

# DEER PERMIT AREA 215 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2020 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** Intensive: 3 deer limit

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

**Special Regulations:** N/A

**Seasons:**

- Archery: Sept. 19 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 15 - Oct. 18
- Early Antlerless: Oct. 15 - 18
- Firearm A: Nov. 7 - Nov. 15
- Firearm B: N/A
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 28 - Dec. 13

### Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	20
Grassland and Wetlands	38
Annual Row Crops	30
Open Water	4
Developed	8

### Total Land Area in 2019 (Non-water)

701 Sq. Mi.

### Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	6
State Forest	1
Misc. State Land	1
County Managed Land	0
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	3
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
<b>Privately Owned Lands</b>	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	0
<b>Total for Public Hunting</b>	<b>11</b>

### Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 215 is a productive area in the prairie-forest transition zone, rarely experiences severe winters, and contains little public land. The area covers southeastern Todd, southwestern Morrison, and the northern third of Stearns Counties. Deer populations have been increasing for a decade, have been at an all-time high in recent years, and are presently well above goal. This year's harvest designation of intensive (3 deer limit), plus early antlerless season, is meant to decrease the overall deer population towards goal. Given harvest and population trend data, increased antlerless harvest will be required for several more years in this permit area to decrease the population.

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### 2019 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 10  
 Hunter Success: 42%

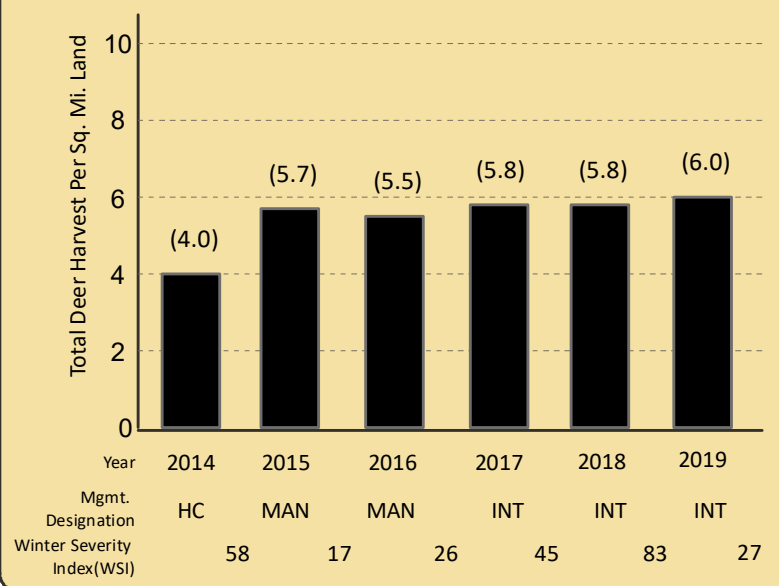
### 2019 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
<b>Firearms<sup>1</sup></b>	1457	378	892	267	2994
<b>Archery</b>	284	78	366	51	779
<b>Muzzleloader</b>	79	31	143	33	286
<b>Total Harvest<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>1877</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>1451</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>4210</b>

<sup>1</sup>Includes Regular A and B seasons as well as early antlerless and youth seasons if it applies.

<sup>2</sup>Includes all seasons above plus any special hunts.

### Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2014 - 2019/20



### 2020 Designations

