

Trinchera Ranch Stewardship Principles

Forest stewardship is actively managing and protecting our lands in a way that maintains and enhances economic, community and natural resources.

Trinchera Ranch supports the following stewardship principles:

- Promote responsible environmental and social practices
- Protect and enhance forest productivity
- Protect water resources
- Maintain or enhance habitat diversity
- Manage visual impacts and provide recreational opportunities
- Protect special sites
- Maximize utilization of forest resources
- Comply with all laws
- Promote continuous improvement and sustainable forestry

Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) is a forest certification program that compares forest management practices with a set of nationally recognized standards. Trinchera Ranch is audited for compliance with SFI by a third party every year. Audit results are available to the public and products from certified forests may be identified in the marketplace. Trinchera Ranch lands are certified under SFI.

How your job affects the environment

Your job can impact the environment

- Log hauling can impact water quality and sediment delivery into flowing waters
- Improper harvest practices can harm fish and wildlife and their habitat
- Compacted or displaced soil can affect the soil's capacity to grow future stands of trees
- Spills and fires can impact many aspects of the environment, water and air quality, wildlife habitat
- Operational and personal garbage can affect wildlife, water and aesthetic values

You control impacts to the environment

- Practice good utilization . . . good housekeeping . . . keep garbage picked up
- Inspect equipment for leaks . . . have spill kits and know how to use them . . . clean up spills
- Keep sediment out of flowing water . . . watch for drainage problems . . . keep ditches and culverts clean
- Avoid compacting the soil . . . protect wildlife trees . . . protect threatened and endangered species . . . follow BMPs (Best Management Practices)
- Comply with your contract (Do your part to ensure compliance)

Your job has legal requirements

- Colorado Forestry BMPs
- Endangered Species Act