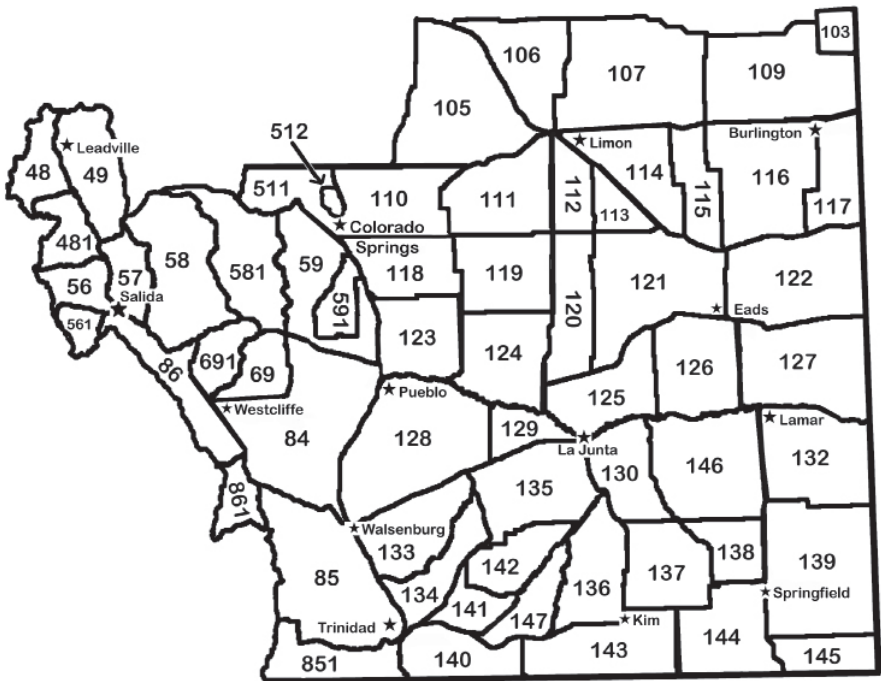


# 2015 Southeast Colorado Hunting Guide



Includes:

- Detailed GMU Descriptions
- Public Land in SE GMUs
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## 2015 Big Game Season Dates & License Fees

### ARCHERY SEASONS

Deer/elk (west of I-25 and Unit 140)	Aug. 29 - Sept. 27
Plains Deer and/or Whitetail Only (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1-23, Nov. 4-30, Dec. 15-31
Moose	Sept. 12-27
Pronghorn (bucks only)	Aug. 15 - Aug. 31
Pronghorn (either sex)	Sept. 1-20

### MUZZLELOADING SEASONS

Deer/elk/moose	Sept. 12-20
Plains Deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 10-18
Pronghorn	Sept. 21-29

### RIFLE SEASONS

Moose	Oct. 1-14
Pronghorn	Oct. 3-9
Separate limited elk ( <i>1st season</i> )	Oct. 10-14
Combined deer/elk ( <i>2nd season</i> )	Oct. 17-25
Combined deer/elk ( <i>3rd season</i> )	Oct. 31 - Nov. 8
Combined limited deer/elk ( <i>4th season</i> )	Nov. 11-15
Plains Deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 24 - Nov. 3
Whitetail Only (Plains)	Oct. 24 - Nov. 3
Whitetail Only	Dec. 1-31
Whitetail Only (Late)	Dec. 1-14
Late Plains Deer (E of I-25, except Unit 140)	Dec. 1-14

### BLACK BEAR SEASONS

Rifle limited (by draw only)	Sept. 2-30
Archery (unlimited w/cap)	Sept. 2-30
Muzzleloading (unlimited w/cap)	Sept. 12-20
Rifle Bear (OTC w/cap)*	Concurrent with deer/elk rifle seasons.
East Plains Regular Rifle	Sept. 2 - Nov. 15**

\*Note: To participate in the Over The Counter w/cap rifle bear seasons, a hunter must also hold a deer or elk license for the same unit(s), season, and manner of take.

\*\* See Official Colorado Big Game Hunting Regulations Brochure for list of GMUs.

License Prices***		Deer Buck/Doe	Elk	
			Bull/Either-sex	Cow
Resident	Adult	\$34	\$49	\$49
	Youth	\$13.75	\$13.75	\$13.75
Non-Resident	Adult	\$374	\$619	\$464
	Youth	\$103.75	\$103.75	\$103.75

\*\*\*Prices include 25-cent search/rescue fee and 75-cent wildlife education fund fee.  
Prices do NOT include \$10 habitat stamp fee or any applicable application fees.

## PLANNING RESOURCES

### Colorado Parks and Wildlife Southeast Region

Colorado Springs	GMUs 59, 103, 105, 106, 107, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 511, 512, 581, 591	719-227-5200
Pueblo	GMUs 59, 69, 84, 85, 86, 123, 124, 128, 133, 134, 140, 141, 142, 147, 851, 861, 691	719-561-5300
Salida	GMUs 48, 49, 56, 57, 58, 59, 69, 86, 481, 561, 581, 691	719-530-5520
Lamar	GMUs 120, 121, 122, 124, 125, 126, 127, 129, 130, 132, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147	719-336-6600

### U.S. Forest Service

<b>Pike / San Isabel National Forest</b>	<b>Pueblo</b>	<b>719-533-1400</b>
District Office	Leadville	719-486-0749
District Office	Colorado Springs	719-636-1602
District Office	Salida	719-539-3591
District Office	Canon City	719-269-8500
District Office	Fairplay	719-836-2031
<b>Comanche National Grasslands</b>	<b>Pueblo</b>	<b>719-533-1400</b>
District Office	La Junta	719-384-2181
District Office	Springfield	719-523-6591

### Bureau of Land Management

Front Range Center	Canon City	719-269-8500
Arkansas Headwaters	Salida	719-539-7289
Royal Gorge Field Office	Canon City	719-269-8500

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121	Big Sandy Drainage	51	591	Cripple Creek / Pikes Peak	16
122	Cheyenne Wells	64	691	Wet Mtns./Sangre DeCristo	22
123	Calhan/Chico Basin	37	851	Trinidad-La Veta	30
124	Calhan/Chico Basin	38	861	Wet Mtns./Sangre DeCristo	25
125	Las Animas	53			

# WHAT'S NEW FOR 2015

**Youth Hunting** - Two changes have affected youth hunting. First, youths get at least 15 percent of the limited licenses in every GMU for doe pronghorn, antlerless and either-sex deer and antlerless elk. Second, youths no longer have to wait to hunt during a late season.

**Landowner Voucher Program** - All previous versions of landowner preference have been replaced with the Landowner Preference Program.

**License Sales** - Over-the-counter and over-the-counter with caps licenses go on sale 9 a.m. July 21. Leftover licenses go on sale 9 a.m. Aug. 4 in person and by phone and midnight Aug. 5 online.

**Archery Hunting** - Archers may now use lighted nocks on arrows to aid in animal recovery. New rules also allow recording devices to be mounted on a bow.

**Antler Collection** - New restrictions have been added for collecting shed antlers during certain times of the year.

**Retrieving Game with Dogs** - Regulations are being developed to allow hunters to retrieve some wounded animals with dogs. Changes are anticipated before the 2015 big-game hunting season and updates are online at [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us).

**Forest Service Closures:** Projects on national Forest lands can impact access any time of the year.

## » ELK

**New Rules in Unit 128** - A new bull-only hunt, shorter than other plains units, has been added to better manage the elk population east of I-25.

## » DEER

**New late-season plains doe tags** - A late rifle season for does has begun for units 103 and 109 near the South Republican State Wildlife Area.

## » PRONGHORN

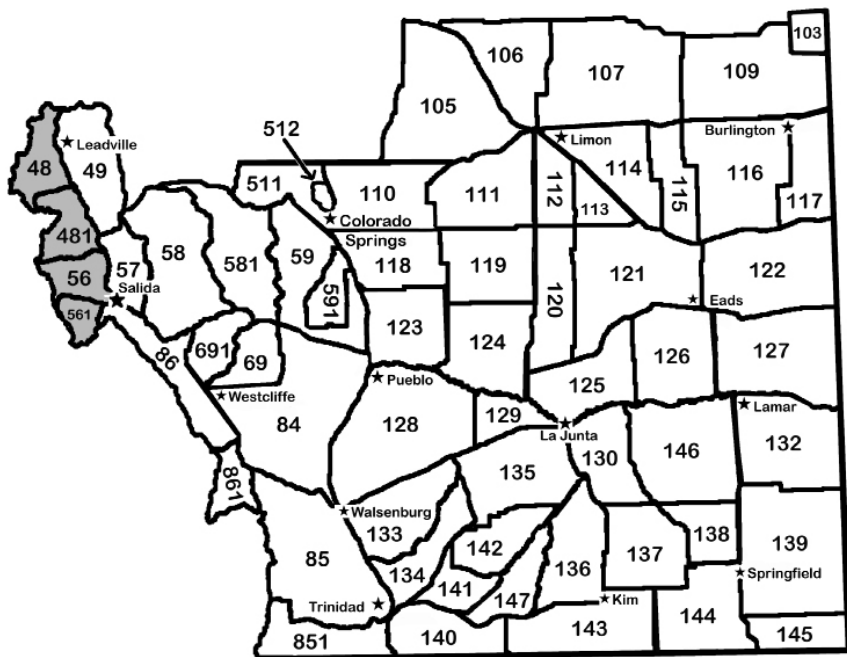
**Muzzleloader season move** - To be consistent with other species dates, the pronghorn muzzleloader season has been moved to Sept. 21-29.

## » BEAR

**Concurrent Rifle Season** - Hunting bear during the regular deer and elk seasons has changed, giving hunters expanded opportunities.

**Archery season extended** - To increase hunter success, the season has been extended to Sept. 30.

# 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	10	5	0	15	34	44	27	22
48	Muzzle	10	5	3	18	35	51	44	37
48	Early	2	0	0	2	7	29	46	46
48	2nd Rifle	34	0	0	34	92	37	31	31
48	3rd Rifle	14	0	0	14	59	24	22	23
481	Archery	5	0	0	5	46	11	16	13
481	Muzzle	2	2	0	4	16	25	36	27
481	Early	0	0	0	0	5	0	10	10
481	2nd Rifle	77	10	1	88	183	48	53	50
481	3rd Rifle	37	15	0	52	122	43	50	51
56	Archery	0	10	0	10	34	29	20	15
56	Muzzle	2	3	0	5	23	22	27	28
56	Early	2	0	0	2	3	67	50	50
56	2nd Rifle	77	8	0	85	102	83	47	44
56	3rd Rifle	23	11	2	36	80	45	43	36
561	Archery	5	5	0	10	24	42	30	15
561	Muzzle	7	2	0	9	20	45	32	26
561	2nd Rifle	31	0	0	31	89	35	39	34
561	3rd Rifle	36	0	0	36	88	41	28	35

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

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
48	Archery	15	0	0	15	92	16	16	15
48	Muzzle	12	6	0	18	50	36	26	20
48	1st Rifle	26	0	0	26	58	45	51	46
48	2nd Rifle	15	9	4	28	138	20	24	25
48	3rd Rifle	3	5	5	13	67	19	20	23
48	4th Rifle	1	9	5	15	45	33	27	27
481	Archery	6	3	0	9	84	11	16	16
481	Muzzle	5	0	0	5	60	8	19	16
481	Early	0	18	0	18	72	25	30	36
481	1st Rifle	21	0	0	21	63	33	38	34
481	2nd Rifle	29	13	6	48	192	25	21	20
481	3rd Rifle	9	22	10	41	140	29	18	17
481	4th Rifle	0	2	2	4	30	13	12	23
56	Archery	0	0	0	0	90	0	5	8
56	Muzzle	4	7	2	13	57	23	15	13
56	Early	0	23	0	23	60	38	47	44
56	1st Rifle	17	0	0	17	49	35	18	15
56	2nd Rifle	12	0	0	12	109	11	10	13
56	3rd Rifle	8	7	2	17	87	20	16	18
56	4th Rifle	4	6	1	11	30	37	18	16
561	Archery	11	11	0	22	59	37	25	19
561	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	43	7	9	8
561	1st Rifle	17	0	0	17	26	65	32	23
561	2nd Rifle	10	3	3	16	51	31	24	22
561	3rd Rifle	0	2	0	2	52	4	10	15
561	4th Rifle	2	5	0	7	26	27	20	21

## 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	12	0	0	0
48	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	25	17
481	Archery	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	0
481	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	5	0	26	24
481	Rifle	3	2	0	5	7	71	82	81
56	Archery	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	16
56	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	31	27
56	Rifle	3	2	0	5	5	100	75	67
561	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0



**Pack Animals:** Some people use animals other than horses to pack in gear to hunt camps. Please, do not use goats. These animals can spread disease to wild bighorns. Llamas, however, are acceptable.

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

### 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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** Crystal Lake, Box Creek.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Granite, Clear Creek Reservoir, Hardeman.

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp. Call park for details. (719) 539-7289.

**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. This GMU is 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.

**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.

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

### GMU 481

**Location:** Portion of Chaffee County 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.



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

### GMU 481 (Continued)

**State Wildlife Areas:** Clear Creek and Heckendorf.

**State Wildlife Areas (fishing access only):** Buena Vista, Nestle Bighorn Springs, Champion, Harmon, Johnson Village, and Wrights Lake.

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp.

Call park for details. (719) 539-7289.

**Deer:** Deer found throughout the unit, but better deer hunting at lower elevations. In later 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. First 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:** Portion of Chaffee County 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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** Sand Creek Central.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Frantz Lake, Mount Ouray, Mount Shavano, Wrights Lake, Droney Gulch, Chaffee County Shooting Range.

**State Wildlife Areas (fishing access only):** Big Bend, Everett, Smyth.

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp. Call park for details. (719) 539-7289.

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

### GMU 56 (Continued)

**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.

### 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. Higher elevations include 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.

**State Trust Lands:** 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.

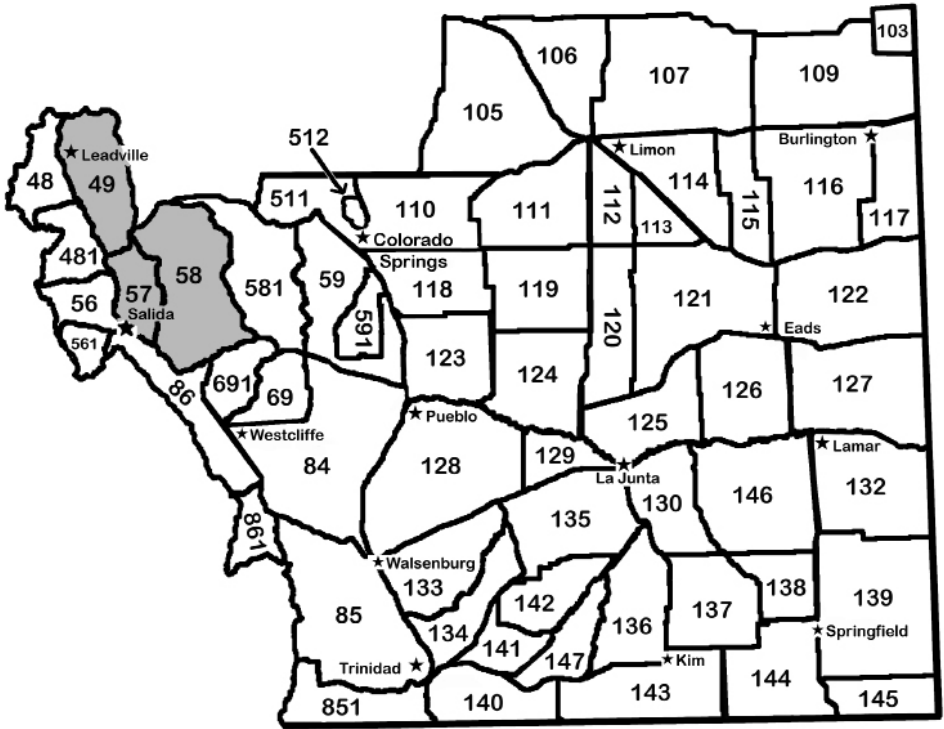
**Elk:** Found throughout the unit, especially in the western two-thirds of the area up to timberline.

**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.

## 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	15	0	0	15	89	26	31	22
49	Muzzle	12	4	0	16	60	18	22	22
49	2nd Rifle	144	35	0	179	463	35	52	53
49	3rd Rifle	147	42	0	189	387	46	52	52
57	Archery	7	7	0	14	53	14	16	14
57	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	19	12	29	39
57	2nd Rifle	49	6	2	57	182	42	38	42
57	3rd Rifle	80	7	2	89	156	53	40	34
58	Archery	10	3	0	13	50	13	25	17
58	Muzzle	13	9	3	25	39	69	57	52
58	2nd Rifle	63	12	0	75	193	51	51	49
58	3rd Rifle	83	10	0	93	160	35	42	45

#### *Definition:*

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.

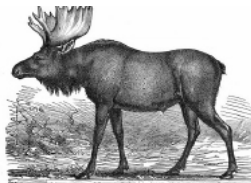
## BUFFALO PEAKS: UNITS 49, 57, 58

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
49	Archery	36	13	4	53	166	32	26	21
49	Muzzle	37	13	0	50	118	42	41	36
49	1st Rifle	42	0	0	42	71	59	55	53
49	2nd Rifle	40	31	3	74	234	32	34	33
49	3rd Rifle	14	39	3	56	158	35	35	34
49	4th Rifle	2	44	4	50	144	35	25	25
57	Archery	21	3	0	24	92	26	19	18
57	Muzzle	9	0	0	9	67	13	16	19
57	Early	0	25	0	25	142	18	20	26
57	1st Rifle	20	12	0	32	90	36	30	33
57	2nd Rifle	13	11	0	24	102	24	18	20
57	3rd Rifle	24	24	0	48	121	40	35	32
57	4th Rifle	12	10	3	25	74	34	21	22
58	Archery	24	0	0	24	102	24	19	17
58	Muzzle	5	5	0	10	79	13	17	20
58	Early	0	28	0	28	72	39	31	35
58	1st Rifle	14	5	0	19	75	25	25	24
58	2nd Rifle	15	4	0	19	77	25	18	20
58	3rd Rifle	13	6	0	19	74	26	22	26
58	4th Rifle	21	7	3	31	80	39	24	23

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
49	Archery	3	0	0	3	7	43	30	13
57	Archery	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0
57	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
57	Rifle	6	3	0	9	10	90	79	80
58	Archery	2	0	0	2	6	33	34	24
58	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	4	50	50	57
58	Rifle	16	4	0	20	26	77	70	70



### MOOSE HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Total Harvest	Bull Hunters	Cow Hunters	Percent Success	
							Bull	Cow
49	All	1	1	2	1	1	100	100
500	All	2	3	5	2	3	100	100

## BUFFALO PEAKS: UNITS 49, 57, 58

### 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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** Antero, Chubb Park, Crystal Lake, High Creek, Tiger Lilly.

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

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp. Call park for details. (719) 539-7289.

**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.

**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.

**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.

## BUFFALO PEAKS: UNITS 49, 57, 58

### GMU 57 (Continued)

**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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** 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.

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp. Call park for details. (719) 539-7289.

**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.

**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.

**Maps:** BLM: Pikes Peak, Gunnison quadrangles. U.S. Forest Service: 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.

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

### 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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** 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

## BUFFALO PEAKS: UNITS 49, 57, 58

### GMU 58 (Continued)

**State Wildlife Areas:** Badger Basin (fishing access), Charlie Meyers, Spinney Mountain, Treat/Ogden (fishing access).

**State Park:** Spinney Mountain, Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area.

Spinney Mountain is open to hunting in designated areas only. No camping available at Spinney Mountain. Camping is available nearby at Eleven Mile State Park. Stop by Eleven Mile park office for details and maps.

AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands.

No hunting is allowed within 100 yards of any state park facility including buildings, campgrounds, picnic areas, nature trails or boat ramps. Call specific park for details.

Spinney Mountain: (719) 748-3401 AHRA: (719) 539-7289.

**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.

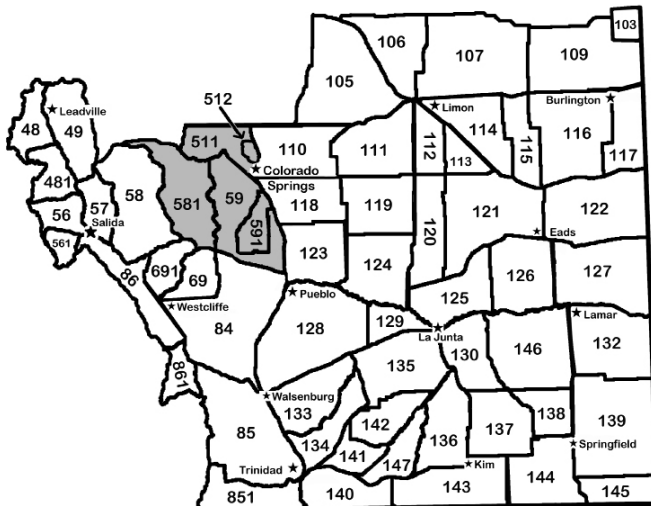
**Pronghorn:** Good pronghorn hunting on the north end.

**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



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

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
511	Archery	19	43	11	73	876	8	8	7
511	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	58	0	10	10
511	Early	0	28	4	32	77	42	59	59
511	1st Rifle	5	7	0	12	103	12	16	17
511	2nd Rifle	22	3	0	25	571	4	7	7
511	3rd Rifle	15	0	0	15	384	4	4	4
511	4th Rifle	7	2	0	9	68	13	5	4
581	Archery	11	7	0	18	349	5	6	5
581	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
581	Early	0	39	0	39	118	33	27	36
581	1st Rifle	12	3	3	18	102	18	10	13
581	2nd Rifle	25	7	7	39	434	9	8	8
581	3rd Rifle	27	6	0	33	392	8	5	6
581	4th Rifle	5	3	0	8	85	9	8	8
59	Archery	24	0	0	24	307	8	8	7
59	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	26	0	13	16
59	Early	0	34	0	34	146	23	34	30
59	1st Rifle	19	8	3	30	128	23	19	17
59	2nd Rifle	33	0	0	33	222	15	9	13
59	3rd Rifle	4	4	0	8	117	7	7	7
59	4th Rifle	5	0	0	5	93	5	3	5
591	Archery	4	0	0	4	126	3	4	4
591	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	9	0	23	14
591	Early	0	10	0	10	10	100	100	100
591	1st Rifle	0	9	0	9	25	36	28	26
591	2nd Rifle	4	0	0	4	87	5	16	13
591	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	130	6	13	13

### 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.

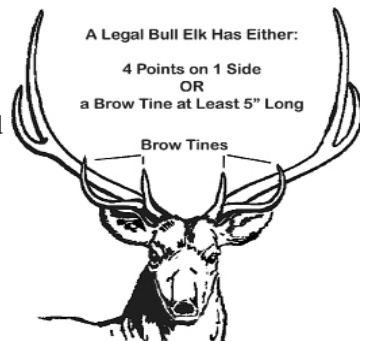
**Elevation:** From 14,112 feet on Pikes Peak to 4,593 feet near Pueblo.

**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.





# 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	22	19	3	44	102	43	51	45
511	Muzzle	13	2	0	15	36	42	48	49
511	2nd Rifle	61	15	1	77	126	61	55	56
511	3rd Rifle	35	7	0	42	60	70	59	56
511	4th Rifle	18	0	0	18	27	67	56	53
581	Archery	32	22	0	54	123	44	39	43
581	Muzzle	22	0	0	22	41	54	47	45
581	2nd Rifle	166	3	0	169	250	68	51	49
581	3rd Rifle	110	7	0	117	171	68	59	61
581	Late	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
59	Archery	3	3	0	6	41	15	28	27
59	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	22	14	36	36
59	2nd Rifle	17	0	0	17	24	71	42	46
59	3rd Rifle	13	0	0	13	28	46	43	40
591	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	15
591	Late	59	29	0	88	136	65	62	65

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
581	Archery	5	0	0	5	9	56	42	23
581	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	3	33	33	60
581	Rifle	6	1	1	8	10	80	80	79
59	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
59	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
59	Rifle	0	2	0	2	2	100	40	70
591	Archery	0	0	0	0	12	0	11	10
591	Rifle	2	0	0	2	5	40	47	48

### Antler Requirements: ELK

1. An antler point is a projection of antler at least 1-inch longer than width of 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.

GMU 59 (Continued)

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

**State Trust Lands:** Table Mountain

**State Wildlife Areas:** Beaver Creek, Brush Hollow (fishing only), Pikes Peak, Rosemont Reservoir, Skaguay Reservoir

**State Park:** Cheyenne Mountain. No hunting. Camping year round. Full hook up and walk in tent sites available. Camper Services Building open mid April - mid Oct. (food, firewood, showers, laundry). Call park for details. (719) 576-2016

**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.

**State Park:** Cheyenne Mountain. No hunting. Camping year round. Full hook up and walk in tent sites available. Camper Services Building open April 15- Oct. 15 (food, firewood, showers, laundry). Call park for details. (719) 576-2016

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

**Elk:** Can be good on the western and southern portions depending on elk movements.

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

**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,

**GMU 591 (Continued)**

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 on Fort Carson. For more information contact Ft. Carson at 719-526-9717 or check online at: <http://fortcarson.isportsman.net/range-safety-briefing>.

**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 border Rampart Range road so hunters must mind land status. Be aware that Douglas County is a limited license area for elk. Note: The Air Force Academy is stand-alone GMU 512.

**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:** Due to the Waldo Canyon Fire, hunters should expect some road and area closures. For information about closures, please contact the U.S. Forest Service.

(719) 636-1602

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

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

### 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 turkey licenses are available for USAFA. Contact the Colorado Springs Parks and Wildlife office at 719-227-5200 for information on how to gain access. No other Small 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.

**State Trust Lands:** Portions of Badger Flats, Deer Haven, Eleven Mile, Saddle Mountain, Spinney Mountain.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Badger Basin, Dome Rock.

**State Parks:** Eleven Mile, Mueller, Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area.

Big game, small game and waterfowl hunting opportunities available. Special restrictions apply. No hunting within 100 yards of any park facility including buildings, boat ramps, campgrounds, nature trails and picnic areas. Camping is available at Eleven Mile, Mueller and AHRA (electric, walk-in, cabins). Facilities: laundry, showers, dump station. Call specific park for more information. Eleven Mile (719) 748-3401, Mueller, (719) 687-2366 AHRA (719)539-7289.

**Mueller:** Only 800 acres on the western side of the park are open to hunting.

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

### GMU 581 (Continued)

Hunters may access the area via three trails: #5, #11 and #13.

The park asks that if hunters harvest an animal, they check in with rangers so that the park can keep track of what is coming off the park.

Vehicular access to the hunting boundary is not permitted.

Firearms must be unloaded at all times while in the non-hunting area.

**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.

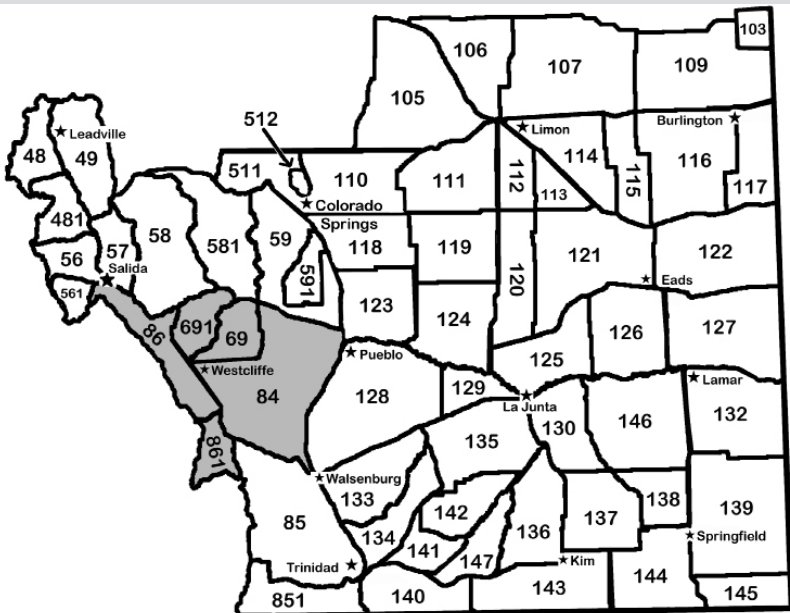
**Pronghorn:** Good pronghorn hunting in the northwest part of the unit, especially north of Eleven Mile State Park. This area is mainly private, making access difficult. Some pronghorn may be found on the south side of the park as well.

**Small Game:** A few geese can be found early in the season at Eleven Mile State Park, but hunters will find much more success with ducks. The southern half of the unit has some turkeys in the ponderosa pines and oakbrush areas. Cottontail rabbits found throughout. Dome Rock SWA has good turkey population.

**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.

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



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

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
69	Archery	19	0	0	19	87	22	23	19
69	Muzzle	9	4	0	13	52	25	18	19
69	Early	0	27	0	27	107	25	39	36
69	1st Rifle	16	0	0	16	44	36	46	43
69	2nd Rifle	16	0	6	22	86	26	23	21
69	3rd Rifle	6	4	0	10	43	23	24	20
69	4th Rifle	5	2	0	7	44	16	11	16
691	Archery	4	0	0	4	30	13	9	7
691	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
691	Early	0	0	0	0	25	0	8	14
691	1st Rifle	2	0	0	2	12	17	18	26
691	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	24	0	8	8
691	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	7
691	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
84	Archery	23	9	0	32	92	35	28	23
84	Muzzle	6	3	0	9	63	14	18	18
84	Early	0	60	10	70	155	45	44	39
84	1st Rifle	11	0	0	11	29	38	41	43
84	2nd Rifle	13	8	0	21	66	32	27	25
84	3rd Rifle	14	11	0	25	63	40	30	29
84	4th Rifle	10	0	0	10	31	32	27	27
86	Archery	35	11	0	46	647	7	9	8
86	Muzzle	7	6	0	13	112	12	15	15
86	Early	0	98	12	110	260	42	48	47
86	1st Rifle	19	2	2	23	133	17	30	24
86	2nd Rifle	15	4	0	19	549	3	8	10
86	3rd Rifle	8	0	0	8	316	3	7	8
86	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	67	4	11	12
861	Archery	0	7	0	7	113	6	5	8
861	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	31	6	24	20
861	Early	0	30	0	30	81	37	38	42
861	1st Rifle	6	0	0	6	34	18	25	25
861	2nd Rifle	4	0	0	4	67	6	7	11
861	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	65	0	7	9
861	4th Rifle	3	4	0	7	26	27	23	22



### Attention Bear Hunters



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

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

**DEER HARVEST STATISTICS**

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
69	Archery	22	19	0	41	113	36	32	30
69	Muzzle	16	10	1	27	89	30	32	35
69	2nd Rifle	217	9	0	226	380	59	58	53
69	3rd Rifle	193	15	2	210	341	62	49	51
691	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	3	100	63	26
691	2nd Rifle	27	0	0	27	27	100	70	44
691	3rd Rifle	10	2	0	12	12	100	49	44
84	Archery	25	25	0	50	100	50	39	32
84	Muzzle	16	4	0	20	47	43	31	33
84	2nd Rifle	40	14	2	56	179	31	39	38
84	3rd Rifle	151	11	4	166	259	64	48	47
86	Archery	0	19	0	19	43	44	36	35
86	Muzzle	10	0	0	10	29	34	33	37
86	Early	3	0	0	3	4	75	62	66
86	2nd Rifle	73	2	0	75	131	57	50	49
86	3rd Rifle	68	0	0	68	120	57	55	52
861	Archery	6	3	0	9	22	41	35	34
861	Muzzle	10	0	0	10	16	63	55	46
861	Early	1	0	0	1	1	100	50	75
861	3rd Rifle	19	0	2	21	32	66	66	57

**PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS**

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
69	Archery	3	0	0	3	23	13	22	19
69	Muzzle	9	2	0	11	35	31	18	14
69	Rifle	64	67	6	137	213	64	54	61
691	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
691	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	8
691	Rifle	4	6	0	10	13	77	32	34
84	Archery	9	0	0	9	72	13	14	20
84	Muzzle	7	2	0	9	21	43	49	42
84	Rifle	25	29	12	66	110	60	60	64
86	Archery	0	0	0	0	14	0	6	10
86	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	9	22	29	27
86	Rifle	4	8	0	12	25	48	48	58
861	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	27
861	Rifle	0	0	0	0	4	0	61	48

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.

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

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

**State Wildlife Areas:** DeWeese Reservoir.

**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:** Unit is totally limited. Licenses by application or leftover only. No OTC licenses.

**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 piñon 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.

**State Trust Lands:** Beddows Mt. (500 acres) (Note: special restrictions on Beddows - shotgun, muzzleloader, and archery only unless it is a youth accompanied by a mentor, then the youth can use rifle); Turkey Gulch (640 acres); Cody Park (1,560 acres); Grape Creek (1,280 acres); Parkdale (640 acres); Pinnacle Rock (520 acres).

**State Wildlife Areas:** Portion of DeWeese Reservoir.

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp. Call park for details: (719) 539-7289.



**GMU 691 (Continued)**

**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.

**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.

**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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** Blue Spring (640 acres); Black Mountain (640 acres); Lapin Creek (640 acres); Rosita (640 acres).

**State Wildlife Areas:** Pueblo Reservoir (4,100 acres), Lake Beckwith (fishing access).

**State Parks:** Lake Pueblo. Small game and waterfowl hunting permitted in designated areas after Labor Day. Special restrictions apply. Year round camping available. Fishing. Facilities: showers, laundry, dump station. Call park for details. (719) 561-9320.

**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:** Unit is total limited for elk - draw or leftover licenses only - no OTC licenses in 84.

**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

**GMU 84 (Continued)**

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, 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.

**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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** Froze Creek (640 acres); McCoy Gulch (640 acres); Short Creek Baldy (640 acres).

**State Wildlife Areas:** Middle Taylor Creek (486 acres); Treat/Ogden (fishing access)

**State Park:** Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. AHRA campgrounds are open year round and provide a good base camp for hunting surrounding Federal and State public lands. No hunting within 100 yards of any campground, picnic area, nature trail or boat ramp. Call park for details. (719) 539-7289.

**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.

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### GMU 86 (Continued)

**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 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.

**State Trust Lands:** Manzanares Creek (1,420 acres).

**State Wildlife Areas:** Huerfano (544 acres).

**Deer:** Deer found throughout the unit. Deer move into 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 861 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.

### **Colorado State Park Camping Opportunities**

Seven state parks in the Southeast region offer outstanding camping facilities, including showers and electricity. For information, call

**Lake Pueblo State Park:** (719) 561-9320

**Lathrop State Park:** (719) 738-2376

**Trinidad Lake State Park:** (719) 846-6951

**John Martin Reservoir:** (719) 829-1801

**Mueller State Park:** (719) 687-2366

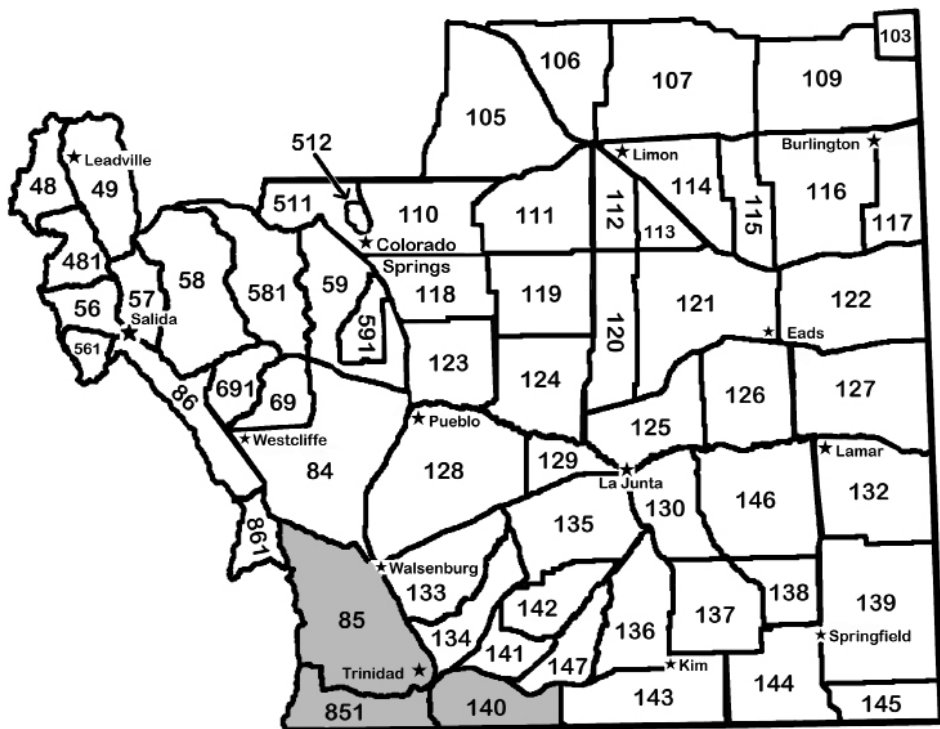
**Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area:**

(719) 539-7289

**Cheyenne Mountain State Park:**

(719) 576-2016

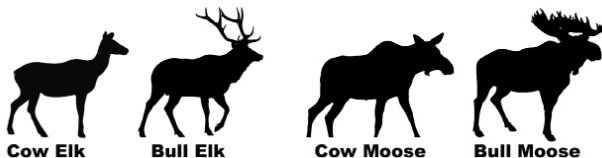
# LA VETA / TRINIDAD: UNITS 140, 85, 851



## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
140	Archery	6	0	0	6	15	40	35	35
140	Rifle	42	27	2	71	93	76	76	77
140	Late	0	5	0	5	8	63	87	91
85	Archery	23	2	0	25	66	38	30	31
85	Muzzle	7	2	0	9	25	36	42	41
85	Rifle	11	0	0	11	25	44	49	63
851	Archery	3	0	0	3	5	60	60	75

### KNOW YOUR TARGET ... DON'T SHOOT A MOOSE BY MISTAKE



**Cow Elk**

**Bull Elk**

**Cow Moose**

**Bull Moose**

- Elk have:**
- Slender snouts
  - Pale yellow rumps
  - Reddish, lighter brown bodies
  - Darker legs
  - Branched antlers

- Moose have:**
- + Overhanging snouts
  - + Bulbous noses
  - + Dark, black-brown bodies
  - + Whitish-gray inner legs
  - + Palmated antlers

# LA VETA / TRINIDAD: UNITS 140, 85, 851

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
140	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
140	Archery	36	4	0	40	232	17	19	21
140	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	8
140	Early	0	2	0	2	18	11	15	9
140	1st Rifle	15	0	0	15	37	41	41	35
140	2nd Rifle	52	0	0	52	76	68	52	48
140	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	11	36	24	21
140	4th Rifle	3	0	0	3	13	23	30	32
140	Late	0	0	0	0	6	0	10	33
85	Archery	96	18	20	134	605	22	18	17
85	Muzzle	0	16	0	16	100	16	19	16
85	Early	0	180	21	201	441	46	38	37
85	1st Rifle	86	6	2	94	278	34	31	31
85	2nd Rifle	40	0	0	40	567	7	14	18
85	3rd Rifle	62	0	0	62	393	16	17	18
85	4th Rifle	21	20	0	41	112	37	27	31
85	Late	0	40	0	40	114	35	41	51
851	Archery	49	0	0	49	123	40	31	25
851	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	25	24	20	23
851	Early	0	29	0	29	57	51	45	46
851	1st Rifle	21	0	0	21	48	44	45	43
851	2nd Rifle	7	0	0	7	70	10	29	34
851	3rd Rifle	14	0	0	14	103	14	24	24
851	4th Rifle	10	0	0	10	24	42	50	48
851	Late	0	16	9	25	69	36	17	25

## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
140	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	6	100	70	57
140	2nd Rifle	44	0	0	44	83	53	65	55
140	3rd Rifle	12	0	0	12	31	39	55	59
85	Archery	39	0	0	39	74	53	37	38
85	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	8	25	50	48
85	2nd Rifle	139	0	0	139	279	50	46	48
85	3rd Rifle	103	0	0	103	224	46	51	45
851	Archery	17	0	0	17	17	100	55	49
851	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	6	33	46	45
851	1st Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	20	56
851	2nd Rifle	10	0	0	10	54	19	29	34
851	3rd Rifle	6	0	0	6	24	25	32	40

# LA VETA / TRINIDAD: UNITS 140, 85, 851

## 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 Dorothey and James M. John SWAs.

**State Trust Lands:** None.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Lake Dorothey, 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 Dorothey and James M. John is limited through the license draw.

**Maps:** BLM-Kim Trinidad quads. USGS TOPO-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. Raton, NM (hospital, gas, food)

**Comments:** At Lake Dorothey 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 Dorothey SWA – foot or horseback only. Best access to JMJ and Lake Dorothey SWAs is to leave Colorado and go to Raton, NM. Take NM Hwy 72 east to NM Hwy 526 (Sugarite Canyon SP). Reenter CO at north end of Lake Maloya.

### BEAR HARVEST STATISTICS

GMUs	Licenses Issued	Boar Harvest	Sow Harvest	Total Harvest
58,59,511,512,581,591	571	11	13	24
69,82,83,84,85,86,140,691,851,861	1,472	62	53	115
48,49,56,57,481,561	336	8	3	11

### 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.

Applications due by July 1.

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 land; reasonable to private land. Limited licenses available for Twin Peaks RFW.

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

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

**State Parks:** Lathrop. Shotgun and archery hunting permitted in posted areas around Horseshoe Lake during open seasons. Fishing. Facilities include camping (primitive, electric and full hook up) and showers. Land acres 1,594 and 320 total water acres. Special restrictions apply. Call park for details. (719) 738-2376.

**Deer:** Generally, south half of unit is better than north half. In later seasons, deer tend to concentrate in Apishapa 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 is on private land. Earlier season areas include Cross Mountain and Huerfano River drainage. Later seasons areas include Jarosa Canyon, Santa Clare Creek and Abeta Creek. 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.

**Hunter Access:** There is very little public land in 851. There is a small portion of USFS land available on north boundary. The only other major public portion of 851 for big game hunting is the Bosque del Oso SWA, which is draw only for turkey and big game. There are limited licenses available for Tercio and Hill Ranches through RFW program. There is an access closure on Bosque 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 review the appropriate USFS map and cross reference with topographic maps. See [www.cpw.state.co.us/swa/Bosque](http://www.cpw.state.co.us/swa/Bosque) for information on Bosque del Oso SWA rules and regulations.

**SWAs:** North Lake (840 acres), Bosque del Oso (30,000 acres).

**State Parks:** Trinidad Lake. Hunting is permitted in posted areas on the west end of the park from the Tuesday after Labor Day through the Friday prior to Memorial Day. Methods of take are limited to archery and birdshot. Facilities include showers and laundry, camping (primitive, electric, and full hook up), and a dump station (weather permitting). Call park for details. (719) 846-6951.

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

**Elk:** Near Tercio and Stonewall, but all private land (Some public opportunity through limited license draw on Bosque del Oso SWA, Hill Ranch or Tercio Ranch through RFW.

**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.

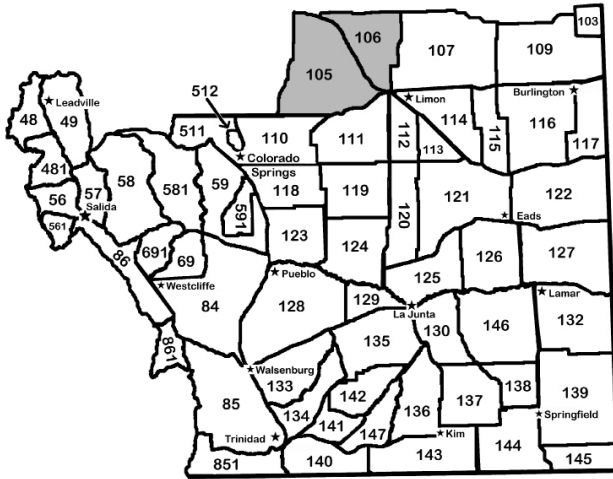
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# KIOWA / DEER TRAIL: UNITS 105, 106



## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
105	Archery	23	10	0	33	89	37	34	36
105	Muzzle	3	2	0	5	18	28	36	40
105	Rifle	145	53	1	199	378	53	56	58
105	Late	34	51	3	88	146	60	54	59
106	Archery	2	7	0	9	18	50	32	42
106	Muzzle	2	4	0	6	8	75	55	49
106	Rifle	10	4	0	14	47	30	50	54
106	Late	13	6	8	27	40	68	53	56

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
105	Archery	10	0	0	10	60	17	23	19
105	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	16	19	30	33
105	Rifle	203	201	0	404	588	69	67	73
105	Late	0	27	0	27	72	38	31	31
106	Archery	0	0	0	0	24	0	7	12
106	Muzzle	1	0	2	3	11	27	17	25
106	Rifle	92	59	6	157	252	62	51	57

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
105	Plains	25	14	0	39	101	39	31	32
105	Archery	4	0	0	4	4	100	100	50
105	Early	0	0	0	0	16	0	6	13
106	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0

## 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 access by permit only for dove, turkey, doe pronghorn and antlerless deer. Application 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, Kiowa, Hugo and Limon have gas or food. Lodging available in Limon and Byers.

### 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).

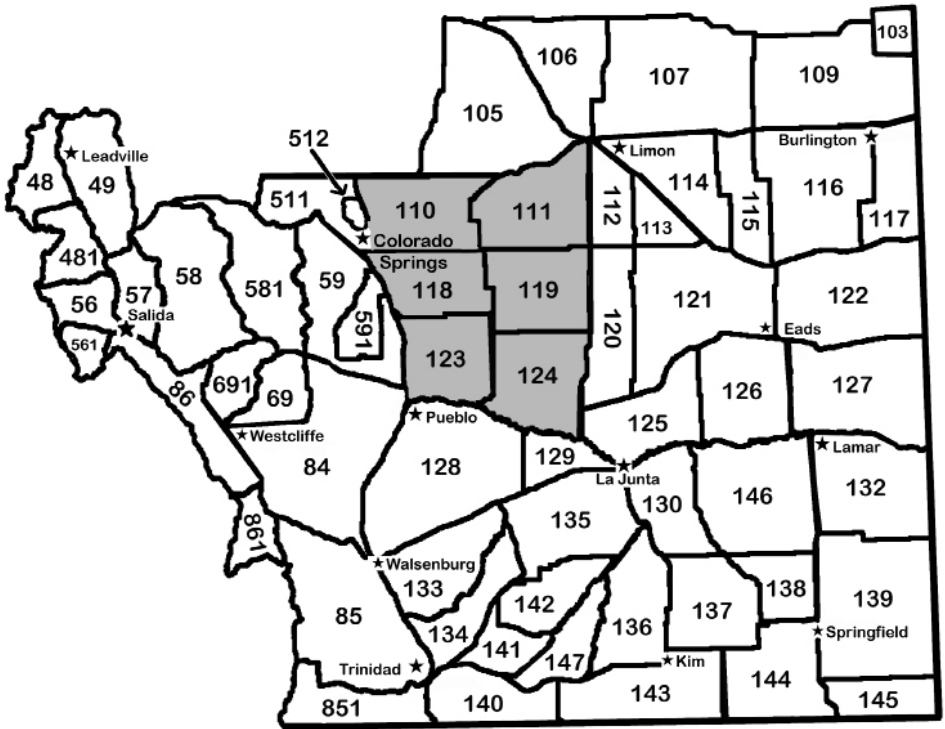
**Elk:** The southern portion of the unit may hold elk during the late rifle seasons.

**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:** Food and gas found in the town of Byers, Strasburg, Deer Trail, and Kiowa. Gas, food and lodging in Limon. Medical clinic (open M-F) in Limon. The town of Hugo has a hospital.

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	15	11	0	26	98	27	29	35
110	Muzzle	8	4	1	13	37	35	28	28
110	Rifle	28	30	0	58	111	52	53	52
111	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	25	29
111	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	2	100	19	14
111	Rifle	12	2	6	20	48	42	53	63
118	Archery	0	0	0	0	13	0	38	49
118	Muzzle	0	6	0	6	10	60	33	33
118	Rifle	13	0	3	16	38	42	42	46
119	Archery	3	0	0	3	3	100	70	59
119	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	29
119	Rifle	22	5	0	27	45	60	57	61
123	Archery	6	2	0	8	52	15	17	20
123	Muzzle	0	0	1	1	7	14	30	36
123	Rifle	0	16	0	16	50	32	47	51
124	Archery	3	0	0	3	24	13	37	44
124	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	10	10	16	13
124	Rifle	17	5	0	22	49	45	54	55

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

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
110	Plains	8	6	0	14	33	42	34	28
110	Archery	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	5
111	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
118	Plains	4	0	0	4	10	40	33	31
118	Archery	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	9
119	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	50
123	Plains	9	3	0	12	57	21	26	25
123	Archery	0	4	0	4	4	100	100	100
124	Plains	3	0	0	3	20	15	16	15

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
110	Archery	5	2	0	7	40	18	15	18
110	Muzzle	3	6	0	9	29	31	25	21
110	Rifle	43	13	2	58	105	55	51	61
110	Late	0	17	0	17	73	23	28	32
111	Archery	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	3
111	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	22	14	16	16
111	Rifle	81	16	6	103	157	66	63	65
111	Late	0	23	6	29	39	74	46	39
118	Archery	0	2	0	2	21	10	3	13
118	Muzzle	0	3	0	3	21	14	10	20
118	Rifle	80	29	3	112	202	55	53	52
118	Late	0	11	0	11	45	24	26	32
119	Archery	0	0	0	0	19	0	9	12
119	Muzzle	5	0	0	5	26	19	14	15
119	Rifle	90	33	0	123	254	48	49	58
119	Late	0	6	0	6	23	26	21	26
123	Archery	3	0	0	3	7	43	9	5
123	Rifle	45	34	2	81	135	60	55	53
123	Late	0	6	0	6	13	46	49	51
124	Archery	2	2	0	4	12	33	25	17
124	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	13	23	12	11
124	Rifle	81	33	3	117	221	53	57	63
124	Late	0	0	0	0	6	0	16	50

### Do I need a Hunter Education Card?

Yes. Hunters born after 1948 must present a hunter education card when purchasing a license. License agents will accept cards issued by other states but they will not accept a previous year's license or photocopies of hunter education cards. For information on hunter education classes go to [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us)

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 shrub land.

**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.

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

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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.

**Elk:** Northern/Central part of Black Forest.

**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.

**Comments:** The Black Forest Fire of 2013 is suspected to impact wildlife distributions. Wildlife populations may be dispersed differently than they have in previous years due to less food and less habitat.

**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.

GMU 111 (Continued)

**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.

**State Trust Lands:** None **State Wildlife Areas:** None

**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 and Colorado Springs have hospitals, gas, food and lodging. Medical clinic (open M-F) in Limon.

GMU 118

**Location:** 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.

**State Trust Lands:** Turkey Track Ranch: (big game, small game).

**State Wildlife Areas:** None

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

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 Lands:** None

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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 and Pueblo have hospital, gas, and food. Medical clinic (open M-F) in Limon.

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:** 100 percent private.

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

**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 scaled quail can be found in the cactus and sage habitat. Hunt along ditches and creeks for best waterfowl results. Cottontails are scattered throughout the unit. Also, small numbers of sandhill cranes.

**GMU 123 (Continued)**

**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.

**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:** 100 percent private.

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

**State Trust Lands:** None **State Wildlife Areas:** 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.

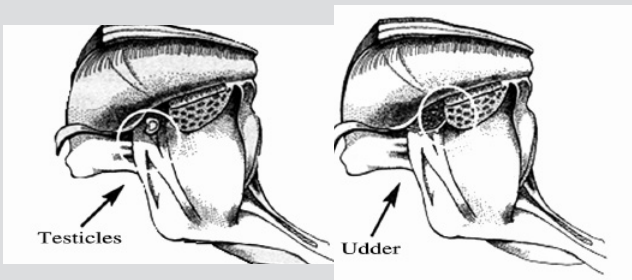
**Evidence of Sex**

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.

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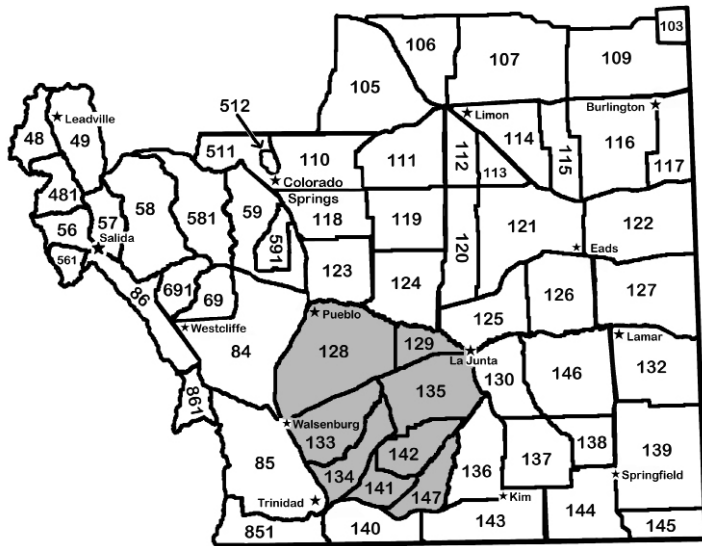
**Does and**

**Cows:**

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



## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Archery	33	6	0	39	106	37	33	30
128	Muzzle	6	3	0	9	23	39	43	42
128	Rifle	40	19	0	59	117	50	45	43
129	Archery	12	4	0	16	36	44	35	30
129	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	15	7	13	11
129	Rifle	0	8	0	8	24	33	30	31
129	Late	4	10	0	14	53	26	35	37
133	Archery	5	0	0	5	8	63	49	38
133	Rifle	2	4	0	6	23	26	25	23
134	Archery	3	0	2	5	13	38	38	50
134	Rifle	14	8	0	22	38	58	53	56
135	Archery	6	0	0	6	13	46	9	22
135	Muzzle	1	0	0	1	4	25	44	45
135	Rifle	3	4	1	8	42	19	31	37
141	Archery	2	2	0	4	13	31	20	20
141	Muzzle	1	0	0	1	2	50	67	33
141	Rifle	11	4	0	15	27	56	69	77
141	Late	10	3	0	13	18	72	63	67
142	Archery	12	0	0	12	19	63	33	29
142	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	21	0	24	30
142	Late	9	11	1	21	30	70	69	65
147	Archery	2	0	0	2	4	50	12	17
147	Rifle	4	0	0	4	11	36	35	41
147	Late	6	1	1	8	19	42	36	40

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

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Plains	42	16	3	61	219	28	27	28
128	Archery	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	7
129	Plains	0	0	0	0	12	0	16	20
133	Archery	0	0	0	0	16	0	13	15
133	1st Rifle	0	6	1	7	26	27	20	15
133	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	4	0	36	28
133	3rd Rifle	31	0	0	31	39	79	69	69
133	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
134	Archery	0	0	0	0	20	0	14	15
134	1st Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
134	2nd Rifle	4	0	0	4	4	100	22	15
134	3rd Rifle	16	0	0	16	16	100	68	47
134	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	4	0	18	33
135	Plains	3	0	3	6	69	9	10	9
141	Archery	0	0	4	4	31	13	19	19
141	1st Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	18	8
141	2nd Rifle	0	0	0	0	4	0	27	26
141	3rd Rifle	0	0	0	0	11	0	14	9
141	4th Rifle	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	29
142	Archery	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0
142	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
142	1st Rifle	0	2	2	4	23	17	23	20
142	2nd Rifle	11	0	0	11	51	22	20	16
142	3rd Rifle	4	0	0	4	27	15	7	15
142	4th Rifle	2	0	0	2	15	13	22	21
147	Plains	14	3	0	17	97	18	20	20
147	Archery	4	0	0	4	20	20	17	17

### 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, pinion/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.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Runyon Lake SWA.

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

**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit.

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

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
128	Archery	19	0	0	19	59	32	25	29
128	Muzzle	3	2	0	5	26	19	22	37
128	Rifle	48	51	1	100	145	69	67	75
128	Late	0	8	0	8	19	42	45	49
129	Archery	2	0	0	2	13	15	18	29
129	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	32	32
129	Rifle	19	11	2	32	44	73	69	77
129	Late	0	3	0	3	8	38	25	41
133	Archery	18	3	0	21	49	43	36	36
133	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	2	100	40	39
133	Rifle	51	31	0	82	117	70	64	72
133	Late	0	5	0	5	11	45	64	70
134	Archery	6	0	0	6	34	18	27	42
134	Rifle	41	28	3	72	120	60	67	71
134	Late	0	0	0	0	3	0	28	50
135	Archery	5	0	0	5	65	8	13	13
135	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	21	29	27	30
135	Rifle	42	28	3	73	112	65	63	71
135	Late	0	5	0	5	5	100	84	41
141	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	25	32
141	Rifle	31	7	1	39	53	74	68	73
142	Archery	5	0	0	5	21	24	34	33
142	Muzzle	2	2	0	4	18	22	29	41
142	Rifle	12	2	2	16	16	100	78	78
147	Rifle	0	7	0	7	10	70	71	73

### GMU 128 (Continued)

**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, 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:** Portion of Otero and Pueblo counties bounded on N and east by the Arkansas River, on S by Colo. Hwy. 10 and on W by Colo. Hwy. 167.

**GMU 129 (Continued)**

**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.

**State Trust Lands:** None.

**State Wildlife Areas:** None.

**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:** 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.

**State Trust Lands:** Apishapa North, Flattop Butte.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Apishapa.

**Deer:** Along Apishapa River.

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

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

**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 quad. 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.

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

GMU 134

**Location:** 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 farm land, cottonwood riparian and pinion/juniper.

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

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

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

**State Trust Lands:** None

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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.

**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:** 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.

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

**State Trust Lands:** None.

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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.

**GMU 135 (Continued)**

**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-fishingfc.php>.

**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.

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

### GMU 142 (Continued)

**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:** 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. **Hunter Access:** Poor.

**State Trust Lands:** None. **State Wildlife Areas:** None.

**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>.

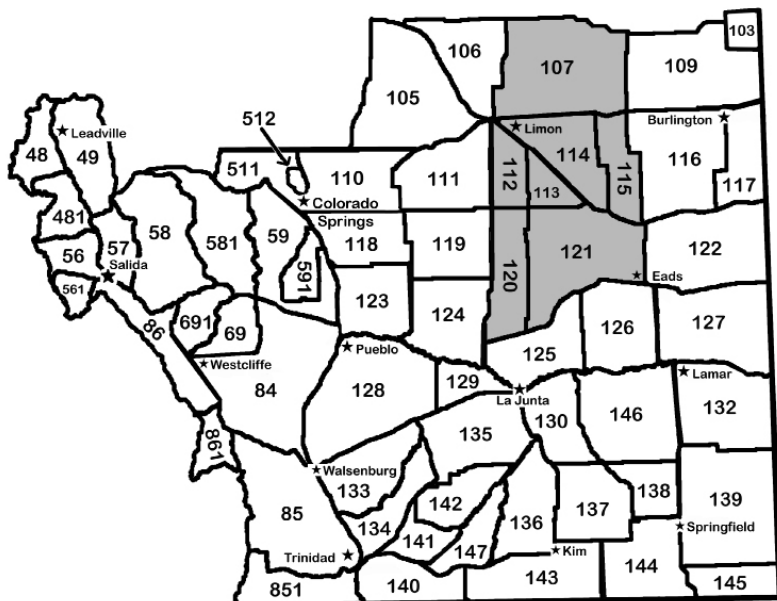
### **Chronic Wasting Disease**

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

### **Precautions**

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

# 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	2	2	0	4	19	21	25	25
107	Muzzle	12	2	2	16	40	40	35	35
107	Rifle	33	8	11	52	146	36	50	53
107	Late	34	23	3	60	120	50	49	54
112	Archery	10	4	0	14	55	25	20	25
112	Muzzle	10	0	0	10	19	53	49	56
112	Rifle	9	13	3	25	67	37	36	43
113	Archery	0	0	0	0	18	0	10	16
113	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	7	29	19	22
113	Rifle	11	2	0	13	38	34	32	37
114	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
114	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	6	0	29	29
114	Rifle	16	10	0	26	75	35	45	52
115	Archery	2	0	0	2	5	40	11	6
115	Rifle	9	5	3	17	49	35	27	41
120	Archery	2	0	0	2	8	25	24	20
120	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	9	22	39	51
120	Rifle	17	15	0	32	78	41	58	56
121	Archery	3	0	0	3	16	19	18	23
121	Muzzle	2	4	0	6	15	40	52	41
121	Rifle	21	11	4	36	86	42	42	49



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

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
107	Archery	0	0	0	0	14	0	10	9
107	Muzzle	1	0	0	1	7	14	45	35
107	Rifle	43	15	0	58	119	49	46	56
112	Archery	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	4
112	Muzzle	3	0	0	3	17	18	8	11
112	Rifle	92	71	14	177	349	51	53	59
112	Late	0	5	0	5	22	23	31	41
113	Archery	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	7
113	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	18	10
113	Rifle	31	20	0	51	75	68	45	49
114	Archery	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
114	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	7	0	8	18
114	Rifle	57	40	14	111	141	79	56	61
114	Late	0	2	0	2	10	20	16	26
115	Archery	2	0	0	2	7	29	32	26
115	Rifle	23	22	7	52	115	45	35	58
115	Late	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	36
120	Archery	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
120	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	6
120	Rifle	51	31	0	82	197	42	31	43
120	Late	0	7	0	7	50	14	22	26
121	Archery	2	0	0	2	2	100	4	8
121	Muzzle	2	1	0	3	17	18	9	8
121	Rifle	59	36	0	95	184	52	39	54
121	Late	0	7	0	7	23	30	20	17

## ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
107	Plains	3	0	0	3	6	50	21	12
112	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
112	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
115	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
120	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
121	Plains	2	3	0	5	8	63	36	29



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### Report Poachers to Operation Game Thief

Call 1-877-265-6648 Verizon cell phone users, dial #OGT

E-mail: [game.thief@state.co.us](mailto:game.thief@state.co.us)

Write to: Operation Game Thief, CPW, 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216.

Tips can be reported anonymously. Rewards (cash and/or preference points) are given for tips that lead to citations.

## 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.

**State Trust Lands:** None.

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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, Arriba and Flagler also have gas, food and lodging. Food and gas in Anton Mon-Sat.

### 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. Start looking around winter wheat fields.

**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.

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

### GMU 112 (Continued)

**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Limon quads. TOPOs - Lake, Barren Creek, Hugo SW, Lake SE, Long Creek, Beckman Lake, Punkin Center NW, Kinney Lake, Stanley Gulch, Punkin Center, Forder, Karval, Hugo.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo and Colorado Springs have hospitals, gas, food and lodging. Limon has gas, food, lodging and small medical clinic. Gas, food and lodging in Arriba.

### GMU 113

**Location:** Portions of Lincoln and Cheyenne counties bounded on N by U.S. 40; on E by Colo. Hwy 94 and US 40 intersection; on S by Colo. Hwy. 94; 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.

**State Trust Lands:** None.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Hugo (waterfowl, small game). Kinney (waterfowl, small game).

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

**Pronghorn:** Pronghorn found throughout the unit. Look for them out on the pastures.

**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. Medical clinic in Limon (Mon. - Fri.)

### 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.

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

### GMU 114 (Continued)

**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 Creek, Hugo.

**Additional Resources:** Hugo has hospital, gas, and food. Arriba has lodging, gas and food. Limon has small weekday medical clinic, 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 and Stratton have lodging, gas and food. Limon has small weekday medical clinic, 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.

**State Trust Lands:** None.

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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.

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

### GMU 120 (Continued)

**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:** Hugo and Rocky Ford (to the south) have hospital, gas, and food. Limon has small weekday medical clinic, lodging, gas and food.

### 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.

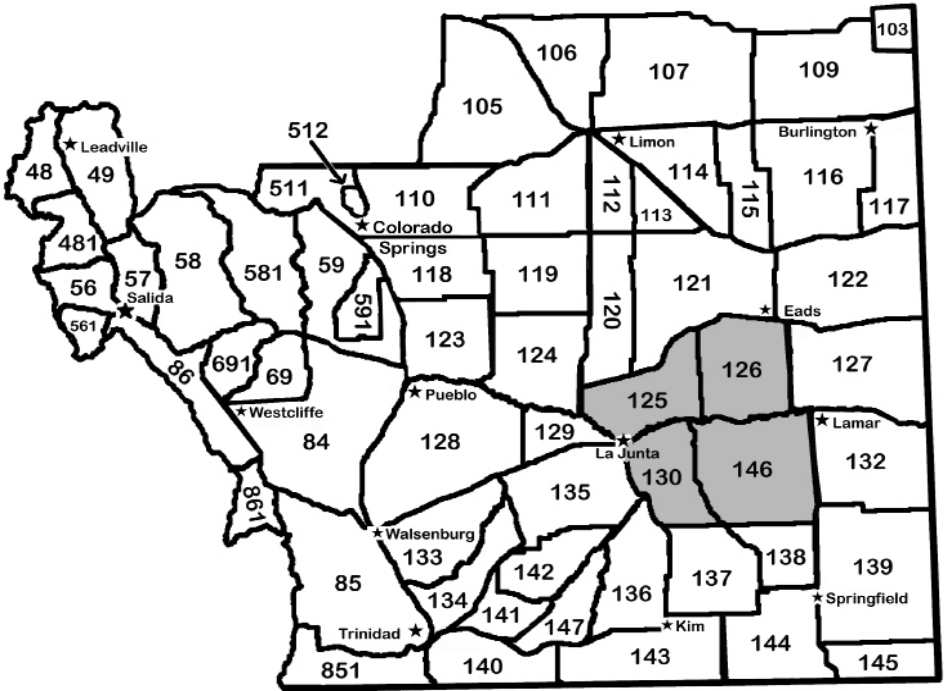
**Maps:** BLM - Karval, Cheyenne Wells, Las Animas quadrangles. 7.5' TOPOs - Hubbard Lake, Barrel Springs Draw, Stacey Lakes Draw, Galatea NE, Galatea, Galatea SW, Bluff Springs, Scott Draw, Trimble Lake, Arlington NE, Haswell, Haswell NE, Arlington, Houston Lakes, Eads, Hawkins, Sorrento, Kit Carson,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

**Additional Resources:** Hugo and Rocky Ford (to the south) have hospital, gas, and food. Limon has small weekday medical clinic, lodging, gas and food.

### **Where do I buy my Colorado hunting license?**

Licenses are available at CPW offices, at licensing agents, by telephone 1-800-244-5613, and online at [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us). Most hunters are now buying their licenses through the Colorado Parks and Wildlife website. This is the fastest, easiest and most accurate way to buy your license.

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



## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
125	Archery	0	0	0	0	12	0	8	15
125	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	4	25	12	7
125	Rifle	2	12	0	14	79	18	25	39
125	Late	0	0	3	3	17	18	16	16
126	Archery	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	15
126	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	2
126	Rifle	19	25	0	44	89	49	36	48
126	Late	0	3	0	3	23	13	14	16
130	Archery	8	0	0	8	9	89	32	24
130	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	21	5	15	14
130	Rifle	35	19	1	55	87	63	45	51
130	Late	0	3	3	6	47	13	26	26
146	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
146	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	2	100	29	20
146	Rifle	32	29	3	64	92	70	60	63
146	Late	0	10	0	10	33	30	47	47

# 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	17	0	0	4
126	Plains	0	0	0	0	37	0	10	10
130	Plains	0	0	0	0	31	0	11	12
146	Plains	6	0	0	6	43	14	9	9

## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
125	Archery	7	0	0	7	48	15	24	30
125	Muzzle	2	4	0	6	28	21	32	30
125	Rifle	12	10	2	24	60	40	40	49
125	Late	9	4	2	15	51	29	35	26
126	Archery	5	0	0	5	41	12	23	25
126	Muzzle	2	6	0	8	34	24	41	35
126	Rifle	11	13	0	24	77	31	43	43
126	Late	12	8	0	20	39	51	55	57
130	Archery	0	0	0	0	31	0	3	4
130	Muzzle	0	2	0	2	4	50	33	29
130	Rifle	7	7	1	15	36	42	48	46
130	Late	8	4	2	14	30	47	41	47
146	Archery	22	3	0	25	41	61	38	31
146	Muzzle	0	4	0	4	18	22	47	41
146	Rifle	7	6	0	13	35	37	53	56
146	Late	16	5	2	23	36	64	46	50

### 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.

**State Trust Lands:** Blue Lake (multiple parcels)

**State Wildlife Areas:** Adobe Creek (Blue Lake) Reservoir, Dawn Pond (fishing only), Fort Lyon, Holbrook Reservoir, Horse Creek Reservoir (fishing allowed, hunting only w/ landowner permission), Melon Valley, 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

### GMU 125 (Continued)

**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

**Location:** 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:** 99 percent private.

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

**STLs:** Nee Noshe, Nee So Pah, Sweetwater **SWAs:** Queens, John Martin Reservoir

**State Park:** John Martin Reservoir. No hunting permitted on park land. Camping (basic and electric) is available and located only a short drive from numerous public hunting grounds. Park facilities include laundry, showers, fish cleaning station and a dump station. Showers and fish cleaning station closed when overnight temperatures drop below 32 degrees. Call park for details. (719) 829-1801.

**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



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

### GMU 130 (Continued)

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:** Shortgrass prairie with cottonwood riparian, pinion/juniper and farms.

**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.

**State Trust Lands:** Higbee Canyon.

**State Wildlife Areas:** 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; poor for pronghorn. Very few animals on public land.

**State Trust Lands:** Keller Lease

**State Wildlife Areas:** John Martin Reservoir

**State Park:** John Martin Reservoir. No hunting permitted on park land. Camping (basic and electric) is available and located only a short drive from numerous public hunting grounds. Park facilities include laundry, showers, fish cleaning station and a dump station. Showers and fish cleaning station closed when overnight temperatures drop below 32 degrees. Call park for details. (719) 829-1801.

**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.

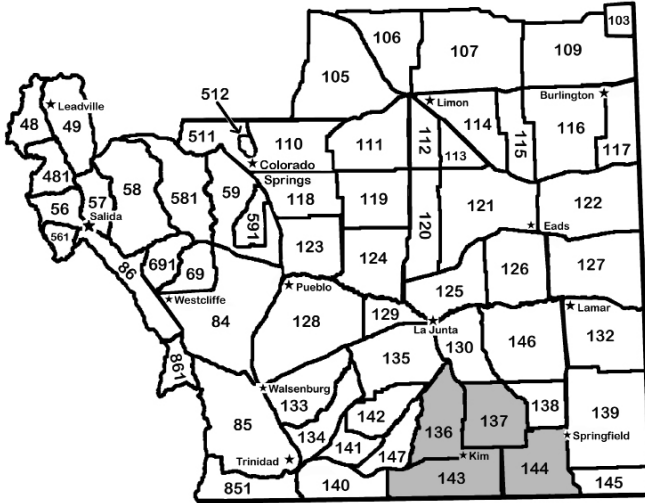
# LAS ANIMAS: UNITS 125, 126, 130, 146

## GMU 146 (Continued)

**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



### 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	2	0	0	21
136	Rifle	62	24	10	96	233	41	46	52
136	Late	0	19	4	23	93	25	24	24
137	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	25
137	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	7
137	Rifle	73	55	16	144	317	45	47	54
137	Late	0	36	0	36	157	23	20	20
143	Archery	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	11
143	Muzzle	0	3	0	3	9	33	20	15
143	Rifle	40	15	0	55	109	50	52	61
143	Late	0	18	0	18	71	25	22	22
144	Archery	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	7
144	Muzzle	0	0	1	1	9	11	3	12
144	Rifle	20	41	0	61	144	42	41	51
144	Late	0	28	7	35	143	24	25	25

## 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	7	0	0	7	27	26	21	23
136	Rifle	26	0	0	26	59	44	50	47
136	Late	7	0	0	7	12	58	42	43
137	Rifle	12	2	2	16	32	50	49	55
137	Late	8	2	0	10	22	45	54	57
143	Archery	3	0	0	3	20	15	17	23
143	Muzzle	0	1	0	1	6	17	24	24
143	Rifle	27	10	0	37	115	32	42	49
143	Late	11	3	2	16	40	40	51	50
144	Archery	6	1	0	7	20	35	27	24
144	Muzzle	3	1	0	4	21	19	25	31
144	Rifle	18	6	1	25	72	35	35	40
144	Late	16	2	0	18	43	42	49	50

### ELK HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Bull	Cow	Calf	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
136	Plains	18	6	0	24	85	28	26	26
137	Plains	3	0	3	6	34	18	15	17
143	Plains	30	6	0	36	90	40	33	32
144	Plains	0	0	0	0	20	0	6	8

### 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:** 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:** Majority of private lands are leased to outfitters. Expect to pay substantial fees to access private lands in this unit.

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

**Pronghorn:** Southern half of unit on forest land property although small herds are found on the Rimrock and Purgatoire RFW properties.

**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

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

### GMU 136 (Continued)

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. Current motor vehicle use map.

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

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, La Junta, Las Animas have lodging, hospital, food and gas. Kim has limited food and gas available on weekdays.

### 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, tools and water.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, La Junta, Las Animas have lodging, hospital, food and gas. Kim has limited food and gas available on weekdays.

### 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, remainder Comanche National Grasslands.

**Hunter Access:** Poor for deer and pronghorn, most private land leased to outfitters. Access may be better SW of Pritchett.

**Deer:** Expect to pay substantial fee to hunt deer on private land in this unit.

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

### GMU 143 (Continued)

**Pronghorn:** May be found on Comanche National Grasslands near and around Kim.

**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, Uteville, 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. Current Motor Vehicle Use Map available from federal agencies for the area.

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

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, La Junta, Las Animas have lodging, hospital, food and gas. Kim has limited food and gas available on weekdays.

### 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:** 65 percent private, 35 percent Comanche National Grasslands.

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

**State Trust Lands:** Sikes Ranch, Pat/Whitby Canyon, North Canyon, Sand Creek South, State Line.

**State Wildlife Areas:** Sikes Ranch

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

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

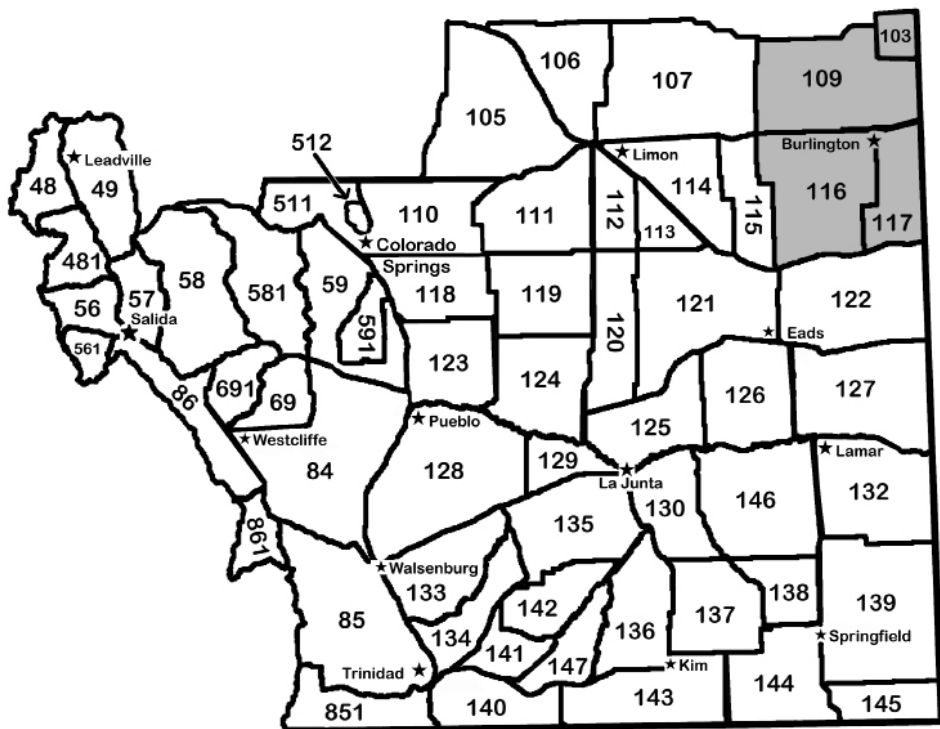
**Small Game:** Scaled quail and cottontail rabbits found throughout the unit; hunting is good. Pheasants and bobwhites found in agricultural areas throughout the unit. Public access is available in the Comanche National Grasslands.

**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. Current vehicle use map available from federal agencies for this area.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield, La Junta have lodging, hospital, food and gas. Kim has limited food and gas available on weekdays.



## 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	10	4	0	14	42	33	35	41
103	Muzzle	1	2	0	3	18	17	34	47
103	Rifle	30	44	11	85	137	62	56	54
103	Late	5	18	3	26	55	47	54	58
109	Archery	11	4	0	15	70	21	20	24
109	Muzzle	8	4	2	14	47	30	28	32
109	Rifle	29	17	2	48	146	33	48	54
109	Late	33	13	5	51	103	50	45	50
116	Archery	5	0	0	5	47	11	28	29
116	Muzzle	6	0	0	6	26	23	30	34
116	Rifle	26	12	0	38	95	40	60	65
116	Late	28	8	0	36	61	59	67	70
117	Archery	3	0	0	3	17	18	22	26
117	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	9	6
117	Rifle	11	10	0	21	45	47	54	58
117	Late	11	5	2	18	40	45	48	50

## 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	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
116	Archery	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
117	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
109	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
109	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	20
109	Rifle	4	12	0	16	25	64	53	57
116	Archery	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	21
116	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	6
116	Rifle	79	97	9	185	380	49	47	54
116	Late	0	35	0	35	204	17	22	26
117	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
117	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	2	0	9	10
117	Rifle	19	26	0	45	115	39	24	41
117	Late	0	18	0	18	62	29	16	16

### 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.

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

**State Trust Land:** Landsman Creek

**Deer:** Along S. Republican River drainage and 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:** Hospital, gas food and lodging in Burlington. Gas, food and lodging in Stratton.

### 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:** Hospital, gas food and lodging in Burlington. Gas, food and lodging in Cheyenne Wells.



## 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 quads. 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:** Hospital, gas food and lodging in Burlington. Gas, food and lodging in Cheyenne Wells.

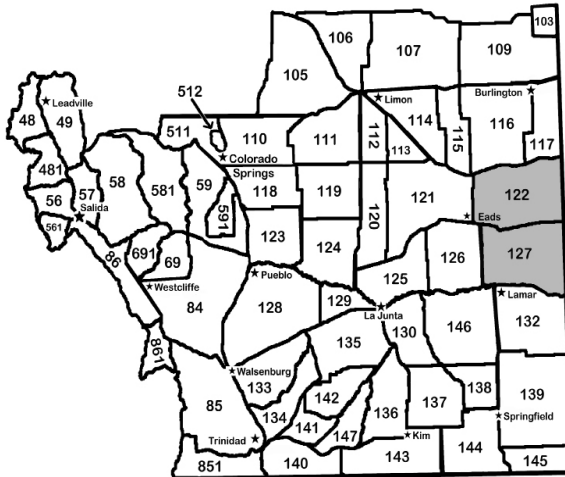
### **Hunting Ethically**

Hunting is in an integral part of wildlife management in Colorado. Remember, you are not only participating in a recreational activity, you also play an important role in managing big-game herds. With your license comes a responsibility to hunt and conduct yourself in an ethical manner. Please, take a few moments to answer the following questions. It's up to you to remember the answers when you are out in the field.

- Are your hunting actions providing a "fair chase" scenario for the animal?
- Would you behave the same way if you were hunting with a wildlife officer or being videotaped for the 5 o'clock news?
- Do you know exactly where you are hunting? Are you in the right GMU?
- Do you know the habits of the animal you are hunting?
- When you take aim at an animal do you know for certain that it is the right sex and species?
- Are you physically able to hunt in mountainous terrain and retrieve a harvested animal?
- Do you know how to properly field dress a big-game animal?
- Do you minimize the impacts of your camp on the landscape?
- Do you pack out all of your trash?
- Will you report rule violations - yours and others - to a Colorado wildlife officer?
- Have you read the Colorado Big Game Brochure to check for specific regulations for the GMU in which you are hunting?

Ethical behavior is critical to the future of hunting. Please, consider how your actions impact wildlife, fellow hunters and the general public.

# 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
127	Plains	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	13

## DEER HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
122	Archery	17	0	0	17	94	18	16	25
122	Muzzle	4	4	0	8	32	25	36	34
122	Rifle	29	13	0	42	72	58	63	65
122	Late	12	10	3	25	40	63	53	56
127	Archery	11	6	0	17	51	33	28	28
127	Muzzle	2	2	0	4	10	40	30	39
127	Rifle	20	19	0	39	89	44	54	59
127	Late	20	11	6	37	56	66	57	63

## PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
122	Archery	2	0	0	2	5	40	7	7
122	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	12
122	Rifle	34	26	0	60	163	37	35	44
122	Late	0	35	0	35	108	32	18	21
127	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	8
127	Rifle	32	17	9	58	126	46	50	56
127	Late	0	18	0	18	46	39	16	15

## 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.

## CHEYENNE WELLS AREA: UNITS 122, 127

### GMU 122 (Continued)

**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.

**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 Lands:** Ne Noshe.

**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.

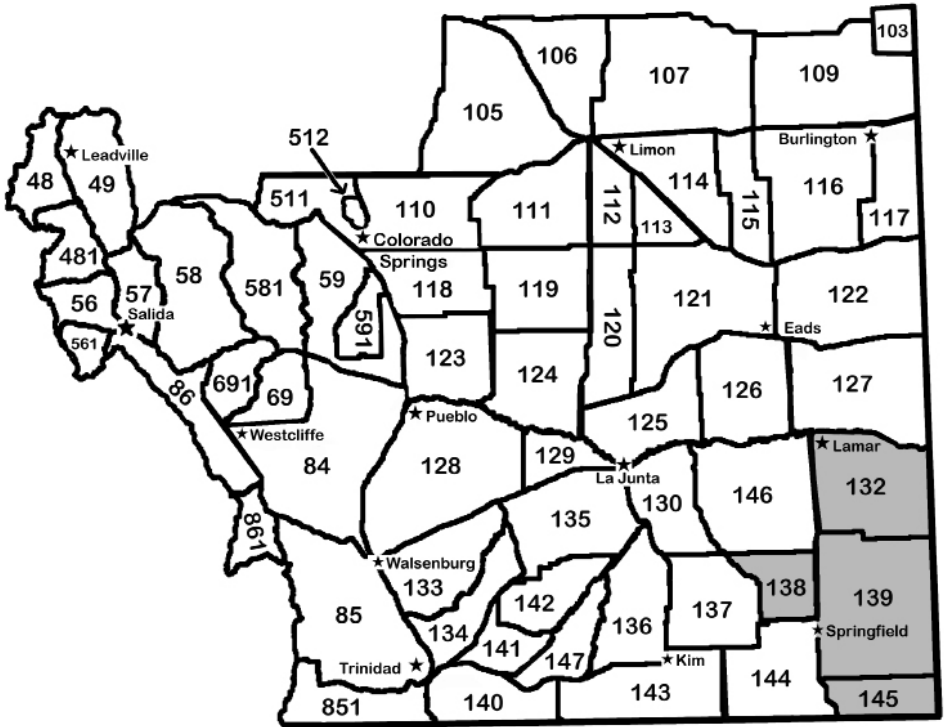
**Pronghorn:** Throughout the unit but higher densities in western half of unit.

**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.

## 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	5	0	5	10	78	13	16	21
132	Muzzle	4	0	2	6	8	75	62	51
132	Rifle	30	8	2	40	67	60	59	60
132	Late	10	8	2	20	35	57	56	57
138	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	20
138	Rifle	8	2	2	12	14	86	64	60
138	Late	3	2	0	5	14	36	55	49
139	Archery	9	3	0	12	54	22	29	30
139	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	10	0	24	19
139	Rifle	17	6	0	23	49	47	52	60
139	Late	19	6	0	25	41	61	58	61
145	Archery	0	0	0	0	14	0	10	13
145	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	8	0	6	14
145	Rifle	5	3	0	8	22	36	49	46
145	Late	9	0	0	9	27	33	52	55

## 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	6	0	0	16
138	Plains	0	0	0	0	3	0	21	16
139	Plains	0	0	0	0	6	0	30	20
145	Plains	2	3	0	5	29	17	24	28

### PRONGHORN HARVEST STATISTICS

Unit	Season	Buck	Doe	Fawn	Total Harvest	Total Hunters	Percent Success		
							Last Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
132	Archery	2	0	0	2	2	100	40	36
132	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	8	25	22	20
132	Rifle	36	21	12	69	150	46	47	50
132	Late	0	14	3	17	45	38	29	38
138	Archery	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
138	Muzzle	1	0	0	1	4	25	70	47
138	Rifle	73	21	0	94	175	54	48	56
138	Late	0	7	0	7	22	32	28	28
139	Archery	3	0	0	3	8	38	27	29
139	Muzzle	2	0	0	2	9	22	17	13
139	Rifle	35	4	4	43	88	49	39	46
139	Late	0	8	0	8	33	24	44	40
145	Archery	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
145	Muzzle	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	20
145	Rifle	8	8	8	24	58	41	37	43
145	Late	0	0	3	3	5	60	21	36

### 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.

**State Trust Lands:** 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.

## TWO BUTTES AREA: UNITS 132, 138, 139, 145

### GMU 132 (Continued)

**Maps:** BLM - Lamar, Two Buttes Reservoir quadrangles. TOPOs - Lamar East, Carlton, 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 with limited plateaus and canyons.

**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. Some white-tail deer in riparian areas.

**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.

**Additional Resources:** Springfield and La Junta have hospital, gas, food and lodging. Limited food and gas weekdays in Kim.

### 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:** Burchfield.

**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

## TWO BUTTES AREA: UNITS 132, 138, 139, 145

### GMU 139 (Continued)

Buttes SWA, and Burchfield 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 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, Burchfield 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

## OVER-THE-COUNTER LICENSES WHITETAIL ONLY

### SEASON DATES:

Either Sex Licenses: Dec. 1 - Dec. 31 Doe Licenses: Dec. 1 - Dec. 31

List: B

Valid Units: 48, 49, 56, 57, 58, 59, 69, 84, 85, 86, 140, 481, 511, 561, 581, 591, 691, 851 except Bosque del Oso SWA, 861

Licenses are unlimited in number and available over the counter, on sale July 21. Only available at CPW offices. Licenses are List B so hunters may purchase this license in addition to another List A or list B deer license.

**ATTENTION HUNTERS: Whitetails are at low density populations in this area and are mostly found on private land.**

### GMU 48, 481, 56, 561

Most whitetail activity is down along the Arkansas drainage on the east side of these GMUs. Whitetails have been reported in the area on occasion, however they are few and far between. Primary landownership within this area is private so permission to hunt would be necessary.

### GMU 49

Most whitetail activity is down along the Arkansas drainage on the west side of GMU 49. Whitetails have been reported in the area on occasion, however they are few and far between. Primary landownership within this area is private so permission to hunt would be necessary.

### GMU 57, 58

Very limited distribution within both units. Primary landownership within this area is private so permission to hunt would be necessary.

### GMU 581

Whitetail distribution primarily along Four Mile Creek, running North of Canon City and along the Arkansas River. Primary landownership within this area is private so permission to hunt would be necessary.

### GMU 511

Very low whitetail numbers. Primary distribution of whitetails would be on the east side of the unit, along Monument Creek to the north of the Air Force Academy. Primary landownership within this area is private so permission to hunt would be necessary.

### GMU 59

Limited number of whitetails on the north side of the unit. Historical sightings and harvest of whitetails on Beaver Creek SWA. Historic harvest pressure may have reduced density.

### GMU 591

Low whitetail numbers. Concentrations, if present, can be found within the riparian areas within the unit.

### GMU 86

Very low whitetail numbers and almost exclusively on private land. Whitetails occasionally seen around Howard and Cotopaxi.

### GMU 691

Very low whitetail numbers and almost exclusively on private land.



## OVER-THE-COUNTER LICENSES WHITETAIL ONLY

### GMU 69

Whitetail distribution would be along Grape Creek and the Arkansas River running through Canon City. Predominate land ownership is private so permission to hunt is required.

### GMU 84

GMU 84 is large and primarily private land and National Forest with limited whitetail numbers and access. However, the Pueblo SWA has some opportunities for whitetail hunting and good public access to the Arkansas River corridor, on both the north and south side of the river, west of the Pueblo Reservoir. The Swallows SWA is accessible off Highway 50, has plenty of parking and has many trails that hunters can utilize to get into some quality whitetail cover. A great deal of habitat work has been done in the area this past year and what historically has been impenetrable vegetation now sports wide openings and better visibility. The south SWA can be accessed off of Highway 96 and provides 10+ miles of public land and whitetail habitat. South of Pueblo between Highway 78 and Burnt Mill Rd holds some whitetail but is dominated by mule deer and private land. Hunting opportunities for non-landowners in this area will be hard to come by. Whitetail are concentrated along waterways within the unit, and nearly exclusively on private property around Rye and Colorado City. Densities increase as you get closer to the interstate and diminish as you get closer to Rye.

### GMU 861

Small herds of whitetail can be found concentrated along the Huerfano River bottom, mainly on private land. Some can also be found near the Huerfano State Wildlife Area. Very low whitetail numbers are found throughout the rest of the GMU and are almost exclusively on private land.

### GMU 85

Most occurrence is along riparian zones in the Purgatoire and Apishapa River drainages in lower elevations. These riparian zones are relatively narrow and primarily agriculture with associated housing. As such, it is imperative that hunters obtain permission and use the utmost discretion in weapon discharge. Also, Highway 12, which is the boundary between GMU 85 and 851 is adjacent to this riparian corridor in the Purgatoire River drainage and further dictates hunter safety and ethics. Small herds can also be found along the Cuchara and Huerfano River bottoms, mainly on private property.

### GMU 851

Most occurrence is along riparian zones in the Purgatoire River drainage in lower elevations. This riparian zone is relatively narrow and primarily agriculture with associated housing and there is a public school complex as well. As such, it is imperative that hunters obtain permission and use the utmost discretion in weapon discharge. Also, Highway 12, which is the boundary between GMU 85 and 851, is adjacent to this riparian corridor in the Purgatoire River drainage and further dictates hunter safety and ethics. Not valid in Bosque del Oso SWA.

### GMU 140

Although whitetail deer are present in GMU 140, their distribution is sparse. Most of the GMU is privately owned. The only public land in this unit is not considered whitetail habitat and these deer have not been seen on those lands. Whitetail can be found on the northern boundaries of the GMU as they come out of the river bottoms in the neighboring GMUs.

# HUNTING SAFELY

## Simple Rules for Hunting Safely

- Hunting accidents have declined significantly since the passage of two laws in 1970 that require hunter education for all hunters born on or after January 1, 1949, and require hunters to wear at least 500-square-inches of fluorescent orange clothing above the waist - including a head covering visible from all directions. “Camouflage” orange is not legal.
- Hunters should review basic safety rules every time they go into the field. Remember: **One moment of carelessness can mean a lifetime of consequences.**
- Before the season, go to a shooting range to sight-in your rifle and practice. You’ll get re-acquainted with your gun and you’ll improve your chances of harvesting an animal.
- Most accidents occur near vehicles. Load and unload your gun at least 100 feet from your car or truck.

## **No matter how long you’ve been hunting, always observe these basic safety rules:**

- Treat every firearm as if it is loaded and keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction at all times.
- Be sure of your target - what is in front of it and what is beyond it. Once you take a shot you can’t take it back. If you are in doubt, don’t shoot.
- Never place your hand over the muzzle of a gun.
- Don’t hurry while loading or unloading.
- Talk about safety issues to youngsters and inexperienced hunters.
- Stop to rest when you are out of breath; fatigue often contributes to accidents.

## If You Make a Mistake

- Every year people make mistakes while hunting. Hunters occasionally: shoot the wrong animal, accidentally kill more than one animal, hunt in the wrong GMU, etc.
- Most of these errors can be prevented by carefully reading the Big Game Brochure, obtaining a good map of your hunting area and by being diligent in the field. Hunters who make errors can be penalized with fines, suspension points, felonies and misdemeanors, loss of meat, license suspension or confiscation of equipment. Penalties can be much more severe against those who purposefully attempt to hide mistakes from wildlife officers.
- If you make a mistake while hunting, the best course of action is to report the incident to the closest CPW office immediately. Be prepared to explain to a wildlife officer what happened and why. While you still may be subject to penalties, they could be less severe if the officer determines that you are cooperative, the error was not intentional, or it was unavoidable given the circumstances.
- Follow the officer’s orders on caring for the meat, leaving the animal at the scene or bringing it to an agreed upon location, etc. If you are unable to contact an officer immediately, field dress the animal on the spot and don’t move it.



*Safe Hunting  
Is No Accident!*



## General Visitor Information – Lodging, camping, maps, tourism

<b>Colorado Parks and Wildlife</b> <i>www.cpw.state.co.us</i> 1-303-866-3437	<b>Agency for Campgrounds</b> <i>www.coloradodirectory.com</i> 1-888-222-4641
<b>Colorado Tourism Board</b> <i>www.colorado.com</i> 1-800-COLORADO	<b>Colorado RV Camping Info</b> <i>www.rv-camping.org/Colorado.html</i>

## Colorado Road and Weather Conditions

Road, Travel Conditions Dept. of Transportation <i>www.cotrip.org</i> Toll-free 1-877-315-7623	CNN Weather <i>www.cnn.com/WEATHER</i>	AccuWeather <i>www.accuweather.com</i>
	Weather Channel <i>www.weather.com</i>	Weather Underground <i>www.wunderground.com</i>

## Map Purchase Information

<b>TOPOs</b> U.S. Geological Survey <i>www.mapping.usgs.gov</i> 1-800-435-7627	<b>Land Status maps</b> Bureau of Land Mgmt <i>www.co.blm.gov</i> 303-239-3600	<b>Land Status maps</b> U.S. Forest Service <i>www.fs.fed.us</i> 303-275-5350
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## Guides and Outfitters information

<b>For List of Registered Guides/Outfitters</b> Dept. of Regulatory Agencies <i>www.dora.state.co.us/outfitters</i> Phone: 303-894-7778	<b>To arrange Guided Hunt Trips</b> Colorado Outfitter's Assn. <i>www.colorado-outfitters.com</i> Phone: 970-876-0543
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## Useful Websites

Sunset & Sunrise Tables	<a href="http://www.aa.usno.navy.mil/AA/">www.aa.usno.navy.mil/AA/</a>
Public Lands Recreational Opportunities	<a href="http://www.recreation.gov">www.recreation.gov</a>
Colo. Dept. of Natural Resources	<a href="http://www.dnr.state.co.us">www.dnr.state.co.us</a>
Hunting, Fishing, Wildlife Info.	<a href="http://www.wildlife.state.co.us">www.wildlife.state.co.us</a>
State Parks	<a href="http://www.parks.state.co.us">www.parks.state.co.us</a>
U.S. Forest Service	<a href="http://www.fs.fed.us">www.fs.fed.us</a>
U.S. Bureau of Land Management	<a href="http://www.co.blm.gov">www.co.blm.gov</a>

<b>CPW Offices &amp; Phone Numbers</b>		<b>Meeker</b> (970) 878-6090
<b>Brush</b> (970) 842-6300	<b>Glenwood Springs</b> (970) 947-2920	<b>Monte Vista</b> (719) 587-6900
<b>Colorado Springs</b> (719) 227-5200	<b>Grand Junction</b> (970) 255-6100	<b>Montrose</b> (970) 252-6000
<b>Denver</b> (303) 291-7227	<b>Gunnison</b> (970) 641-7060	<b>Pueblo</b> (719) 561-5300
<b>Durango</b> (970) 247-0855	<b>Hot Sulphur Springs</b> (970) 725-6200	<b>Salida</b> (719) 530-5520
<b>Fort Collins</b> (970) 472-4300	<b>Lamar</b> (719) 336-6600	<b>Steamboat Springs</b> (970) 870-2197



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