

KOSTH NEWSLETTER

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Carrying on History & Tradition

Kansas One Shot Turkey Hunt (KOSTH) is gearing up for its third year! We are excited to continue the momentum of keeping alive the vision and traditions born when 41st Governor Mike Hayden and El Dorado Chamber of Commerce Executive Vice President Marv McCown founded the very first hunt in 1987.

Phil Benedict Retires

Thank you Phil Benedict for 2 years of service as the KOSTH Board of Directors Secretary! Phil retired from the El Dorado Chamber of Commerce on October 31. KOSTH appreciates Phil's contributions to our first 2 years!



**JOIN US! Ribbon cutting & holiday
open house at our new location!**

Thursday, December 12, 4-6PM

**210 W. Central Avenue
El Dorado, Kansas 67042
(316)251-9352**

2025 Hunter Invitations and Alumni Club

If you have not already joined the KOSTH Alumni Club, time is running out to secure your spot in the 2025 hunt. Only Alumni members are guaranteed a return invitation to the hunt each year.

The Kansas One Shot Turkey Hunt Alumni Club is a community that seeks to establish lasting relationships among past participants, new attendees, guides, and landowners. Our primary objective is to facilitate communication regarding conservation, hunting experiences, and habitat updates with the board of the Kansas One Shot Turkey Hunt.

.We invite you to join us in our mission to promote camaraderie and support for the preservation of our hunting heritage. Hunters who join the Alumni Club will be guaranteed an invitation to participate in upcoming hunts. Members of the Alumni Club will also receive recognition on our website and yearly Hunt program. Lifetime membership fees for the Alumni Club are as follows:

Hunters: \$250

Guides: \$25

Landowners: \$10

To join, visit the website at kansasoneshotturkeyhunt.org.

CURRENT ALUMNI:

Dave Adams
Gus Bader
Phil Benedict
Robert Boles
John Britt
David Cornish
Pat Do
Mark Elliott
Christie Foulston
Dan Gonzales
Kim Gonzales
Mike Hayden
Darren Jackson
DJ Jackson
Phyllis Jackson

Rob Keck
Tim Keenan
Brian Lewellen
Bryan Lewis
Marc Murrell
Jarrod Nichols
Matt Ray
Warren Rensner
Bob Ruch
Steve Seymour
Cape Taylor
Beverly Tipton
Craig Wall
Frank Williams
Becky Wolfe



Jim Clements
2025 Artist of the Year

2025 NON RESIDENT TURKEY PERMITS

Non-Residents who would like to hunt in the Kansas spring turkey season will have the chance to apply for a new lottery draw starting on January 14th and ending on February 14th, 2025. The new lottery draw is part of a larger strategy by the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (KDWP) to reduce overall hunting pressure and turkey harvest in the state. This is in response to a nation-wide decline in turkey populations.

Kansas One Shot Turkey Hunt (KOSTH) Board of Director members Mike Hayden and Jarrod Nichols are paying close attention to this issue and what it means for the future of nonresident hunters who wish to participate in the annual KOSTH. There are a few ways to change the lottery draw- through legislation, changing regulation, or a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between KDWP and KOSTH.

Former Governor Mike Hayden intends to pursue a MOU, but if his efforts are not successful, he will work closely with KDWP to assist in changing regulations. This process could take eight months or more and would not be in place in time for the 2025 hunt.

For the 2025 KOSTH, Non-Residents may apply for a permit – valid only in a single unit – in Units 1, 2, 3, 5, or 6 and a \$10 application fee will apply. Similar to the Kansas non-resident deer permit draw, any leftover non-resident spring turkey permits will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis shortly after the draw.

To apply for a 2025 non-resident turkey permit:

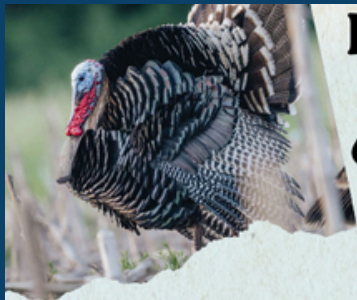
- Visit gooutdoorskansas.com between the dates of 01/14/25 – 02/14/25
- Select “Purchase Licenses, Permits, & Tags”
- Login to your account
- Select “Limited Draw Applications”

If you have questions, please contact ksoneshotturkeyhunt@gmail.com or (316)251-9352, or contact KDWP by calling 1-833-587-2164.

Jarrold Nichols, 2024 Chair
John Britt, 2025 Chair Elect
Becky Wolfe, Treasurer
Gunner Sullivan, Secretary
Mike Hayden, Founder
Steve Seymour, Past Chair
Gus Bader

KOSTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dave Adams
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KANSAS ONE SHOT TURKEY HUNT *Sponsorship Opportunities*

April 16-18, 2025

Help make the 2025 hunt a success by becoming a sponsor!

Hunter Sponsorship - \$2,500

Boss Gobbler Sponsorship - \$1,000

Longbeard Sponsorship - \$500

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Includes one hunter invite!

Contact us via Facebook or visit our website for the benefits associated with each sponsorship level!

www.kansasoneshotturkeyhunt.org



Questions?
Contact Megan Smith
megan@g2solutionsks.com



Danica Dickson, Managing Director

KOSTH is pleased to announce the hiring of new Managing Director, Danica Dickson. Danica started October 1, 2024 and has already begun making strides at KOSTH.

In her new role Danica will oversee operations to ensure the success of the 2025 hunt and future KOSTH endeavors.