



PRONGHORN RANCH-WIDE
APPLICATION 2023-2024 License Year



The objective of the Ranch-wide program is to allow private landowners to enroll their private deeded and public leased acreage as one ranch and obtain pronghorn authorizations that will be valid on the entire ranch (both private deeded and public leased acreage).

Participation in the Ranch-wide program is voluntary. To be considered for participation, eligible properties must enroll the entire ranch (i.e., all private deeded and all public leased acreage), and the property must contain pronghorn habitat and exhibit physical evidence that pronghorn are present at least occasionally as determined by the appropriate Department staff. In addition, landowners or lessees of eligible properties shall agree to accept pronghorn on their property.

The number of private land pronghorn hunting licenses assigned to properties qualifying for the Ranch-wide program shall be negotiated between the landowner and the Department. Ranch-wide agreements are valid for the license year (April 1 – March 31) and the number of pronghorn hunting opportunities allocated to the ranch will be negotiated on an annual basis.

Ranches participating in the Ranch-wide program are eligible for one free pronghorn license per 17-3-14 NMSA 1978.

For further information, please refer to 19.31.15.10 (B) NMAC Pronghorn Antelope Rule on the Department website (hunting page) at www.wildlife.state.nm.us. Please contact the Pronghorn Biologist at (505) 476-8042 if you have questions while completing the application.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 1, 2023

Please submit as early as possible to avoid delays in processing. Incomplete application packets will be rejected.
Allow 10 days for processing.

NEW – If the property was not previously enrolled in the APLUS program, check this box. See page 2 for a list of all required documentation to be submitted with this application.

PREVIOUS APLUS RANCH – If this application is for a ranch previously enrolled in APLUS the Department may already have the required documentation on file. Contact the Pronghorn Biologist at (505) 476-8042 to see if additional information is required.

Game Management Unit (GMU): _____ Ranch #: _____ (Leave blank if new ranch)

Authorized Ranch Contact (SEE PAGE 3) _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Mailing Address _____

Main Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Alternate Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone number preferred for landowner list _____

Ranch Name: _____

Private Deeded Acreage: _____ (Should be the same as submitted deeds and/or property tax statements.)

Private Leased Acreage: _____ (Private Leased Acreage is Optional: Must provide private lease agreement.)

Public Leased Acreage: _____ (All public leased lands associated with the property must be enrolled.)

Total Acreage: _____

Lease # (State) or Allotment Name and # (BLM or USFS):

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION UNLESS ALREADY ON FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

1. **Current Recorded Deed(s) detailing legal descriptions and acreages for the property.**
2. **Most recent property tax records from the county accounting for all property included in the application.**
3. **If the property is owned by a trust or business entity, provide a document that clearly identifies who has been delegated the authority to represent the trust or business entity and bind it to a contractual obligation.** Examples include: 1) Certificate of Formation, 2) Certificate of Incorporation, 3) Partnership Agreement, 4) Trust Agreement, etc.
4. **A property location and boundary map**
 - The ranch location map should provide a general reference for where the property is located in relationship to nearby towns, landmarks, roads, etc. It should also indicate the section, township, and range if it is not provided in the boundary map.
 - The boundary map needs to show the official property boundaries, such as a parcel map from the county or a survey plat.
5. **Assignment of Authorized Ranch Contact (ARC) form(s) – *must be notarized.*** All persons listed on the recorded deed(s) must agree to participate in the Ranch-wide program and appoint a single ARC to act as the representative for the property by submitting a notarized Assignment of ARC form (pg.3) from each owner listed on the deed(s). Please use a separate form for each person listed on the deed(s). Make copies of the form as needed. *(If the property is owned by a trust or business entity the person(s) who have been delegated the authority to represent the trust or business entity, and bind it to a contractual obligation, will serve as the landowner.)*
6. **Private and/or public (state and/or federal) lease agreements.** Submit a copy of each private and public grazing lease being enrolled. An ARC form may also be required for private leases to address hunting rights.

MAIL **OR EMAIL** APPLICATION PACKET TO:

**Pronghorn Biologist
NM Dept. of Game and Fish – WMD
One Wildlife Way
Santa Fe NM 87507
anthony.opatz@dgf.nm.gov**

APPLICATION AGREEMENT:

- I have read this Pronghorn Ranch-wide application form and understand that participation is voluntary;
- I understand that acceptance of this application is contingent upon supplying complete documentation of my private deeded and public leased acres;
- I am the legal owner or have been assigned by the legal owner(s) as Authorized Ranch Contact to represent this ranch;
- I attest that the ranch information provided with this application is true and correct;
- I understand that all issued pronghorn authorizations will be valid only within the boundaries of my enrolled ranch (both private deeded and public leased acreage) during public hunt dates and are not transferable to other private property;
- I understand that private-land-only over-the-counter pronghorn licenses are not valid on any part of the enrolled ranch;
- I understand that my enrolled ranch (both private deeded and public leased acreage) will be available to public draw hunters during established public hunt dates for the Game Management Unit;
- I understand that Ranch-wide agreements are negotiated on an annual basis and pronghorn hunting allocations may change from year to year.
- I understand that the sale of pronghorn authorizations may result in a Gross Receipts Tax liability. (Contact a qualified tax professional if you have questions.)
- All ranch-wide agreements become public knowledge. Name, address, phone number of the Authorized Ranch Contact, and ranch boundaries of ranch-wide ranches will be made available to the public.

X _____
Signature of Authorized Ranch Contact (required)

Date: _____



New Mexico Department of Game and Fish Assignment of Authorized Ranch Contact Form



IMPORTANT: All Ranch-wide ranches are required to name one individual as the **Authorized Ranch Contact (ARC)**. The ARC is the person designated in writing by the landowner(s) to act as the liaison between the ranch and the NM Department of Game and Fish (Department). He or she is responsible for acting in the landowner(s) best interest and has the authority to sign Ranch-wide agreements and negotiate authorizations. He or she is also responsible for working with the Department and renewing agreements. The Authorized Ranch Contact may be one of the landowners or someone else designated by the landowners.

All persons (landowners) listed on the recorded deed(s) must complete this form and designate the same individual as the Authorized Ranch Contact. *Only one person may act as the Authorized Ranch Contact for the ranch.* A separate form must be completed by each person listed on the recorded deed(s). Please make copies of this form as needed. Please note that the form must be signed must be notarized.

Please type or print

List all GMU-Ranch Numbers that this assignment of ARC affects: _____ **OR**

Check this box if this ARC form is for a new ranch sign-up

I _____ (print full name of landowner) have read the Ranch-wide application agreement and understand my responsibilities and obligations for participation. *A copy of the final Ranch-wide Agreement will be made available upon request by calling the state pronghorn biologist at 505-476-8042.*

I attest that I understand the definition for 'Authorized Ranch Contact', as defined above, and agree that the individual I am designating as the Authorized Ranch Contact, below, may act on behalf of the ranch until I rescind their authority in writing.

Landowner Contact Information (all fields are required)

1. Name (first, m, last):		
2a. Mailing Address:		
2b. City:	2c. State:	2d. Zip:
3a. Phone:	3b. Alternate Phone:	
4. Email:		

Please select the one ownership option below that best describes your relationship with the ranch.

Check the box below that best describes who will be the ARC of your property *if you are the sole owner*:

- 5a I am the **sole owner** on the deed(s) for this property and I will be the acting ARC.
- 5b I am **sole owner** on the deed(s) for this property. I am assigning the individual below as the ARC.

Check the box below that best describes who will be the ARC of your property *if you are one of the co-owners*:

- 6a I am a **co-owner** on the deed(s) for this property and I will be the acting ARC.
- 6b I am a **co-owner** on the deed(s) for this property. I am assigning the individual below as the ARC.

Check the box below that best describes who will be the ARC of your property *if it is in a trust or business entity which you represent*:

- 7a I am the documented representative for the **trust or business entity** that owns this property and I will be the acting ARC.
- 7b I am the documented representative for the **trust or business entity** that owns this property. I am assigning the individual below as the ARC.

_____ (Landowner Initials) I hereby designate the following individual as the ARC for the ranch:

Authorized Ranch Contact Information (all fields are required)

8. Name (first, m, last):		
9a. Mailing Address:		
9b. City:	9c. State:	9d. Zip:
10a. Phone:	10b. Alternate Phone:	
11. Email:		

X _____ DATE: _____
SIGNATURE OF LANDOWNER

COUNTY OF _____, STATE OF _____
Subscribed and sworn to before me in my presence, this _____ day of _____, 20____.
_____ Signature of Notary
My Commission Expires: _____