

Lake Ranch, Fort Sumner, OG.109









Information: This property contains 4,121 acres located in GMU 32, approximately 20 miles southeast of Fort Sumner, NM off Urton Lake Rd. It also improves access to several thousand acres of neighboring State Trust Lands. This property is a working cattle ranch covered by a mixture of brush, mesquite, and native grasses, which provides good upland habitat. It has a few wells that supply water for the landowner's ranching operation. In wetter years, scattered dirt tanks will fill and hold water. Water sources provide good pass shooting opportunities for dove hunters. During better years, the area can provide some decent quail hunting.

Permitted Activities: Hunting is only permitted on this property during the seasons and dates specified in the Open Gate lease agreement between the Department of Game and Fish and the landowner. Access to the property is subject to the terms and conditions in the Open Gate lease agreement and is restricted to the following permitted activities:

Permitted Activities	Available Dates	Remarks
Dove Hunting (Mourning, White-winged and Eurasian Collared Doves, and Band-tailed Pigeon)	Migratory game gird seasons and bag limits are set by Federal framework and will be available upon publication of the New Mexico 2021-2022 Migratory Game Bird Rules and Information Book	
Quail Hunting	Upland game seasons and bag limits will be available upon publication of the New Mexico 2021-2022 Upland Game Rules and Information Book	

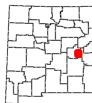
Open Gate is a program that leases private lands to improve public access for hunting, fishing, and trapping. Open Gate leases are funded exclusively by hunters, anglers, and trappers through the purchase of the Habitat Management and Access Validation (HMAV).

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Property Rules: The following rules will be posted on this property and enforced at the discretion of the Department of Game and Fish.

- Use of this Open Gate Property is restricted to properly licensed sportspersons for the following activities: **Dove hunting and Quail hunting**.
- No trespassing unless you are a properly licensed sportsperson, are accompanied by a properly licensed sportsperson or are license-exempt.
- Each properly licensed sportsperson or license-exempt person is allowed to be accompanied by no more than two guests.
- Scouting is only permitted during the two days immediately preceding the commencement of open season dates.
- No motor vehicle travel off designated roads or on closed roads.
- No destructive acts, including: vandalism, graffiti, theft, removal or defacing natural features, resources or signs.
- No target practice.
- No consumption of alcoholic beverages.
- No camping.
- No fires.
- No littering.
- Access allowed from two hours before sunrise to two hours after sunset.
- New Mexico Statute prohibits discharge of a firearm within 150 yards of a dwelling or building without permission of the structure's owner or lessee.

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