 128**

**Location:** Portions of Pueblo, Huerfano, Las Animas and Otero counties bounded on N by the Arkansas River; on E by Colo. Hwy. 167; on S by Colo. Hwy. 10; and on W by I-25.

**Elevation:** 6,185 to 4,341 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with steep irregular plateaus, canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farmland, piñon/juniper/shrub, riparian cottonwood. **Weather:** Mild with first freeze and snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** 90 percent private. GMU 128 contains a ~6,000 acre BLM tract called Chucaras Canyon. It also contains a STL called the St. Charles property. There is also a small game access property called the Vold property.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn, fair for deer.

**Deer:** Along the Arkansas River, Huerfano River and in the Cedarwood area.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit.

**Sm. Game:** Low densities of pheasants in agricultural areas. Bobwhite quail in drainages and scaled quail in yucca/sage habitat. Good waterfowl hunting along the Arkansas River,

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especially early in the season. Good hunting for cottontail rabbits in canyon areas.

**Maps:** BLM - Pueblo, Walsenburg quadrangles. 7.5' USGS TOPOs - Southeast Pueblo, Vineland, Avondale, Nepesta, Fowler, Verde School, Goat Butte, Doyle Bridge, Chicos Well, Flying A Ranch, Hardesty Reservoir, Apishapa Bridge, Yellowbank Creek, Red Top Ranch, Hog Ranch Canyon, Cedarwood, Graneros Flats, Colorado City, Huerfano Butte, Lascar, Capps Springs, North Rattlesnake Butte, Myers Canyon, Cucharas Reservoir, Maria Reservoir, Walsenburg North, Sanford Hills.

**Additional Resources:** Pueblo, Walsenburg: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 129

**Location:** That portion of Otero County bounded on N and east by the Arkansas River, on S by Colo. Hwy. 10 and on W by Colo. Hwy. 167.

**Elevation:** 4,659 to 4,066 feet. **Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with areas of farmland, pinion/juniper/shrub, riparian/cottonwood. **Weather:** Mild with first freeze and snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** 99.99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair for pronghorn; fair to poor for deer.

**STLs:** None. **SWAs:** Small portions of Mellon Valley and Rocky Ford SWAs are in 129.

**Mule Deer:** Along Arkansas River and Apishapa River within five miles of U.S. Hwy. 50. White-tailed deer also are found in unit.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn hunting is best in the western and southern parts of the unit.

**Sm. Game:** Small numbers of pheasants in the agricultural areas. Small numbers of bobwhite quail along drainages. Scaled quail in the cactus and sage habitat. Hunt along ditches and creeks for best waterfowl results. Cottontails scattered throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Walsenburg, La Junta, Pueblo, Las Animas quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: None. 7.5' USGS TOPOs - Olney Springs, Elder, Timpas NW, Timpas NE, Manzanola, Rocky Ford, Hawley, Cheraw.

**Additional Resources:** Rocky Ford: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 133

**Location:** That portion of Las Animas and Huerfano Counties bounded on N by US Hwy 10; on E by the Colorado Interstate Gas Pipeline Rd; on S by the Apishapa River; and on W by I-25.

**Elevation:** 6,450 to 4,798 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with irregular plateaus and steep canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farm land, cottonwood riparian, and pinion/juniper.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze/snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** Approximately 99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn; fair for deer.

**STLs:** Apishapa North, Flattop Butte.

**SWAs:** Apishapa.

**Deer:** Along Apishapa River.

**Elk:** Pinion / juniper and canyon areas.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout northern three-fourths of unit.

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**Sm. Game:** The Apishapa Canyon offers the best hunting in the unit. Cottontail rabbits and scaled quail. Turkey hunting is marginal because of low densities.

**Maps:** BLM - Walsenburg quadrangle. TOPOs - Walsenburg North, Walsenburg South, North Rattlesnake Butte, Myers Canyon, Sanford Hills, Sun Valley Ranch, Jones Lake Springs, South Rattlesnake Butte, Cucharas Reservoir, Maria Reservoir, Pryor, Pryor SE, Little Dome, Hidden Valley Ranch, Seven Lakes Reservoir, Vega Corral, The Hogback, Aguilar.

**Comments:** Roberts Ranch open to hunting August 15th to the end of February for all species EXCEPT deer.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 134

**Location:** That portion of Las Animas Co bounded on N by the Apishapa River; on E by the Colorado Interstate Gas Pipeline Rd; on S by US 350; and on W by I-25.

**Elevation:** 6,450 to 4,798 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with irregular plateaus and steep canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farm land, cottonwood riparian and pinion/juniper.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze/snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** Approximately 99 percent private.

**STLs:** None.

**SWAs:** Apishapa: Please note that the portion of the Apishapa SWA that falls in GMU 134 is difficult to access as you have to cross the Apishapa Canyon.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good for pronghorn; fair for deer.

**Deer:** Along Apishapa River. Good in southern part of unit along Purgatoire River, but land status entirely private and permission may be difficult to gain.

**Elk:** Pinion / juniper and canyon areas.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout northern three-fourths of unit.

**Sm. Game:** Cottontail rabbits, scaled quail and turkey hunting is good along the Purgatoire River but access may be difficult to obtain as it is all private property.

**Maps:** BLM - Walsenburg, Trinidad quadrangles. TOPOs - Sun Valley Ranch, Bates Lake, Hidden Valley Ranch, Thatcher, Tyrone, Seven Lakes Reservoir, Vega Corral, The Hogback, Ludlow, Hoehne, Trinidad East, Earl.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 135

**Location:** That portions of Las Animas, Pueblo and Otero counties bounded on N by Colo. Hwy. 10 and the Arkansas River; on E by Colo. Hwy. 109 (north of the Purgatoire River) and the Purgatoire River (south of Colo. Hwy. 109); on S by the Las Animas-Otero Co line, the north boundary of the United States Army Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site, and US 350; and on W by the Colorado Interstate Gas Pipeline Rd.

**Elevation:** 5,611 to 4,066 feet. **Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with canyon and mesa areas.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze/snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** Approximately 60 percent public.



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**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn; fair for deer.

**STLs:** None.

**SWAs:** Timpas Creek.

**Deer:** Comanche National Grasslands south of U.S. 150, southwest of Timpas and Purgatoire Canyon.

**Elk:** Not recommended for elk. Any elk hunting in this GMU should be done along the southern boundary of the unit.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit.

**Sm. Game:** Hunting for cottontail rabbits is good; most rabbits will be found in brushy habitats. Comanche National Grasslands is open to the public. Scaled quail, turkey.

**Maps:** BLM - Walsenburg, La Junta quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: Comanche National Grasslands. 7.5' USGS TOPOs - Sanford Hills, Sun Valley Ranch, Thatcher, Delhi, Snowden Lake, Apishapa Bridge, Timpas NW, Timpas SW, Bloom, Lockwood Arroyo, Stage Canyon, Sheep Canyon, Timpas, Timpas ME, Hawley, La Junta SW, Packers Gap, Riley Canyon, La Junta Se, La Junta, Higbee, Corbin Canyon.

**Additional Resources:** La Junta: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 141

**Location:** Bounded on N by the west and south boundaries of the U.S. Army Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site and the Colorado Interstate Gas pipeline road to the Purgatoire River; on E by the Purgatoire River and San Francisco Creek; on S by U.S. Hwy. 160; on W by U.S. Hwy. 350.

**Elevation:** 5,778 feet to 4,856 feet. **Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie. **Weather:** Mild. First freeze or snow possible early Oct..

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair for pronghorn, poor for deer. Landowner permission required before making application for limited pronghorn and deer licenses.

**Deer:** Along the Purgatoire River.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit.

**Sm. Game:** A good number of turkeys found along the Purgatoire River.

**Maps:** U.S. Bureau of Land Management: Kim, Trinidad quadrangles. Topographic Maps: 7.5' quadrangles: Trinidad East, Mooney Hills, Earl, Seven Lakes Reservoir, Tyrone, Patterson Crossing, Trinchera Cave, Model, Lambing Spring, Painted Canyon.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 142

**Location:** Parts of Las Animas Co. within the U.S. Army Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site.

**Elevation:** 5,742 feet to 4,429 feet.

**Terrain :** Moderately rolling to moderately steep plateaus to steep canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie to piñons, junipers and shrubs. Limited cottonwood riparian. **Weather:** Mild with first freeze or snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** 100 percent U.S. Army .

**Hunter Access:** Good. Small access fee with some restricted areas and time. For more information about access and closures, contact the US Army at Piñon Canyon at 719-524-0529 or 719-524-0123 or check online at: <http://www.mwrfortcarson.com/hunting->

## APISHAPA: UNITS 128, 129, 133, 134, 135, 141, 142, 147

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**Mule Deer:** Black Hills, Bear Springs Hills, in the piñon and juniper areas, along the Hogback and in any of the side canyons that lead to the Purgatoire River.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the grassland areas.

**Sm. Game:** Turkeys found in the side canyons that lead to the Purgatoire River. Unit 142 is the property of the U.S. Army. Permission is required. Contact DECAM.

**Maps:** BLM - La Junta. Kim & Trinidad quadrangles. 7.5' USGS TOPOs - Model, Lambing Spring, Painted Canyon, Doss Canyon South, Doss Canyon North, Rock Crossing, Brown Sheep Camp, Tyrone, Bates Lake, Thatcher, Lockwood Arroyo, State Canyon, Sheep Canyon, Johnson Canyon, OV Mesa, Packers Gap, Riley Canyon, Beaty Canyon.

**Comments:** Hunting regulations specific to Fort Carson and Piñon Canyon are in Fort Carson Regulation 200-6.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad and La Junta: Hospital food, gas.

### GMU 147

**Location:** The portion of Las Animas County bounded on E by Chacuaco Creek, on S by U.S. Hwy. 160, on W by Purgatoire River north to the Colorado Interstate Gas Pipeline Road, to the U.S. Army Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site boundary, the east boundary of the maneuver site to the Las Animas-Otero county line to the Purgatoire River.

**Elevation:** 5,801 feet to 4,429 feet. **Terrain:** Flat to steep rocky canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie, pinions, juniper, cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze or snow possible early Oct.. Severe blizzards with high winds and blowing snow possible in winter.

**Land Status:** 30 percent public and 70 percent private.

**SWAs:** None. **STLs:** None. **Hunter Access:** Poor.

**Mule Deer:** Along the Purgatoire River and Chacuaco Creek

**Pronghorn:** Southern half of unit.

**Sm. Game :** The basin of the Purgatoire River offers good hunting for turkeys.

**Maps:** U.S. bureau of Land Management: La Junta, Kim quadrangles. TOPOs - OV Mesa, Johnson Canyon, Doss Canyon North, Humbar Spring, Doss Canyon South, Painted Canyon, Patterson Crossing, Trementina Canyon, Box Ranch, Miners Peak.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad: hospital, food, gas, motels.

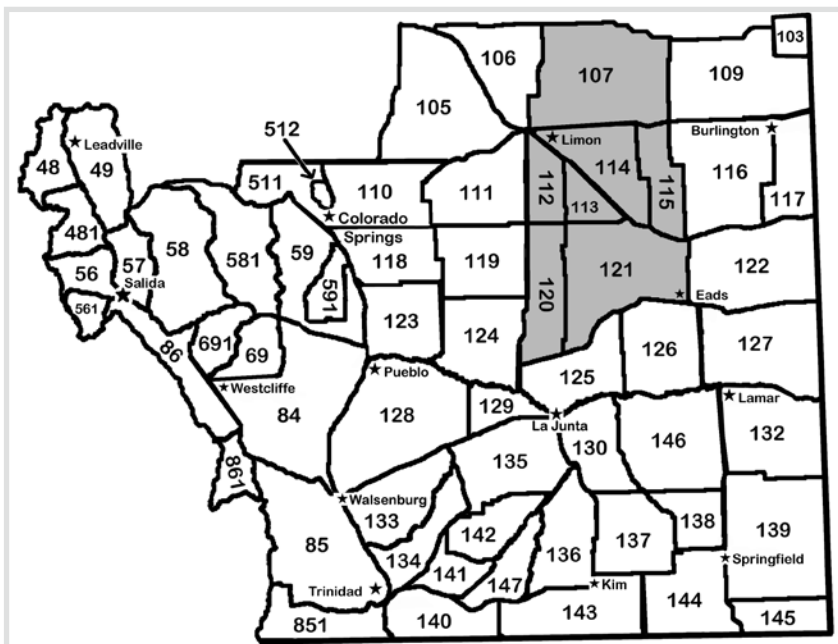
**Comments:** Big game hunters possessing a downrange pass specifically granting permission, may cross the east boundary of Pinon Canyon to enter Game Management Unit 147 to access Comanche National Grasslands, U.S. Forest Service property. Hunters accessing GMU 147 are required to attend a downrange safety briefing, obtain a recreational permit, register firearms, and obtain a downrange pass. For more information, contact the US Army at Piñon Canyon at 719-524-0529 or 719-524-0123 or check online at: <http://www.mwrfortcarson.com/hunting-fishingfc.php>.



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# BIG SANDY: UNITS 107, 112, 113, 114, 115, 120, 121



## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
107	Archery	4	0	0	4	18	22	22	14
107	Muzzle	2	4	0	6	21	29	28	29
107	Rifle	56	43	3	102	159	64	58	58
107	Late	30	23	0	53	79	67	67	66
112	Archery	6	1	0	7	26	27	37	37
112	Muzzle	11	0	0	11	11	100	85	89
112	Rifle	16	14	2	32	64	50	58	69
113	Archery	0	3	0	3	12	25	47	40
113	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	18	18
113	Rifle	9	11	2	22	35	63	61	67
114	Archery	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	10
114	Rifle	31	26	4	61	89	69	62	64
115	Archery	0	0	0	0	7	0	17	15
115	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	2	100	22	22
115	Rifle	20	8	7	35	56	63	63	58
120	Archery	0	0	0	0	13	0	51	43
120	Muzzle	5	3	0	8	8	100	77	72
120	Rifle	8	3	0	11	38	29	56	64
121	Archery	16	0	0	16	61	26	30	32
121	Muzzle	8	3	1	12	25	48	33	36
121	Rifle	24	33	0	57	99	58	65	67

# BIG SANDY: UNITS 107, 112, 113, 114, 115, 120, 121

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
107	Plains	0	0	0	0	7	0	10	6
107	Early	0	10	0	10	10	100	100	100
112	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	17
113	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
114	Plains	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
114	Archery	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
115	Plains	2	0	0	2	2	100	23	23
115	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
120	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
121	Archery	3	0	0	3	7	43	43	67



## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Archery	3	0	0	3	51	6	24	25
128	Muzzle	9	11	0	20	40	50	48	49
128	Rifle	121	149	4	274	349	79	82	81
128	Late	0	61	0	61	178	34	52	52
129	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	68	67
129	Rifle	36	18	0	54	62	87	87	86
129	Late	0	10	0	10	10	100	61	61
133	Archery	24	0	0	24	57	42	38	43
133	Muzzle	2	3	0	5	16	31	38	39
133	Rifle	88	75	3	166	214	78	78	80
133	Late	0	58	0	58	81	72	45	45
134	Archery	24	3	0	27	51	53	53	49
134	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	5	40	16	13
134	Rifle	71	65	3	139	191	73	81	85
134	Late	0	10	0	10	29	34	40	40
135	Archery	6	0	0	6	69	9	14	20
135	Muzzle	13	6	0	19	54	35	27	31
135	Rifle	90	91	16	197	269	73	78	80
135	Late	0	10	0	10	58	17	41	41
141	Archery	6	0	0	6	15	40	39	28
141	Rifle	40	8	0	48	61	79	81	82
142	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	30	32
142	Muzzle	5	3	0	8	14	57	50	50
142	Rifle	14	12	2	28	36	78	77	85
147	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	25	29
147	Rifle	3	4	0	7	10	70	75	77

## BIG SANDY: UNITS 107, 112, 113, 114, 115, 120, 121

### GMU 107

**Location:** Portions of Washington, Lincoln and Kit Carson counties. Bounded on north by U.S. 36; on east by Colo. 59; on south by I-70; and on west by Colo. Hwy. 71.

**Elevation:** 5,735 to 4,429 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Primarily short grass prairie and dry-land agricultural crops with some cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status.** 99.9 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** The access to private land is fair. Some landowners are difficult to locate. Landowners are more liberal for antelope and more restricted for deer.

**STLs:** None. **SWAs:** Flagler: (Flagler SWA is a youth only hunting area - big game, small game, waterfowl, and turkey.)

**Deer:** Deer are widely scattered throughout - generally in vicinity of cropland.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn throughout unit. Ask for landowner permission to hunt prior to accessing the properties.

**Small game:** Marginal pheasant hunting in the west half of unit. Cottontails and jackrabbits throughout.

**Maps:** BLM - Bonny Reservoir, Burlington, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Last Chance, Lindon, Lindon NE, Anton, Springs, T Draw, Arriba NW, Arriba NE, Flagler NW, Flagler NE, Seibert NW, Cope SW, Cope NW, Flagler, Flagler SW, Arriba, Genoa East, Limon, Genoa West, Walks Camp Park, Flagler Res.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo is the nearest town with a hospital, food and gas. Limon, Flagler and Cope also have gas and food.

### GMU 112

**Location:** Portion of Lincoln Co bounded on north by U.S. 40; on east by County Primary 109; on south by Colo. 94; and on west by Colo. Hwy 71.

**Elevation:** 5,336 to 5,070 feet.

**Terrain:** Is mostly level to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Short-grass prairie with interspersed agricultural crops. There is limited cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn; but only fair for deer.

**Deer:** Some deer herds growing. Look for brushy, weedy draws near croplands or in fallow fields. Mule deer and white tail deer found in various locations along Big Sandy Creek, primarily near alfalfa fields, cropland and open water. Rush Creek drainage offers hunting for white tail and mule deer.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the GMU. Places to start looking would be around winter wheat fields and other farm crops.

**Sm. Game:** Waterfowl (mostly teal) found early in the season. Cottontail rabbits and jackrabbits throughout the unit. Mourning dove found in early season near sunflower stands, cottonwood trees, and open water.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Lake, Barren Creek, Hugo SW, Lake

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SE, Long Creek, Beckman Lake, Punkin Center NW, Kinney Lake, Stanley Gulch, Punkin Center, Forder, Karval, Hugo.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo, Limon and Colorado Springs have hospitals, gas, food and lodging.

### GMU 113

**Location:** Portions of Lincoln and Cheyenne counties bounded on N by U.S. 40; on E by Cheyenne CR 8; on S by Colo. Hwy. 94; and on W by County Primary 109.

**Elevation:** 5,366 to 4,470 feet. **Terrain:** Consists of level to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Short-grass prairie, sand sage, wheat, limited cottonwoods, and willows.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in early-Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status:** 99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Access is good for pronghorn and fair for deer.

**STL:** None. **SWAs:** Hugo: (big game, small game, upland game, waterfowl). Kinney: (big game, small game, waterfowl).

**Deer:** Most are along the Big Sandy and in the Rush Creek drainage.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the unit. Places to start looking would include harvested crop fields or winter wheat fields.

**Sm. Game:** Small numbers of scaled quail in the southern portions. Some teal hunting early. Cottontails and jackrabbits found throughout the unit. Mourning doves found in early fall near sunflower stands, cottonwood trees and open water.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Hugo SW, Clifford, Kinney Lake, Boyero, Schafer Reservoir, Sanders Ranch, Wild Horse, Arroya, Rock Basin, McKenzie Draw, Stanley Gulch, Hubbard Lake, Barrel Springs Draw.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo has a hospital, food, and gas. Wild Horse has gas and food.

### GMU 114

**Location:** Portions of Lincoln, Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties bounded on N by I-70; on E by CR 5, G, A and 9 and the Flagler / Wildhorse Rd; and on S and W by U.S. 40.

**Elevation:** 5,602 to 4,470 feet.

**Terrain:** Consists of level to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Primarily short grass prairie interspersed with large tracts of wheat and other agricultural crops. Some native tall grass mixes.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Access is fair to good. It is primarily liberal for pronghorn and restricted for deer but improving.

**Deer:** Whitetail & mule deer found in brush/weedy areas, near cropland or fallow fields.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the GMU.

**Sm. Game:** Some teal hunting early in the waterfowl season. Cottontails and jackrabbits throughout the unit. Mourning doves found near stands of sunflowers, cottonwood trees and open water.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Limon, Genoa East, Arriba, Flagler SW, Flagler, Hugo 4 NE, Hugo 4 NW, Sevenmile Ranch, Hugo SW, Clifford, Bledsoe Ranch, Hugo 4 SE, Sanders Ranch, Schafer Reservoir, Wild Horse, Genoa West, Barron

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Creek, Hugo.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo has a hospital, gas, and food. Arriba has gas and food. Limon has hospital gas, food and lodging.

### GMU 115

**Location:** Portions of Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties bounded on N by I-70; on E by Colo. 59; on S by U.S. 40; and the west by CRs 5 G, A, 9, and the Flagler-Wildhorse Road.

**Elevation:** 5,029 to 4,288 feet. **Terrain:** Consists of flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Is primarily shortgrass prairie with dispersed agricultural crops.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid-Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Hunting access in the GMU is good for pronghorn; but only fair for deer.

**Deer:** Deer found in brushy, weedy areas near or in croplands.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the GMU.

**Sm. Game:** The southern portions offer marginal scaled quail numbers. Decent numbers of teal early in the waterfowl season. Cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Burlington, Cheyenne Wells, Limon quadrangles. TOPOs - Hugo 4 NE, Stratton 3 NW, Hugo 4 SE, Stratton 3 SW, Stratton 3 SE, Kit Carson SW, Big Spring, Kit Carson, Sorrento.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo has a hospital, gas and food. Arriba has gas and food. Limon has hospital, gas, food and lodging.

### GMU 120

**Location:** Portions of Lincoln, Crowley and Kiowa counties bounded on N by Colo. Hwy.94 on E by County Primary Roads 109, 1, 2, and County Secondary Road 35; on S by Colo. Hwy.96; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 71.

**Elevation:** 5,296 to 4,282 feet.

**Terrain:** Consists of flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Short grass prairie with interspersed farmland and limited cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Relatively mild with first freeze or snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** 99 percent of the land in GMU 120 is private property.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn; but poor to fair for deer.

**STLs:** None. **SWAs:** Karval Reservoir (235 acres.)

**Deer:** Deer are most prominent along Horse Creek.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn throughout the unit, but slightly more in north portion

**Sm. Game:** Scattered populations of scaled quail found in high plains. Best chances for waterfowl are early in the season. The migration route for Sandhill Cranes includes unit 120. Cottontail rabbits throughout the unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Las Animas quadrangles. TOPOs - Forder, Karval, Metz Springs, Sharp Lake, Box Springs, The Pinnacles, Todd Point, Lake Henry, Sugar City.

**Comments:** Get permission to hunt private land before season opening.

**Additional Resources:** Rocky Ford (to the south) is the nearest populated community with hospital, gas, and food.

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### GMU 121

**Location:** Portions of Cheyenne, Lincoln and Kiowa counties bounded on N by Colo. Hwy. 94 and US 40; on E by US 287; on S by Colo. Hwy. 96; and on W by Co Primary Roads 109, 1, 2, and Co Secondary Rd 35.

**Elevation:** 5070 feet to 4,213 feet. **Terrain:** Consists of level to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Mostly short grass prairie with limited sand sage, farm lands riparian areas.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze and snow possible early Oct.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private property.

**Hunter Access:** Hunting access is fair to good. Landowners are more liberal for pronghorn than deer.

**Mule Deer:** Much of this unit is located in shortgrass pasture. However, springs and riparian areas and some agricultural cropland provide habitat for populations of mule and whitetail deer.

**Pronghorn:** The northern end of the GMU has a higher population of pronghorn, but there are pronghorn throughout the GMU.

**Sm. Game:** Best chance for waterfowl is early in the season (teal). Small numbers of scaled quail exist in their appropriate habitat. Cottontail rabbits and jackrabbits throughout the unit. The migration route of the sandhill crane includes unit 121. Mourning dove early season near riparian areas w/open water and isolated water holes near cottonwood trees. During the first part of the Late Snow Goose Season, many geese feed in the Ag fields in the southern portion of the GMU.

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Cheyenne Wells, Las Animas quadrangles. 7.5' TOPOs - Hubbard Lake, Barrel Springs Draw, Stacey Lakes Draw, Galatea NE, Galatea, Galatea SW, Bluff Springs, Scott Draw, Trimble Lake, Arlington NE, Haswell, Haswell NE, Arlington, Houston Lakes, Eads, Hawkins, Sorrento, Kit Carson, Lewis Lake, Arsenic Lake, Arsenic Lake SW, Dunlap Ranch.

**Additional Resources:** Eads and Rocky Ford both have a hospital, food, and gas. Kit Carson has food and gas.

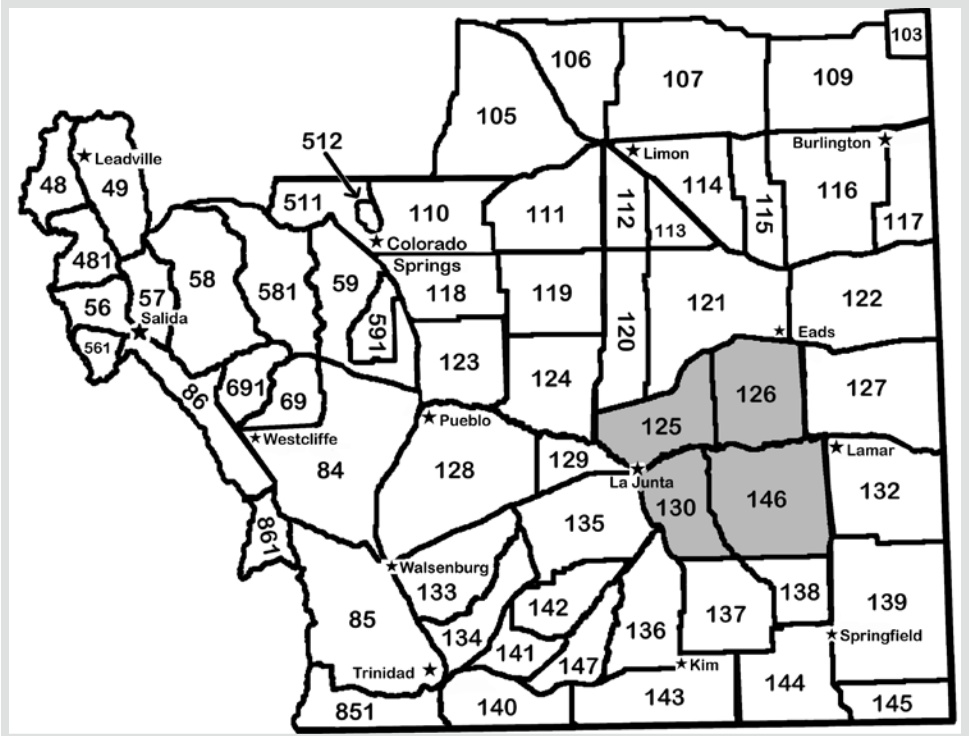
### “WHITETAIL ONLY” SEASONS

Colorado has two different species of deer -- mule deer and white-tailed deer. White-tailed deer found in association with creek and river bottoms in eastern Colorado. They can also be associated with upland habitats including grassland and cultivated agriculture. Much of the white-tailed deer habitat and distribution in eastern Colorado is on private land. Access will require prior landowner permission.

Whitetail Only” licenses provided a means to increase deer hunting opportunity on the eastern plains for a species that is often found to be more prolific than mule deer. White-tailed deer licenses provide opportunities for a hunter to chase a highly desirable species with the added benefit that whitetail only licenses often take fewer, or no preference points, to draw. In addition, leftover antlerless whitetail only licenses are classified as “List B” licenses, meaning a hunter can possess one of these antlerless licenses in addition to their primary deer license.



## LAS ANIMAS: UNITS 125, 126, 130, 146



### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
125	Archery	20	0	0	20	60	33	31	32
125	Muzzle	4	9	0	13	40	33	30	36
125	Rifle	24	25	5	54	87	62	57	54
125	Late	7	2	0	9	46	20	19	26
126	Archery	13	2	0	15	54	28	26	19
126	Muzzle	4	5	0	9	36	25	29	29
126	Rifle	18	11	3	32	93	34	46	55
126	Late	15	14	0	29	46	63	57	55
130	Archery	0	0	0	0	25	0	13	8
130	Muzzle	1	2	0	3	6	50	21	32
130	Rifle	12	6	0	18	43	42	49	51
130	Late	11	12	0	23	39	59	52	51
146	Archery	13	0	0	13	54	24	20	17
146	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	16	13	37	31
146	Rifle	16	8	0	24	40	60	64	56
146	Late	18	6	0	24	36	67	58	58

## LAS ANIMAS: UNITS 125, 126, 130, 146

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
125	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	6	4
125	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
126	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	12	10
126	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
130	Plains	0	3	0	3	36	8	13	14
146	Plains	0	0	0	0	18	0	5	4
146	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
125	Archery	3	0	0	3	9	33	36	23
125	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	3
125	Rifle	42	23	3	68	149	46	61	65
125	Late	0	0	0	0	98	0	23	23
126	Archery	3	0	0	3	24	13	25	24
126	Muzzle	1	0	0	1	14	7	3	2
126	Rifle	102	74	6	182	343	53	61	63
126	Late	0	11	0	11	87	13	23	23
130	Archery	3	0	0	3	21	14	15	24
130	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	12	25	16	16
130	Rifle	50	36	5	91	160	57	66	67
146	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
146	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
146	Rifle	81	19	11	111	178	62	66	66

### GMU 125

**Location:** Portions of Crowley, Kiowa, Bent and Otero counties bounded on N by Colo. 96; on E by Kiowa Co Rd 19 and Bent Co Rd 14; on S by the Arkansas River; and on W by Colo. 71.

**Elevation:** 4,538 to 3,642 feet.

**Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Short-grass prairie with limited farmland and cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Relatively mild & dry with first freeze and snow possible early October.

**Land Status:** 99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for antelope, fair for deer.

**STLs:** Blue Lake (multiple parcels)

**SWAs:** Adobe Creek (Blue Lake) Reservoir, Dawn Pond (hunting only with landowner permission), Fort Lyon, Holbrook Reservoir, Horse Creek Reservoir, Melon Valley, Meredith Reservoir, Oxbow, Rocky Ford.

**Mule Deer:** Along Arkansas River, Horse Creek and in the Cheraw area.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the shortgrass prairie areas.

## LAS ANIMAS: UNITS 125, 126, 130, 146

**Sm. Game:** Small numbers of pheasants in agricultural areas. Hunt bobwhites along drainages and scaled quail in cactus, sage habitat. Timber Lake and Lake Meredith offer decent waterfowl hunting along with Adobe Creek. Cottontails throughout the unit. A fair number of sandhill cranes in unit 125.

**Maps:** BLM - Las Animas quadrangle. TOPOS - Sugar City, Rock Ford, Cheraw, Meredith Hill, Houston Lakes, Lewis Ranch, Hadley, Cornelia, McIntosh, Arlington, Arlington NE, Haswell, Long Lake, Bishop Ranch, Las Animas.

**Comments:** White-tailed deer also in unit.

**Additional Resources:** Rocky Ford, La Junta, Las Animas: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 126

Portions of Kiowa, Bent and Prowers counties bounded on N by Colorado Highway 96; on E by US 287; on S by the Arkansas River; and on W by Kiowa Co Rd 19 and Bent County Rd 14.

**Elevation:** 4,538 to 3,731 feet.

**Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farmland and cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Relatively mild with first freeze and snow possible early October.

**Land Status:** Ninety-nine percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn, fair for deer.

**STLs:** Nee Noshe, Nee So Pah, Sweetwater

**SWAs:** Queens, John Martin Reservoir

**Deer:** Along Arkansas River and Fort Lyon Canal. Densities of white tail deer greater than mule deer along the river. Mule deer densities tend to be greater in the sand sage and pasture lands adjacent to croplands.

**Pronghorn:** North of Fort Lyon Canal.

**Sm. Game:** Low densities of pheasants in the agricultural areas. Bobwhite quail along surrounding drainages. Scaled quail habitat includes yucca, cactus and sage areas.

Cottontail rabbits throughout the unit. Queens SWA offers good waterfowl hunting. Good numbers of sandhill cranes in Unit 126. John Martin is also good for waterfowl hunting.

**Maps:** BLM - Las Animas, Lamar quadrangles. TOPOS- Haswell, Haswell NE, Hawkins, Eads, Akali Lake, Swede Lake, Nee Noshe Reservoir, Rose Ranch, Haswell SE, Long Lake, Bishop Ranch, Tree Top Ranch, Lubers, McClave, Wiley, Lamar West Prowers, Hasty, Kreybill, Las Animas.

**Additional Resources:** Las Animas, Eads: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 130

**Location:** Portions of Otero and Bent counties bounded on N by the Arkansas River; on E by Colo. Hwy. 101, the Pritchett-Las Animas Improved Rd, and US 50; on S by the Bent-Las Animas, Bent-Baca and Otero-Las Animas Co lines; and on W by Colo. 109 (north of the Purgatoire River) and the Purgatoire River (south of Colo. 109).

**Elevation:** 4,790 to 3,901 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with moderately steep plateaus and canyons.

**Vegetation:** Primarily shortgrass prairie with cottonwood riparian, pinion/juniper and farms.

## LAS ANIMAS: UNITS 125, 126, 130, 146

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze and snow possible early October.

**Land Status:** 90 percent private. USFS Comanche Grasslands in the east and northern portions.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn, fair for deer.

**STLs:** Higbee Canyon.

**SWAs:** Oxbow, Purgatoire River, Setchfield.

**Deer:** Along Arkansas River and Purgatoire River (whitetail and mule deer),

**Pronghorn:** South of Hwy 50, and towards the east.

**Sm. Game:** Low densities of pheasants in the agricultural areas. Small populations of bobwhite quail along surrounding drainages. Scaled quail habitat includes yucca, cactus and sage areas. Cottontail rabbits throughout. Small numbers of sandhill cranes. Waterfowl opportunities exist early in the season along Purgatoire River and Muddy Creek.

**Maps:** BLM - La Junta, Las Animas quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - Comanche National Grasslands. USGS TOPOs - La Junta, Riley Canyon, Corbin Canyon, Higbee, Thompson, Arroyo, Hadley, Cornelia, Hackamore Ranch, Turkey Canyon, Ninaview, Toonerville, Gilpin, Las Animas, Clay Ranch.

**Comments:** White-tailed deer also in unit.

**Additional Resources:** La Junta, Las Animas: hospital, food, gas.

### GMU 146

**Location:** Bent and Prowers counties. Bounded on N by the Arkansas River, on E by U.S. Hwy. 287, on S by the Prowers-Baca county lines. On W by the Pritchett-Las Animas improved road and Colo. Hwy. 101 and U.S. Hwy. 50 to the Arkansas River.

**Elevation:** 4,600 feet to 3,622 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling. With some canyon-mesa country in south.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited sand sage, cottonwood and farmland areas.

**Weather:** First freeze or snow possible mid-Oct. Possible severe blizzards by Dec.

**Land Status:** 99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair for deer and fair to good for pronghorn.

**STLs:** Keller Lease

**SWAs:** John Martin Reservoir

**Deer:** Along the Arkansas River and side drainages (whitetail and mule deer).

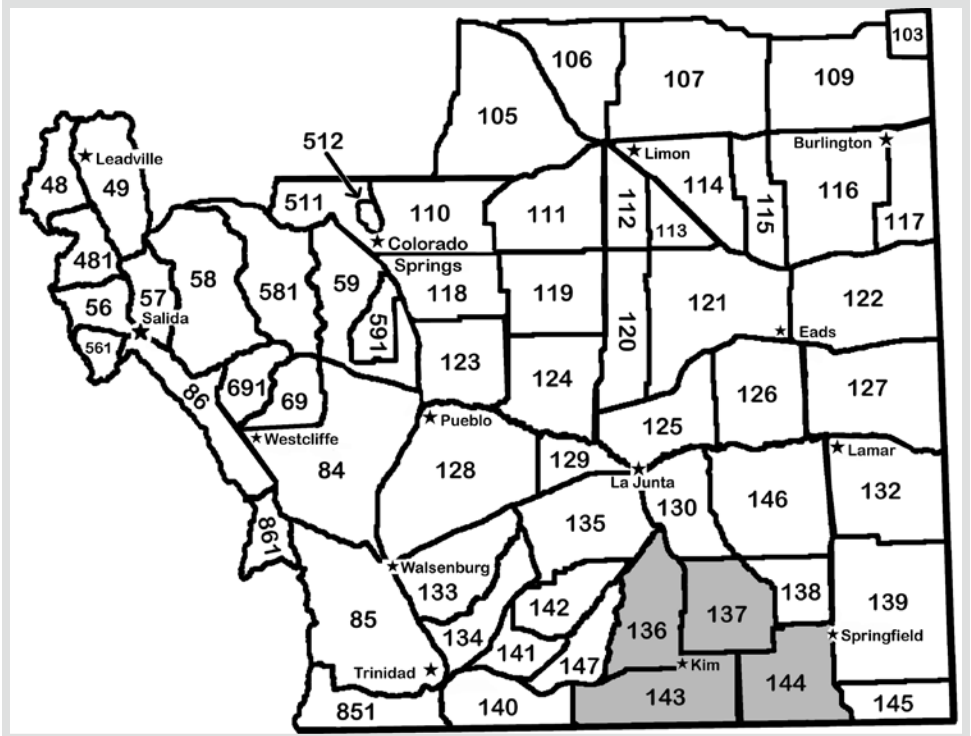
**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit.

**Sm. Game:** John Martin SWA offers good hunting for waterfowl, pheasants, bobwhite quail, scaled quail and cottontail rabbits. The Arkansas River offers good hunting for waterfowl.

**Maps:** U.S. Bureau of Land Management: La Junta, Las Animas, Lamar, Two Buttes Reservoir quadrangles. TOPO: Las Animas, Kreybill, Hasty, Prowers, Lamar West, Lamar East, Cat Creek NW, Denny Lake, High Rock, Toonerville NE, Gilpin, Toonerville, Toonerville SE, Hand Springs, Dripping Spring, Cat Creek Gobblers Knob, Two Buttes Reservoir, Hasser Ranch, Floating W Ranch, Pipe Spring, Clay Spring.

**Additional Resources:** Las Animas and Lamar: gas, food, hospital, motels, meat processing.

## KIM AREA: UNITS 136, 137, 143, 144



### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
136	Archery	2	2	0	4	15	27	29	35
136	Rifle	18	0	0	18	52	35	40	43
136	Late	4	5	1	10	26	38	55	60
137	Archery	2	0	0	2	2	100	80	91
137	Rifle	11	7	0	18	30	60	68	56
137	Late	8	5	0	13	16	81	66	62
143	Archery	5	0	0	5	15	33	31	30
143	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	5	0	42	38
143	Rifle	28	12	0	40	76	53	65	59
143	Late	18	1	1	20	41	49	55	55
144	Archery	8	0	0	8	16	50	21	20
144	Muzzle	8	5	0	13	27	48	29	22
144	Rifle	27	15	0	42	85	49	53	54
144	Late	18	5	0	23	45	51	52	60
144	Late	13	9	1	23	43	53	58	62

## KIM AREA: UNITS 136, 137, 143, 144

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
136	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	20	14
136	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
136	Rifle	66	42	9	117	172	68	65	64
137	Archery	6	0	0	6	9	67	47	39
137	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	6	0	13	13
137	Rifle	107	64	5	176	245	72	72	73
143	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	41	25
143	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	6	0	14	12
143	Rifle	85	47	2	134	182	74	74	76
144	Archery	3	0	0	3	9	33	24	31
144	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	7	14	19	16
144	Rifle	102	98	23	223	361	62	66	67

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
136	Plains	15	8	0	23	82	28	23	26
136	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
136	Early	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
137	Plains	3	0	0	3	8	38	14	15
143	Plains	15	7	0	22	79	28	35	33
143	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
144	Plains	5	0	0	5	23	22	20	24

#### GMU 136

**Location:** Bounded on N by the intersection of Colo. Hwy. 109 and the Purgatoire River; on E by Colo. Hwy. 109; on S by US Hwy. 160; on W by Chacuaco Creek and the boundary of the US Army Piñon Canyon Maneuver Site.

**Elevation:** 5,857 to 4,380 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with irregular steep canyons and plateaus.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie, large pinion and juniper areas, limited dryland and CRP farm land, riparian in a few canyons.

**Weather:** Relatively mild with first freeze or snow possible early Oct. Severe weather possible by Dec.

**Land Status:** 90 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Poor for deer; fair to good for pronghorn.

**Mule Deer:** In canyon areas in north part of unit and along Chacuaco Creek. Large portion of deer habitat is in Ranching for Wildlife program: other areas charge substantial access fees.

**Elk:** Hunt the pinion/juniper breaks.

**Pronghorn:** Southern half of unit on forest land property although small herds are found on the Kim Wildlife Ranch to the north.

## KIM AREA: UNITS 136, 137, 143, 144

**Small Game:** The Purgatoire River offers good turkey hunting. Cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit

**Reference maps:** BLM - La Junta, Kim quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - Comanche National Grasslands. TOPO S - Riley Canyon, Corbin Canyon, Rock Canyon, Brown Canyon, Lost Canyon, Beaty Canyon, OV Mesa, Johnson Canyon, Plum Canyon, Ice House Canyon, Robbers Roost Canyon, Cherry Canyon, Villegreen, Humbar Spring, Miners Peak, Tobe, Calerose Mesa.

**Comments:** Remote area, take extra gas, water and food.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, La Junta, Trinidad, Las Animas: hospital, food, gas. Kim: gas, limited food.

### GMU 137

**Location:** Portions of Las Animas and Baca counties bounded on N by the Bent-Las Animas and Bent-Baca county lines; on E by the Pritchett-Las Animas improved Rd and US 160; on S by US 160; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 109.

**Elevation:** 5,617 to 4,397 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling with limited plateaus, basins and canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited pinion and juniper; limited riparian areas. Some dry land wheat fields and CRP fields.

**Weather:** Relatively mild with first freeze or snow possible early Oct. Possible severe winter weather by Dec.

**Land Status:** 90 percent private, 10 percent Comanche National Grasslands

**Hunter Access:** Poor for deer; fair to good for pronghorn.

**Deer:** Along drainages, especially near agricultural fields, in the northern half of the unit.

**Elk:** Hunt the pinion / juniper breaks.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit except in pinion or juniper habitat.

**Small Game:** Hunting is fair for cottontails. Small numbers of scaled quail may be found where appropriate habitat exists (yucca, cactus, sage).

**Maps:** BLM - La Junta, Kim, Springfield quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: Comanche National Grasslands. TOPOs - Rock Canyon, Ninaview, Clay Ranch, Walker Canyon, Plug Hat Ranch, Brown Canyon, Robbers Roost Canyon, Buck Canyon, Table Mesa, Deora, Pritchett NW, Lone Rock, Pritchett, Utleyville, Andrix, Kim North.

**Comments:** Remote area; take extra gas, food and water.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, La Junta: hospital, food, gas. Kim: gas, limited food. Pritchett: limited food.

### GMU 143

**Location:** In Baca and Las Animas counties. GMU is bounded on N by US 160, on E by Baca-Las Animas County lines, on S by the New Mexico state line on W by Colo. Hwy 389.

**Elevation:** 6,821 feet to 4,250 feet.

**Terrain:** Gently rolling, changing quickly to steep mesas and canyons.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie to pinions, junipers to pines and oak.

**Weather:** First freeze or snow possible mid-Oct. Possible severe blizzards by Dec.

**Land status:** 95 percent private, (Comanche National Grasslands).

## KIM AREA: UNITS 136, 137, 143, 144

**Hunter Access:** Poor for deer, pronghorn overall but good southwest of Pritchett.

**Deer:** All the mesa and canyon areas. Deer density very low, average two per square mile. Best areas are leased by outfitters or in Ranching for Wildlife program.

**Pronghorn:** Around Kim and southwest of Pritchett. Western half of unit leased or in Ranching for Wildlife program.

**Small Game:** Hunting is fair for cottontails. Small numbers of scaled quail may be found where appropriate habitat exists (yucca, cactus, and sage). Low densities of turkeys exist in the mesa and canyon areas

**Maps:** BLM: Kim, Springfield quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: Comanche National Grasslands. TOPOs - Kim North, Andrix, Utleville, Lone Rock, Elder, Reader Lake, Carrizo Mountain, Pintada Creek, Kim South, Calerose Mesa, Tobe, Miners Peak, Box Ranch Branson SE, Pine canyon, Cobert Mesa North, Jesus Canyon, Dennis Canyon, Furnish Canyon West, Big Hole Canyon, Tubs Spring, Pritchett.

**Comments:** Remote area; take extra gas, food and water.

**Additional Resources:** Trinidad, Springfield and La Junta: hospital, gas, food, Kim: gas, limited food.

### GMU 144

**Location:** In Baca County, GMU 144 is bounded on N by U.S. Hwy 160, on E by U.S. Hwy. 287, on S by the New Mexico and Oklahoma state lines, on W by Baca-Las Animas County line.

**Elevation:** 4,902 feet to 4,131 feet

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling. Canyons in southwest part of unit.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie, wheat fields, rolling sand sage, piñon and juniper canyons.

**Weather:** First freeze or snow possible early Oct. Possible severe blizzards by Dec.

**Land Status:** Approximately 65 percent private, Comanche National Grasslands.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn, poor for deer.

**Deer:** Canyons along the Oklahoma border.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit with southern half receiving the most hunting pressure.

**Small Game:** Scaled quail and cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit; hunting is good. Pheasants and bobwhites found in agricultural areas throughout the unit. Public access is available in the Comanche National Grasslands.

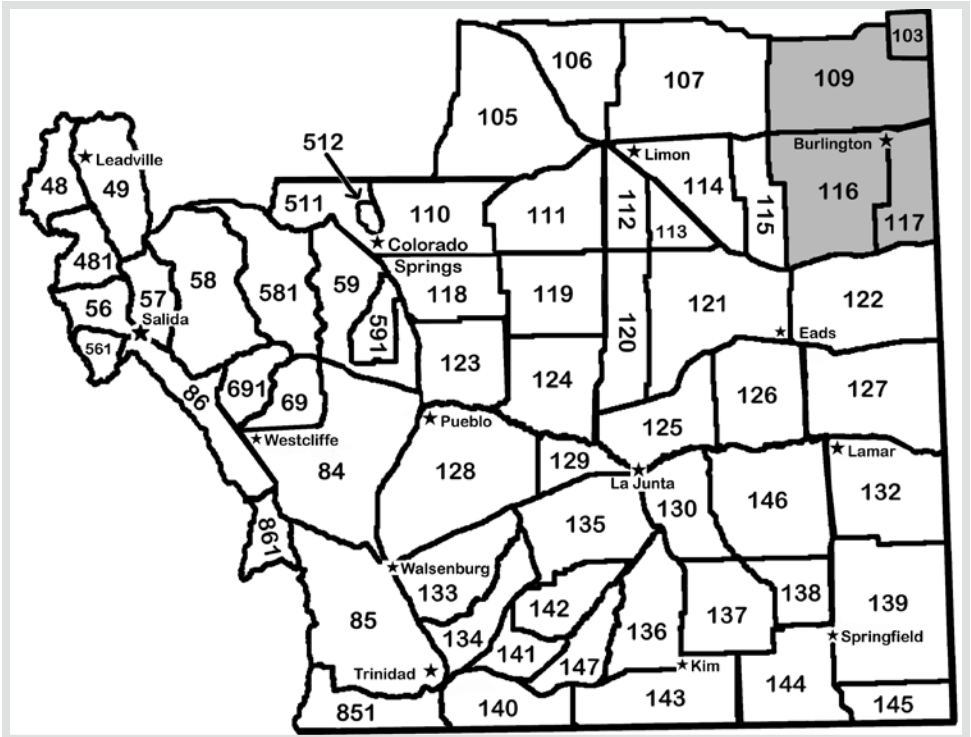
**Maps:** BLM - Springfield quadrangle. U.S. Forest Service - Comanche National Grassland. TOPOS - Lone Rock, Pritchett, Springfield SW, Bisonte, Campo NE, Campo, Campo SW, Campo NW, Tubs Springs, Edler. US Forest Service: Comanche National Grassland

**Additional Resources:** Springfield: hospital, gas, food. Pritchett and Campo: limited food.





## BURLINGTON AREA: UNITS 103, 109, 116, 117



### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
103	Archery	18	0	2	20	37	54	49	47
103	Muzzle	5	3	3	11	12	92	59	51
103	Rifle	16	23	3	42	75	56	53	55
103	Late	5	8	4	17	28	61	71	63
109	Archery	27	3	1	31	74	42	34	31
109	Muzzle	16	6	2	24	59	41	39	34
109	Rifle	74	52	15	141	206	68	64	65
109	Late	37	26	6	69	118	58	59	59
116	Archery	22	0	0	22	78	28	30	31
116	Muzzle	9	6	1	16	32	50	49	52
116	Rifle	57	28	4	89	131	68	74	73
116	Late	55	12	0	67	86	78	78	78
117	Archery	11	0	0	11	29	38	25	22
117	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
117	Rifle	16	9	0	25	56	45	66	67
117	Late	23	5	0	28	49	57	57	57

## BURLINGTON AREA: UNITS 103, 109, 116, 117

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
103	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
116	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
117	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
109	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	33	33
109	Rifle	23	20	0	43	62	69	62	62
116	Archery	6	0	0	6	6	100	47	22
116	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	11	18	16	14
116	Rifle	104	153	16	273	424	64	68	69
116	Late	0	40	13	53	114	46	46	46
117	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
117	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	11	10
117	Rifle	41	57	0	98	128	77	74	74
117	Late	0	7	0	7	40	18	18	18

#### GMU 103

**Location:** Portion of Yuma Co bounded on N by U.S. 36, on E by the Colorado-Kansas state line, on S by the Kit Carson-Yuma Co line; and on W by U.S. 385.

**Elevation:** 3,835 feet to 3,550 feet.

**Terrain:** Consists of flat to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Short grass prairies, farms, cottonwoods, willows.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid- Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status:** Approximately 65 percent private land.

**Hunter Access:** Good for public land; fair for private land.

**State Trust Lands:** Landsman Creek: (big game, small game, upland game, turkey).

**State Wildlife Areas:** South Republican: (big game, small game, upland game, waterfowl, turkey).

**Deer:** Found in the riparian bottoms and cornfields during early seasons. Riparian bottoms and adjacent sagebrush draws, up to two or three miles out of bottoms during late seasons.

**Small game:** Good pheasant hunting in farming areas; cottontails are abundant.

**Maps:** BLM - Bonny Reservoir quadrangle. TOPOs - Bonny Reservoir N., Bonny Reservoir S., Bonny Reservoir SE, Hale Ponds.

**Comments:** No pronghorn in unit, but license valid with Unit 109. Both whitetail and mule deer present.

**Additional Resources:** Burlington is the closest town and has a hospital, lodging, food, and gas.

## BURLINGTON AREA: UNITS 103, 109, 116, 117

### GMU 109

**Location:** Portions of Washington, Yuma and Kit Carson counties bounded on N by U.S. 36; on E by U.S. 385, the Yuma-Kit Carson Co line, and the CO-KS state line; on S by I-70; and on W by Colo. Hwy. 59.

**Elevation:** 4,580 to 3,711 feet. **Terrain:** Consists of flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Primarily short grass prairie, there is limited sage and cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid- Oct.

**Land Status:** 99 percent private land.

**State Trust Land:** Landsman Creek

**Hunter Access:** Fair. Landowners more permissive to pronghorn hunting than for deer.

**Deer:** Along the South Republican River drainage and cottonwood riparian areas near the north boundary.

**Pronghorn:** Found in higher densities in the western half of the unit.

**Small game:** Good pheasant hunting in the agricultural areas; a scattered quail along the south fork of the Republican River. Turkey are plentiful. Decent waterfowl hunting along the south fork of the Republican River.

**Maps:** BLM - Burlington, Bonny Reservoir quadrangles. TOPOs - Cope, Joes, Adler Creek, Spring Canyon, Idalia, Bonny Reservoir SE, Bonny Reservoir South, Idalia SE, Idalia SW, Kirk, Joes SW, Cope SE, Seibert NE, Stratton NW, Tuttle, Settlement, Burlington NE, Kanorado NW, Kanorado NE, Kanorado, Peconic, Burlington, Bethune, Stratton, Vona, Seibert.

**Comments:** Both mule deer and whitetails found in unit.

**Additional Resources:** Burlington has a hospital, gas, food. Stratton also has gas and food.

### GMU 116

**Location:** Portions of Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties bounded on N by I-70; on E by U.S. 385; on S by U.S. 40; and on W by Colo. Hwy 59.

**Elevation:** 4,807 to 4,285 feet. **Terrain:** Consists of level to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Short-grass prairie with interspersed agricultural crops; some native tall grass mixes throughout the Conservation Reserve Program properties.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid- Oct. to mid-Nov.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Access is fair to good. Easier to get access for pronghorn than deer.

**Deer:** Deer herds are growing and can be found widely scattered throughout unit.

**Pronghorn:** Primarily in southern half.

**Small game:** Fair for pheasants in agricultural areas; low densities of scaled quail spread throughout the unit. If hunting waterfowl, focus efforts early in the season. Cottontails are found throughout the unit. Scaled quail in south portion of unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Burlington, Cheyenne Wells. TOPOs - Vona, Stratton, Bethune, Burlington, Burlington 3 ME, Burlington 3 NW, Alpine Ranch NE, Alpine Ranch NW, Stratton 3 NE, Stratton 3 SE, Alpine Ranch SW, Alpine Ranch, Burlington 3 SW, Burlington 3 SE, Big Spring, Eureka Creek North, Landsman Hill, Cheyenne Wells NW, Cheyenne Wells NE, Cheyenne Wells, Cheyenne Wells SW, Firstview, Eureka Creek South, Kit Carson, Sorrento.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo, Burlington or Cheyenne Wells have hospitals, food and gas.

## BURLINGTON AREA: UNITS 103, 109, 116, 117

### GMU 117

**Location:** Portions of Kit Carson and Cheyenne counties bounded on N by I-70; on E by the CO-KS state line; on S by U.S. 40; and on W by U.S. 385.

**Elevation:** 4,321 to 3,881 feet. **Terrain:** Consists of level to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Short grass prairie with interspersed crop land; some native tall grass mixes through Conservation Reserve Program lands.

**Weather:** Mild and dry. First freeze or snow may occur in mid- Oct.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good if you ask for permission on private land prior to the season.

**Deer:** Throughout the GMU but are widely scattered.

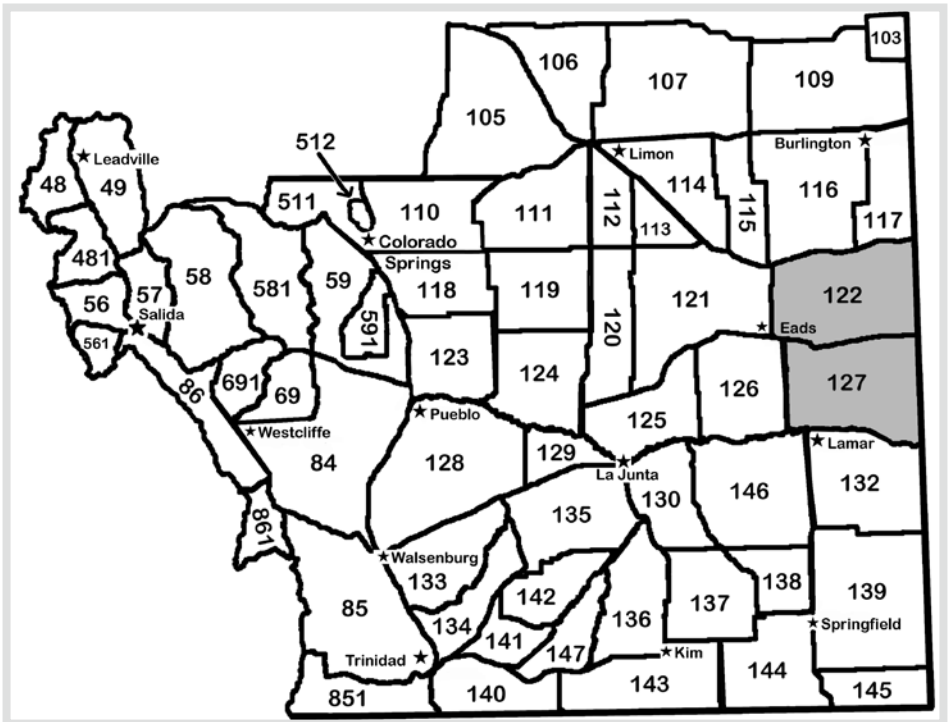
**Pronghorn:** Throughout the GMU.

**Small game:** Scaled quail found in the southern half of the unit, although numbers are small. The agricultural areas have decent pheasant populations. Waterfowl hunting can be good early in the season, before cold weather sets in. Cottontail rabbits throughout unit.

**Maps:** BLM - Burlington, Cheyenne Wells quadrangles. TOPOs- Peconic, Kanorado, Mt. Sunflower NE, Mt. Sunflower NW, Burlington 3 SE, Mt. Sunflower SW, Mt. Sunflower, Arapahoe NE, Arapahoe SE, Arapahoe NW, Cheyenne Wells NE, Cheyenne Wells, Arapahoe.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo, Burlington, Cheyenne Wells all have hospitals, food, & gas.

## CHEYENNE WELLS AREA: UNITS 122, 127



## CHEYENNE WELLS AREA: UNITS 122, 127

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
122	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
127	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	23	19
127	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0

### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
122	Archery	35	6	0	41	106	39	32	31
122	Muzzle	3	4	0	7	23	30	29	31
122	Rifle	34	36	2	72	110	65	68	66
122	Late	19	15	6	40	56	71	57	64
127	Archery	17	0	0	17	78	22	25	28
127	Muzzle	1	4	0	5	22	23	46	43
127	Rifle	40	26	7	73	131	56	62	65
127	Late	30	19	0	49	69	71	74	76

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
122	Archery	3	0	0	3	27	11	6	6
122	Muzzle	2	1	0	3	11	27	18	16
122	Rifle	124	79	14	217	347	63	59	62
122	Late	0	27	7	34	107	32	32	32
127	Archery	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
127	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	6	33	11	11
127	Rifle	98	44	0	142	230	62	65	66
127	Late	0	7	0	7	52	13	13	13

#### GMU 122

**Location:** Portions of Cheyenne and Kiowa counties. Bounded on N by US 40; on E by the Colorado-Kansas state line; on S by Colo. Hwy. 96; and on W by US Hwy. 287.

**Elevation:** 4,296 to 3,920 feet.

**Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Primarily shortgrass prairie with limited farmland and cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Relatively mild with first freeze and snow possible early October.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to good for pronghorn. Fair to poor for deer.

**Deer:** Creek bottoms, old farmsteads.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout but higher density in west. Fair concentration north of Brandon.

**Small Game:** The early season for teal will be the best chance for decent waterfowl hunting. Pheasant hunting is fair in the agricultural areas of the unit where low densities of scaled quail can also be found. Cottontails are found throughout the unit. Small numbers of sandhill cranes migrate through unit 122.

## CHEYENNE WELLS AREA: UNITS 122, 127

**Maps:** BLM - Cheyenne Wells, Lamar quadrangles. TOPOS: - Arapahoe SE, Cheyenne Wells 4 NE, Cheyenne Wells 4 SE, Towner, Stuart, Sheridan Lake, Brandon, Chivington, Alkali Lake, Eads, Lake Albert, Cheyenne Wells 3 SE, Cheyenne Wells 3 SW, Kit Carson 4 SE, Oswald Ranch, Dunlap Ranch, Lewis Lake, Kit Carson 4 NW, Kit Carson 4 NE, Cheyenne Wells 3 NW, Cheyenne Wells 3 NE, Lake Albert NW, Cheyenne Wells. Arapahoe, Cheyenne Wells, Cheyenne Wells SW, Firstview, Eureka Creek South, Kit Carson.

**Additional Resources:** Eads, Cheyenne Wells: hospital, food, gas, motels.

### GMU 127

**Location:** Portions of Kiowa and Prowers counties. Bounded on N by Colo. Hwy. 96; on E by the CO-KS state line; on S by the Arkansas River; and on W by US Hwy. 287

**Elevation:** 4,283 to 3,397 feet.

**Terrain:** Level to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited farmland and cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Mild & dry with first freeze and snow possible early Oct. Possible severe blizzards by Dec. late hunt.

**Land Status:** 98 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Good for pronghorn, fair for deer.

**State Trust Land-**Ne Noshe, Nee So Pah

**State Wildlife Areas:** Arkansas River, Deadman, Granada, Holly, Queens, Red Dog, Thurston Reservoir

**Deer:** Along the Arkansas River, side drainages, old farmsteads. Densities of white tail deer greater along the river. Mule deer densities tend to be greater in the sand sage and pasture lands adjacent to croplands.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit but higher densities in western half of unit.

**Small Game Hunting:** The agricultural areas offer fair opportunities for pheasants. Scaled quail found in yucca, cactus and sage habitat while bobwhite quail locate themselves closer to river and creek drainages. Cottontails found throughout GMU. Queens State Wildlife Area offers good waterfowl hunting. The sandhill cranes migration route includes GMU 127.

**Maps:** BLM - Lamar quadrangle. TOPOs - Alkali Lake, Chivington, Brandon, Sheridan Lake, Stuart, Towner, Towner SE, Lake Devore, Sheridan Lake SE, Sheridan Lake SW, Chivington SE, Nee Noshe Reservoir, Wiley, May Valley, Granada NW, Granada NE, Holly NW, Holly NE, Holly East, Holly West, Granada, Carlton, Lamar East, Lamar West.

**Additional Resources:** Lamar, Eads: hospital, food, gas, motels, meat processing.

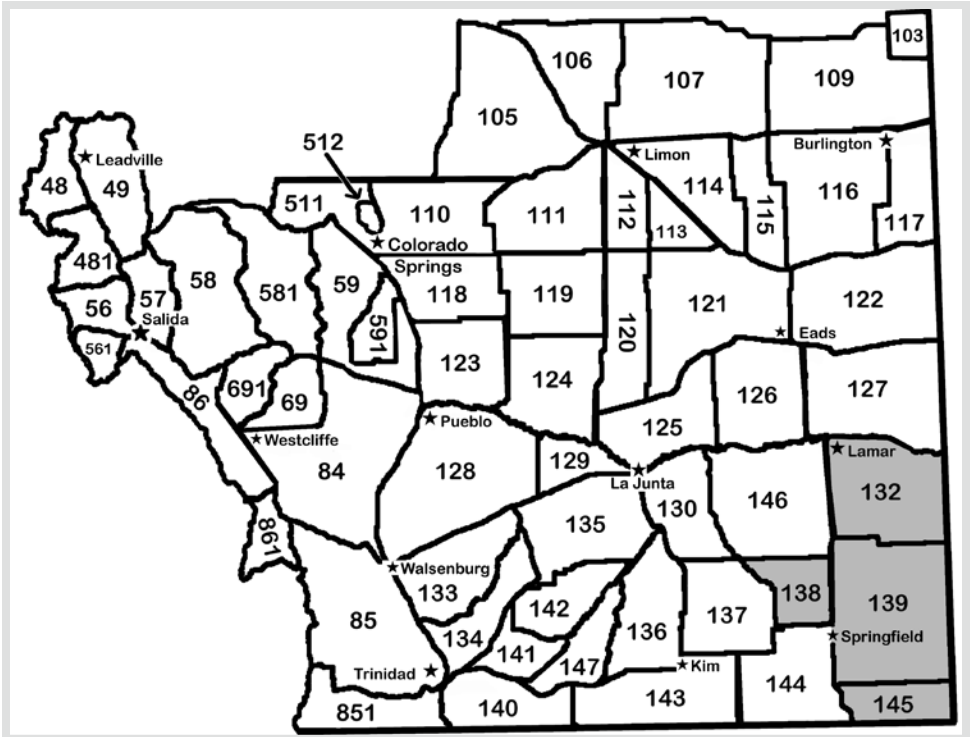
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## TWO BUTTES AREA: UNITS 132, 138, 139, 145



### DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
132	Archery	7	9	3	19	72	26	28	22
132	Muzzle	4	0	2	6	16	38	30	27
132	Rifle	36	17	6	59	86	69	57	60
132	Late	14	19	2	35	61	57	63	67
138	Archery	2	0	0	2	2	100	50	50
138	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
138	Rifle	10	2	0	12	13	92	70	63
138	Late	3	6	0	9	16	56	53	54
139	Archery	17	0	0	17	37	46	27	30
139	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	28	26
139	Rifle	30	14	2	46	69	67	66	67
139	Late	17	18	0	35	47	74	67	64
145	Archery	2	0	0	2	7	29	11	21
145	Muzzle	3	2	0	5	11	45	28	24
145	Rifle	12	5	0	17	47	36	46	45
145	Late	20	0	0	23	40	58	46	57

## TWO BUTTES AREA: UNITS 132, 138, 139, 145

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
132	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	26	26
138	Plains	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
139	Plains	0	0	0	0	10	0	9	18
145	Plains	8	3	0	11	28	39	37	31
145	Early	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
132	Archery	3	0	0	3	6	50	33	25
132	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	5	0	12	12
132	Rifle	31	14	3	48	97	49	56	55
132	Late	0	19	9	28	37	76	76	76
138	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
138	Rifle	48	18	0	66	75	88	80	71
139	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	13	8
139	Rifle	51	9	0	60	107	56	57	61
139	Late	0	15	0	15	46	33	33	33
145	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
145	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	5	40	25	25
145	Rifle	27	17	3	47	82	57	58	60
145	Late	0	6	3	9	15	60	60	60

#### GMU 132

**Location:** Portion of Prowers Co bounded on N by the Arkansas River; on E by the CO-KS state line; on S by Prowers County Roads D and F; and on W by US 287.

**Elevation:** 4,712 to 3,397 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Primarily shortgrass prairie with limited dry land farming.

**Weather:** Mild & dry with first snow possible mid-Oct. Possible severe blizzards by Dec.

**Land Status:** Approx. 99 percent private.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to poor for both deer and pronghorn.

**STL:** None. **State Wildlife Areas:** Mike Higbee, Granada, Holly, Arkansas River

**Deer:** Along Arkansas River, side drainages, old farmsteads. The densities of white tail deer are usually greater than the mule deer along the river. Mule deer densities tend to be greater in the sand sage and pasture lands especially those adjacent to croplands.

**Pronghorn:** Small pronghorn herd located in center to southern portion of the unit.

**Small Game:** Small numbers of pheasants found in the agricultural areas. Bobwhite quail are mostly concentrated along drainages. Scaled quail found in the cactus and sage habitat. Hunt along ditches and creeks for best waterfowl results. Cottontails scattered throughout unit. Small numbers of sandhill cranes also be found in GMU 132.

**Maps:** BLM - Lamar, Two Buttes Reservoir quadrangles. TOPOs - Lamar East, Carlton,



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Granada, Holly West, Holly East, Durkee Creek ME, Durkee Creek NW, North Plum Creek NE, North Plum Creek NW, Cat Creek NE, Gobblers Knot, Barrel Spring, North Plum Creek SE, Two Butte Springs, Durkee Creek SE, Lycan NE, Webb, Plains Community, Two Buttes NW, Two Buttes Reservoir.

**Additional Resources:** Lamar: hospital, food, gas, motels, meat processing.

### GMU 138

**Location:** Portion of Baca Co bounded on N by Baca-Bent and Baca-Prowers Co lines; on E by US 287; on S by US 160; and on W by the Pritchett-Las Animas improved Rd.

**Elevation:** 4,797 to 4,365 feet.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Primarily shortgrass prairie with limited cottonwood riparian.

**Weather:** Relatively mild with first freeze or snow possible early to mid-Oct.

**Land Status:** 100 percent private. **Hunter Access:** Poor for pronghorn and deer.

**State Trust Lands:** None. **State Wildlife Areas:** Two Buttes Reservoir

**Deer:** Poor deer area, but a few are found in brushy, weedy draws near croplands and small drainages.

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit.

**Small Game:** Low densities of scaled quail throughout the unit, where good cover exists. Cottontails throughout the unit. Fair to excellent opportunities for coyotes and swift foxes.

**Maps:** BLM - La Junta, Springfield, Two Buttes Reservoir quadrangles. TOPOs- Pipe Spring, Floating W Ranch, Hasser Ranch, Big Rock Grange, McEndree Ranch, Deora, Harbord, Springfield West.

**Comments:** Some white-tail deer in riparian areas.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield: food, gas, hospital.

### GMU 139

**Location:** Portion of Baca Co bounded on N by Prowers CRs F and D; on E by the Colorado-Kansas state line; on S by Baca Co Rd M; on W by US 287.

**Elevation:** 4,462 to 3,675 feet. **Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling hills.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited sand sage, cottonwood and farmland areas.

**Weather:** Mild & dry. First snow by mid-Oct to mid-Nov. Severe weather possible by Dec.

**Land Status:** Approx. 97 percent private, Comanche National Grasslands.

**Hunter Access:** Fair to poor for deer and pronghorn.

**State Trust Lands:** None

**State Wildlife Areas:** Two Buttes Reservoir (multiple parcels), Burchfield Lake, Turk's Pond (most of Turk's Pond closed to hunting from Oct. 1 - Feb. 28).

**Deer:** Good unit for whitetail deer found along cottonwood riparian areas and throughout irrigated farmland areas. Fair for mule deer found in dryland farmed areas and sand sage habitats. Public land deer opportunities include: Comanche National Grasslands, Two Buttes SWA, and Birchfield SWA.

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn are found in very low densities throughout the entire unit.

**Small game:** Scaled quail and cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit; Pheasants and bobwhites found in agricultural areas throughout GMU. Public access available in Comanche National Grassland. Hunting for pheasants fair to excellent based upon

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amount and timing of precipitation. Hunting for bobwhites poor to good. Hunting for scaled quail poor to good Public access found on Comanche National Grasslands, a portion of Turk's Pond SWA, Birchfield SWA, and Walk-In Access Program.

**Maps:** Colorado Parks and Wildlife Walk-In Access Map. BLM - Springfield, Two Buttes Reservoir quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service - Comanche National Grasslands. TOPOs - Two Buttes Reservoir, Two Buttes NW, Plains Community, Webb, Lycan NE, Lycan Se, Lycan, Two Buttes SE, Two Buttes, Horse Creek Springs, Springfield East, Vilas North, Walsh, Bartlett, Saunders, Stonington, Stonington SE, Walsh SE, Vilas South, Bisonte, Campo NE, Moore Draw NE, Midway, Midway NE.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield and Walsh have gas, food lodging and a hospital.

### GMU 145

**Location:** Portion of Baca Co bounded on N by Baca County Road M, on E by Kansas line, on S by the Oklahoma line, and on W by U.S. Hwy. 287.

**Elevation:** 4,318 feet to 3,583.

**Terrain:** Flat to gently rolling.

**Vegetation:** Shortgrass prairie with limited cottonwood riparian, farm land and sand sage.

**Weather:** Mild with first freeze or snow possible mid-Oct.

**Land Status:** Approx. 80 percent private, Comanche National Grasslands.

**Hunter Access:** Fair.

**Elk:** Not a good elk unit. There is a small resident herd in the south east corner of the unit.

**Deer:** Whitetails are the predominate species. Both mule deer and whitetail are found on private property along the Cimarron River. Low to moderate density of mule deer in the sand sage and agricultural ground, and very low density in the shortgrass prairie.

**Pronghorn:** Very low density of pronghorn in this unit.

**Small game:** Scaled quail and cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit. Pheasants and bobwhites found in agricultural areas. Public access available in Comanche National Grassland. Hunting for all of the upland game species can range from poor to excellent based on the amount and timing of precipitation. Excellent Walk-In Access opportunities. Hunters can pursue coyotes, foxes, and bobcats on the Comanche National Grasslands.

**Maps:** BLM: Springfield quadrangle. U.S. Forest Service: Comanche National Grasslands. TOPOs - Campo, Moore Draw SE, Midway SW, Midway SE.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, Walsh: food, gas, hospital

## STATE TRUST LANDS (STL)

Colorado Parks and Wildlife participates in the State Trust Lands public access program, but not all State Trust Lands designated on maps and atlases (usually in blue) are enrolled in the Colorado Parks and Wildlife access program. Only State Trust Land properties listed in the official Colorado Parks and Wildlife State Trust Lands brochure are open for hunting and wildlife recreation. For more information go to: <http://www.wildlife.state.co.us/LandWater/StateTrustLands/>

# MANAGING COLORADO'S BIG GAME HERDS

## HOW LICENSE NUMBERS ARE SET

Colorado Parks and Wildlife manages big game populations through harvest to achieve specific objectives. These objectives include a population size and a ratio for the number of males per 100 females. Populations are defined by Data Analysis Units (DAUs), which are made up with groupings of Game Management Units (GMUs). In general, DAUs are derived to encompass the overall range of a population of big game animals.

The CPW uses a public process to derive objectives for DAUs with the final product being a DAU plan (<http://wildlife.state.co.us/Hunting/BigGame/HerdManagementDAUPlans/>).

A DAU plan incorporates historical movements, direct observations, and carrying capacity for each herd. After a plan has been drafted, hunters, federal and state land management agencies, private landowners, and agricultural interests are all invited to participate in setting objectives before license numbers and season dates are set. Once adopted, a DAU plan is valid for a 10 year period.

On an annual basis, the CPW evaluates the population to determine if DAU objectives are being met. In many instances, this includes aerial survey of the population to look at the ratio of males to females and the number of young in the population. This information and the harvest information are incorporated into a population model and objective achievement is evaluated. If a modification in license numbers is warranted, adjustments are made.

The following table lists the name of the DAU, the GMUs comprising the DAU, the modeled sex ratio, the sex ratio objective, the modeled population and the population objectives for all the DAUs in the SE Region:

ELK	Herd (DAU)	Units	Sex Ratio (Males/100 Females)		Population	
			Modeled	Objective	Modeled	Objective
	Apishipa	133, 134, 135, 141, 142	23	40	590	250
	Buffalo Peaks	49, 57, 58	37	35	3,340	3,300
	Collegiate Range	48, 56, 481, 561	27	30	2,870	3,500
	Cripple Creek/ Pikes Peak	59, 511, 512, 581, 591	26	23	2,780	1,200
	Sangre de Cristo	86, 691, 861	16	15	1,490	1,550
	Trinidad / La Veta	83, 85, 140, 851	41	35	10,630	14,000
	Wet Mountains	69, 84	47	35	1,980	1,500



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DEER	Units	Sex Ratio (Males/100 Females)		Population	
		Modeled	Objective	Modeled	Objective
Cottonwood Creek (D-15)	48, 56, 481, 561	23	30	4,400	7,000
Cripple Creek (D-16)	49, 57, 58, 581	22	30	10,450	16,000
Arkansas River (D-28)	122, 125, 126, 127, 130, 132, 137, 138, 139, 146	56	43	7,780	3,600
Trinidad (D-32)	85, 140, 851	31	27	4,630	9,800
Mesa de Maya (D-33)	143, 144, 145	36	33	1,890	2,350
Wet Mountain (D-34)	69, 84, 86, 691, 861	19	25	7,730	16,500
Las Anima (D-45)	128, 129, 133, 134, 135, 136, 141, 142, 147	56	70	7,440	3,400
Big Sandy (D-46)	107, 112, 113, 114, 115, 120, 121	67	50	4,180	2,500
South Republican (D-47)	103, 109, 116, 117	72	40	5,780	2,000
Chico Basin (D-48)	110, 111, 118, 119, 123, 124	39	45	1,640	1,800
Rampart (D-50)	59, 511, 512, 591	38	37	3,930	4,500

PRONGHORN	Units	Sex Ratio (Males/100 Females)		Population	
		Modeled	Objective	Modeled	Objective
Haswell (A-5)	120,121,125,126	48	36	4,670	2,700
Hugo (A-6)	112,113,114,115	44	25	3,520	2,500
Thatcher (A-7)	128,129,133,134,135,140,141,142,147	40	37	6,910	6,500
Yoder (A-8)	110,111,118,119,123,124	45	30	7,790	4,500
Cheyenne (A-12)	116,117,122,127	28	36	2,210	1,200
Tobe (A-13)	130,136,137,138,143,144,146	46	36	3,310	1,550
Two Buttes (A-18)	132,139,145	74	38	1,000	400
Last Chance (A-19)	103,106,107,109	38	40	2,240	2,000
Wet Mountain (A-20)	69,84,85,86,691,851,861	29	35	2,010	2,000
Ft Carson (A-31)	59,591	69	80	240	200
Collegiate (A-39)	48,56,481	39	50	130	150

## Know the Rules for off-highway vehicles (OHVs)

Off-highway vehicles (OHVs) are great tools when used properly during hunting season, allowing hunter access to trailheads and to transport game. Unfortunately, inappropriate and illegal use of OHVs can cause conflicts between hunters and damage to public lands. Hunters must be aware of the regulations governing OHV use.


All OHVs operated in Colorado on public lands, or if traveling on an OHV designated route, must have a valid Colorado OHV registration or a Colorado OHV permit (except on private property).

Registrations/Permits are \$25.25, valid April 1-March 31.

OHV permits (applicable for nonresidents and street legal/plated vehicles) are available online at [www.parks.state.co.us/parksstore](http://www.parks.state.co.us/parksstore), or at Park Offices, Wildlife Service Centers and license agents. Please, observe these rules and guidelines.

- Be considerate of other hunters. OHV noise disturbs big game animals.
- OHVs can be operated only on signed roads and trails. Check locally for exceptions. Assume closure unless a sign indicates otherwise. Closure signs are not required.
- OHVs cannot be driven into designated wilderness areas.
- OHVs are generally prohibited from most streets in towns and on some county roads. Check local regulations.
- Rifles carried on OHVs must be unloaded completely and secured in a case.
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