

DEER PERMIT AREA 292 HUNTING INFORMATION

2022 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Three-deer limit

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	10
Grassland and Wetlands	23
Annual Row Crops	54
Open Water	8
Developed	5

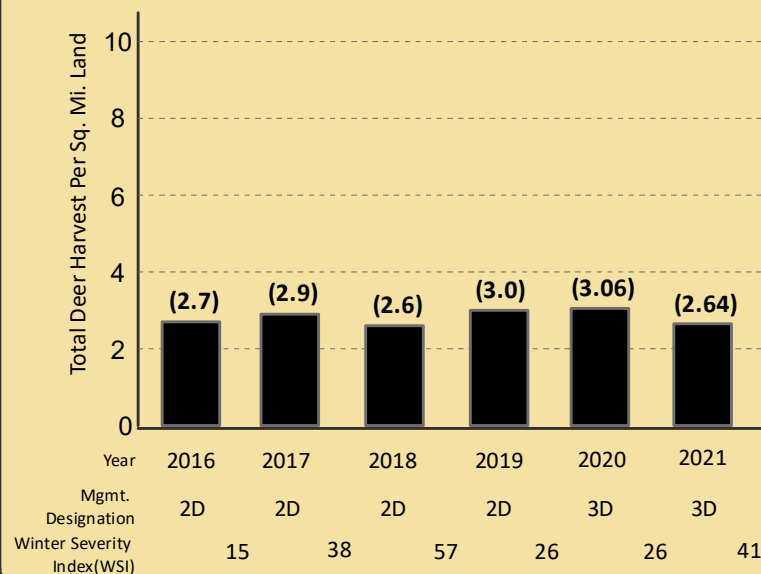
Total Land Area in 2021 (Non-water)

362 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	7
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	0
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0.1
Total for Public Hunting	7

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



Wildlife Manager Report

This Deer Permit Area 292 (DPA) includes the rolling topography and lake country of western Rice and eastern LeSueur Counties. Good deer habitats are provided by grasslands, marshes, brushy areas, and small forest tracts interspersed with farmlands. Deer populations continue to be above goal following the boundary change in 2020 that saw the northeast portion of this area moved into the CWD Permit Area 605. Harvest data indicates the potential for under harvest of does continues. We will therefore continue under the Three-deer bag limit as we seek to bring the population back in line with goal while maintaining good hunting opportunities.

DNR Wildlife Contact(s): Jeanine Vorland, 507-225-3572

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

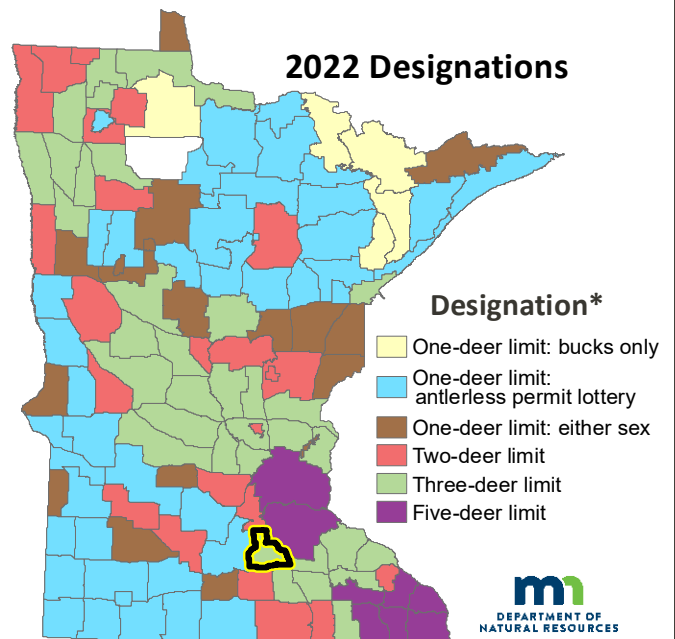
A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Rice County. See mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html for details

2021 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 7
Hunter Success: 28%

2021 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms	412	44	213	30	699
Archery	91	12	67	5	175
Muzzleloader	27	7	41	6	81
Total Harvest	530	63	321	41	955



* see page 67 in the hunting regulations for details