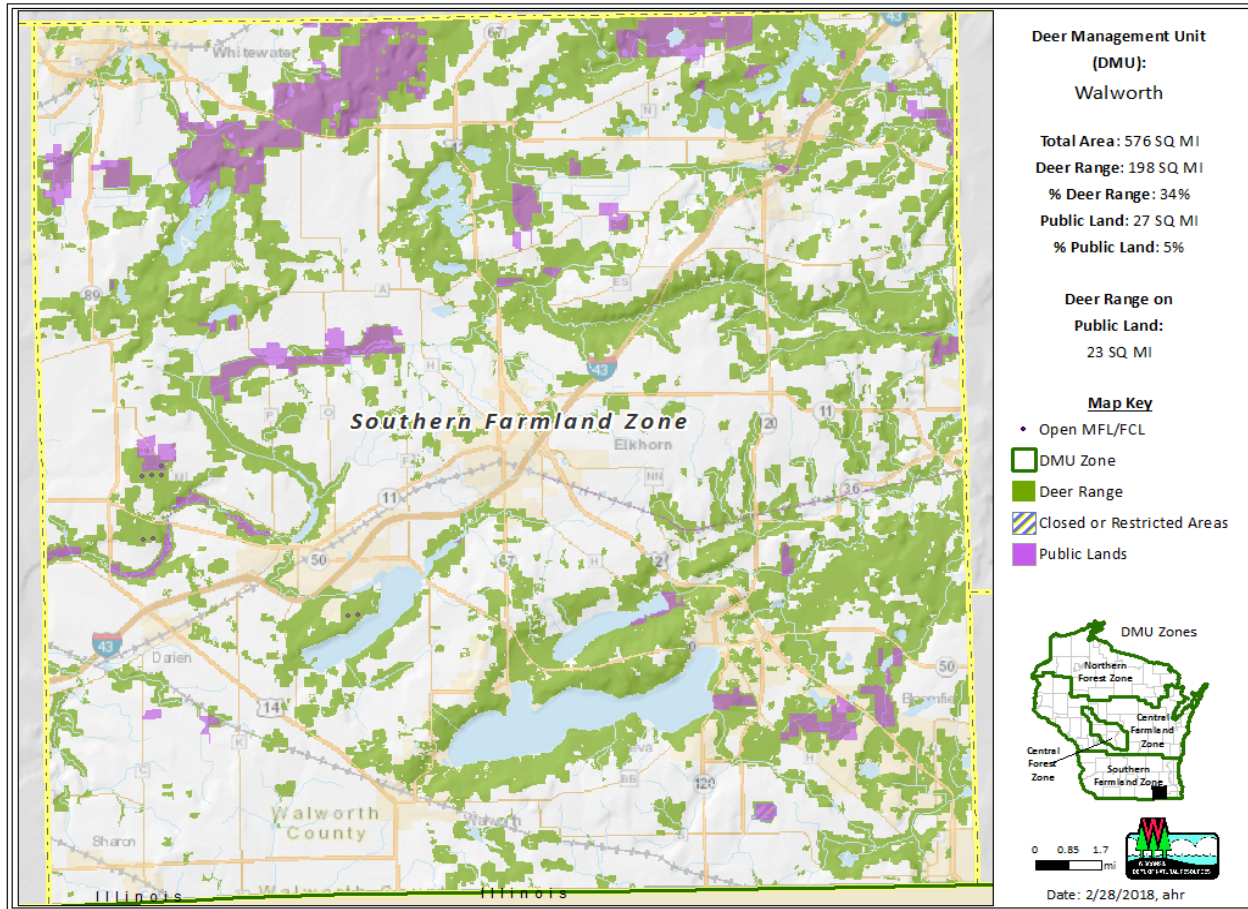


Walworth County Deer Metrics Report

Spring of 2024

Management Unit:



Manager's Note:

The Walworth County Deer Management Unit is located in the Southern Farmland Zone. Approximately 34% of the unit is considered suitable deer range (198 square miles). The unit is dominated by farmland with a patchwork of isolated woodlands, wetlands, lakes and urban centers. About 12,000 acres of state-owned land provide public hunting opportunities. These areas include Kettle Moraine State Forest, Turtle Creek Wildlife Area, Turtle Valley Wildlife Area, Bloomfield Wildlife Area, Troy Wildlife Area and other scattered wildlife areas and state properties. Management concerns include agricultural damage, deer-vehicle collisions, reduced forest regeneration and Chronic Wasting Disease. To date, 74 deer have tested positive for CWD with most cases occurring in the western half of the unit. For the latest information on CWD in this unit, please visit the following DNR webpage: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/prevalence.html>. The current deer herd management objective is to stabilize the population.

Deer Management Unit Harvest History

Fawn to doe ratios collected in late summer give information on fawn recruitment and survival and are used as an input into the formula for annual deer herd abundance estimation. Fawn to doe ratios were summarized using groups of county deer management units. County deer management units were grouped based on location, habitat characteristics, and deer demography.

Southern Farmland Management Zone