

DEER PERMIT AREA 280 HUNTING INFORMATION

2022 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: One-deer limit: antlerless permit lottery (150)

Firearm Options: Shotgun using slugs, muzzleloaders and handguns legal for big game

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

- Archery: Sept. 17 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 20 - Oct. 23
- Early Antlerless: N/A
- 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	1
Grassland and Wetlands	10
Annual Row Crops	83
Open Water	1
Developed	5

Total Land Area in 2021 (Non-water)

675 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	11
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	2
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	1.5
Total for Public Hunting	15

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 280 includes much of southeast Lac qui Parle and eastern Yellow Medicine Counties. Agriculture dominates the landscape, with only limited pockets of good deer habitat such as the Lac qui Parle River, Tenmile Creek and Antelope Valley. Public hunting opportunities are limited, as 98% of the land is private. Not surprisingly, due to the sparse habitat, deer numbers are relatively low in this permit area, as is hunting pressure. Harvest strategies the last few years have allowed the herd to grow substantially. The established goal is to increase the herd 25% above the 2020 population estimate. This DPA is currently above goal and will increase to Lottery 150 this year compared to Lottery 50 to get closer to goal.

DNR Wildlife Contact(s): Curt Vacek, 320-734-4451 ext. 228

Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Optional CWD testing available. Visit mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html

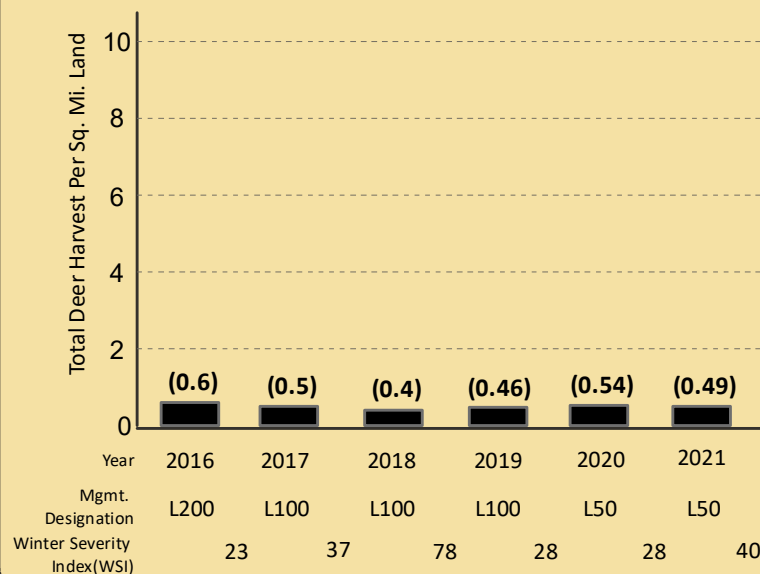
2021 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 2
Hunter Success: 23%

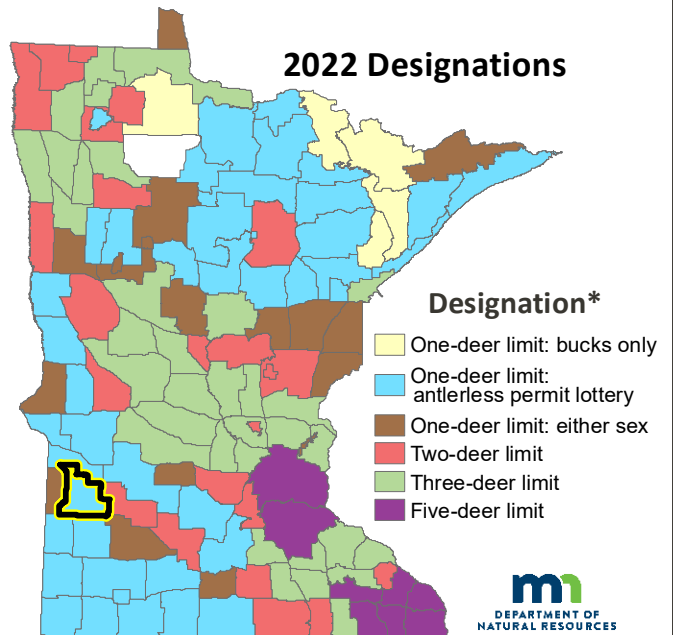
2021 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	229	3	42	6	280
Archery	26	1	7	0	34
Muzzleloader	15	1	4	0	20
Total Harvest	270	5	53	6	334

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



2022 Designations



* see page 67 in the hunting regulations for details