

# Green Ranch at Golden Gate Canyon State Park

## 2020 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 2020 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, up to 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.

### **2020 Requirements:**

- 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

### **Qualifying Licenses:**

- 2020 Spring Turkey**
- 2020 Annual Small Game**
- 2020 Small Game/Fishing Combo**
- 2020 Senior Small Game/Fishing Combo**
- Veteran's Lifetime Combination**
- First Responder Lifetime Combination**

### **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 7, 2020
  - Leftover Limited Licenses go on sale Aug 4, 2020 at 9am MT
- 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 permits 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 sessions
- 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 with permits/passes displayed
- 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 2020 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, 2020

-Drawing will be conducted on August 1, 2020

-Only successful applicants will be notified

-2020 Orientation Sessions dates will be announced August 1, 2020 following the draw

## **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 2020 Big Game season.

### **2020 Green Ranch Hunting Slots**

**\*Archery:** Sept. 2-11 and 21-30 (20 days)

**Muzzleloader:** Sept. 12-20 (9 days)

**1<sup>st</sup> Rifle:** Oct. 10-14 (5 days)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Rifle:** Oct. 24-Nov 1 (9 days)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Rifle:** Nov. 7-13 (7 days)

**4<sup>th</sup> Rifle:** Nov. 18-22 (5 days)

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