



## Forbes Wagon Creek Ranch Owners Association



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Dear Landowner,

**We recognize that a lot of the information in this letter is the same from year to year and while we are not making any changes from last year, there have been a number of changes to the hunting rules over the previous couple of years.**

As most of you probably know by now that the about half of the ranch has been affected by the Spring Fire that went through here the end of June and first of July. The fire has burned pretty much all of the south and east parts of the ranch. The entire Powers Rd loop was hit the worst burning pretty much all the timber and any vegetation on the ground. So, there isn't any food source for the wildlife in this area. The rains after the fire has caused several wash outs on the roads and there will be trees falling over because of the severe burning around the base of the tree so some roads may be impassable at times. The hunting area has been drastically reduced on the ranch, so the hunting pressure will be more concentrated on the ranch, so everyone needs to be super careful and watch out for other hunters while hunting.

**Please carefully read the enclosed hunting rules and regulations.**

Some of the more recent changes in the hunting rules and regulations are as follows:

- **A permit is required to hunt in Wagon Creek Ranch for any and all seasons including hunting on your own property.** Our security must have a way to know who is hunting on the ranch in order to properly perform their role. If you have not given permission to hunt on your property, you may hunt only on your own property, but you must still obtain a FWCR hunting permit.  
Please consider that game animals are limited in number, do not belong to any one individual, nor reside on anyone's property alone. Therefore, Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) controls the number of hunters in the State of Colorado. We need to control the number of hunters in FWCR. You may feel this is the responsibility of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) and you are correct. However, consider that the CPW manages game by units (GMUS). Unit 83 consists of roughly 1,260 sq. mi. FWCR is roughly 26.5 sq. mi. In-other-words only 2 percent of the total area. If we overload FWCR with hunters the game will simply move elsewhere. Such movement is not much of a concern for CPW in the big picture of game management, but is a very big concern to owners in FWCR.
- **You may hunt in more than one fall hunting season, but you are still limited to four total hunting permits for all of the fall hunting seasons combined from August thru November.**  
The key points in reference to the number of hunters allowed are as follows:  
The total number of hunters will be limited to four per landowner group for the entire Fall Hunting Season from August thru November. . This applies regardless of the number of lots owned. Those hunters may hunt in Any Fall Season for which they are legally State licensed. In-other-words, landowners and their guests can hunt in more than one season, but are limited to a total of four hunting permits including themselves and their guests for all fall hunting seasons combined per landowner group. The landowner must also be legally State licensed in the same season and accompany their guests while they hunt.  
Example: You and one guest could hunt in archery and then you and one other guest could hunt in a rifle season. This equals four total permits.

Another Example: You could hunt deer in one rifle season and then you and two guests could hunt elk in a different rifle season. Again this equals four total permits.

Kids ages 16 and under do not count as one of the 4 hunting spots but must be accompanied by an adult.

- **There will is a no hunting zone that extends 100 yards around all living quarters in FWCR.**

There have been concerns about the patrol stopping hunters to check their permits. Please understand, if you do not display the FWCR provided window tag on your rear view mirror, this is due cause for the patrol to stop you and check for your hunting permit. Alliance Security, has been hired to provide security patrol in FWCR. Also there are security cameras at each gate and the parking area near the 160 gate for your security. Please contact the CDOW officer if you see any illegal activities on the ranch.

Please note that failure to follow these rules and regulations is cause for suspension of hunting privileges and may lead to association fines. We thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation. Anyone caught poaching In Wagon Creek Ranch will lose hunting privileges for 3 years.

2018 Fall Hunting season dates are as follows:

Archery:	8/25-9/23	Elk & Limited Deer
Bear:	9/2 – 9/30	
Fall Turkey:	9/1 – 10/2	
Muzzleloader:	9/8 – 9/16	Limited Deer & Elk
1 <sup>st</sup> Rifle:	10/13 – 10/17	Limited Elk only
2 <sup>nd</sup> Rifle:	10/20 – 10/28	Elk & Limited Deer
3 <sup>rd</sup> Rifle:	11/03 – 11/11	Elk & Limited Deer
4 <sup>th</sup> Rifle:	11/14– 11/18	Limited Deer & Elk

Hunting permission permits can be obtained by emailing or texting a photo of your Colorado hunting license for the season that you wish to hunt the ranch.

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Landowner names and lot number

Names of your guests

Season or seasons you are going to hunt (archery, bear, fall turkey, muzzleloader, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> rifle)

Species of game you are going to hunt

Please ask for a camping permit if you will be camping during your hunt.

We will update the hunting map July 15<sup>th</sup> and start issuing permits on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Please do not wait and try to obtain your permit at the gate, as hunting committee members may not be in the area at that particular time. Alliance Security will be patrolling during the hunting seasons; however, they will not have or be responsible to issue hunting permits.

Again, **Thank You** in advance for your cooperation as this is what makes hunting possible at Wagon Creek Ranch.

Ken Connor