

Shooting Closures

Recreational shooting is prohibited in the following areas: Rampart Range, South Platte River Corridor, Sugar Creek, Slaughterhouse, Harris Park, Shawnee, and Buno Gulch. These areas receive a tremendous amount of use. Due to an increasing number of incidents involving vandalism and the personal safety of forest visitors, these areas have been closed to discharging firearms. Exception: Persons hunting with a valid Colorado hunting license; or persons discharging a gas-operated paint-ball gun.

Please view the map (on the second page) to see the areas involved. If you have any questions or concerns regarding shooting in the district, please call our office at **303-275-5610**.

PLEASE NOTE: The Sugar Creek and South Platte River corridor closures include .25 miles on either side of the South Platte River and Sugar Creek.

Recreational Shooting

Due to its proximity to Denver and the availability of several species of wildlife, the South Platte Ranger District is an easy drive for local hunters and shooters and is highly used. Hunting is controlled by the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination on all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, and marital or family status. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD). To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 14th and Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Shooting closures apply to recreational shooting only. The entire District remains open for hunting **unless otherwise posted.**



NEW in MARCH 2014

Target Requirements

- Target shooters must use targets that are specifically designed & manufactured for firearm use.
- These manufactured targets are: cardboard, paper, clay pigeons, polymer ground-bouncing (self-healing), & metallic targets (specifically designed for firearms).
- **No Glass or Plastic allowed.**
- **Exploding targets are strictly prohibited.**

261.10 (d) Prohibits discharging a firearm or any other implement capable of taking human life, causing injury, or damaging property as follows:

1. **In or within 150 yards of a residence, building, campsite, developed recreation site, or occupied area; or**
2. **Across or on a National Forest System road or a body of water adjacent thereto, or in any manner or place whereby any person or property is exposed to injury or damage as a result in such discharge.**
3. **In to or within any cave.**

Updated 4/15/14



USDA Forest Service
South Platte Ranger District
19316 Goddard Ranch Court
Morrison, CO 80465
303-275-5610 (main office)
303-275-5642 (FAX)

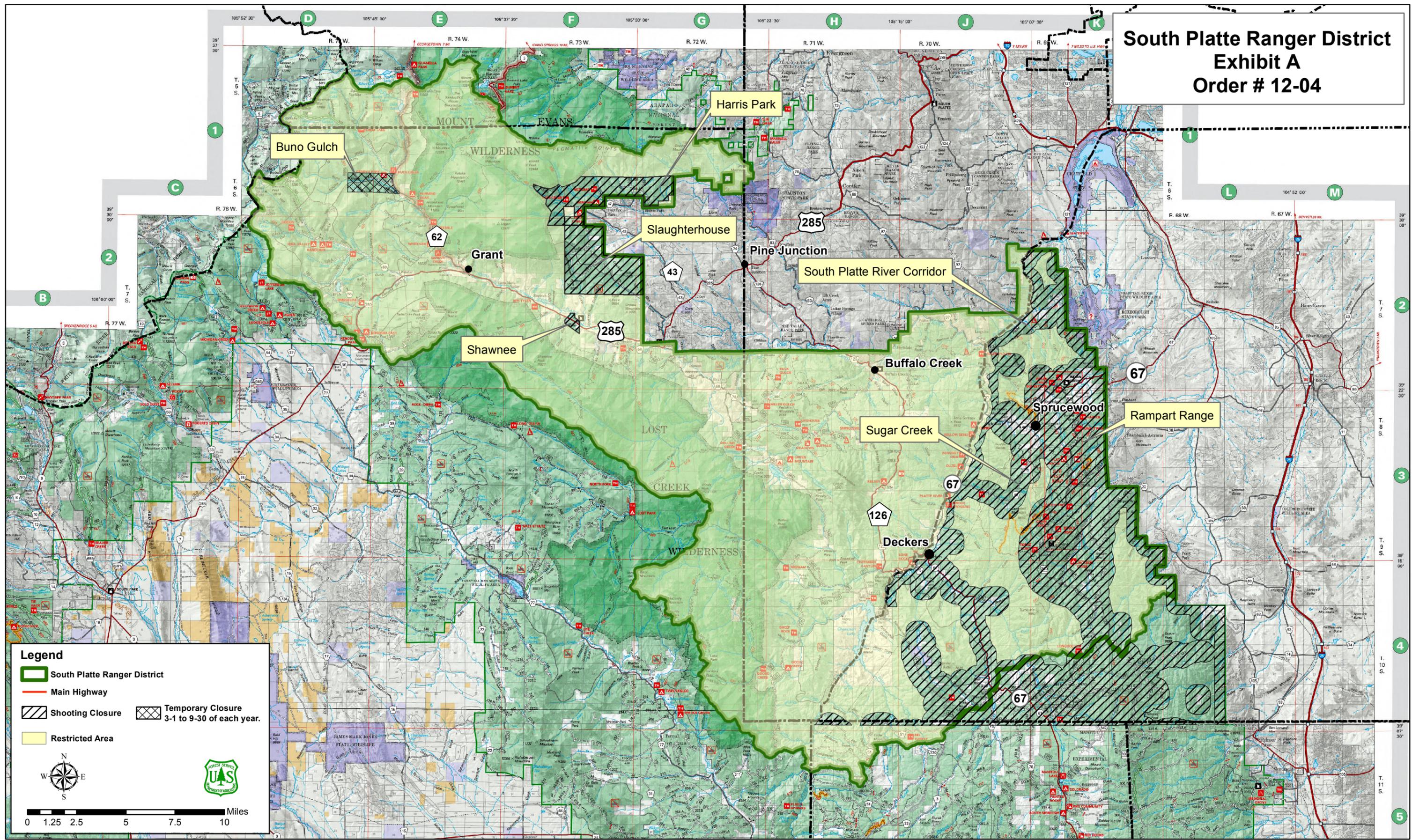
Recreational Shooting Information Including Bow & Arrow and Target Practice



South Platte Ranger District
Pike National Forest

Visit us online at:
www.fs.usda.gov/goto/psicc/sopl

**South Platte Ranger District
Exhibit A
Order # 12-04**



PROHIBITIONS IN THE RESTRICTED AREA: Possessing an open container which is defined as an alcoholic beverage by Colorado State law while discharging a firearm, air rifle, or gas gun. 36 C.F.R. 261.58(bb)
 Discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun unless shooting at cardboard targets, paper targets, manufactured metallic targets (metal targets specifically designed for firearms), or manufactured thrown-type clay targets (clay pigeons). 36 C.F.R. 261.58(m)