

Green Ranch at Golden Gate Canyon State Park

2019 Unit 38 Elk Hunters

The Green Ranch section of Golden Gate Canyon State Park (GGCSP) will again be open to limited access Elk hunting in 2019 for herd management purposes via a lottery process. Up to 60 Elk hunters will be allowed into the area during regular Colorado elk seasons, with a maximum of 10 hunters in each of the 6 seasons. To reach wildlife management goals, 7 Cow Elk and 3 Bull Elk Hunter Use Permits will be awarded for each season, with the exception of Archery. Archery Hunters may take either a Bull or a Cow Elk if they possess an over-the-counter either-sex Archery License.

2019 Requirements:

-**New to 2019:** Prior to applying for any Big Game Limited License, hunters must obtain a **Qualifying License**

-All hunters (including youth 12-17) are responsible for obtaining a valid and proper license for Colorado Game Management Unit (GMU) 38

-A non-refundable application fee of \$10.00 payable to Colorado Parks and Wildlife

-Attendance at one of the 2019 Orientation Sessions is mandatory upon successfully drawing a Green Ranch Permit unless you have attended one in the last five years

-A Hunter Use Permit Fee of \$100.00 with a successful draw to be assessed at an orientation session

Rules:

-Licenses listed as Private Land Only (PLO) are not valid in any portion of GGCSP or Ralston Creek State Wildlife Area

-Many of the licenses needed to apply for the Green Ranch are Limited and require a separate application with CPW by April 2, 2019

-Leftover Limited Licenses go on sale
Aug 6, 2019 at 9am

-Each hunter may apply for one Green Ranch Permit for each valid GMU 38 tag they possess

-Each hunter may only be awarded ONE Green Ranch Permit, unless they have a Cow and Bull tag for the same season, in which case they can hunt both sexes with purchase of a second Green Ranch Permit, but still a max of ten hunters per season

-Green Ranch Permits are non-transferable

-Green Ranch Permits are for Elk hunting only, no Small Game or Deer hunting allowed

-The only scouting opportunity will be directly following the orientation session

Qualifying Licenses:

-2019 Spring Turkey

-2019 Annual Small Game

-2019 Annual Combination (Small Game and Fishing)

-Veteran's Lifetime Resident Combination (Small game and Fishing)

--All Colorado Parks and Wildlife regulations apply

-No group applications are accepted and no preference points are issued

-A valid daily or annual parks pass is required for all vehicles (can be purchased at self serve stations or Visitor Center)

-All vehicles must be parked in the designated hunter parking area

-No parking on county roads or state highways

-All access and game retrieval is walk-in walk-out

-Only Horses, pack animals and wheeled carts are permitted; no motor vehicles allowed beyond the hunter parking lot

-Access is day-use only from 5:00 am to 8:00 pm

-No camping or fires permitted on the Green Ranch

-Adult hunters may have one non-hunting guest, youth may have two

-All guests are required to have a valid guest permit with them at all times

How To Apply:

-Applications to hunt on the Green Ranch in 2019 can be submitted in one of two ways;

- 1.) Visit the park Visitor Center during normal business hours to obtain one
- 2.) Download a [copy](#) and submit via mail to:
Golden Gate Canyon Green Ranch
Attention Green Ranch
92 Crawford Gulch Road
Golden, CO 80403

<http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/GoldenGateCanyon/Pages/HuntingGreenRanch.aspx>

-Applications must be **received** at Golden Gate Canyon State Park by 5:00 pm July 31, 2019

-Drawing will be conducted on August 1, 2019

-Only successful applicants will be notified

-2019 Orientation Sessions dates will be announced August 1, 2019 following the draw

2019 Green Ranch Hunting Slots

***Archery:** Sept. 3-13 and 23-29 (18 days)

Muzzleloader: Sept. 14-22 (9 days)

1st Rifle: Oct. 12-16 (5 days)

2nd Rifle: Oct. 19-27 (9 days)

3rd Rifle: Nov. 2-10 (9 days)

4th Rifle: Nov. 13-17 (5 days)

*Archery hunters cannot hunt during the regular Muzzleloader Season, but are eligible to hunt either/both Archery date ranges listed above

Green Ranch Information:

The Green Ranch, acquired by the State in 1995, is 3,500 acres of heavy aspen and pine forests interspersed with several large meadows. The elevation ranges from 7,500 feet to 9,400 feet. Macy Gulch is the main drainage. The Green Ranch area includes portions of sections 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 16, and 17. Currently the Green Ranch is closed to public use, but the majority of it will be open to persons holding a Green Ranch Hunter Use Permit for the 2019 Big Game season.