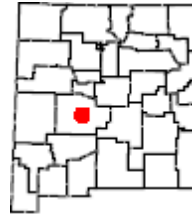




Rhodes Ranch, Socorro, OG.148



GMU: 18

Access Type: Hunting, Walk-In Access only.

Access Hrs: 2 hrs before sunrise to 2 hrs after sunset.

Information: This property contains 702 acres located in GMU 18, a few miles south of Socorro, NM off Bosquecito Rd. The ranch is situated along the east bank of the Rio Grande River, in the Middle Rio Grande Valley (MRGV). The MRGV functions as an annual staging and wintering corridor for migrant birds, including dove, sandhill crane, and waterfowl. It also holds pockets of turkey, quail, pheasant, and deer where habitat is available.

Permitted Activities: Hunting is only permitted on this property during the seasons and dates specified in the Open Gate lease agreement between the Department of Wildlife 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 (Mourning, White-winged and Eurasian Collared Doves, and Band-tailed Pigeon)	 Please see the 2026-2027 Hunting Rules and Information. <i>Page 142: Upland Game</i> <i>Page 145: Migratory Game Birds</i>	Eurasian Collard Doves may only be hunted during open seasons for Mourning and White-winged doves. Refer to Migratory Game Bird Supplement 
Quail Hunting	 Please see the 2026-2027 Hunting Rules and Information. <i>Page 142: Upland Game</i>	
Pheasant Hunting	 Please see the 2026-2027 Hunting Rules and Information. <i>Page 142: Upland Game</i>	
Spring Turkey Hunting	Youth Only: Apr. 10 – 12, 2026 Legal Sporting Arm: Apr. 15 – May 15, 2026	Refer to Hunting Rules and Information Booklet for bag limits and additional information. <i>Page 119: Turkey</i> <i>Page 24: Youth Hunts</i>

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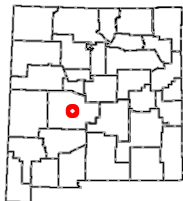
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Waterfowl Hunting	 Please see the 2026-2027 Hunting Rules and Information. <i>Page 145: Migratory Game Birds</i>	Refer to Migratory Game Bird Supplement 
Sandhill Crane Hunting	 Please see the 2026-2027 Hunting Rules and Information. <i>Page 145: Migratory Game Birds</i>	Refer to Migratory Game Bird Supplement 
Deer Hunting*	*Archery Only: Sept. 1 – 24, 2026 AND Jan. 1 – 15, 2027 	* Unit 18 Archery Draw License hunters only. Please see the 2026-2027 Hunting Rules and Information. <i>Page 52: Deer</i>

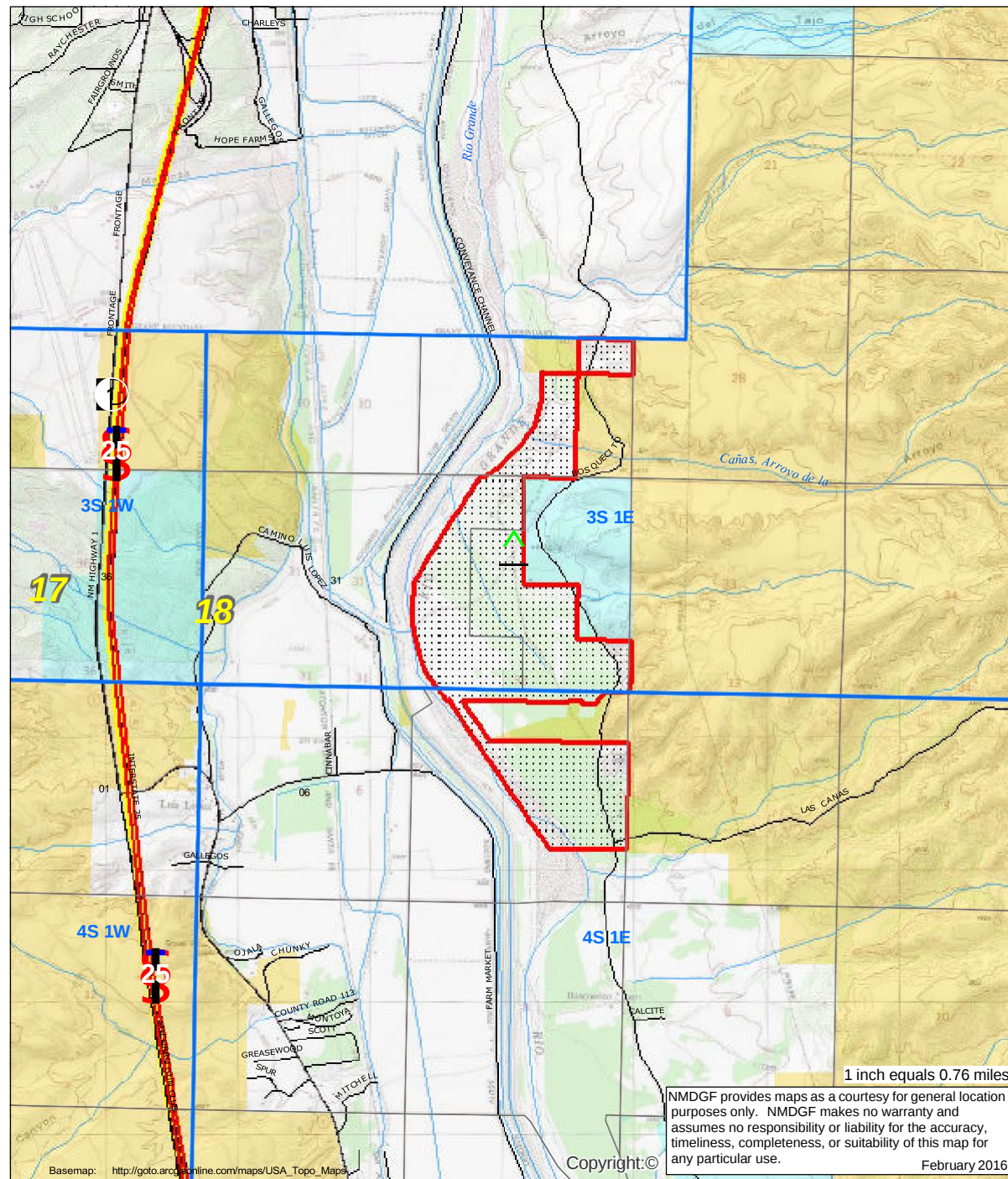
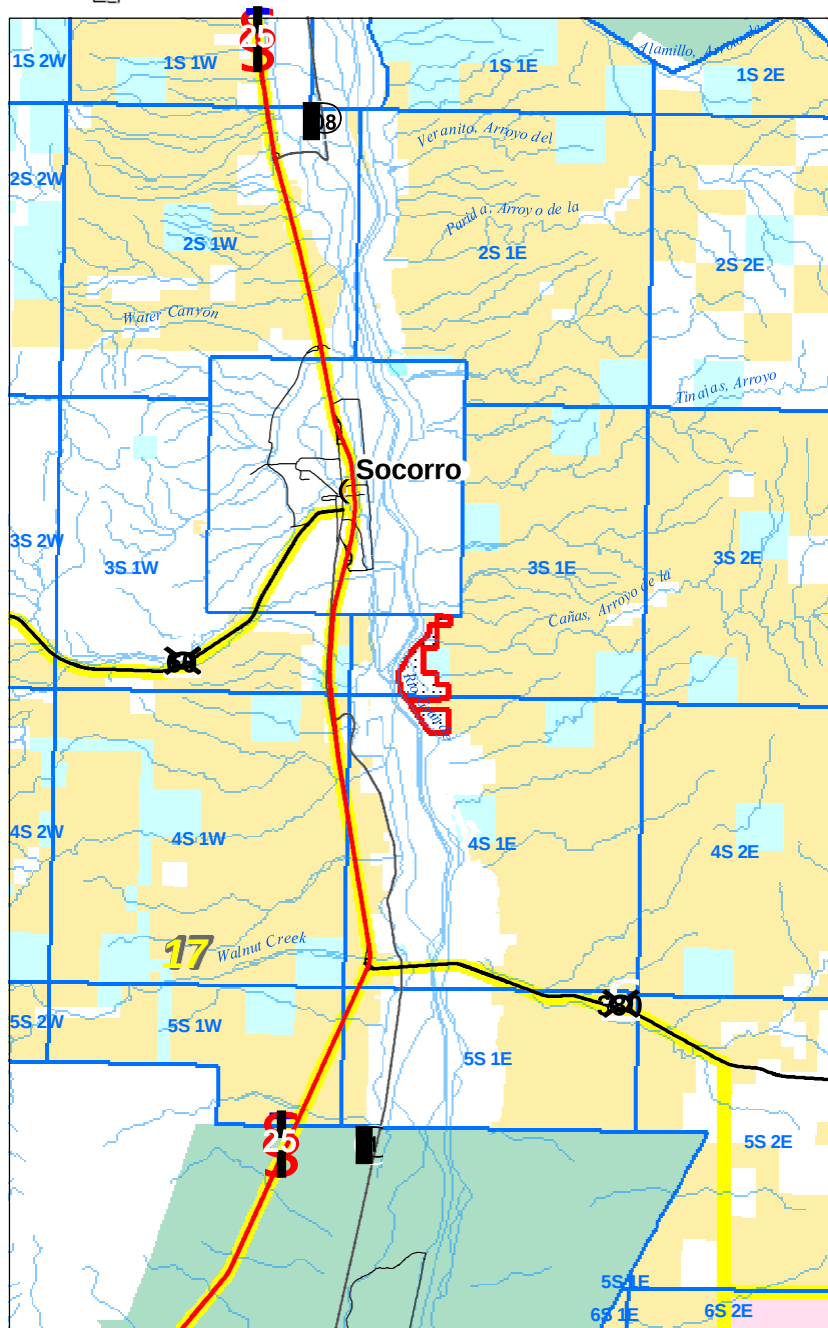
Property Rules: The following rules will be posted on this property and enforced at the discretion of the Department of Wildlife.

- Use of this Open Gate Property is restricted to properly licensed sportspersons for the following activities: **Dove hunting, Pheasant hunting, Quail hunting, *Sandhill Crane hunting, Turkey hunting, Waterfowl hunting, and *Deer hunting.**
- ***Deer Hunting (Archery)** and Sandhill Crane Hunting activities are restricted to draw hunters only.
- No trespassing unless you are a properly licensed sportsperson, are accompanied by a properly licensed sportsperson or are license-exempt.
- Each properly licensed sportsperson or license-exempt person 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.
- **No fishing allowed.**
- Access allowed from two hours before sunrise to two hours after sunset.
- This is a **Walk-in Area** – No motor vehicle travel allowed on this property. Safely park alongside public roads and walk in.
- **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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- Property Rules Sign
- PLSSTownship
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- Roads**
- Secondary Road
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- Surface Ownership**
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 - State

