DEER PERMIT AREA 605 HUNTING INFORMATION

2023 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Five-deer limit

Firearm Options: Shotgun using slugs,

muzzleloaders and handguns legal for big game **Special Regulations:** Special CWD related regulations in this area. See mndnr.gov/cwd for

details
Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 16 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 19 - 22

Early Antlerless: Oct. 19 - 22 Firearm A: Nov. 4 - 12

Firearm B: Nov. 18 - 26

Muzzleloader: Nov. 25 - Dec. 10 Late CWD Hunts: Dec. 15 - 17

Land Cover Types	<u>% Tot.</u>	
Woody Cover	14	
Grassland and Wetlands	22	
Annual Row Crops	42	
Open Water	4	
Developed	17	

Total Land Area in 2022 (Non-water)

1192 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.	
State Wildlife Management Area	24	
State Forest	1	
Misc. State Land	1	
County Managed Land	2	
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	7	
USFS Land (National Forest)	0	
Privately Owned Lands		
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	0	
Walk-In Access	0	
Total for Public Hunting	35	

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 605 is designated as a CWD Management Zone and was created in 2020 following the finding of CWD in a wild deer. Since this DPA is designated as a CWD Management Zone, mandatory carcass movement restrictions are in place for all deer, including fawns. CWD testing is mandatory during the opening weekend of firearms season and voluntary for all other seasons and the remainder of the firearms season. Hunters in this permit area may harvest up to Five-deer only, one of which may be a legal buck. Disease management permits may be utilized in this permit area to harvest antlerless deer. The Early Antlerless season is also in place for this DPA in 2023.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information Mandatory CWD testing Nov. 4-5 and Dec. 15-17

Carcass movement restrictions in effect

A deer feeding and attractants ban is in effect for Dakota, Goodhue, Rice, Scott and Washington Counties. See mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html for details

2022 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 4
Hunter Success: 35%

2022 Deer Harvest

	Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Total
	Male	Male	Female	Female	
Firearms	981	197	639	144	1961
Archery	306	66	378	69	819
Muzzleloader	39	14	87	12	152
Total Harvest	1326	277	1104	225	2932



