

DEER PERMIT AREA 342 HUNTING INFORMATION

2021 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Three-deer limit

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

Special Regulations: See page 68 - 78 of the hunting regulations book for CWD related regulations

Seasons:

- Archery: Sept. 18 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 21 - Oct. 24
- Early Antlerless: Oct. 21 - Oct. 24
- Firearm A: Nov. 6 - Nov. 14
- Firearm B: Nov. 20 - Nov. 28
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 27 - Dec. 12
- Late CWD Hunts: N/A

Land Cover Types % Tot.

| | |
|------------------------|----|
| Woody Cover | 28 |
| Grassland and Wetlands | 29 |
| Annual Row Crops | 31 |
| Open Water | 6 |
| Developed | 5 |

Total Land Area in 2020 (Non-water)

350 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

| Publically Owned Lands | Sq. Mi. |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| State Wildlife Management Area | 5 |
| State Forest | 15 |
| Misc. State Land | 1 |
| County Managed Land | 0 |
| USFWS Land (WPA and NWR) | 5 |
| USFS Land (National Forest) | 0 |
| Privately Owned Lands | |
| Forest Legacy/Forests for Future | 0 |
| Walk-In Access | 0 |
| Total for Public Hunting | 26 |

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer permit area 342 is a rugged region of bluffs and valleys in the driftless area, a region which contains some of the states best deer habitat. Population modeling and harvest trends indicate that despite liberal regulations, deer populations are still above population goals. DPA 342 is a 2021 CWD disease surveillance DPA. Please refer to the regulations for details regarding CWD sampling protocols. DPA 342 will have a 3 deer limit in 2021 and will be open for the early antlerless season.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
Mandatory CWD testing Nov. 6-7, Nov. 20-21; Voluntary CWD testing remainder of all seasons

A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Olmsted and Wabasha Counties. See mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html for details

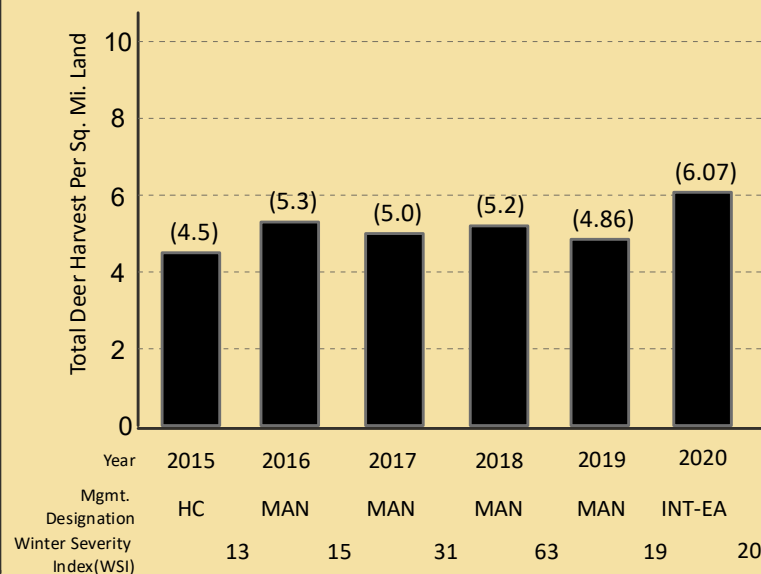
2020 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

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| Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: | 10 |
| Hunter Success: | 47% |

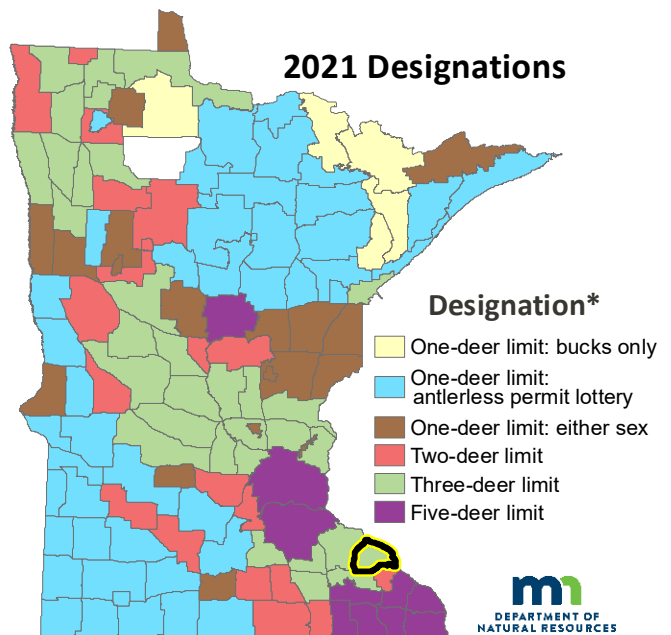
2020 Deer Harvest

| | Adult Male | Fawn Male | Adult Female | Fawn Female | Total |
|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Firearms | 769 | 141 | 537 | 132 | 1579 |
| Archery | 184 | 25 | 152 | 23 | 384 |
| Muzzleloader | 46 | 19 | 79 | 18 | 162 |
| Total Harvest | 999 | 185 | 768 | 173 | 2125 |

Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2015 - 2020/21



2021 Designations



* see pages 64-67 in the hunting regulations for details