

DEER PERMIT AREA 341 HUNTING INFORMATION

2020 Deer Hunting Information

Voluntary CWD Testing - Starting Nov. 7 until sample goal is met

Designation: Intensive: 3 deer limit

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

Special Regulations: See page 58 of the hunting regulations handbook.

Seasons:

- Archery: Sept. 19 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 15 - Oct. 18
- Early Antlerless: Oct. 15 - 18
- Firearm A: Nov. 7 - Nov. 15
- Firearm B: Nov. 21 - Nov. 29
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 28 - Dec. 13

Land Cover Types	% Tot.
Woody Cover	22
Grassland and Wetlands	24
Annual Row Crops	44
Open Water	3
Developed	6

Total Land Area in 2019 (Non-water)

606 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	2
State Forest	9
Misc. State Land	1
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
Total for Public Hunting	12

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 341 lies at the northern end of the Paleozoic Plateau, a rugged region of bluffs and valleys that makes up Minnesota's best deer habitat. Diverse woodlands, prairie, and agriculture consisting of row crops, grazing and orchards comprise the DPA. DPA 341 went through the public deer population goal setting process in 2014 and deer populations are currently well above the established population objective. The 2020 designation of Intensive is meant to reduce the population towards established population objectives. The antler point restriction has also been removed and cross-tagging of bucks is allowed. Hunters may increase their harvest opportunities by voluntarily hunting the 3B firearms season when less than 30% of firearm hunters are afield. This year, DPA 341 will also be open during the Early Antlerless season in October, which allows hunters to harvest up to five antlerless deer. This DPA is within the South Metro Surveillance Area where precautionary CWD sampling will be available to hunters who would like to voluntarily submit a sample starting on the opening day of the firearms season until the goal for the area (750 deer) is reached. No carcass movement restrictions exist in this DPA.

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2019 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 8
Hunter Success: 38%

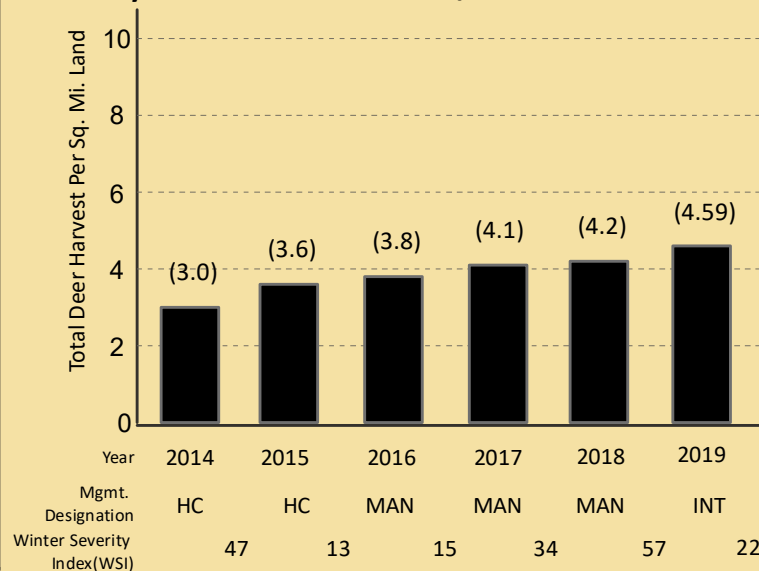
2019 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms¹	854	179	691	138	1862
Archery	277	31	308	47	663
Muzzleloader	40	15	95	15	165
Total Harvest²	1214	232	1126	208	2780

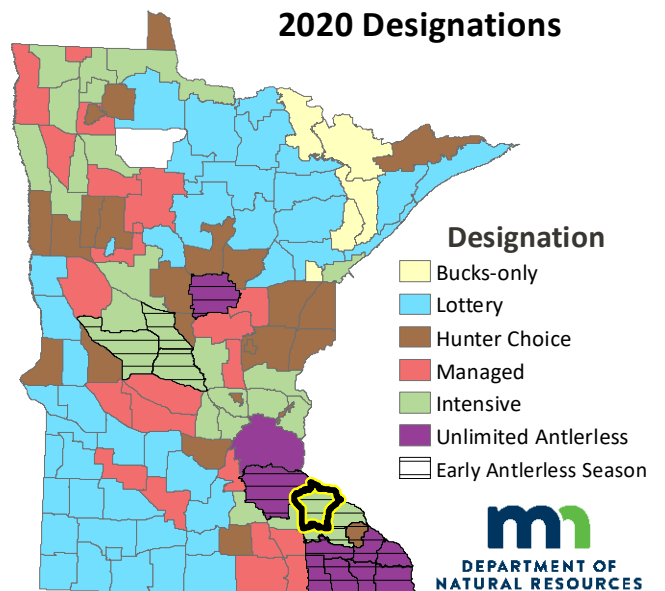
¹Includes Regular A and B seasons as well as early antlerless and youth seasons if it applies.

²Includes all seasons above plus any special hunts.

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



2020 Designations



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