

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND FISH
ONE WILDLIFE WAY
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504

AGREEMENT FOR UNITIZING STATE LEASE AND PRIVATELY OWNED OR LEASED
LANDS.

It is the desire of the Department of Game and Fish to optimize hunting and fishing opportunities consistent with good management. Since the Easement between the State Land Office and Department of Game and Fish provides for surface use agreements for the purpose of setting aside a contiguous block of land open to hunting and/or fishing, to provide a minimum of interference to the grazing lessee or holders of other rights, the following agreement between the Department of Game and Fish and the lessee is hereby entered into.

The following private land shall be deemed OPEN to public hunting and/or fishing which consists of 4000 acres described as follows:

T10S R9E Section 1 (less 40 BLM-NE1/4 of NE1/4); Section 10 NE1/4 and NE1/4 of SE1/4; Section 11; Section 12; Section 13 W1/2; Section 14; Section 15 (less BLM S1/2 of SE1/4); Section 22 NW1/4 of NW1/4; Section 23 NE1/4 and E1/2 of NW1/4; Section 24 NW1/4.

In exchange for the privilege of CLOSING, to hunting and/or fishing, state lands consisting of 3240 acres described as following:

T9S R10E Section 2 (except NE1/2, N1/2 of SW1/4; Section 14 N1/2, S1/2 of SE1/4; SW1/4; Section 15; Section 26; Section 27 (except for SW1/4 of SW1/4); Section 34 (except for N1/2 of NW1/4).

It is mutually understood that both the Department of Game and Fish and the lessee of state lands, or their representative will furnish information regarding the tract of land open to hunting or fishing upon request. Also, the Department of Game and Fish may place signs, in conspicuous places, by which licensed hunters and anglers will be notified that the state lands have been unitized and an area has been set aside for hunting and/or fishing purposes.

Under this agreement, it is understood that the state trust land for which the unitized area is substituted shall not be subject to the terms of the Department of Game and Fish Easement with the State Land Office and is subject to posting. Enforcement of trespass upon state trust lands for which the unitized area is substituted shall not be the responsibility of the Department of Game and Fish.

It is further understood that the private land involved in this agreement shall be treated as if it were easement lands pursuant to the terms of the Department of Game and Fish Easement with the State Land Office and shall be subject to all relevant rules and regulations governing hunting and fishing on state trust land.

This agreement shall be effective on the date of its approval by the Commissioner of Public Lands and shall expire one year from that date.

Ranch Management Practices on the State Lands Covered by this Agreement that Benefit Wildlife and/or Wildlife Habitat: The ranch has done thinning projects and created waters.
The ranch also uses rotational grazing.

Special provisions: THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE IN EFFECT ONLY DURING THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED DEER HUNTS AND DURING QUAIL SEASON. THIS AGREEMENT IS NOT IN EFFECT DURING THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELK HUNTS IN UNIT 36.

I BAR X WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE WATER CANYON CAMPGROUND DURING THE DEER HUNTS.

I BAR X WILL LEAVE KEYS AT THE LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DURING THE DEER HUNTS AND DURING THE QUAIL SEASON.

NO CAMPING WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE GODFREY HILLS AREA EXCEPT ON BLM LANDS.

Ranch Name:	I BAR X	Foreman or Representative:	Mark Hendricks
Ranch Owner:	Bill Stephenson	Foreman's Address:	Box 307 Carrizozo, NM 88310
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Mark Hendricks
Ranch Owner

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Ray Powell
Commissioner of Public Lands
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