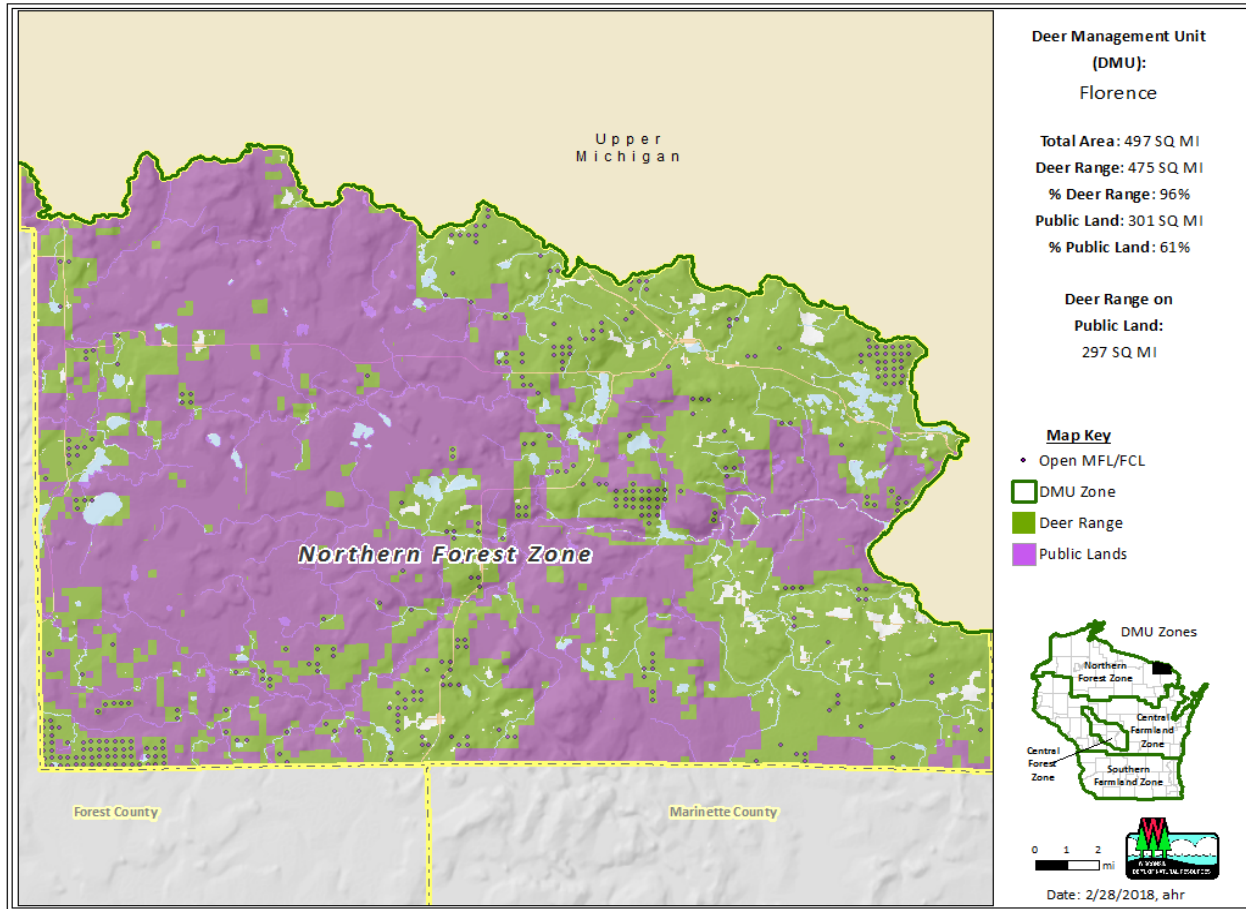


Florence County Deer Metrics Report

Spring of 2024

Management Unit:



Manager's Note:

The Florence County Deer Management Unit is located in the Northern Forest Zone. Approximately 95 percent of the unit is considered suitable deer range. The unit is 497 square miles in area with 63 percent landownership in public and 37 percent in private. The unit has a diverse landscape ranging from mature hardwoods in the west to agriculture in the east. The western one-third of the unit is primarily public land or private land with public access. The eastern one-third of the unit is primarily private land with the exception of the Spread Eagle Barrens and Florence County Forest. Agriculture in this unit is mostly characterized by small farms scattered across the eastern portion of the unit with agricultural damage by deer a concern for private landowners. Also, a special ecological concern to consider in the future management of this unit is the noticeable deer damage sustained by sugar maple, birch, hemlock and cedar seedlings localized in the western portion of the unit. The current 3 year population objective is to increase the deer herd in this unit.

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.

Northern Forest Management Zone