



To: Big Game Hunting Outfitters / Consultants / Booking Agents

Fr: Matt Hoobler  
Director of Operations

**Re: Hunting Lease on Pathfinder Ranches**

Pathfinder Ranches seeks a big game hunting outfitter to lease the hunting rights on nearly 100,000 deeded acres in Central Wyoming. The lease will begin August 1, 2021 for the 2021 Wyoming big game hunting seasons. The hunting opportunity includes elk, deer, antelope, bighorn sheep and/or potentially mountain lion and gray wolf.

#### Proposals

Attached is the Request for Proposal (RFP) #20-01 for Outfitting of Big Game Hunting and the Hunting Areas Overview Packet. Pathfinder Ranches seeks leasing proposals of interested outfitters, consultants and/or agents by December 1, 2020. Directions for submittal are found within the RFP.

#### Contact Information

For questions or comments, please contact Matt directly at [Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com](mailto:Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com) (preferred) or at 307-459-3637. Pathfinder Ranches is found at [www.PathfinderRanches.com](http://www.PathfinderRanches.com) or [@pathfinderranches](https://www.instagram.com/pathfinderranches).



**PATHFINDER RANCHES, LLC  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) #20-01  
OUTFITTING OF BIG GAME HUNTING  
August 6, 2020**

Pathfinder Ranches, LLC  
PO Box 768  
Cheyenne, WY 82003-0768

Proposals Will Be Received Until **December 1, 2020 at 5:00pm MST** for Furnishing the Services Described in this RFP.

**PROPOSALS MAY BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO:**

Pathfinder Ranches, LLC  
PO Box 768  
Cheyenne, WY 82003-0768

Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com

The party submitting the Proposal acknowledges the provisions, terms, and conditions of this RFP, including all attachments and addenda, and agrees to be bound by those provisions, terms and conditions. Further, the party certifies that all information submitted in response to this RFP is correct and true. The person signing this form shall be an authorized signatory officer of the corporation or an individual authorized to bind the firm in a contract.

Name and Address of Firm:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ State of Incorporation: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**All updates are posted on the Pathfinder Website [www.PathfinderRanches.com](http://www.PathfinderRanches.com). It is the responsibility of the offeror to check back for updates.**

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## I. PURPOSE

This Request for Proposals (RFP) by Pathfinder Ranches, LLC, (“Pathfinder”), invites written proposals from qualified companies to lease the hunting rights on nearly 100,000 deeded acres in Central Wyoming. Pathfinder intends to contract for the above services as detailed in the Scope of Services contained in Section III of this RFP.

## II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Pathfinder owns and operates thirteen ranches in Central Wyoming including the Pathfinder Ranch, Dumbell Ranch, Buzzard Ranch and Sun Ranch. Other land uses of the ranches include Agribusiness, a Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Bank, and a Wetland Mitigation Bank that is currently under development.

The deeded lands of Pathfinder are located near Alcova, Wyoming and westward along Highway. 220; south along Kortess Rd; south along Buzzard Road; and north along Dry Creek Road. Pathfinder owns deeded property along the Sweetwater River and within the Ferris Mountain Range and Sweetwater Rocks. Maps of the deeded property are found in the attached Hunting Lease Packet.

Pathfinder is located 45 minutes west from Casper International Airport in Casper, Wyo. Casper is home to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center, the Tate Geological Museum, Casper Planetarium, Historic Fort Caspar, Casper whitewater park, and the Edness K. Wilkins State Park. Pathfinder is located near the Miracle Mile and Grey Reef segments of the North Platte River; known for their exceptional trout fishing. Many of the ranches border Pathfinder Reservoir. Several of Pathfinder’s ranches are adjacent to Independence Rock.

Pathfinder owns and maintains multiple lodging facilities throughout the properties for use during the fall hunting seasons should the hunting lessee seek to include their use into their outfitting operation. All facilities will be leased in an as-is condition. While Pathfinder may choose to upgrade facilities from time-to-time, it shall be under no obligation to do so.

- *Great Pathfinder Lodge* – High-end boutique lodging; 8 individual rooms with bathrooms; full bar and fancy dining; located on the Pathfinder Ranch in Elk Area 111, Deer Area 87 and Antelope Area 63.
- *Sand Creek Lodge* – Sleeps 10 with full kitchen; located on the Pathfinder Buzzard Ranch in Elk Area 111, Deer Area 87 and Antelope Area 63. Currently unfurnished.

- *Buzzard Bunkhouse* – Sleeps 4 – 6 with full kitchen; located on the Pathfinder Buzzard Ranch in Elk Area 111, Deer Area 87 and Antelope Area 63. Closest lodging to Elk Area 22.
- *Two Iron Ranch Quarters* – Three rooms can sleep 3 – 6 with full kitchen; located on the Pathfinder Two Iron Ranch at Leo, Wyoming. Located in Elk Area 16, Deer Area 70 and Antelope Area 48. Five miles from the Miracle Mile.
- *Dumbell Ranch Bunkhouses* – One cabin and one trailer house located on the Pathfinder Dumbell Ranch along Hwy. 220. Each unit has two beds and bath with full kitchens. Located in Elk Area 128, Deer Area 97 and Antelope Area 68.
- *Spear Ranch House* – Remote homestead house located in the heart of Elk Area 128, Deer Area 97 and Antelope Area 68. Two-bedroom house with kitchen. Currently unfurnished.

Pathfinder's land ownership, mitigation banking and agribusiness operations are backed by Sammons Enterprises, Inc., a \$104-billion employee-owned holding company headquartered in Dallas, Texas. Sammons Enterprises, Inc. is a diverse holding company composed of financial services, industrial equipment, real estate investment, and infrastructure businesses operating in five countries. Sammons was established in 1938.

### **III. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

In order to efficiently and productively lease the big game hunting rights of the property and utilize the lodging infrastructure for hunters, Pathfinder is hiring a big game hunting outfitter, consultant and/or booking agent to guide and outfit hunters during the Wyoming big game seasons and encourage non-resident preference point accumulation for the hunting areas of Pathfinder. The lease will be developed using a Pathfinder-determined take calculation for elk, deer, antelope, bighorn sheep and/or potentially mountain lion and gray wolf. The lease term will begin August 1, 2021 for the 2021 Wyoming big game hunting seasons. A Pathfinder Ranches Hunt Area Overview packet is attached that details all big game hunting areas, license quotas and drawing odds.

In addition to hunters receiving licenses through the preference point or random draws, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department offers landowner licenses to owners of deeded lands exceeding 160 acres and possessing the animal presence for a qualifying term through the year. Pathfinder Ranches and its parent company, Sammons Enterprises, qualifies for landowner licenses. As an employee-owned company, certain employees each year

are afforded the opportunity to hunt with these licenses and are required to utilize an outfitter when accessing Pathfinder Ranches. In addition to the outfitted employees, a minimal number of resident Pathfinder Ranches employees will maintain the opportunity to hunt deeded property throughout the big game seasons without an outfitter.

In partnership with the Southeast Chapter of the Muley Fanatic Foundation, Pathfinder Ranches operates a youth outdoor program encouraging youth to explore the Wyoming outdoors through hunting and photojournalism. Youth hunters access Pathfinder Ranches and submit their stories and photos to a panel of “celebrity” judges. Every youth hunter receives a backpack filled with hunting gear and the top three authors receive either a Weatherby firearm, Maven binoculars, or camouflage clothing shopping spree at Sportsman’s Warehouse in Cheyenne. The opportunity exists for the outfitter to participate in this low-cost marketing event. A select number of youth hunters will be allowed to access deeded lands at Pathfinder Ranches without an outfitter. Information can be found at: [www.PathfinderRanches.com/NGOP](http://www.PathfinderRanches.com/NGOP)

Pathfinder Ranches is supportive of habitat development that supports the health of big game populations on the ranches. Since 2018, Pathfinder Ranches has hosted Pathfinder Volunteer Days to develop springs and wet meadow habitat, remove woven wire fencing and create migration gates throughout the properties. The opportunity exists for the outfitter to work with Pathfinder Ranches on habitat enhancements that will promote greater outfitting opportunities.

#### **IV. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS**

- A. Questions or requests for clarification may be emailed to Matt Hoobler, Director of Operations at Pathfinder Ranches, at [Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com](mailto:Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com). All responses to inquires will be in writing in the form of a written addendum and will be posted on the Requestor website at [www.PathfinderRanches.com](http://www.PathfinderRanches.com). Tours of the property are available to potential outfitters and at the discretion of Pathfinder Ranches.

**Questions from Offerors must be received to Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com by noon on November 1, 2020** to ensure that the answers can be sent and received by the prospective Offerors for their consideration prior to the date proposals are due.

- B. One (1) Proposal shall be submitted to:

Pathfinder Ranches, LLC  
PO Box 768  
Cheyenne, WY 82003-0768

*<and / or>*

Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com

- C. All Proposals must be clearly marked with the following information: "RFP #20-01" and company name and address. Proposals shall clearly indicate the legal name, address, and telephone number of the Offeror (company, firm, partnership, or individual). Proposals shall be signed above the typed or printed name and title of the individual signing on behalf of the Offeror. All expenses incurred for submitting Proposals shall be borne by the Offeror. **All Proposals shall be received by 5:00 PM MST on December 1, 2020.** Any Proposal received after this time and date will not be considered. Proposals will be returned to the Offeror unopened if received by special carrier or not accepted if hand delivered by Offeror.
- D. The Offeror shall submit a proposal that demonstrates and provides evidence that the Offeror is able to provide suitable services and has the capabilities, professional expertise, and experience.
- E. Offerors are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the conditions and objectives of the items/services described in this RFP.

## **VI. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS**

- A. The proposal shall provide information necessary for Pathfinder to evaluate the Offeror's ability supply the services described in Section III of this RFP. The proposal shall also demonstrate the experience and capabilities of the Offeror and its project team in providing the proposed services and show experience providing the services.
- B. The proposal shall clearly indicate the Offeror's primary contact related to the provision of services described in Section III of this RFP.

- C. The Offeror shall provide a minimum of three (3) references that they have provided similar services for within the past two (2) years. The references shall include names, telephone numbers and email addresses for individuals that have detailed knowledge of Offeror's work and ability to deliver required services.
- D. Offeror shall provide one (1) reference that can supply evidence of its financial capacity to execute and administer the final lease arrangement to provide the services described in Section III of this RFP.
- E. Offeror shall provide a detailed description of all fees and other payments that it proposes to pay under a final lease arrangement. Offeror shall also supply detailed staffing, business and finance plans to support its operations under the final lease. Offeror should specifically and separately detail proposed fees and other payments it intends to pay for structure rental, access, outfitting and guiding services, etc. If Offeror intends to include a guide option for Sammons' landowner tag recipients, it should specifically describe the fees and rates that it intends to charge and the accommodations and services that it intends to provide. Offeror shall also clearly indicate a projected timeline for initiating and advancing its operations pursuant to a final lease arrangement.

## **VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

### **A. Attorney's Fees**

In the event of any action brought by either party against the other to enforce any of the obligations hereunder or arising out of any dispute concerning the terms and conditions hereby created, each party shall pay their own attorney's fees, costs and expenses, except in a case of default by the Offeror, the Offeror shall be responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs including, but not limited to fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or other dispute resolution costs.

B. Binding Effect

The terms, provisions, covenants and conditions contained in any resulting contract shall apply to, insure to the benefit of, and be binding upon the parties hereto and upon their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors, and permitted assigns except as otherwise expressly provided.

C. Compliance of Law

The Offeror providing services to Pathfinder under any contract resulting from this RFP represents and warrants to Pathfinder that it is complying with federal, state and local laws and regulation applicable to the performance of the services procured.

D. Contract Changes

No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent or employee of Pathfinder either before or after execution of the contract resulting from this RFP or follow-on negotiations shall affect or modify any of the terms or obligations contained in the contract. No alterations to the terms and conditions of the contract shall be valid or binding upon Pathfinder unless made in writing.

E. Contract Documents

The contract entered into by Pathfinder and the selected Offeror shall consist of this RFP, any addendum issued, the proposal submitted by the Offeror, a final lease and any approved change orders issued, all of which shall be referred to collectively as the Contract Documents. Additional documents which the parties agree to include as contract documents may be set forth in the final contract.

F. Force Majeure

In any contract resulting from this RFP, neither party shall be liable hereunder by reason of any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations hereunder (except for the payment of money) on account of strikes, industry wide material shortages, riots, insurrection, fires, flood, storm, explosions, earthquakes, pandemic flu, acts of God,

war, governmental action, and labor conditions.

G. Governing Law

In any contract resulting from this RFP, the parties agree that this agreement is governed by and shall be interpreted in accordance the laws of the state of Wyoming, and that proper venue, in the event of litigation concerning this matter, shall be in the District Court of Laramie County, Wyoming.

H. Headings

Headings in the RFP and any resulting contract are informational only and the substance of each numbered or lettered provision shall prevail in the event of any ambiguity or inconsistency between a heading and its content.

J. Interpretation

Words of any gender used in any contract resulting from this RFP shall be held and construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular number shall be held to include the plural, and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires.

K. Partial Invalidity

Neither any payment for, nor acceptance of, the whole or any part of the services by Pathfinder, nor any extension of time, shall operate as a waiver of any provision of any contract resulting from this RFP, nor of any power reserved to Pathfinder, or any right to damages provided, nor shall any waiver of any breach of any contract be held to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. Failure of Pathfinder to require compliance with any term or condition of any contract shall not be deemed a waiver of such term or condition nor a waiver of the subsequent enforcement thereof.

L. Proposal Withdrawal

Any Proposal may be withdrawn up until the time set above for the opening of the Proposal. Any Proposals not withdrawn shall

constitute an irrevocable offer for a period of 45 days.

M. RFP Proposal and Clarification

Pathfinder reserves the right to request clarification of information submitted and to request additional information of one or more Offerors. Each Offeror shall examine the RFP documents and shall judge all matters relating to the adequacy and accuracy of such documents. Any inquiries, suggestions or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the RFP shall be made in writing to Matt Hoobler at Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com. Pathfinder shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any employee, representative, or others. The issuance of a written addendum signed by Matt Hoobler is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification, or additional information can be given. Any addenda issued for this RFP will be posted on Pathfinder's website at [www.PathfinderRanches.com](http://www.PathfinderRanches.com).

N. Release and Ownership of Information

Pathfinder shall make a good faith effort to identify and make available to the Offeror all non-confidential technical and administrative data in its possession which Pathfinder may lawfully release including, but not limited to contract specifications, correspondence, and other information specified and required by the Offeror and relating to its work to provide the services described in Section III of this RFP. Pathfinder reserves its rights of ownership to all material given to the Offeror and to all background information, documents, and computer software and documentation developed by the Offeror in performing any Contract resulting from this RFP.

No reports, information or data given to or prepared by the Offeror under the resulting Contract and/or lease shall be made available to any individual or organization by the Offeror without the prior written approval of Pathfinder, which approval Pathfinder shall be under no obligation to grant.

As may be allowed by law, any information, ideas, or concepts that Pathfinder receives during the procurement process from any

Offeror's written proposal, any discussion or interview with the Offeror or as a result of any portion of the procurement process for the services described in this RFP shall become the property of Pathfinder. Pathfinder may use this information for any purpose without compensation to the Offeror from whom the information was received.

O. RFP Determinations

At its sole discretion, Pathfinder may select any proposal, reject any or all proposals, withdraw this RFP, modify this RFP, or extend the **December 1, 2020 at 5:00pm MST** deadline for proposal submissions. Should Pathfinder elect to modify this RFP or extend the proposal deadline, all Offerors that have submitted a proposal shall have the opportunity to rescind, modify, resubmit, or maintain the proposal they have submitted, so long as such Offerors indicate their intention in writing to Matt Hoobler at [Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com](mailto:Matt.Hoobler@PathfinderRanches.com) and, for those wishing to modify or resubmit their proposal, meet any modified deadline for proposal submission.

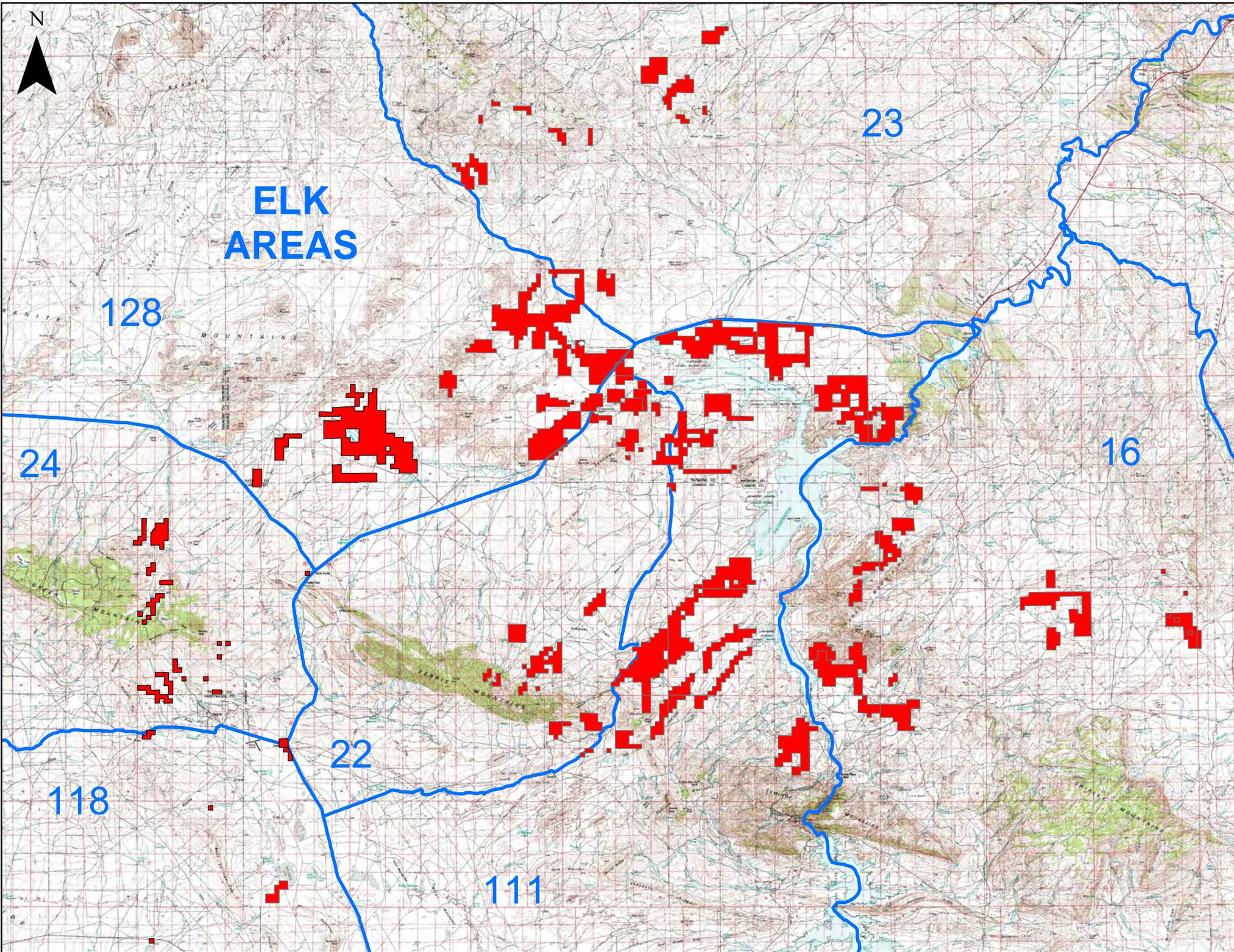
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### Elk – Area 16

Southeastern Wyoming unit in lower elevation mountains. Has been producing some great bulls lately. Big unit with private land limiting access. Some public land to hunt for hunters willing to work hard and use GPS. Plenty of elk and a good opportunity for a 320-330" bull and 350+ potential. Easy, high desert terrain. **(Epic Outdoors)**

Shirley Mountain Early/Late 280-330+ bulls available with a couple of 350+ bulls taken each year. The better bulls can typically be found on private land. There is a 550,000-acre private ranch in this unit that offers guided hunts. Decent amount of public land, especially in the Shirley and Seminoe mountain ranges. Good access, but it will require some research and a GPS. Physically easy with some more rugged terrain at higher elevations. Type 1 is an early hunt, while type 2 is a late season post-rut hunt. Either license will also allow you to archery hunt during the September archery season. **(Huntin Fool)**

The Shirley Mountains have always been a very solid and consistent elk hunt for a good 280 to 320-class bull. The occasional 350 or 360-class bull has been taken here from time to time on a good year, but these types of bulls are certainly not the norm. This unit offers two different hunts for bulls. A Type 1 hunt in October and a Type 2 late hunt in the month of November. The later hunt has a tick better success rate (73%), but the earlier October hunt (67%) tends to produce the larger bulls on average. The Type 1 rifle hunters and bowhunters here can expect to have a good chance at a nice 300 to 330-type bull, while the late season, Type 2 elk hunters may expect to have a good chance at a 280-320 class bull. The access here can be very problematic, but if you can find a place to hunt, mostly with an outfitter, your chances of killing a good bull are very high. There are three HMAs in this unit to look into for public access which is encouraging. This area will take close to max points to draw, in the 13 or 14-point range. The Shirley Mountain Unit may be one of the best places in Wyoming for an elk hunter to kill a nice 6-point bull with relatively little effort on a good year. **(Eastmans)**

### Elk – Area 22

Smaller unit in central Wyoming that typically provides a good hunt. High desert public land mountain range that is typically a great hunt. Low pressure and high success hunt for 320-340" type bulls. Can hunt self-guided in lower elevations. **(Epic Outdoors)**

Ferris 280 - 330+ bulls available with a potential 350+ bull. The archery season is hands down the best time to harvest a big bull as there is hardly any hunting pressure. The Ferris Mountains are mostly public land, but there is some private lands, so be sure to have a GPS. There is some rugged country at upper elevations, but a lot of the unit is rolling sage foothills. Big bulls move into thicker terrain after the rut and can be tough to glass as the country is broken. In 2019, the type 1 license was also valid November 15-December 15 in units 22 and 111. **(Huntin Fool)**

The Ferris elk area in Wyoming has become somewhat of an all-star when it comes to elk hunting in the Cowboy State. With an elk herd way over objective, a bull to cow ratio that is nearly unheard of (60:100), and very few tags (40) available, this elk hunt could be one of the best in

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the state when it comes to hunter satisfaction. With an October 8th opener, this elk hunt can produce a very high-quality elk hunting experience for a good bull in the 320 and up class. This area is very small and the elk are somewhat concentrated. With almost 90% public land in the unit and a 71% hunter success rate, this hunt is very high on the list for both opportunity and hunt quality. On a good year like we had in 2014, the bulls in here can exceed 350, but a drought year like we experienced in 2012 can easily drop that down to the 320 class. A nonresident applicant will need maximum preference points (14) to even think about hunting here. This elk hunt would be a bowhunter's dream come true if you can manage to draw the tag. **(Eastmans)**

### **Elk – Area 23**

Central Wyoming lower elevation unit with some big bulls but private land severely limits access. Elk load up on big ranches. Expect to pay a high trespass fee. Public land hunters should avoid this unit. 340+ bulls. **(Epic Outdoors)**

Rattlesnake - 260 - 320+ bulls available with the potential for a 350+ bull. The archery season is the best hunt on the unit as you don't have much hunting pressure as most people who draw this license usually rifle hunt. There is enough public land to hunt, but you are going to need a GPS and there is private land spread throughout. This is more of a desert hunt that is not very physically demanding. Hiring an outfitter can help with access to the private lands. The type 1 license is also valid November 15 - December 15. This is a good time to catch bulls wintering on public land. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality good. **(Eastmans)**

### **Elk – Area 24**

Unit sits in central Wyoming and consists of a high desert, public land mountain range that can be hunted self-guided. Bulls can still be bugling on the rifle opener. Sometimes elk can be concentrated, leading to crowding issues. Expect 300-330" bulls. (Epic Outdoors)

Green Mountain - 260-320+ bulls available with a few better bulls taken each year. The archery hunt is by far the best hunt on the unit as you don't have much hunting pressure as most people who draw this license are rifle hunters. A lot of public land with good road access throughout, so it is tough to get away from hunters on the rifle hunt. Bulls will still be rutting on the opening day of rifle season. The terrain is mostly mild with some breaks country and thick aspen areas in the Green Mountains. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality good. **(Eastmans)**

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### **Elk – Area 111**

Located in south-central Wyoming with prairie type terrain in lower elevation mountain ranges. Private lands are a big part of this unit and can draw and keep elk, so public land hunters can get frustrated. Has 340+ potential and very low tag numbers. **(Epic Outdoors)**

Seminole 300-330+ bulls with the better potential on private land. The archery hunt is your best chance to harvest a better bull. Very few licenses make for an enjoyable hunt, but on the rifle hunt, elk can get pressured more onto private land. A GPS is going to be a must on this hunt. The terrain is more open and glassable. Always high hunter success on this hunt. An outfitter can help with access onto private lands. In 2019, the type 1 license was also valid November 15-December 15 in unit 22 and 111. **(Huntin Fool)**

With an increased and doubled quota of 50 tags in 2018, the demand for this hunt has diminished slightly in the past few years. The success rates here have jumped and now have hovered above 80% for the past five years and counting. Over 400 nonresident hopefuls applied for only two elk tags in this area, making this area an unnecessary max point draw. The bulls in here seem to top out at about the 340" mark on a normal year, but on a good year, there could be a few giants running round in the junipers here. With good access to the 50% public ground, plenty of elk and very high bull to cow ratio (60:100), along with limited tags available, a bow hunt here would be a very high-quality experience. **(Eastmans)**

### **Elk – Area 118**

Shamrock Hills - 260 - 300" bulls available with better potential on private land. Big, wide open expanses of open desert high plains. Mostly BLM, state, and private land. There is quite a bit of public land, but elk really like the private land. There are very few bull licenses issued, which makes for an enjoyable hunt with minimal hunting pressure. The archery hunt can be great. Some big bulls killed over water during the archery hunt. An outfitter can help with access onto private land. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality good. **(Eastmans)**

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Elk

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
16	1	Oct 1- Oct 31 (Any elk), Dec 1 - Jan 1 (Antlerless)	150	30	Regular 100% 13 pp, Special 11% 12 pp	Regular .3 %	8%	68%	50%	Excellent
	2	Nov 1 - Nov 30 (Any elk), Dec 1 - Jan 1 (Antlerless)	50	10	Regular 60% 13 pp, Special 33% 12 pp	No license offered	9%	75%		
	4	Oct 1 - Jan 31 (Antlerless), Sept 1 - Sept 30 (Antlerless Hanna Draw HMA)	300	60	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 65% Regular 2nd choice, No 1st choice Special applicants, 100% Special 2nd and 3rd choice	100% 1st choice, 49% 2nd choice	42%		
	6	Oct 1 - Jan 31 (Cow or calf), August 15 - Sept 30 (Cow or calf on private land, 1/2 mile of irrigated lands or the Hanna Draw HMA)	300	60		48% 1st choice	51%	63%		
22	1	Oct 8 - Oct 31 (Any elk), Nov 15 - Dec 15 (Any elk, also valid in 111) Dec 16 - Dec 31 (Antlerless)	40	8	Regular 6% 13 pp, Special 20% 13 pp	No license offered	5%	73%	85%	Excellent
	6	Oct 8 - Oct 31 (Cow or calf - only Muddy Creek) Drainage, Nov 1- Jan 31 (Antlerless entire area)	50	10		6% 1st choice	40%	41%		

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<b>23</b>	1	Oct 1 - Oct 31 (Any elk), Nov 15 - Dec 15 (Any elk)	150	30	Regular 11% 9 pp, Special 50% 7 pp	Regular 3%, Special 5%	19%	63%	51%	Good
	4	Oct 1 - Oct 31 (Antlerless), Nov 15 - Dec 15 (Antlerless)	125	25	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 67% Regular 2nd choice, No 1st choice Special applicants, 100% Special 2nd choice, No 3rd choice Special applicants	100% 1st choice, 79% 2nd choice	26%		
	6	Oct 1 - Oct 31 (Cow or calf), Nov 15 - Dec 15 (Cow or calf)	200	40		89% 1st choice	100% 1st choice, 46% 2nd choice	30%		
	7	Nov 15 - Dec 15 (Cow or calf)	50	10		80% 1st choice	95% 1st choice	50%		

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24	1	Oct 1 - Oct 14 (Any elk), Nov 1 - Nov 30 (Antlerless)	175	35	Regular 58% 12 pp, Special 100% <12 pp	1.5% 1st choice	12%	57%	90%	Good
	4	Oct 1 - Oct 14 (Antlerless), Nov 1 - Nov 30 (Antlerless also valid in 128)	75	15	Regular 25% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	50% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 100% Special 2nd choice applicants, No Special 3rd choice applicants	64%	31%		
	5	Nov 1 - Nov 30 (Antlerless)	175	35	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 43% Regular 2nd choice, No 1st choice Special applicants, 100% 2nd choice Special applicants, No 3rd choice Special applicants	100% 1st choice, 27% 2nd choice	43%		

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Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
<b>111</b>	1	Oct 10 - Oct 31 (Any elk), Nov 15 - Dec 15 (Any elk also valid in 22), Dec 16 - Dec 31 (Antlerless elk)	50	10	Regular 100% 12 pp, Regular 75% 12 pp	No licenses offered	8%	75%	65%	Excellent
	4	Oct 10 - Dec 31 (Antlerless)	50	10	Regular 50% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 13% Regular 2nd choice, No Special licenses available	100% 1st choice , 66% 2nd choice	10%		
	6	Nov 1- Dec 31 (cow or calf)	100	20		40%	100% 1st choice, 49% 2nd choice	42%		
<b>118</b>	1	Oct 22 - Nov 12 (Antlered elk)	25	5	Regular 67% 11 pp, 40% 10 pp	No license offered	18%	50%	70%	Good
	4	Oct 22 - Nov 30 (Antlerless elk)	25	5	Regular 100% 0pp, 100% 0 pp	No Regular applicants, No Special licenses available	100% 1st choice , 46% 2nd choice	20%		
	6	Oct 22 - Nov 30 (Cow or calf valid south of the Mineral X Road (Sweetwater County Road 63 and BLM. Road 3206)	50	10		36%	100% 1st choice , 44% 2nd choice	42%		
<b>128</b>	General	Oct 1 - Oct 14 (Antlered elk), Oct 1 -7 (Any elk)			Regular 27% 2 pp , Special 18% 1pp	Regular 14%, Special 25%		21%	80%	Not Rated <i>Marginal</i>

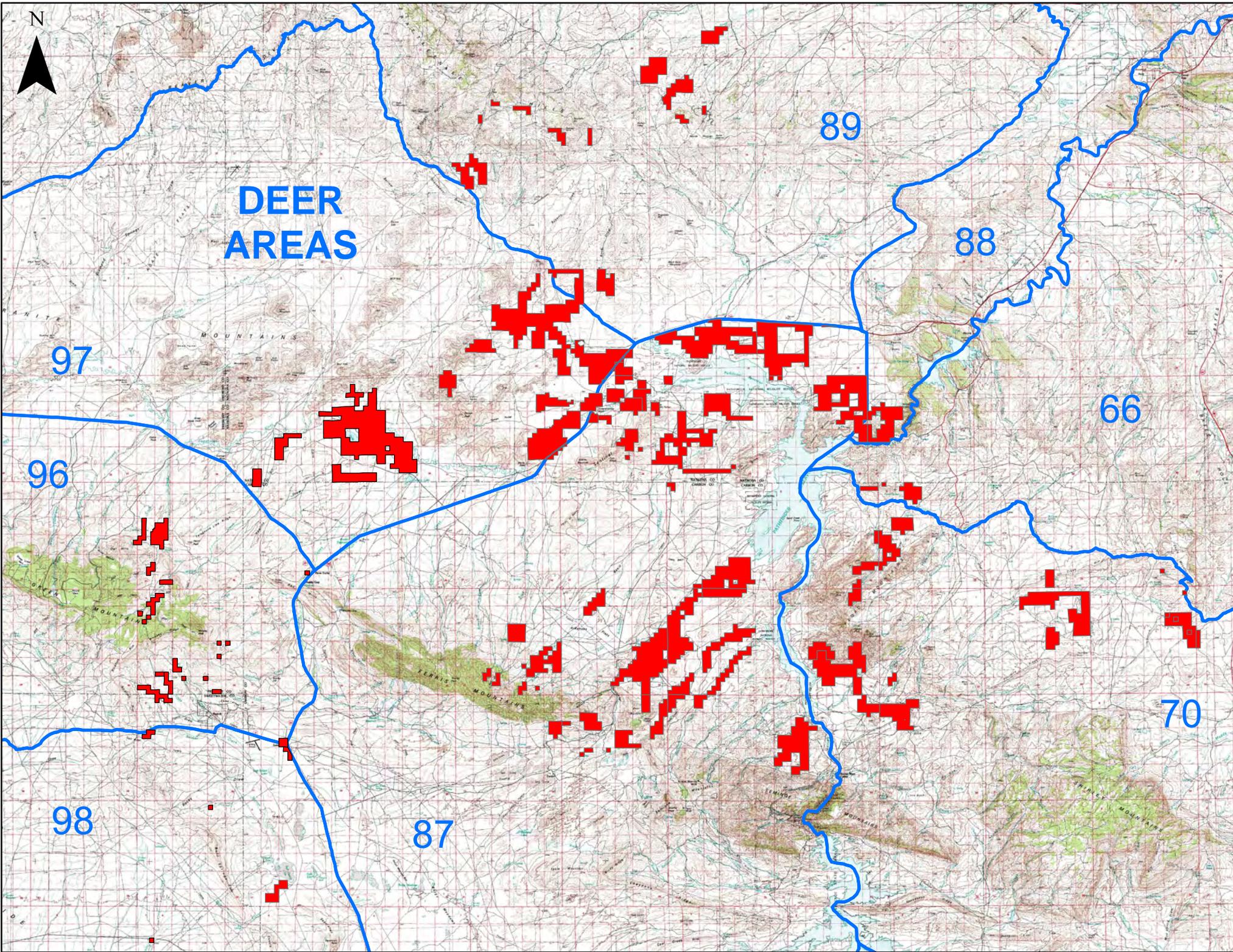


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DEER

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## Pathfinder Ranches Hunt Area Overviews

### Deer – Area 66, 70, 88, 97 and 98

Trophy quality marginal. **(Eastmans)**

### Deer – Area 87

High desert unit with plenty of public land and good access with some private mixed in. Great spot and stalk terrain. Unit produced a few great bucks in 2019 but tag increases in the past have added pressure on the better deer, making it tougher to expect a 180+ buck. Some private land that can hold a few better bucks or make access to specific pieces of public land better. Expect 160-175" type bucks with 180+ potential if you have time to scout and get a break on a bigger deer. **(Epic Outdoors)**

160-170+ bucks available. Even with tag reduction in 2019, there are too many tags issued to expect much for trophy quality. It is getting tough to find a 170+" buck in this unit. Mostly high desert unit with the Ferris and Seminoe Mountains splitting the unit in half. The northern half of the unit is mostly public land with chunks of private land scattered throughout, and the southern half is almost entirely checkered boarded with private/public land. Outside of the Ferris Mountains, most of the deer are in moderate terrain with good access by vehicle. A good hunt that can be less strenuous, and you can look over a lot of bucks. Hunters averaged 6 days to harvest a deer in 2019. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality excellent. **(Eastmans)**

### Deer – Area 89

High desert terrain with some timbered lower hills and mountains with a mix of public and private lands. Tag increases have made it tougher to find a bigger deer. Easy terrain, but private land limits access. Does have some "Walk-in Access" properties but self-guided hunters should be prepared to work hard and study maps/GPS to hunt the unit. Private land is good, but still not always a true trophy hunt. Expect 160-170" bucks with a few better. **(Epic Outdoors)**

160-170+ bucks available. Quality is struggling, but with limited access it provided a few 180 class bucks in 2019. High desert with a few scattered mountain ranges on the southern end. Access is decent, especially on the southern part of the unit where there is a HMA and WIA access land, but there is quite a bit scattered private and public land that can be frustrating. Most of this unit consists of moderate rolling ridges with tall sage canyons providing most of the cover. Try and get away from roads as much as possible for better age classes. Hunters averaged 6 days to harvest a deer in 2019. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality excellent. **(Eastmans)**

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Deer

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
66	General Region D	Oct 15 - Oct 21 (Antlered mule deer 3 points or more on either antler or any white-tail)		400	Regular 69% < 1 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	24% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 100% Special 2nd choice, 78% Special 3rd choice	General	Mule deer 42%	51%	Marginal
	3 (Valid for 66, 88, 89) <b>Apply for 66-3</b>	Oct 15 - Nov 30 (Any white-tail deer)	150	30	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 89 % Regular 2nd choice, No Special 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice applicants	62%	White-tail 63%		
	8 (Valid for 66, 88, 89) <b>Apply for 66-3</b>	Oct 15 - Nov 30 (Doe or fawn white-tail deer) Aug 15 - Oct 14 (Doe or fawn white-tailed deer valid in 88)	150	30		43% 1st choice	82%	86%		

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Deer

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
<b>70</b>	General Region D	Oct 15-Oct 22 (Antlered mule deer or any white-tailed deer)		400	Regular 69% < 1 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	24% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 100% Special 2nd choice, 78% Special 3rd choice		54% mule deer	53%	Marginal
	3	Oct 1 - Dec 31 (Any white-tail deer)	50	10	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 1 pp	No Regular 1st choice applicants, 14% Regular 2nd choice, 100% Special 1st choice, No Special 2nd or 3rd choice applicants	54%	40% White-tail		
	8	Oct 1 - Dec 31 (Doe or fawn white-tail deer)	100	20		43% 1st choice	75%	57%		
<b>87</b>	1	Oct 15-Oct 31 (Antlered mule deer or any white-tail deer )	100	20	Regular 40% <13 pp, Special 33% 10 pp	Regular 1.4%, Special 2.5%	9%	Mule deer 80%, Whitetail 23%	70%	Excellent

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Deer

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
<b>88</b>	General Region D	Oct 15-Oct 21 (Antlered mule deer or any white-tail deer)		400	Regular 69% < 1 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	24% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 100% Special 2nd choice, 78% Special 3rd choice		42%	41%	Marginal
	3 (Valid for 66, 88, 89) <b>Apply for 66-3</b>	Oct 15 - Nov 30 (Any White-tail deer)	150	30	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 89 % Regular 2nd choice, No Special 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice applicants	62%	63%		
	8 (Valid for 66, 88, 89) <b>Apply for 66-8</b>	Oct 15 - 30 (doe or fawn white-tail deer)	150	30		100% 1st and 2nd choice	100% 1st and 2nd choice	86%		

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Deer

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
89	1	Oct 15 - Oct 31 (Antlered deer)			Regular 50% 10 pp, Special 29% 9 pp	Regular 3.7 %, Special 6.5 %	16%	Mule Deer 90%, White-tail 27%	53%	Excellent
	3 (Valid for 66, 88, 89) <b>Apply for 66-3</b>	Oct 15 - Nov 30 (Any white-tail deer)	150	30	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	No 1st choice Regular applicants, 89 % Regular 2nd choice, No Special 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice applicants	62%	63%		
	8 (Valid for 66, 88, 89) <b>Apply for 66-8</b>	Oct 15 - Nov 30 30 (Doe or fawn white-tail deer)	150	30		100% 1st and 2nd choice	100% 1st and 2nd choice	86%		
96	General Region Q	Oct 15-Oct 20 (Antlered mule deer or any white-tail deer)		125	Regular 100% < 1 pp, Special 100% 0pp	33% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 54% Special 2nd choice	General	Mule Deer 50%, white-tail 12%	90%	

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Deer

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
<b>97</b>	General Region Q	Oct 15-Oct 20 (Antlered mule deer or any white-tail deer)		125	Regular 100% < 1 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	33% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 54% Special 2nd choice	General	Mule deer 50%, White-tail 15%	85%	Marginal
	3	Oct 15 - Nov 30 (Any white-tail deer)	25	5	Regular 100% 0 pp, Special 50% 0 pp	No Regular or Special licenses available	63%	White-tail 50%		
	8	Oct 15 - Nov 30 (Antlerless white-tail deer)	50	10		81%	100% 1st and 2nd choice	69%		
<b>98</b>	General Region Q	Oct 15-Oct 20 (Antlered mule deer or any white-tail deer, archery or muzzle-loading firearms only)		125	Regular 100% < 1 pp, Special 100% 0 pp	33% Regular 1st choice, No Special 1st choice applicants, 54% Special 2nd choice	General	Mule deer 39%, White-tail 0%	70%	Marginal

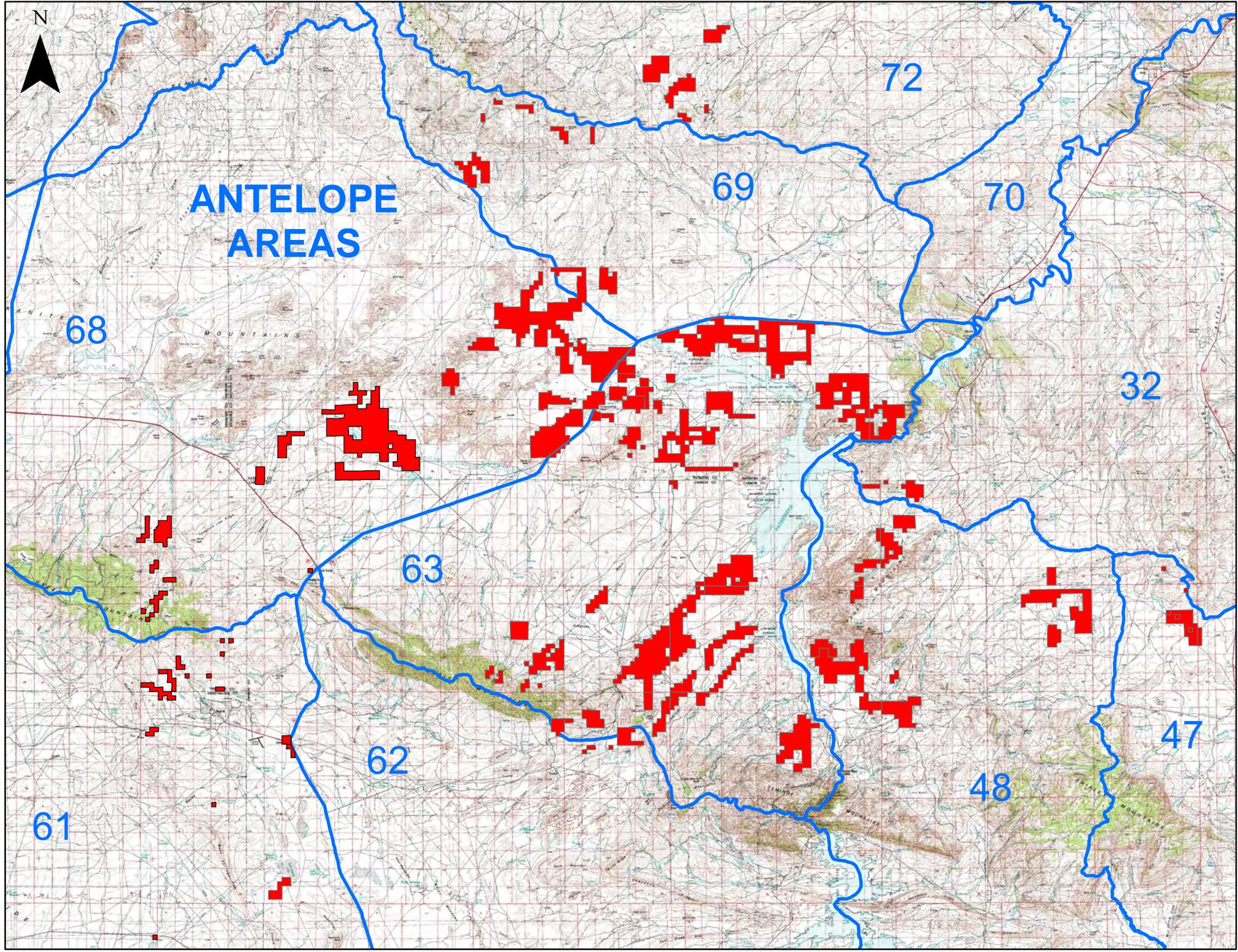


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## Pathfinder Ranches Hunt Area Overviews

### **Antelope – Areas 32, 47, 48, 69 and 72**

Trophy quality good. **(Eastmans)**

### **Antelope – Area 61**

One of the top units in the Red Desert of Wyoming. Big public and unit with historically big buck potential, but has been tougher to find the very top end type buck in recent years. Has great genetics, so always has the chance at a B&C buck with a lot of effort and a potential for a giant. Northern half is heavily public and the southern end is checkered public and private with some access to some of the private land. **(Epic Outdoors)**

Tags were cut in half in 2019. Hunters must be prepared to look over hundreds of bucks to find one of the great bucks. Unit is mostly public land with good road access with some checkboarded private/public land in the south. Roads can get very sticky with wet weather. You can day hunt this unit out of Rawlins. Usually the further you get from Rawlins the better and less spooked bucks are. Some good bucks were taken out of this unit last year, and with the tag reductions, this unit should only get better (Any antelope licenses were increased from 50 to 150 in 2020). **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality excellent. **(Eastmans)**

### **Antelope – Area 62**

Unit has great genetics that have produced some great bucks. Public and private land with some access to private that has been restricted in recent years. Can still turn up a great buck on public land, self-guided, especially in the northern half of the unit if you spend some time. B&C potential, but quality has slipped. Tougher hunt for trophy bucks recently. A tag reduction from 75 to 50 total tags is proposed for 2020, due in part to a tough winter. **(Epic Outdoors)**

The northern third is mostly public land with some private land, with some offering walk-in access. The southern two-thirds is checkerboarded private/public land. A GPS is recommended. There is a good road access throughout most of the unit. You can day hunt this unit out of Rawlins. Great genetics, but you are going to have to put in a lot of time to take a big buck on public land in this unit. Type 1 allows hunters to hunt the entire unit, but type 2 restricts hunters to hunting the northeastern part of the unit. The type 2 is still a good hunt especially for the required points to draw, but it has much more limited public land, so you will need an OnXmap chip to hunt it. Some 80" potential but not many of them on public land. Mostly 75" to 78" bucks. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality excellent. **(Eastmans)**

## Pathfinder Ranches Hunt Area Overviews

### **Antelope – Area 63**

Smaller unit south of Casper and north of Rawlins adjacent to Pathfinder Reservoir. Great public access, especially with all the HMA land to hunt. Plenty of roads in and around public land. The type 1 hunt allows hunters to hunt unit wide, and the type 2 hunt limits hunters to hunting the east side of the Buzzard Road. Both hunts have the same season dates, so the east side of the unit will be pretty crowded on opening weekend. With the addition of tags in 2019, antelope were very skittish. Overall, it's a great hunt for mid-70's class bucks with a few bigger. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality good. **(Eastmans)**

### **Antelope – Area 68**

One of the better units in the state in recent years. Great public land unit that has produced some great bucks in recent years. Has the potential for 80+" if you spend time looking over plenty of bucks. Some antelope migrate to the southern portion of this unit later in the hunt. Recommended increase of 100 additional tags for 2020, along with additional increases in the recent past may start to have an effect on buck quality. **(Epic Outdoors)**

Big high desert unit that is made up of mostly public land. The Sweetwater River splits the unit, and you will find more private land along the river. There is walk-in access on some of the private land. This unit has a ton of antelope scattered throughout. Plan on looking over hundreds of bucks before you find a shooter. Typically great bucks in this unit. Good road access into most parts of the unit. **(Huntin Fool)**

Trophy quality good. **(Eastmans)**

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Antelope

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
32	1	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Any antelope)	600	120	Regular 23% 4 pp, Special 75% 2 pp	Regular 11%, Special 24%	100% 1st choice, 4% 2nd choice	84%	53%	Good
	6	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Doe or fawn)	400	80		44%	100% 1st first choice, 100% 2nd choice	78%		
	7	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Doe or fawn on or within 1 mile of irrigated land)	150	30		100% 1st choice, 43% 2nd choice	100% 1st choice, 100% 2nd choice	82%		
47	1	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Any antelope)	500	100	Regular 22% 5 pp, Special 17% 2 pp	Regular 5%, Special 17%	46%	92%	43%	Good
	2	Oct 5- Oct 31 (Any antelope)	300	60	Regular 25% 4 pp, Special 100% < 3pp	Regular 10 %, Special 7%	85%	83%		
	6	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Doe or fawn)	350	70		13% 1st choice	91%	83%		
48	1	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Any antelope)	150	30	Regular 17% < 7 pp, Special 43% < 5 pp	Regular 4%, Special 7%	55%	93%	50%	Good
	2	Oct 5- Oct 31 (Any antelope)	150	30	Regular 100% 6 pp, Special 29% < 3 pp	Regular 7%, Special 10%	100% 1st choice, 13% 2nd choice	79%		
	6	Sept 25- Oct 31 (Doe or fawn)	50	10		7% 1st choice	51%	84%		
61	1	Sept 12 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	150	30	Regular 50% < 12 pp, Special 100% 13 pp	Regular 0.4%, Special 1.4%	7%	82%	75%	Excellent

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Antelope

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
62	1	Sept 12 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	50	10	Regular 100% 11 pp, Special 20% < 10 pp	Regular 2%, Special 5%	28%	81%	60%	Excellent
	2	Sept 12 - Oct 31 (Any antelope east of the Continental Divide and north of Wise Dugout Draw)	50	10	Regular 100% 8 pp, Special 100% < 6pp	Regular 6%, Special 11%	79%	75%		
63	1	Sept 19 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	200	40	Regular 75% < 7 pp, Special 50% 4pp	Regular 3%, Special 13%	49%	80%	80%	Good
	2	Sept 19 - Oct 31 (Any antelope east of the Buzzard Road (Natrona County Road 410-Carbon County Rd 497)	350	70	Regular 83% 4 pp, Special 45% < 3pp	Regular 13%, Special 10%	100% 1st choice, 71% 2nd choice	81%		
	6	Sept 19 - Oct 31 (Doe or fawn)	150	30		36% 1st choice	100% 1st choice, 100% 2nd choice	80%		
	7	Sept 19 - Oct 31 (Doe or fawn east of the Buzzard Road (Natrona County Road 410-Carbon County Rd 497)	250	50		100% 1st choice, 60% 2nd choice	100% 1st choice, 100% 2nd choice	89%		

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Antelope

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
<b>68</b>	1	Sept 19 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	500	100	Regular 59% 8pp, Special 54% 7 pp	Regular 4%, Special 10%	47%	82%	80%	
	6	Sept 19 - Oct 31 (Doe or fawn)	150	30		24% 1st choice	100% 1st choice, 5% 2nd choice	80%		
<b>69</b>	1	Sept 15 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	200	40	Regular 46% 6pp, Special 100% < 4pp	Regular 7%, Special 31%	66%	90%	77%	Good
	6	Sept 15 - Oct 31 (Doe or fawn)	200	40		100% 1st choice, 100% 2nd choice	100% 1st choice, 100% 2nd choice	86%		
<b>72</b>	1	Sept 15 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	600	120	Regular 69% 5pp, Special 67% < 4pp	Regular 6%, Special 17%	95%	88%	47%	Good
	6	Sept 15 - Oct 31 (Any antelope)	400	80		63% 1st choice	100% 1st choice, 100% 2nd choice	94%		

## Pathfinder Ranches Hunt Area Overviews

### **Bighorn Sheep**

#### **Area 17/23**

Ferris, Seminoe - One of the best hunts in the state. 170+ potential. Good genetics for heavy bases. A 6-year old ram was harvested in 2019 that had 17" basis. A lot of public land, but have your GPS as the rams can also be found on private land. Great self-guided hunt. The terrain consists of open breaks and sage hills rams. Rams average 7 years old. **(Huntin Fool)**

One of the better units open to nonresidents. Includes units 17 and 26. Some great rams available here with sheep in lower elevation mountains and break country, in south-central Wyoming. No wilderness, so self-guided is an option. Not as many old rams but genetics for big bases and good scoring rams. Unit seems to be stable, allowing enough tags to again have a nonresident tag for 2020. Average age of harvested ram was 7.8 in 2019, 5.8 in 2018, 4.5 in 2017, and N/A in 2016. **(Epic Outdoors)**

A fairly new sheep unit to the scene, this area is getting better and better each year. This sheep herd is young and still maturing and I think the future holds some very good things for this area. A true giant of a ram was taken here last fall with a bow which may be a sign of good things to come here. This hunt boasts a 100% success rate for the last four seasons. A sheep hunter has never gone home empty-handed on this hunt. The rams in this area have been a tick on the smaller side with an average of only 32" on the length and only four years of age. The rams in this unit do boast some of the largest bases in the state on average however. But if you have a lot of points and just want a nice bighorn ram in fairly mild country then this could be the hunt for you. Near to max points of 25 will probably be a requirement to hunt this area. **(Eastmans)**

### **Mountain Lion / Grey Wolf**

Additional opportunity exists for hunting of large predators on a limited basis.

Pathfinder Hunt Overview  
Bighorn Sheep

Hunt Area	License Type	Season Dates	License Quota Total	License Quota NR	Draw Rate NR Preference Points	Draw Rate NR Random	Draw Rate R Preference Points	Draw Rate R Random	Success Rate	% Public Land	Trophy Quality <i>See Appendix</i>
17/26	Type 1	Sept 1 - Oct 31	5	1	100% 23 pp, 0% < 23 pp	No licenses available	33% 23 pp	0.46%	100%	NA	Excellent