# **DEER PERMIT AREA 604 HUNTING INFORMATION**

## 2021 Deer Hunting Information

Designation: Five-deer limit Firearm Options: All Legal Firearms Special Regulations: See page 68 - 78 of the hunting regulations book for CWD related regulations Seasons:

Archery: Sept. 18 - Dec. 31 Youth: Oct. 21 - Oct. 24 Early Antlerless: Oct. 21 - Oct. 24 Firearm A: Nov. 6 - Nov. 21 Firearm B: N/A Muzzleloader: Nov. 27 - Dec. 12 Late CWD Hunts: N/A

Land Cover Types	<u>% Tot.</u>		
Woody Cover	56		
Grassland and Wetlands	16		
Annual Row Crops	1		
Open Water	18		
Developed	8		

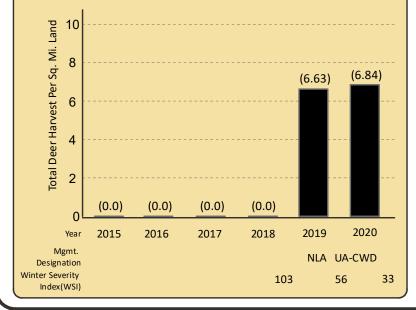
## Total Land Area in 2020 (Non-water)

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	

# Deer Harvest, Management Designation and Winter Severity Index from 2015 - 2020/21



#### Wildlife Manager Report

Deer Permit Area 604 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 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. 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 5 deer-only one of which may be a legal buck, disease management permits purchased for \$2.50 each may be utilized in this permit area to harvest antlerless deer.

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Important Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Information Mandatory CWD testing Nov. 6-7; Voluntary CWD testing remainder of all seasons

Carcass movement restrictions in effect

A deer feeding and attractant ban is in effect for Aitkin, Cass and Crow Wing Counties. See mndnr.gov/cwd/feedban.html for details

## **2020 Firearm Deer Hunter Statistics**

Hunters per Sq. Mi. Land:	13
Hunter Success:	45%

## 2020 Deer Harvest

	Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn	Total
	Male	Male	Female	Female	
Firearms	1513	480	1510	316	3819
Archery	261	64	300	49	674
Muzzleloader	14	11	74	12	111
Total Harvest	1787	556	1884	376	4603

