

Statewide Deer Advisory Committee Application

January 7, 2019

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Fish and Wildlife Division is accepting applications for a public, statewide Deer Advisory Committee. This committee was called for in the [2019-2028 Minnesota White-tailed Deer Management Plan](#). Its purpose is to enhance dialogue between the DNR and deer management stakeholders on the State of Minnesota's deer management program.

Committee members will be appointed by the DNR Wildlife Section chief to three-year terms. Members may re-apply but may serve no more than two consecutive terms (six years).

The committee will:

- Represent the breadth of deer management interests;
- Learn about and contribute to understanding biological, social and economic aspects of deer management, including stakeholder group perspectives (excluding population goal setting);
- Identify and inform DNR of significant deer management issues;
- Facilitate dialogue between the public and DNR regarding issues;
- Advise DNR on potential approaches to respond to issues; and
- Advise on effective and publicly acceptable deer policies, research and monitoring priorities, programs and regulations.

Recommended applicants will demonstrate:

1. Representation from all geographic regions in Minnesota and familiarity with regional management;
2. Diverse deer management interests, e.g., hunting, recreation, conservation, habitat, land management, socioeconomic; and
3. Effectiveness and respect working with those with different experience, background and perspectives.

Membership will include:

- At-large, unaffiliated deer hunting interests (no more than 4)
- At-large deer stakeholders representing non-hunting deer management values (no more than 4)
- Representatives of hunting organizations (no more than 4)
- Representatives of agriculture, forestry, conservation, environmental, public health, local/county governments or other stakeholder organizations (no more than 6)

Ex-officio members may include:

- Tribal representative(s) recommended/appointed by Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (one or more)
- Resource management organizations with local/statewide knowledge on specific deer issues (e.g., Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Minnesota Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts)

Interested applicants must apply by Feb. 8, 2019. Questions can be directed to Paul Telander, Wildlife Section chief, at 651-259-5204. Selections will be announced in mid-February, with the first meeting anticipated in March.

NOTE: As an application for a DNR advisory committee, data collected from you is classified as private under Minnesota Statutes, section 13.601, except for the following: name, city of residence, education and training, employment history, volunteer work, awards and honors, prior government service and veteran status. Once appointed, your residential address and a designated email address or phone number, or both at your request, also become public.

Application data will be used to consider your appointment and to contact you when determining your qualifications as an applicant. You are not required by law to provide this information, but if you do not provide it, DNR will not be able to determine your eligibility or to contact you. Your private data will be available to DNR personnel whose work assignment reasonably requires access, to those as required or allowed by state or federal law, or pursuant to court order and to those with your written consent.

Application Questions

1. First and last name:
2. Email:
3. Phone number:
4. Address:
5. County of residence (or county of workplace, if applying to represent an organization):
6. Organization applying to represent, if applicable
(must be an authorized representative for this group/organization):
7. Membership category (select one):

For example: agriculture, forestry, conservation, environmental, public health, local/county government, etc.

Specify type of other stakeholder organization:

8. Please choose all of the following that describe your interest in deer management:

9. Why do you wish to serve on the committee? What is your vision for deer management in Minnesota?
(max 300 words)

10. Do you commit to attend the majority of in-person and call-in/video-conference meetings?

11. Optional:

a. Gender:

b. Age:

c. Race/ethnicity:

Thank you for your interest!