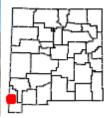


Weatherby Ranch, Cotton City, OG.155









Information and habitat: Weatherby Ranch consists of 3,200 deeded acres located just west of Cotton City, NM. The lower elevations of Weatherby Ranch are dominated by desert grassland interspersed with honey mesquite and creosote bush. These habitats attract Javelina, dove, quail and act as travel corridors for mule deer. Approximately 118 acres in this lower elevation consists of an irrigated agricultural field planted in corn and winter wheat attracting Sandhill cranes, dove, quail, Javelina, and mule deer. Higher elevations support mule deer, quail, and dove.

Permitted Uses: Hunting and trapping is 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	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	
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	
Sandhill Crane 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	
Bighorn Sheep Hunting	Nov. 1 – 30, 2021	Peloncillos Hunt Area

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Deer Hunting*	Any legal weapon: Nov. 6 – 10, 2021 Nov. 13 – 17, 2021 Nov. 20 – 24, 2021 Dec. 4 – 12, 2021 Youth Only: Nov. 20 – 28, 2021 Archery: Jan. 1 – 15, 2022 Jan. 16 - 31, 2022 Muzzleloader: Oct. 30 – Nov. 3, 2021	*Unit 27 Draw License Only
Javelina Hunting	Youth Only: Jan. 1 – Mar. 31, 2022 Any Legal Sporting Arm: Feb. 1 – Mar. 1, 2022 Archery Only: Jan. 1 – 31, 2022	
Cougar Hunting	Year round.	Cougar Management Zone L
Furbearer Hunting and Trapping	Badger, Weasel, Fox, Ringtail and Bobcat: Nov. 1, 2021 – March 15, 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.

- This Open Gate Property is restricted to properly licensed users for the following activities: Dove Hunting, Quail Hunting, Sandhill Crane Hunting, Bighorn Sheep Hunting, Deer Hunting (draw license hunters for Unit 27 only), Javelina Hunting, Cougar Hunting, and Furbearer Hunting and Trapping.
- No access unless you are a properly licensed hunter or trapper.
- Each properly licensed hunter or trapper 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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