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## Apply now for sandhill crane and pheasant draw permits

SANTA FE – The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish is now accepting applications for special sandhill crane and pheasant permits.

Applications can be made through [your online account](#). The application deadline for special Sandhill crane and pheasant permits is 5 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16.



### Draw Permit Hunts (Resident Only)

#### Special Pheasant Permits

Permits (issued by drawing) are required for special permit pheasant hunts on W.S. Huey and for youth-only pheasant hunts on Bernardo WMA. To receive a permit, hunters may apply online: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us) or call: 1-888-248-6866. Applications must be submitted by August 16 before 5 p.m. MDT.

#### Bernardo and W.S. Huey Youth-only Pheasant Hunts

Two youth-only pheasant hunts are available by drawing. Using the hunt code listed below, apply online or by telephone (listed above). Youth hunters must have a Game-hunting License and be accompanied by a non-hunting adult. Up to two hunters may apply per application.

Hunt Area	Hunt Code	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Permits
Bernardo	PHE-0-001	Oct. 21	3 males	20
W.S. Huey	PHE-0-002	Dec. 2	3 males	40

#### W.S. Huey Pheasant Hunt

A draw-permit hunt open to all applicants will be held at W.S. Huey. Using the hunt code listed below, apply online or by telephone (listed above). This hunt is open to adult and youth hunters. A Game Hunting License is required. Up to four hunters may apply per application.

Hunt Area	Hunt Code	Season Dates	Bag Limit	Permits
W.S. Huey	PHE-0-003	Dec. 9	3 males	40

## Sandhill Crane Hunts

Bag limit is 3 per day and 6 in possession. Up to four hunters may apply per application.

Hunt Area	Hunt Code	Season Dates	Number of Permits
Eastern Hunt	N/A	Oct. 28– Jan. 28, 2024	Unlimited
Estancia Valley Hunt	SCR-0-101	Oct. 28–31 and Nov. 2–5	65
MRGV Hunts	SCR-0-102	Nov. 11–12	80
	SCR-0-103	Nov. 25–26	80
	SCR-0-104	Dec. 9–10	80
	SCR-0-105	Jan. 6–7, '24	80
	SCR-0-106	Jan. 13–14, '24	80
Southwestern	SCR-0-108	Oct. 28–Nov. 5	70
	SCR-0-109	Jan. 6–7, '24	70

## Youth Sandhill Crane Hunt (residents only)

Bag and possession limits are 3. Up to two hunters may apply per application.

MRGV Youth-only	SCR-0-107	Nov. 18	24
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Successful applicants must have a Game Hunting License and applicable stamp(s) in addition to their draw permit.

Successful sandhill crane applicants also must have a Harvest Information Program (HIP) number.

The 2023-2024 Upland Game Rules and Information Booklet is currently available on the [Department's website](#) in both English and Spanish. The 2023-2024 Migratory Bird Rules and Information Booklet will be available on the website following Friday's State Game Commission meeting.

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