

## Hunting Information for Lopez Hill 2023

Hunting at Land Bank Preserves (Lopez Hill and Mount Grant) is limited to September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>.

There is no hunting allowed at Lopez Hill before September 1<sup>st</sup> or after November 1<sup>st</sup>. WDFW seasons may extend beyond these dates. Lopez Hill open dates for 2023:

Early Archery	September 1-29
Early Muzzle Loader	September 30-October 8
Modern Firearm	October 14-31
Special permit; Second Deer anterless	September 1-October 31

Hunters must review and follow all Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife hunting regulations. Note that San Juan County is a Firearm Restriction Area that prohibits use of high powered rifles.

San Juan County Code (9.08) requires hunters carry written permission from land owners for discharge of firearms including hunting. Please contact the Land Bank by email to receive written permission prior to hunting at Lopez Hill Preserve.

Season Overlap: Early archery, early muzzleloader, and modern firearm overlaps with antlerless second deer permit hunts (which allow any legal weapon type). Due to season overlap all hunters must wear hunter orange or pink (WDFW).

Access to Lopez Hill Preserve parking is off Lopez Sound Road, via School Road. See map for parking lot location and preserve boundaries.

There are no facilities at Lopez Hill, and no camping or fires are allowed. For campgrounds, try Odlin County Park (360-468-2496) or Spencer Spit State Park (360-468-2251).

Lopez Hill is a 400-acre preserve with multi-use hiking, biking, and equestrian trails. Be aware that others are recreating on public lands during hunting season. Residential parcels surround Lopez Hill; please be alert and respectful of property boundaries.

If you are successful in your endeavors, please keep animal remains away from public areas.

Where to hunt? The eastern edge of the preserve is recommended as the best hunting area. The forest was logged in the 1990's and has browse and logging trails.

If you are interested in earlier or Late Season hunting, public lands open on Lopez Island are in the San Juan Islands National Monument. They have about 400 acres on the south end of Lopez. The contact person is Brie Chartier (bchartier@blm.gov).

If you have any other questions, and to receive written permission contact Amanda Wedow, Lopez Preserve Steward (amandaw@sjclandbank.org) or Tanja Williamson, Outreach Coordinator (tanjaw@sjclandbank.org).

Updates to Lopez Hill Preserve hunting can be found on the Land Bank website: <u>https://sjclandbank.org/hunting-access-information/</u>

To download a copy of the Lopez Hill Trail Map:

https://friendsoflopezhill.files.wordpress.com/2020/09/folh trail brochure 2019-03.pdf

