

DEER PERMIT AREA 157 HUNTING INFORMATION

2020 Deer Hunting Information

Voluntary CWD Testing - Starting Nov. 7 until sample goal is met (east of STH 65 only)

Designation: Hunter Choice: 1 deer limit

Firearm Options: All Legal Firearms

Special Regulations: N/A

Seasons:

- Archery: Sept. 19 - Dec. 31
- Youth: Oct. 15 - Oct. 18
- Early Antlerless: N/A
- Firearm A: Nov. 7 - Nov. 22
- Firearm B: N/A
- Muzzleloader: Nov. 28 - Dec. 13

Land Cover Types	% Tot.
Woody Cover	53
Grassland and Wetlands	35
Annual Row Crops	6
Open Water	2
Developed	5

Total Land Area in 2019 (Non-water)

888 Sq. Mi.

Lands Open to Public Hunting

Publically Owned Lands	Sq. Mi.
State Wildlife Management Area	11
State Forest	34
Misc. State Land	14
County Managed Land	42
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	101

Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area (DPA) 157 is a rural permit area with a mixture of woods and agricultural land, providing excellent deer habitat. The deer population has been relatively stable with few complaints of deer damage to alfalfa fields and corn silage on dairy farms. We did take a number of calls about low deer densities within the boundaries of the two State Forests and in the NW corner of the DPA. The DPA underwent a public population goal setting process in 2015 where an increase (25%) was the desired outcome. In the past Managed and Intensive designation result in either population stabilization or a slight decrease. The 2020 designation of Hunters Choice should move the population towards goal. The portion of this DPA east of state highway 65 is within the East Central 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 surveillance area (1,000 deer) is reached.

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2019 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land: 14
Hunter Success: 28%

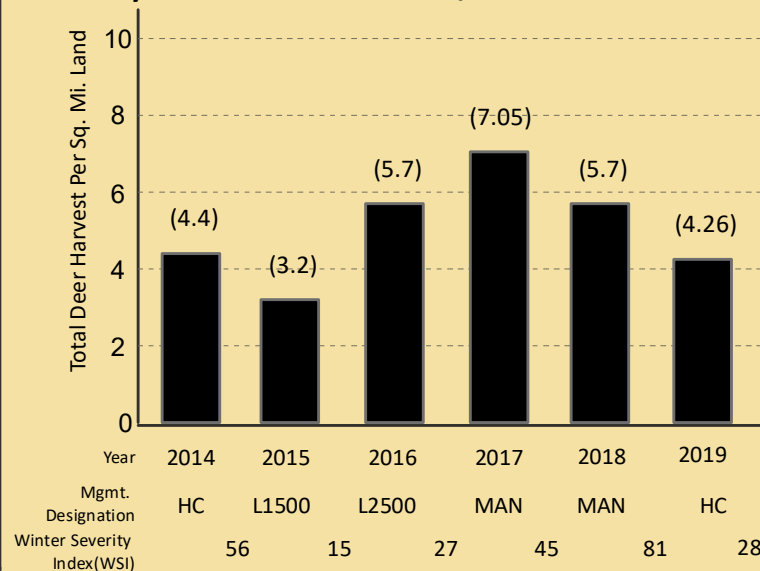
2019 Deer Harvest

	Adult Male	Fawn Male	Adult Female	Fawn Female	Total
Firearms¹	1932	278	1010	181	3401
Archery	126	18	81	7	232
Muzzleloader	19	2	20	3	44
Total Harvest²	2128	310	1145	196	3779

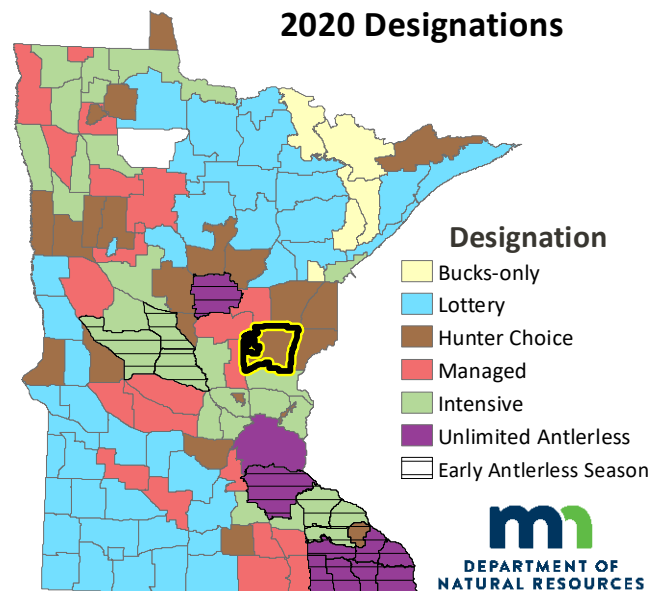
¹Includes Regular A and B seasons as well as early antlerless and youth seasons if it applies.

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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