

Smyer Ranch, Deming, OG.119









The entrance to OG.119 is located along NM-26 just 6.7 miles northeast of the US-180/NM-26 intersection. Approaching from either direction on NM-26, look for the yellow road/railroad crossing highway sign. Take the first dirt road to the south after this sign. Cross the railroad tracks and you will see the orange Open Gate property sign at the entrance gate. Established roads may be used to travel among Open Gate leased parcels and public land once you enter this gate.

Information: This property contains 7,248 acres located in GMU 21 on the outskirts of Deming, NM off Highway 104. The property is a working cattle ranch covered by a mixture of chaparral and native grasses. A number of wells and overflow ponds provide year round water for livestock and wildlife. Additional dirt tanks fill during wetter years and hold water.

Water sources provide some shooting opportunities for dove and waterfowl. Waste grain from nearby farms attracts birds to the area and provides some forage. Quail hunting can be very good in years when resources are more abundant and the populations are doing well. Javelina occur throughout most of GMU 21B and the conditions on this property can be fair at times for javelina hunting. This property is spread over a large area that is checker boarded by thousands of acres of BLM and State Trust lands.

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 bird 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	
Waterfowl Hunting	Migratory game bird 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	

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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	
Javelina Hunting	Youth Only: Jan. 1 – Mar. 31, 2022 Any Legal Sporting Arm: Jan. 16 – Mar. 31, 2022	
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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, Quail Hunting, Waterfowl Hunting, and Javelina 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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