# **DEER PERMIT AREA 288 HUNTING INFORMATION**

## **2025 Deer Hunting Information**

**Designation:** One-deer limit: either sex **Firearm Options:** Shotgun using slugs,

muzzleloaders and handguns legal for big game

Special Regulations: N/A

#### Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 13 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 16-19 Early Antlerless: N/A

Statewide Firearms: Nov. 8 - 16

Late SE Firearms: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 29 - Dec. 14

Late CWD: N/A

Land Cover Types	<u>% Tot.</u>	
Woody Cover	2	
Grassland and Wetlands	16	
Annual Row Crops	75	
Open Water	1	
Developed	6	

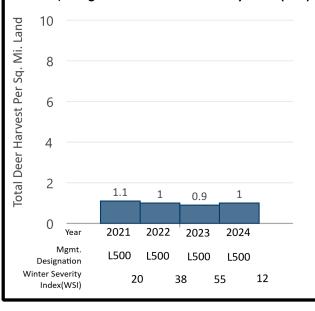
### **Total Land Area in 2024 (Non-water)**

625 Sq. Mi.

### **Lands Open to Public Access Hunting**

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	15
State Forest	0
Misc. State Land	3
County Managed Land	1
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	3
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0
Walk-In Access	2
Total for Public Hunting	24

#### Harvest, Designation and Winter Severity Index (WSI)



#### Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 288 includes almost all of Lyon County. This permit area is mostly agricultural cropland and privately owned. Deer habitat areas include farm program acres such as CRP and CREP, state WMAs and federal WPA lands. Three major river systems (Redwood, Cottonwood and Yellow Medicine) are interspersed throughout the permit area along with a few shallow lakes. Deer populations in DPA 288 are currently at the high end of goal range after 2 mild winters, and spring recruitment should be good. Offering Either-Sex permits will give more opportunity to take antlerless deer to help keep the population within goal.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information Optional CWD testing

### **2024 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics**

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 3 Hunter Success: 27%

#### 2024 Deer Harvest

	Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Total
	Male	Male	Female	Female	
Firearms	365	22	92	9	488
Archery	70	1	25	3	99
Muzzleloader	24	4	17	2	47
Total Harvest	459	27	134	14	634

