

**PROPOSAL: 2021 7 Bar Lazy 6 Ranch  
Public Elk Hunting Access Agreement**

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Under the provisions of 87-2-513 MCA, the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (“Department”) is authorized to issue the following either-sex elk license and permit in the Senef Farms (“Ranch”) Public Elk Hunting Access Agreement (“Agreement”):

One (1) either-sex elk license and 426-20 either-sex elk permit to Roger Senef (or designated family member or employee), landowner/cooperator for use only on private land enrolled in this Agreement.

Additionally:

One (1) 426-20 either-sex elk permit holder will be selected by the Ranch from the list of successful 426-20 either-sex elk permit applicants. The individual will have access, by permission as set forth herein from September 4 – October 17 (archery equipment only) and October 23 – November 28 (general season), to hunt on land enrolled in this Agreement. This permit is a valid permit in hunting district (HD) 426, thus this applicant can hunt the entirety of HD 426.

Two (2) 426-20 either-sex permit holders will be randomly selected from a list of successful 426-20 either-sex elk permit applicants. These individuals will have access, by permission as set forth herein from September 4 – October 17 (archery equipment only) and October 23 – November 28 (general season), to hunt on land enrolled in this Agreement. This permit is a valid permit in HD 426; thus, these applicants can hunt the entirety of HD 426. The Department will be responsible for managing the selection process, and coordinating the successful applicant results with the Ranch for scheduling purposes.

**Terms of the Public Elk Hunting Access Agreement include:**

1. Approximately 3,622 total acres of private land in HD 426 will be enrolled – see attached Exhibit A Ranch Map, attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
2. Enrolled property will be open to free public elk hunting with legal weapons from September 4, 2021, through November 28, as set forth herein.
3. Access shall be coordinated with Roger Senef (“Landowner”), who can be contacted at (406) 350-0162.
4. Terms of access include:
  - a) The three (3) hunters receiving the 426-20 either-sex permits must schedule their hunts with the Landowner. Prior to hunting, these hunters will stop in at the Ranch Headquarters (shown in Exhibit A Ranch Map) and sign-in with the Landowner. It will be the hunter’s responsibility to contact the Landowner to arrange for access. The Landowner will monitor and contact the three hunters to the best of his ability regarding the presence and absence of elk on the property and adjoining public lands.

- b) There are no restrictions on the number of days the Ranch or any of its designees or other invitees can hunt the Ranch property.
- c) Within reasonable limits, the three (3) designated public hunters under this Agreement should have sufficient time to harvest an elk. In addition to the three (3) designated hunters, the Ranch allows additional elk hunting and deer hunting on the property, and access will be balanced among all hunters on the Ranch.
- d) If a hunter wounds an elk, they will not be allowed to shoot at another elk on the Ranch. The Landowner will use best efforts to assist the hunter in recovering the wounded elk.

5. Other obligations of hunters include:

- a) Abiding by all state and federal hunting statutes, regulations, and rules.
- b) Maintaining proper safety procedures regarding firearms, including but not limited to, ensuring that all firearms are unloaded while in vehicles and in the vicinity of all buildings.
- c) Maintaining proper vigilance aimed at preventing damage to the Ranch, and to promptly report any damage that may occur on the Ranch to the Landowner.
- d) Ensuring all Ranch gates are left as originally found.
- e) Not littering on the Ranch.
- f) Only driving on interior Ranch roads as designated and permitted by the Landowner.

A hunter's failure to abide by these requirements shall result in the hunter's Ranch access rights being immediately terminated, and the hunter dismissed from the Ranch.

6. Hunter/Ranch/Department satisfaction data will be acquired after the season through Department surveys of the Ranch and hunters involved with this contractual Public Elk Hunting Access Agreement.

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Hank Worsech, Department Director

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Roger Senef, Landowner

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