



## The Converse County Shooting Range Improvement Project

The Converse County Shooting Range Improvement Project is a comprehensive effort to revitalize and modernize the County's public shooting facilities by enhancing safety, functionality, and overall user experience. Across both the lower and upper ranges, outdated and deteriorated infrastructure will be removed and replaced with new steel-fabricated, wind-resistant covered firing line structures designed to withstand Wyoming's harsh conditions. These upgrades include reinforced concrete shooting pads, improved ADA-accessible pathways, and modern shooting amenities such as benches, tables, rifle racks, seating, and waste receptacles. New gated entrances with keypad access, along with upgraded fencing, signage, parking, access, and surveillance systems, will provide a more secure, controlled, and user-friendly environment for the public.

At the lower range, major improvements will be made to the 100-yard, 60-yard (pistol), and rimfire ranges, including expanded firing lines, new concrete walkways, and enhanced safety features such as reconstructed and raised berms. The upper range will be significantly improved with new 600-yard firing line structures, railroad tie lane dividers to maintain shooting lane integrity, and the addition of steel gong targets to expand long-range shooting opportunities. (Should this be a new paragraph?) Supporting infrastructure upgrades include power relocation and installation of data lines to support security systems. The project also includes repairs and revitalization of existing facilities, such as restrooms and the trap club with provisions for future enhancements, including consideration of a pole barn structure to provide additional indoor facilities for year-round use.

A key component of the project—though not immediately visible—is the installation of an extensive drainage system designed to correct long-standing water erosion issues across the site. This system will manage runoff, protect new and existing infrastructure, and significantly improve the durability and usability of the range. In combination with drainage improvements, berms will be restored, disturbed areas will be regraded, and native seeding will be applied to promote long-term stability. Together, these efforts will transform the shooting range into a resilient, modern facility that better serves the residents of Converse County while reducing maintenance demands and ensuring long-term sustainability.