

# DEER PERMIT AREA 240 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2022 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** Three-deer limit

**Firearm Options:** All Legal Firearms

**Special Regulations:** N/A

**Seasons:**

Archery: Sept. 17 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 20 - Oct. 23

Early Antlerless: Oct. 20 - Oct. 23

Firearm A: Nov. 5 - Nov. 13

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 26 - Dec. 11

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

## Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	27
Grassland and Wetlands	33
Annual Row Crops	27
Open Water	8
Developed	5

## Total Land Area in 2021 (Non-water)

643 Sq. Mi.

## Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	7
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	2
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	3
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0
<b>Total for Public Hunting</b>	<b>12</b>

## Wildlife Manager Report

This DPA has one of the most robust deer herds of all the DPAs managed out of the Fergus Falls Wildlife Office. Our 2020 goal was to reduce density by 25%, but despite 4 consecutive years of an intensive management strategy of five- and three-deer limits, and our recent harsh winter of 2022, we still have been unsuccessful in slowing growth of this herd. We did receive reports/observed winter fawn mortality in 2022 but given the abundant high-quality deer habitat in this DPA, that will likely not slow growth. Therefore, we are recommending a three-deer limit with an early antlerless season with the goal of reversing the trajectory of this population.

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**Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information**  
Optional CWD testing available. Visit [mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html](http://mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html)

**A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Todd and Wadena Counties. See [mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html](http://mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html) for details**

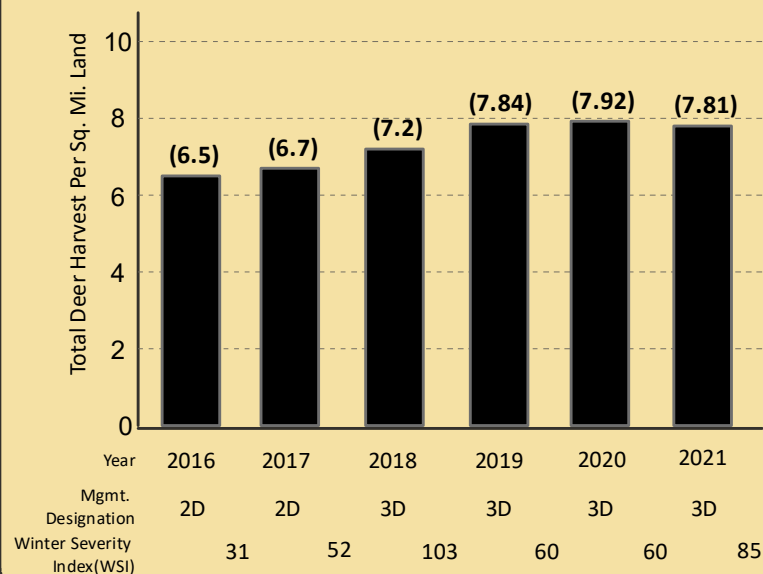
## 2021 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land:	12
Hunter Success:	53%

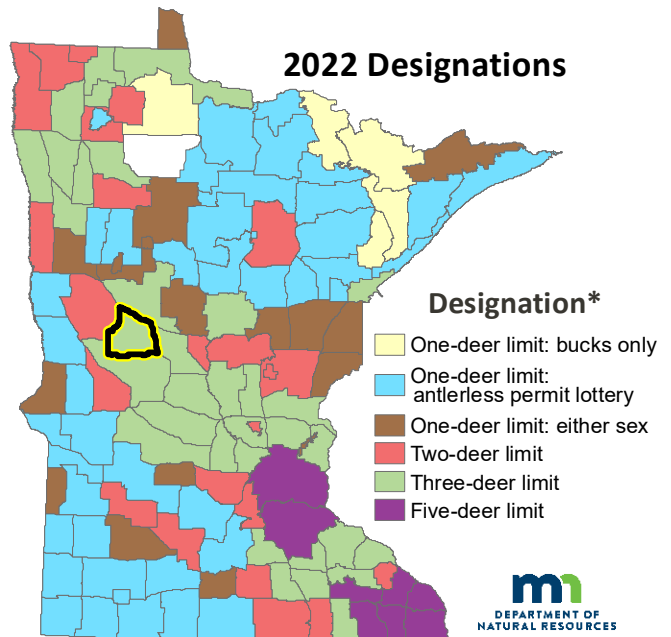
## 2021 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
<b>Firearms</b>	2203	378	1324	319	4224
<b>Archery</b>	185	38	278	27	528
<b>Muzzleloader</b>	75	26	147	23	271
<b>Total Harvest</b>	2463	442	1749	369	5023

## Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2016 - 2021/22



## 2022 Designations



\* see page 67 in the hunting regulations for details



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