

# DEER PERMIT AREA 248 HUNTING INFORMATION

## 2024 Deer Hunting Information

**Designation:** Two-deer limit

**Firearm Options:** All Legal Firearms

**Special Regulations:** N/A

**Seasons:**

Archery: Sept. 14 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 17 - 20

Early Antlerless: N/A

Firearm A: Nov. 9 - 17

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 30 - Dec. 15

Late CWD Hunts: N/A

## Land Cover Types % Tot.

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Woody Cover            | 63 |
| Grassland and Wetlands | 18 |
| Annual Row Crops       | 6  |
| Open Water             | 7  |
| Developed              | 7  |

## Total Land Area in 2023 (Non-water)

214 Sq. Mi.

## Lands Open to Public Hunting

| Publically Owned Lands           | Sq. Mi.    |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| State Wildlife Management Area   | 0.5        |
| State Forest                     | 0          |
| Misc. State Land                 | 5          |
| 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          |
| <b>Total for Public Hunting</b>  | <b>5.5</b> |

## Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 248 is a small, predominantly forested permit area, with some agricultural land west of Camp Ripley, and rarely experiences severe winters. The area covers most of northwestern Morrison County, and a small amount of southern Cass County. Other than Camp Ripley, which allows some deer hunting, DPA 248 includes little public land. Data indicates the deer population is stable, at goal, and warrants a Two-deer bag limit this year to hold the population at goal, especially given the extremely mild conditions this past winter.

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### Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information

Optional CWD testing - <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/cwd/cwd-testing.html>

A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Cass County. See [mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html](http://mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html) for details

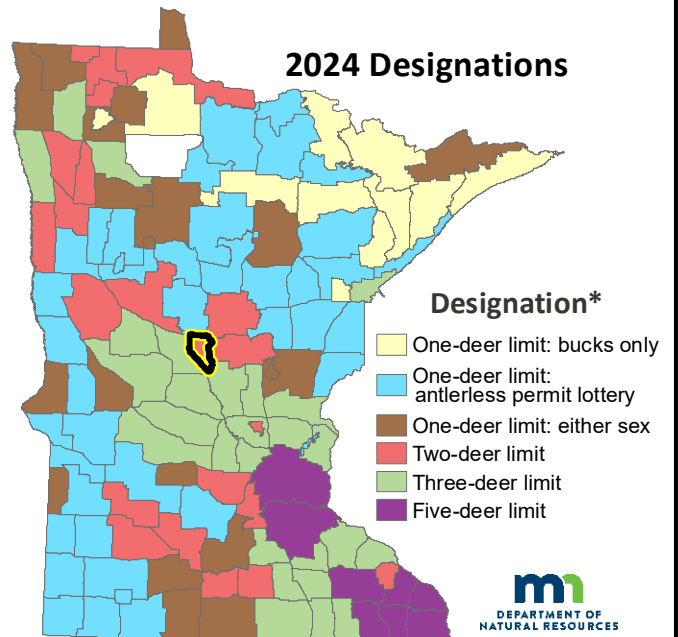
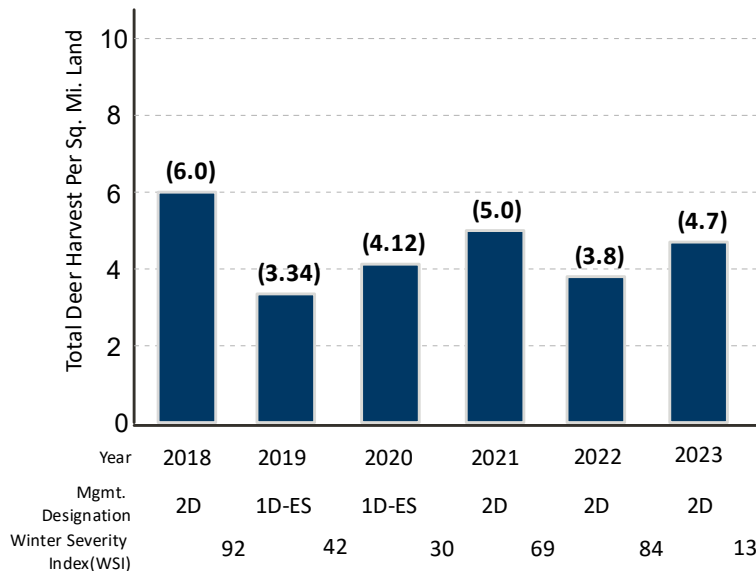
## 2023 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: | 9   |
| Hunter Success:           | 33% |

## 2023 Deer Harvest

|                      | Adult Male | Fawn Male | Adult Female | Fawn Female | Total       |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Firearms</b>      | 355        | 45        | 209          | 33          | 642         |
| <b>Archery</b>       | 135        | 29        | 138          | 14          | 316         |
| <b>Muzzleloader</b>  | 21         | 3         | 21           | 2           | 47          |
| <b>Total Harvest</b> | <b>511</b> | <b>77</b> | <b>368</b>   | <b>49</b>   | <b>1005</b> |

## Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2018 - 2023/24



\* see page 70 in the hunting regulations for details



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