

SAPPHIRE RANCH BMA

#53

Deer/Elk Hunting District: 260

Hunting Access Dates: September 3, 2016 - January 15, 2017

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Sapphire Ranch Block Management Area (BMA) is located in Missoula County, southeast of Lolo. Hunting on 1,091 acres is provided by the Sapphire Ranch. This BMA is only open to archery hunting for deer and elk.

WEAPON RESTRICTIONS

Only archery hunting is allowed on this BMA.

PERMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Written permission is required to hunt on this BMA, and hunter numbers are limited. Permission will be administered by random drawing through the Region 2 FWP Block Management Office.

To enter the drawing, call (406) 542-5530 during business hours (8 AM - 5 PM) on **Wednesday, August 24th**. Be prepared to leave your name, address, phone number, ALS number and your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice of hunting periods on the voicemail. Successful hunters will be notified the following week.

Hunt period	Dates	Days	# Days
1	Sept 3-16	Saturday—Friday	14
2	Sept 17- 30	Saturday—Friday	14
3	Oct 1-14	Saturday—Friday	14
4	Oct15-28	Saturday—Friday	14
--	Oct 29-Nov 5	CLOSED: No hunting allowed	
5	Nov 6-Nov18	Sunday—Friday	13
6	Nov 19-Dec 2	Saturday—Friday	14
7	Dec 3-Dec 16	Saturday—Friday	14
8	Dec 17-30	Saturday—Friday	14
9	Dec 31-Jan 15	Saturday--Sunday	16

- Hunters may reserve no more than one hunting period at a time, and may not make further reservations until they have completed their hunting period.
- Hunter numbers are limited to 2 per hunting period. Hunting periods are approximately 14 days, usually beginning Saturday and ending the second Friday.
- Hunters who obtain permission will be sent a notification letter, written permission slip, mandatory mail-in survey card and specific hunting guidelines and regulations.

HOW TO GET THERE

From Missoula head south on US Highway 93 to Lolo; continue south approximately 1.4 miles to the Sapphire Ranch entrance and designated parking area on the east side of Highway 93.

REGULATIONS

1. Hunting from a tree stand is ONLY allowed with portable stands. Do not build structures, platforms, cut limbs or otherwise damage trees. The landowner and/or FWP are not responsible for any theft or damage to unattended tree stands.
2. The northern boundary of this BMA is the gravel road running through the middle of the Sapphire Ranch; BMA hunters are required to hunt south of this road. The area north of this road is reserved for hunters with disabilities so please respect this boundary.
3. Hunters who successfully draw a hunt period for the Sapphire Ranch BMA can legally access the southern portion of DNRC section #12 and all of DNRC section #24.
4. Each hunter who obtains permission to hunt this BMA is required to return their mandatory mail-in survey card by January 31, 2017.
5. Camping is not allowed on this BMA.
6. It is unlawful to commercially outfit on this BMA.
7. Failure to abide by the regulations for this BMA can result in a trespass violation under MCA 45-6-203 and/or a violation of FWP Department or Commission orders or rules under MCA 87-6-201.

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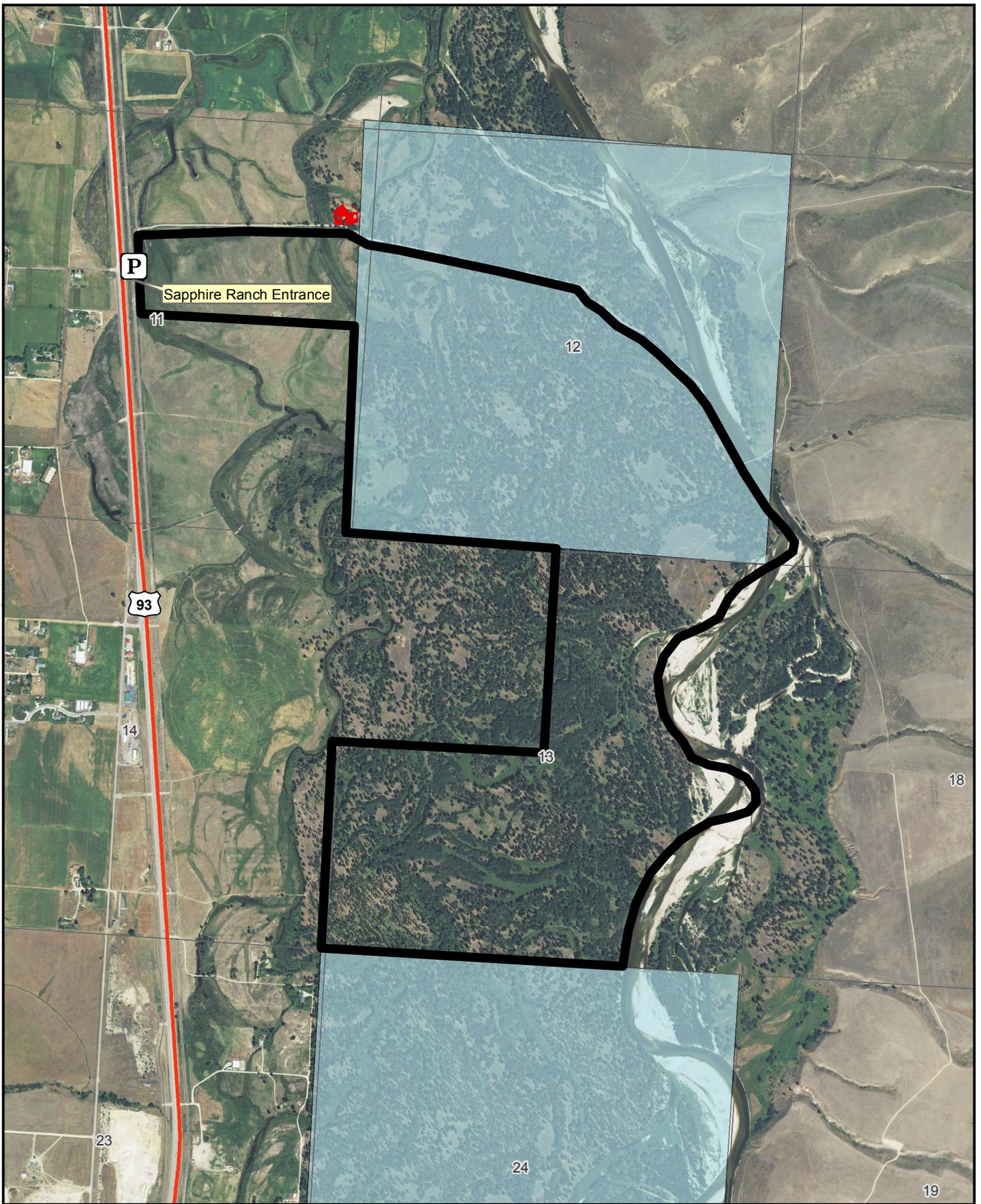
TO ASSURE YOUR FUTURE HUNTING PRIVILEGES ON THIS BMA, PLEASE OBEY THESE REGULATIONS AND RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY.

REPORT VIOLATIONS: 1-800-TIP-MONT



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(M-F, 8 A.M.-5 P.M., excluding holidays)



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BMA Rules - See Reverse Page

Disclaimer - This map is not intended to depict property ownership outside the Block Management Area.

Contact the appropriate land management agency for information on public land ownership and travel guidelines.

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BLM 100K Map(s): Missoula West, Missoula East Date: 4/22/2016 TR



 BMA Boundary

 Barn & Corrals

 Parking Area

