DEER PERMIT AREA 221 HUNTING INFORMATION

2023 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Three-deer limit **Firearm Options:** All Legal Firearms

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 16 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 19 - 22

Early Antlerless: Oct. 19 - 22

Firearm A: Nov. 4 - 12

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 25 - Dec. 10

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

Land Cover Types	<u>% Tot.</u>	
Woody Cover	19	
Grassland and Wetlands	37	
Annual Row Crops	36	
Open Water	1	
Developed	6	

Total Land Area in 2022 (Non-water)

642 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)	3	
USFS Land (National Forest)	0	
Privately Owned Lands		
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0	
Walk-In Access	0	
Total for Public Hunting	10	

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer permit area (DPA) 221 is a productive permit area, containing little public land, and rarely experiences severe winter. The area covers most of Morrison County east of the Mississippi River, as well as the western two-thirds of Benton County. The deer herd is above goal, growing, with increasing complaints about too many deer in the permit area. This year's designation of a three-deer limit plus early antlerless season is meant to provide opportunity to manage deer locally where needed, and move the deer population towards goal.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information
See mndnr.gov/cwd/cwd-testing.html for CWD testing options

2022 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 10 Hunter Success: 45%

2022 Deer Harvest

	Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Total
	Male	Male	Female	Female	
Firearms	1549	415	1196	314	3474
Archery	153	38	299	38	528
Muzzleloader	76	31	159	18	284
Total Harvest	1778	484	1654	370	4286



