# The Pinto Bean

August 2022

Dove Creek, Colorado - "Pinto Bean Capital of the World!"

**Activities and News** 



**Back to School - Last Fun Days of Summer** 

Out To Community and Kids It's that time of year again - Back School! And the ROCK - Reaching out to community and kids, hosted their 8th annual school supplies distribution party and everyone was invited. August 3rd, starting at 5pm, Dolores County and Egnar residents were welcome to the Free BBQ meal - with door prizes, games, and candy by SAR and Emergency Manager Keith Keesling, it all adds up to an

The major supporters for this fun and valuable event are the Walmart Foundation, Atmos Energy and CHFA. Additional thanks to Main Supply, Bangers, Lavish Beauty, and to Lathan Distribution for pressing kids names on their free backpacks, to Montelores thanks Childhood Council, and the Community Voice.

entertaining community evening.

Music brought to you by Kelly Turner and KRTZ 98.7 radio, and if the kids want to get wet - the free Foam Party was bubbly!

The School supply items are from teacher's requests, and available for all grades pre high school.

ROCK is literally a rock in the greater Dove Creek community - providing core programs and opportunities for kids and adults, based out of their wonderfully festive building at 128 East Highway 491.

To accomplish this needed school supply distribution, it takes a dedicated board to work on this and all the other programs year round. Many local as well as regional and state supporters help provide the necessary funding.

Atmos energy is one such major sponsor, that enjoys getting into the community it serves (with natural gas services), in part through this annual BBQ event.

Atmos is also a partner in the Energy Outreach Colorado program to help with funding for those famlies in need of utility bill assistance. LEAP also provides assistance through Colorado PEAK. The ROCK can answer questions and helps connect those in need with resources. CHFA is also a

**ROCK** dedicated supporter for supporting our community.

Thanks to all of the many volunteers with The ROCK for their dedication to our community and kids!

For more info on the ROCK and available programs, visit them online at www.dovecreekrocks.com or call

970-739-3562



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Town website QR Code

# TOWN & COUNTY HAPPENINGS ....

County website QR Code



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# Dolores County Emergency Use Pond Under Construction

In a June 21st 2022 County Board meeting, all three commissioners voted to accept the contract execution to purchase a 3 acre parcel from the Fishers. At this location, across from the Public Service Center, a secondary water tap with a 3 or 4 inch line will be used to fill the lined holding pond. This water, according to Attorney Golbricht, "will be provided for the emergency use pond by DWCD."

At the time of that meeting, the land purchase contract was executed, and the construction began on Wednesday July 20, 2022.

The water will be utilized as needed by the County in emergency situations, such as with dry conditions to help with road maintenance and more.



### WASTE TIRE RESOLUTION

The County is addressing the concerns brought up through one property that is using many truck loads of tires as a wind block wall around the acreage.

The concerns brought up by the Commissioners in previous meetings, included it being a potential health issue for collection of water and thus mosquito breeding grounds, fire hazards, becoming homes to animals (snakes etc), safety of the structure not being stable, soil contamination and more.

Town of Dove Creek Public Hearings at the August 18 meeting also included: Ordinance Amending Zoning Regulations Definitions, Ordinance 237 regarding Parking and Occupying of Recreational Vehicles, Park Trailers in the Town of Dove Creek

Emergency County Pond work on 7.7 road near PSC



When you have more than 9 tires hauled at one time, you have to be a licensed tire hauler with a permit.

The county voted to put an up to 6 month moratorium on tire structures. They are not saying no but are looking into studying the information on the range of aspects involved, and how protection of the residents is the important element in any decisions moving forward.

They may deal with a maximum number of tires on a property while Public it's being built, maximum height, and so forth. They are looking to research and study the issues, and 7-22-05 is posted on the BOCC facebook page and on their website.

Aug. 6th the County offered a free waste tire disposal day at the transfer station. An estimated 800 tires can be collected at the transfer station and removed appropriately.



**Dolores County Health Director/Nurse** 

The Dolores County Health Department has a new hire for the Health Director/Registered Nurse position. Tracey Beanland was hired recently, and will transition into the position that Mary Randolph is then look at regulations. Resolution retiring from. Randolph's official term ends this fall.

> Beanland will be taking on the position as the County phases out the physical office at its current location in the old high school building, and looks to set up the new modular modification home/office structure near the Social Service center. Completion of that move is hoped for late fall 2022. Funds for that project were donated through grants and covid related fund sources.

Tracey Beanland provided some background information regarding her new job "I have been in the medical field since 2012 and a RN for 5 years, married with three boys and have lived in Cahone, CO for 17 years. I'm excited to fulfill my role as the Dolores County Public Health Director and looking forward to see what our community can accomplish by working together as a whole."

Her contact information is: Tracey Beanland RN/Director Dolores County Public Health 425 North Main Street Suite A P.O Box 368Dove Creek, CO 81324 dctracey@fone.netOffice:

(970) 677-2387Fax: (970)677-2948

Dolores County Weed District posted their Noxious Weed Spray Special For more info contact Oma 970-677-2283 The State & County have a noxious weed Law that you must control your noxious weeds.

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# PLANNING AND ZONING IN TOWN

The Town Board is looking at creating a new Planning and Zoning Board to assist with the operations of development in Dove Creek.

As the population continues to expand, determining how growth is managed is critically important.

Recognizing the need to dedicate more attention to the issues that fall under a zoning and planning commission or board, in August, the board of directors will be voting to adopt a resolution to create the new entity.

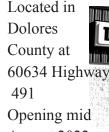
At that time, you will be seeing notification of the responsibilities and details, and asking members of the community to apply to join as a board member through the Town office.

### NEW BIZ - NEW JOBS

On the east end of Dove Creek, a new small box store has been under construction. The Dollar General store was supposed to be ready for business in mid July, however, due to a few unforeseen issues (remains of a dearly loved dog dug up where the parking lot sits, and a gas line not being in the spot that it was supposed to be), the grand opening has been delayed.

That hasn't stopped the business from doing job interviews and enticing employees to maintain the store, which is now already stocked and ready for the parking lot to dry.

This business is just outside of the Town limits, and so will not be generating revenues through town taxes, but if the county sales tax is implemented by the vote this fall, then the county will see revenue returning to the community.



**DOLLAR GENERAL** <u>A COLUMNIA DE LA CO</u> August 2022

Family Dollar remains open as they continue their renovations and new addition on the back/north end of the store. They are in the process of applying for beer sales licensing. The Family Dollar store is located within the town limits, and thus collects local taxes.

In Town at 468 Hwy 491



# CO District 3 Representative - NCA Concerns

Recently the Dolores BOCC sent a letter of support to Sen. Bennet and Sen. Hickenlooper's **NCA** bi-partisan proposed (National Conservation Area) and Special Management Area Act for the designation spanning four counties (Montezuma, Dolores, San Miguel, and Montrose) along the Dolores River from below McPhee Dam to Bedrock. Rep. Lauren Boebert Congresswoman



introduced the House River Corridor, conserves wildlife, and ensures scenic public lands for generations while still protecting private water This well-crafted legislation traditional uses grazing, uranium mining

Thank you for reading the first official Issue of the Pinto Bean! If you haven't met me, I'm Kendra Cook, Publisher, Editor, Writer, "bottle washer" etc etc.

This newspaper style publication will be published monthly, as I see what works and what doesn't.

It is FREE to pick up in town at businesses and the post office, with 500 print papers, and is also available Online through a link on the Dove Creek Chamber website front page, and on the Pinto Bean facebook page.

I appreciate both feedback and input - so for the events calendar, if you something to share, please email or text me. I plan to have all ad and sponsors deadline by the 10th, and



look to send it to the printer by the 15th of each month.

The possibility of adding a 'classified' section is also a consideration - it all depends on how much ad participation happens.. so, please send me info, photos, links or tips, and I will work with You to make The Pinto Bean a success!



See you Next Month!



Kendra Cook



companion bill, and said and other mineral extraction, and motorized-vehicle use will this "...protects the Dolores continue. Importantly, this bill prevents a wild and scenic river designation in perpetuity, something that would negatively impact all the aforementioned uses. The hard work of everyone future who came to the table to make this happen should be applauded."

The House bill has been Referred to the House Committee on and private property rights. Natural Resources. If approved, the Act will would protect over 68,000 acres of public lands in Colorado. Locally the area spans ensures the entire west end of our County along the river, with a diverse group of stakeholders working collaboratively over a decade to establish the best proposed action for all concerns.

# NNED.VIDEO







**Nars**Store.com

# DOLORES COUNTY FAIR - 4-H - New Kid's Day Activities

## CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE INVOLVED!!



Saturday Aug. 13th 9am Junior Rodeo 3rd round was held in the arena, while 9-11am Exhibits were open to the public for final viewing. Then the fairgrounds are cleared and set up for the 6pm FFA/Vo-Ag Advisory Oyster Fry fundraiser for scholarship money.

The Jr. Rodeo continued on Sunday, the final rodeo will be held on August 20 & 21.

Another great year for the County Fair, with lots of expansions including the 4-H animals and the Kids Day! The County Fairground, just 4 miles west of Dove Creek on County Road 3.7, was very busy for the week. Starting on Aug. 10th our residents entered their exhibits in a wide variety of categories, then judging and awarding all of the ribbons while being closed to the public.

Followed by Thursday Aug. 11th from 8am to 6pm All the Exhibits Open to the public, with votes for the people's choice starting to come in.

The 4-H program continued with categories for Swine, Beef, Horse, and Goat starting from 8-11am.

The brand new addition of a KIDS DAY from 2-5pm was a fantastic gathering full of summer fun. Concessions were made available by the Xi Delta Tau sorority on Sat/Sunday along with some local favorites with cotton candy and Little Miss Lemonade shown right.

The Fair continued on Friday Aug. 12th 9am to 6pm Exhibits open to the public, a yummy 4-6pm Ice Cream Social followed by 4:30 -6pm Small Animal Show.

The Kid's Day featured a special Bike Rally - see more on this new event on page 6....



August 2022







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NAPA Rotella T4
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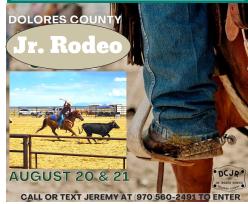


# High Canyon Country Happenings Four Corners

Would you Attend as Seller or as
Buyers to a Dove Creek
"Farmers Market"?

If it's on Town property, like a park,
we'd need to charge a fee to cover the
Insurance necessary. On private
property, it could be a free setup to
sell or trade your produce or goods
(not yard sale). If in the County, it
may fall under a special event permit.
Looking for feedback:

Dove Creek Chamber of Commerce PO Box 851 Dove Creek, CO 81324 970-560-2856 or email Manager@DoveCreekChamber.com



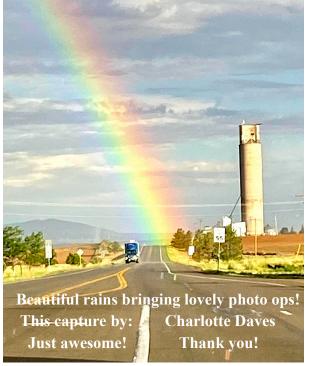
# **Community Events & Notices**



DOVE CREEK FOOD

DOVE CREEK CARE AND SHARE FOOD PANTRY, INC

Mon-Fri 12-2PM behind VFW



If you have an event or notice you want to share, email it in: info@TPIProductionZ.com with the details.

August 2022

August 17 Dolores County School District RE-J2

Board of Education Meeting

\*School Events see Graphic Calendar listings

August 18 Dove Creek Town Meeting

6:30pm at the Town Offices - also Zoom

August 19-20 ROCK Hangouts 6-9pm

August 20-21 Jr. Rodeo @ Fairgrounds

August 26-27 ROCK Hangouts 6-9pm

August 28 9am Dolores County 4-H GYMKHANA

\$5/per class 4-H Members Only

**Dolores County Fairgrounds** 

Register by Aug. 21 Cristy 970-570-0095

CSU office 970-677-2283

August 31 9am Dolores County BOCC

End of the Month Meeting - Agency Heads

at the Public Service Center meeting room - also Zoom

Sept. 1 Dove Creek Town Workshop

6:30pm at the Town Offices - also Zoom

Sept. 4 R.O.C.K Food Distribution

Every Fri/Sat. ROCK Hangouts 6-9pm

Sept. 5 LABOR DAY

many offices and businesses closed

Sept 6 9am Dolores County BOCC Meeting

Sept 7 DC Chamber/Commissioner Office Grant Workshop

monthly Zoom meeting PSC 10:30am

Sept. 14 11am DCDC Meeting at CSU board room

Summer Activities Program for Youth finished their amazing activities at the end of July - go to their Facebook page to enjoy many photos

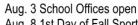
Sept. 15 - Stateline Bar and Grill presents Dave Mensch

Live Music 8pm no cover

Sept 17 Pioneer Senior Center Fundraiser Activities TBA \*Pioneer Center Menu and Schedule is mailed out monthly if you want to be on their mailing list, call them at 970-677-2787

# DISTRICT RE-21





Aug. 8 1st Day of Fall Sports

Aug. 13 HS VB Scrimmage Pagosa

Aug. 17 1st Day of School / Board Meeting

Aug. 19 HS VB @Rangely Tourn.

Aug. 20 HS VB @Rangely Tourn. HS Football Scrimmage

Aug. 23 HS VB (H) Mancos Aug. 25 MS FB (H) Mancos

MS VB @Norwood

Aug. 26 HS BB (H) Plateau Valley Aug. 27 MS VB@Ridgway HS VB@Telluride

CALENDAR

Sep. 1 MS FB@Dolores

Sep. 2 HS FB(H) Rangely

Sep. 3 HS VB@Alamosa Tri

MS VB@Telluride HS JV FB(H) Rangely JV

Sep. 6 HS JV FB(H) Shiprock NM

Sep. 7 HS VB@Monticello

Sep. 8 MS FB@Nucla MS VB(H) Dolores Sep. 9 HS VB(H) Nucla

HS FB vs. Melrose NM@Albuquerque Sep. 10 MS VB(H) Ridgway

Sep. 15 MS FB@Mancos

Sep. 16 HS VB(H) Norwood HS FB@Hayden

Sep. 17 HS JV FB@Hayden JV HS VB(H) Ignacio capturing the fun and excitement - from "stomp rockets to STEM projects... playing on the new waterslide", all types of games and learning activities.

Thanks to Kristy Chadd and all the helpers and volunteers for making another successful year. https://dovecreekrec.com/

Town of Dove Creek

Community Center and Recreation Department



# DOVE CREEK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

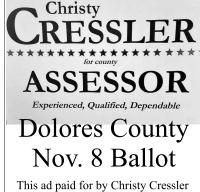
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LOCAL BIZ Ask about multiple month discounts for 2023...

Thank You to our Dolores County Sheriff's Office for their volunteer work with the children in our community on these, and all the programs.

Find their weekly Round-Up posted on the DCTV Daily News Facebook page.



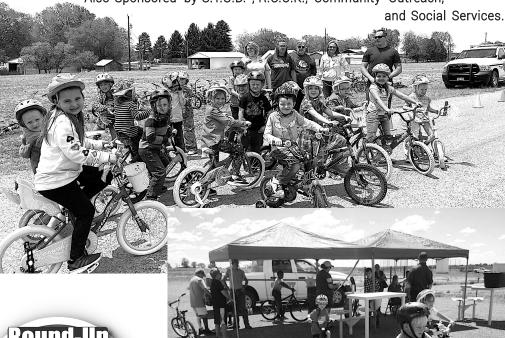
# **Hunting Season in Sight Colorado Parks and Wildlife**

Season Dates Overview	2022	2023
Archery		
Deer/elk (west of I-25 and Unit 140)	Sept. 2-30	Sept. 2-30
Plains deer (east of 1-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1-28 and	Oct. 1-27 and
	Nov. 9-30 and	Nov. 8-30 and
	Dec. 15-31	Dec. 15-31
Moose	Sept. 10-30	Sept. 9-30
Pronghorn (bucks only)	Aug. 15-31	Aug. 15-31
Pronghorn (either sex)	Sept. 1-20	Sept. 1-20
Muzzleloader (by draw only)		
Deer/elk/moose	Sept. 10-18	Sept. 9-17
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 8-16	Oct. 14-22
Pronghorn	Sept. 21-29	Sept. 21–29
Rifle Deer/Elk/Moose		
Moose	Oct. 1-14	Oct. 1-14
Limited elk (1st season)	Oct. 15-19	Oct. 14-18
Deer/elk (2nd season)	Oct. 29-Nov. 6	Oct. 28-Nov. 5
Deer/elk (3rd season)	Nov. 12-18	Nov. 11-17
Limited deer/elk (4th season)	Nov. 23-27	Nov. 22-26
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 29-Nov. 8	Oct. 28-Nov. 7
Late plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Dec. 1-14	Dec. 1-14
Rifle Pronghorn (by draw only)	Oct. 1-9	Oct. 7-15
Black Bear		
September Rifle limited (by draw)	Sept. 2-30	Sept. 2-30
*Archery (over-the-counter and/or limited)	Sept. 2-30	Sept. 2-30
*Muzzleloader (over-the-counter and/or limited)	Sept. 10-18	Sept. 9-17
**Rifle (over-the-counter and/or limited)	(see 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Deer/Elk rifle season dates above)	

\*Archery and Muzzleloader Add-On Bear licenses are available in unlimited numbers this year. Hunters can 'add-on' an over-the-counter bear license for archery or muzzleloader seasons if they hold a deer or elk license for the same method of take and at least one unit overlaps. Look for the paw print in the regulation brochure.

May 2022 a Special Helmet Distribution Day run by the Sheriff Dept. handed out 117 helmets to the Elementary School kids during a safety instruction review. Below, during the County Fair, they provided a fun Bike Race rally as well.

Also Sponsored by S.T.U.D., R.O.C.K., Community Outreach,





<sup>&</sup>quot;Hunters do not need to hold a deer/elk license to purchase an over-the-counter rifle bear license.

# **BALLOT ISSUES FIRST LOOK DOVE CREEK \***

County: 2.9% Sales Tax

**Dolores County Commissioners** are asking residents to vote on a 2.9% Countywide sales tax, in part, to add funds for county services as they are seeing declining revenues from the oil and gas industry input which has made over 60% of the total budget.

There will be further community discussion about the pros and cons in the upcoming months, be sure to ask questions so you can make an informed decision.

Go online to DoloresCounty.org or directly to the brochure on what is exempt and how the sales tax will work, including being added to online sales, by pointing your smart phone here:



County: *Lodgers Tax* 

Another question on the Nov. 8th ballot for Dolores County residents, will be to accept a Lodger's Tax - this is designed to be added on top of hotel, motel, rental and short term stays, to bring in funding for marketing, tourism, but now after HB-1117 was signed into law in March, the county can also apply up to 90% of that funding to child care support and housing agencies or groups.

The rate requested is 2%, so that a traveler staying at a facility with a base night rate of \$100 would then pay an additional \$2.

There are 29 counties in Colorado with some type of lodging tax. With this new addition of spending options, more counties will be looking at this option to be adopted by a vote of the residents.

**Ballot Information Booklet** aka the Blue Book Coming soon in the Mail

If you are a registered voter in the state of Colorado, you will receive this booklet at the address that you are registered to. https://www.sos.state.co.us/

"The purpose of the ballot information booklet is to provide voters with the text, title, and a fair and impartial analysis of initiated or referred constitutional amendment, law, or question on the ballot. analysis must include a summary of the measure, the major arguments both for and against the measure, and a brief fiscal assessment of the measure. The analysis may also include any other information that will help voters understand the purpose and effect of a measure."

### Town: Sales Tax/Marijuana

August 2022

The Municipality of Dove Creek has not raised it's local sales tax for decades, and this fall, is looking to the residents to increase the revenue generator of a 1% sales tax.

Another ballot issue to be announced in August, will be the two questions concerning Marijuana - a simple up or down vote on whether the moratorium should be lifted to allow for potential income from taxes, and also a rate of a transaction type tax that would go directly to the town.

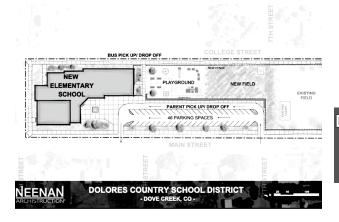
Again, these issues have yet to be confirmed in their language to be on the ballot, but are expected to be voted on in the late August meeting.



\* The Town of Dove Creek and the School Board are still in the process of accepting a final reading of the proposed ballot questions, expected to be available at the end of August. Visit their websites directly to read the ballot questions in their entirety. In the September Pinto Bean, we hope to share more details.

### **Dolores County School Board Questions:**

The next Board of Education meeting will be \$12,648,692.65 BEST grant August 17th, at 6pm, the agenda will be available shortly before the meeting. Reporting on what is being discussed will be in the September Pinto Bean. The ballot question they are working on, is for building a new Elementary School; they will be asking the residents for Bond funding in order to make up



difference from the funding that was awarded earlier this year, to the projected total budget of \$22,997,623 The potential request, bond thusly, currently estimated at \$10.35 million, is what the residents will be voting for or against in November once the text is finalized. Any questions, please contact them directly.

# **DOLORES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2J**

### TOWN OF DOVE CREEK WATER/SEWER ACCOUNTS

"Delinquent Account Reminder:

Per Dove Creek Town Code 24-182, 24-183, 24-219 and 24-220, if monthly water/sewer bill is not paid by the due date of the next monthly billing then the water/sewer may be shut off by the Town without further notice to the consumer. If your water/sewer has been shut off for nonpayment, the water/sewer service will not be reinstated until all back water/sewer payments and a reconnect fee of \$50.00, have been paid in full. This means that the Town of Dove Creek will no longer be giving pink slips or phone calls for past due accounts. If your account is more than one month past due please contact our office immediately at 970-677-2255 or stop by the Town Office located at 505 West 4th St. to avoid having your service shut off. Please contact us to make a payment in full or to setup a payment plan.

Water and Sewer Utility Bills are due on the 15th day of the month. A late charge of \$5.00 will be added for unpaid bills after the 15th of each month regardless if a bill is received by customer." -from Town of Dove Creek Newsletter 2022

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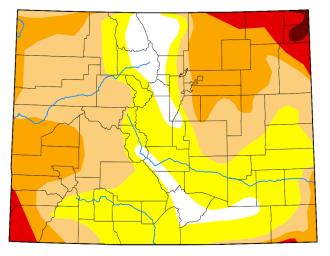
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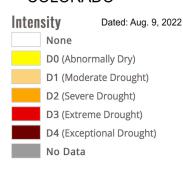
FSA Deadlines and Reminders

- Sept. 1st Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program(NAP) application for coverage triticale Deadline
  - Sept. 4 USDA Service Centers CLOSED in Observation of Labor Day
- Sept. 30th Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program(NAP) application for coverage wheat for forage, winter barley Deadline

Montezuma Dolores, and San Miguel Counties were designated as D2 or higher on the U.S. Drought Monitor. Under this designation, if you have eligible CRP acreage in the county, you are eligible to request emergency CRP having and grazing. CRP participants requesting emergency or non-emergency having and grazing must file a request with their local FSA office indicating the acres to be haved or grazed before the activity begins. USDA Service Center Dolores County 408 Main Street/PO Box 10 Dove Creek CO 81324 970-677-2229



# **COLORADO**





United States and Puerto Rico Author(s): Richard Tinker, NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC



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# **Local Agricultural Commodities**

August 11, 2022 Source: Midland Bean Dove Creek, CO Beans \$45 cwt Wheat \$11.50 cwt

### **Hunter Education - Internet Conclusion Course**

If you still need to complete a hunter education course before hunting season, this is your chance! Colorado Parks and Wildlife will be offering a hunter education conclusion class on Saturday, August 27th, 2022. The class will be at the Dolores County Public Service Center (Road and Bridge building) from 8:00 AM until roughly 2:00 PM (end time may vary depending on how long students take to test). This class is the in-person portion required after completing the online course. You can register for this class at https://www.register-ed.com. Select Colorado, then under Hunter Education Internet Conclusion Course click View Upcoming Events.

Students must have completed the online portion of the course BEFORE coming to class! The online course can be completed at https://www.hunter-ed.com/colorado/. We will cover Colorado hunting laws and regulations and answer any questions students might have from the online portion of the course. Then students will complete a written test and live fire exercise where they will demonstrate their understanding of firearm handling and safety. If you have any questions feel free to contact Becca de Vergie, Dove Creek District Wildlife Manager at 970-422-2173 or



How About a Photo of the Month! "Somewhere Special" is Dolores County.. and perhaps "Pinto Bean Capital of the World!" will return as the Town of Dove Creek tagline... which is somewhere very special. Send in a high resolution image to Info@TPIProductionZ.com by the 10th of the month, and one will be picked to be featured!

If the photo shows a person, please provide a release note.