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LPEA supports Durango Gun Club “Sight-in Days” *Co-op helps cover costs for hunters preparing firearms for the season*

DURANGO, Colo. – In an effort to both assist hunters and protect valuable electrical equipment, La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) will help underwrite “Sight-in Days” at the Durango Gun Club Outdoor Range, Thursdays and Fridays, Oct 9-10, 16-17, and 30-31, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During Sight-in Days, the Durango Gun Club on La Posta Road is open to the general public/hunters for rifle scope sighting, and hunters are encouraged to take advantage of the controlled environment to prepare their firearms for the season. LPEA has contributed \$500 to cover costs incurred by the club for the Sight-in Days. In 2013, some 500-600 hunters took advantage of the complimentary service.

“We realize that hunting deer and elk is a tradition in this part of the country, and we know hunters need to sight their rifle scopes in preparation,” said Justin Talbot, LPEA interim manager of operations. “It’s to everyone’s benefit that hunters not take aim at expensive electrical equipment. Just like an animal, when you shoot it, it stops functioning, and your neighbors’ electricity will be cut off.”

Durango Gun Club staff, plus volunteer club members, will be on hand during the special Sight-in Days to answer questions, provide assistance and do minor firearms repair. Donations to the club are welcomed, but no payment is required.

“We really want to help discourage sighting scopes in uncontrolled environments,” added Talbot. “Very simply, taking aim at LPEA equipment is vandalism. Beyond the expense and inconvenience to our customers, repair requires dangerous work by our LPEA crews to get everyone back in power.”

The Durango Gun Club’s outdoor range is located on CR 213 (La Posta Road). For further information, contact Joseph Perino, Durango Gun Club secretary/treasurer, 970.749.3453.

LPEA, celebrating 75 years in 2014, provides to its more than 30,000 members, with nearly 41,000 meters, safe, reliable electricity at the lowest reasonable cost, while being

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