

Wolf Springs Ranch 2022-2023 Big Game Hunts

The Landowner Preference Program (LPP) was created to give landowners a preference for hunting licenses to encourage private Landowners to provide habitat that increases wildlife populations for the benefit of all hunters, discourage the harboring of game animals on private lands during public hunting seasons, and relieve hunting pressure on public lands by increasing game hunting on private lands. The LLP is implemented under authority by: Colorado Revised Statutes: Title 33, Article 4, 103 and Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Regulations: Chapter W2, 206, B, 4.

The Colorado Ranch Enterprise/Wolf Springs Ranch has established the following seasons. Permission to access Wolf Springs Ranch for the established hunting period is needed.

Colorado License Requirements:

- Hunters must have a license to hunt from the state of Colorado. Sign it and carry the original with you while hunting.
- You must carry proof of hunter education while in the field.
- A hunter may hunt only the animal, sex, season, units and method of take authorized by the license and you must follow the specific land-use rules. Complete season dates may not be printed on the license because of space constraints. Check the details in the Colorado hunt brochure for your specific license.
- It is illegal to give false information to obtain a license. It also is illegal to alter a license or to loan, transfer, sell or give your license to someone else.
- If you lose or destroy your license, a duplicate is available for half the price of the original license, not to exceed \$25. You can get a duplicate before the season opens from any authorized sales agent. After the season begins, duplicate licenses are available only at CPW locations.
- Licenses expire on the expiration date printed on the license.
- Nonresidents can continue to use their combo fishing license after harvesting a big-game animal, if the carcass tag is the only part of the license that has been detached. The rest of the license must remain intact. The fishing license is good through March 31, 2023.

What You Need to Buy a Colorado License:

1. ID – A securable and identifiable ID. A social security card is REQUIRED for hunters 12 and older.
2. Proof of Hunter's Education
3. Proof of residency for Colorado Residents
4. Habitat Stamp – A 2022 Habitat Stamp (\$10.59) or a Lifetime Habitat Stamp (\$318.08) is required prior to buying a license.

License Restrictions

Felony Offenses & Weapons: Colorado and federal laws prohibit people convicted of certain crimes, including felony offenses and domestic violence-related offenses, from possessing weapons even for hunting. If you have been convicted of a crime, check with the appropriate Colorado and federal law enforcement authority to find out how these laws apply to you.

Child Support Delinquency: State and federal law require a Social Security number to buy license. It is not displayed on the license but is provided, if requested to Child Support Enforcement authorities. Hunting and fishing licenses are not issued to those suspended for noncompliance with child support. Any current license become invalid if held by an individual who is deemed noncompliant by Child Support Enforcement.

Requirements to Qualify as a Colorado Resident to buy a hunting license:

- 1. Standard Colorado Resident**
 - a. **Requirements:** You must live in Colorado at least 6 consecutive months prior to buying or applying for any resident CPW product, have your primary residence in Colorado and have not applied for or purchase a resident license or pass outside of Colorado in the last 6 months.
 - b. **Proof:** Current and valid Colorado driver's license or Colorado ID with a Colorado address issued 6 or more months prior. If the Colorado driver's license/ID is not 6 months old, you must provide at least two forms of additional residency proof, as outlined in "Additional Residency Proofs".
- 2. Student: Attending School Full-time in Colorado**
 - a. **Requirements:** You must be attending school full time at an accredited Colorado school starting at least 6 months prior to buying or applying for any resident CPW product.
 - b. **Proof:** Student ID, name of institution, date you became a full-time student, school transcript showing a full-time status.
- 3. Student: Attending School Full-time outside of Colorado**
 - a. **Requirement:** You must meet Colorado residency requirements and be attending an accredited school outside of Colorado, paying non-resident tuition.
 - b. **Proof:** Student ID, name of institution, date you became a full-time student, proof of out-of-state tuition payment.
- 4. Military: Stationed in Colorado**
 - a. **Requirements:** You must be active-duty military stationed in Colorado (including your spouse/dependents). Residency begins the date the orders begin.
 - b. **Proof:** Military ID and orders.
- 5. Military: Colorado Home of Record**
 - a. **Requirements:** You must be active-duty military stationed outside of Colorado, but with Colorado as your home of record, paying income tax as a Colorado resident (including your spouse/dependents).
 - b. **Proof:** Military ID and orders.
- 6. Youth**

Children under the age of 18 have the same residency status as their parent, legal guardian or person with whom they live the majority of the time per court order.

Hunter's Education Requirements:

1. Anyone born on or after January 1, 1949, is required to have a hunter education card to hunt in Colorado.
2. A hunter education card is required to apply for or buy a hunting license.
3. Your hunter education card must be carried while hunting, unless it is verified and your license is marked with a "V". To get your hunter education verified, take your hunter education card to a CPW office or state park.
4. CPW honors hunter education cards from other states, provinces and countries.

Youth Hunting Requirements:

1. Youth ages 12-17 are offered reduced-cost licenses for elk, deer, and pronghorn and bear.
2. At age 11, youth may buy or apply for license if they turn 12 before the end of season on the license. Youth cannot hunt with the license until they turn 12.
3. Youth who get their original license when they are 17 and later turn 18 may participate in the extended season hunt. Youth hunting rules still apply, even though the hunter is 18 while hunting.

Landowner Preference Program (LLP)

It is a hunter's responsibility to obtain a Colorado Hunting License.

- 1.** The landowner or designated land manager must transfer the voucher directly to the hunter. A voucher that has been transferred by any persons who is not the landowner or designated land manager is void. A voucher that is brokered for another person is void. A hunting license obtained for use with a void voucher is also void. No person shall broker a voucher on behalf of any landowner or person, or use or possess any brokered voucher.
- 2.** Landowner vouchers maybe transferred one time only. The transfer of the voucher occurs when the hunter's name is written on the voucher, or the landowner or designated land manager hands (or mails) the voucher to the hunter.
- 3.** If a hunter cannot use a voucher, the voucher becomes **VOID**. The voucher **CANNOT** be reprinted or transferred to another hunter, even if the voucher has not been redeemed for a license.
- 4.** Annual bag limits still apply. Be sure you can legally have the license before acquiring a landowner voucher. List A, B or C is printed on the voucher.
- 5.** The transfer of a voucher by a landowner or designated land manager must include permission to access and hunt all of the registered land for which the voucher was awarded, and for the entire season for which the voucher was awarded, without discrimination among hunters entering the land. Restrictions are not allowed, except or manner of access (*i.e. foot, horseback, vehicle*) reasonably necessary to prevent damage to land.
- 6.** The voucher must be taken to a sales agent of CPW location in person to be redeemed for a proper and valid license **PRIOR** to hunting. The appropriate license fees are paid at that time.

Wolf Springs Ranch General Information:

- 1.** Applicants must meet eligibility requirements to hunt on the Navajo Nation and the State of Colorado.
- 2.** All selected applicants are required to adhere to rules and regulations with the Navajo Nation, Colorado Ranch Enterprise/Wolf Springs Ranch and pay all appropriate fees prior to issue of the voucher.
- 3.** The eligible applicant must redeem the voucher for a proper and valid license **PRIOR** to hunting. The voucher may be redeemed at any license agent, or Colorado Parks & Wildlife office. The appropriate state license fee(s) are paid at that time.
- 4.** All hunters are limited to number of guest defined for each hunt. The Hunter must provide the name of their guest prior to issuance of voucher.
- 5.** Due to COVID 19 occurrence on Wolf Springs Ranch this year, lodging facilities may not be available. All COVID 19 safety precautions will be followed. Hotel accommodations are also available at near-by towns.
- 6.** No Outfitters are allowed.
- 7.** All hunts are non-guided hunts.
- 8.** Payments are final. All application fees, guest fees and voucher/access fees are non-refundable.

Wolf Springs Ranch 2022-2023 Season Dates and Prices

NAVAJO TRIBAL MEMBER HUNTS: These are once-in-a-lifetime hunts. Only one applicant per application. These are Non-guided hunts on Navajo Nation private lands in Colorado: GMU 861. Access fee payment and a completed Navajo Department of Fish and Wildlife hunting application will be submitted to the Navajo Department of Fish & Wildlife office in Window Rock, AZ. An application number will be designated for the hunter. **The hunter is responsible to pick up and redeem the application for a proper and valid license PRIOR to hunting.**

- A valid Colorado Hunting license is required. See table below for cost for each species.
- Non-Refundable Access Fee: \$125.00 **Payable to: The Navajo Nation**
- Special Colorado Hunt Applications available: September 1, 2022.
- Payment Due: All fees will be paid prior to issuance of Application. All applications will be picked up at Wolf Springs Ranch Headquarter, 38198 Highway 69, Westcliffe, CO 81252. If the application is not picked up and redeemed before your hunt, it is VOID.

Cow Elk Special Season. Valid State license is required for these hunts. There may be no lodging available for these Population management hunts. Limited to one guest on the hunt.

Hunt First Come-First Served	2022-2023 Dates One Season Date listed must be selected by Hunter.
Youth Rifle-Cow Elk- 3 days (5 Permits available).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. September 8-9, 2022 2. September 13-15, 2022 3. October 6-8, 2022 4. October 21-23, 2022 5. November 19-21, 2022
Rifle-Cow Elk- 3 days (10 permits available).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. November 26- November 28, 2022 2. December 10- December 12, 2022 3. December 15- December 17, 2022 4. December 19- December 21, 2022 5. December 29- December 31, 2022 6. January 5- January 7, 2022 7. January 9- January 11, 2022 8. January 14- January 16, 2022 9. January 19- January 21, 2022 10. January 23- January 25, 2022 11. January 29- January 31, 2022

Habitat Fee: \$10.59	Resident Cow elk \$57.90	Resident Cow elk Youth: \$16.32	Non-Resident Cow elk: \$526.17	Non-Resident Cow elk Youth: \$107.43
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Colorado Parks and Wildlife Agent Locations: applications can be redeemed at the listed locations.

- 1. Country Store, 60 Main St. Westcliffe, CO 81252. Phone: (719) 783-9115**
- 2. Pay and Save DBA LOWES #109, 50 Main St. Westcliffe, CO 81252. Phone: (719) 783-550**
- 3. Valley ACE Hardware, 1 Enterprise Dr. Westcliffe, CO 81252-8557. Phone: (719) 783-9054**
- 4. First Choice Market, 801 Walsen Ave., Walsenburg, CO 81089. Phone: (719) 738-3200**
- 5. Lathrop State Park, 70 County Road 502, Walsenburg CO 81089. Phone: (719) 738-2376**
- 6. Pawn Shop, 434 W 7th St. Walsenburg CO 81089. Phone: (719) 738-2530**
- 7. Safeway 3727, 222 W. 7th St. Walsenburg, CO 81089. Phone: (719) 738-3301**
- 8. San Luis lakes SWA, 70 County Road 502, Walsenburg, CO 81089. Phone: (719) 738-2376**

Bison Harvest: This harvest hunt is to remove unmanageable mature bulls and cull bison cows from the herd. Carcass tag issued by the ranch. No Colorado hunting License is required. Limited to 2 guests.

Hunt Code	Bison	No. of Permit	Hunt Dates*
CRE-BIS 1 SOLD	Rifle Bull Bison - Wolf Springs Ranch Only	1	September 15, 2022 to November 30, 2022
CRE-BIS 2	Rifle Cow Bison-Wolf Springs Ranch Only	To be determined after 12/10/2022	December 15 2022 to January 31, 2023

Bull Bison

Apply: First come-First served after September 15, 2022.

Fee for Hunt is \$3,000.00.

*Hunt length: 3 days determined by Ranch personnel. Advance notice will be given to applicant.

- The bull is 6+ years of age, weighing 1,600 to 1,900 lbs. Meat, hide and skull is the responsibility of the hunter. The processing facility can be used to quarter the animal. Hunter is responsible for cleaning, upkeep, removal of all meat scrap, tissue and hide parts from the facility.
- Be prepared to process approximately 600 to 900 lbs. of meat. Bring adequate coolers and storage containers.

Cow Bison-The cow harvest numbers will be determined following the annual herd work.

Apply: First come-First Served after December 15, 2022.

Fee for Hunt is \$2,000.00.

*Hunt length: 3 days determined by Ranch personnel. Advance notice will be given to applicant.

- Ranch personnel will assist with determination of bison harvest for the safety of the hunter and other animals on the ranch.

Payment:

1. Only Cashier's check and Money orders are accepted for all payments. Upon selection: the balance due and any additional fees are: **Payable to: Navajo Nation.**
2. For more information contact Wolf Springs Ranch at (505) 290-1443 or the Department of Fish and Wildlife at (928) 871-7062.