

DEER PERMIT AREA 604 HUNTING INFORMATION

2020 Deer Hunting Information

Voluntary CWD Testing - All Seasons

Carcass Movement Restrictions in Effect

Designation: Unlimited Antlerless

Firearm Options: All Legal Firearms

Special Regulations: See page 69 of the Hunting Regulations for special CWD regulations.

Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 19 - Dec. 31

Youth: Oct. 15 - Oct. 18

Early Antlerless: Oct. 15 - 18

Firearm A: Nov. 7 - Nov. 22

Firearm B: N/A

Muzzleloader: Nov. 28 - Dec. 13

Land Cover Types % Tot.

Woody Cover	56
Grassland and Wetlands	16
Annual Row Crops	1
Open Water	18
Developed	8

Total Land Area in 2019 (Non-water)

673 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	2
State Forest	11
Misc. State Land	14
County Managed Land	78
USFWS Land (WPA and NWR)	0
USFS Land (National Forest)	0
Privately Owned Lands	
Forest Legacy/Forests for Future	5
Walk-In Access	0
Total for Public Hunting	110

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area 604 contains all of former DPAs 242 and 247 along with portions of 155 and 246. This DPA is designated as a CWD Management Zone and was created following the finding of CWD in a wild deer in January of 2019. This area is in the heart of the Brainerd Lakes area. Mostly wooded, this permit area contains both pine and hardwood forests with lakes dotting the landscape. Since this DPA is designated as a CWD Management Zone, mandatory carcass movement restrictions are in place for all deer, including fawns. DNR-provided dumpsters will be available for hunters to dispose of carcass waste properly. CWD testing is voluntary during the entire archery, firearms and muzzleloader seasons by providing the head of harvested deer at designated self-service sampling stations. There is no restriction on the number of disease management permits purchased (\$2.50 each), which may be used to harvest antlerless deer. This DPA is also open during the Early Antlerless season in October. Hunters in this area may only tag one legal buck.

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2019 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land:	13
Hunter Success:	38%

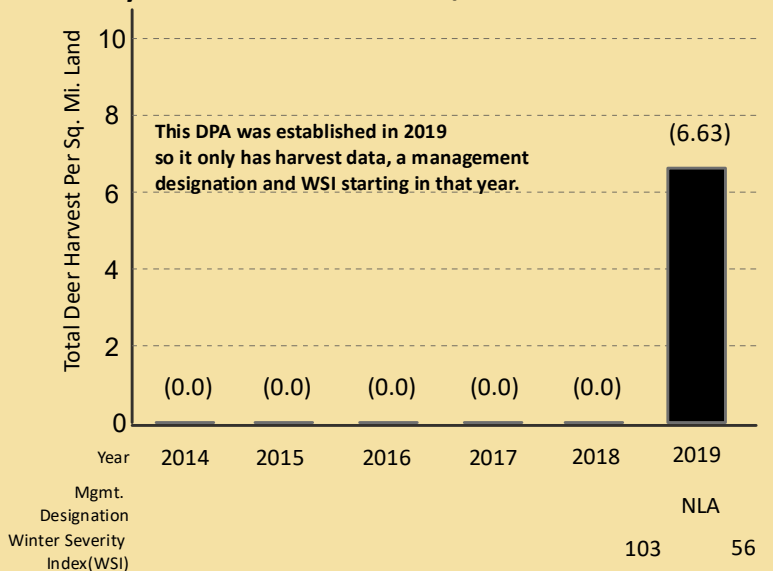
2019 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms¹	1384	414	1192	298	3288
Archery	181	84	373	66	704
Muzzleloader	13	6	49	9	77
Total Harvest²	1630	568	1844	423	4465

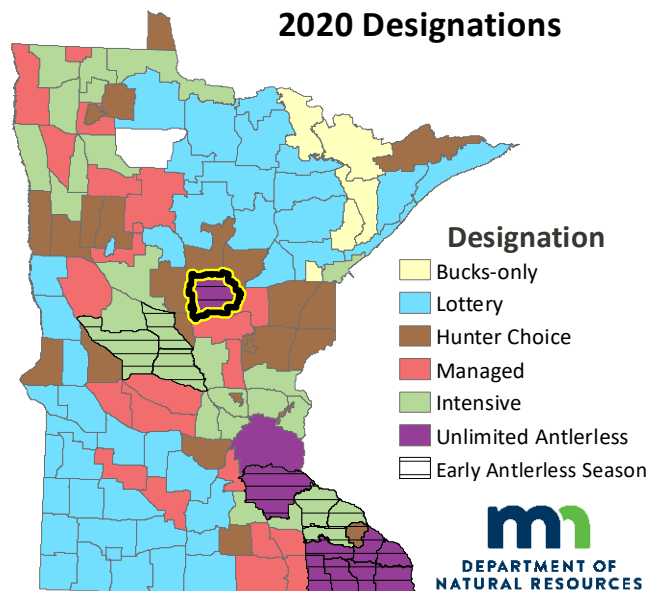
¹Includes Regular A and B seasons as well as early antlerless and youth seasons if it applies.

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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