

CASTELL AREA WMA

Helping property owners enhance the quality of white-tail deer through proven wildlife and habitat management practices.

Information from the October 19, 2022 Virtual Meeting

Attendance: Ten individuals signed in along with Chris Mostyn, Dale Haner, and Joyce Lucas. Another member tried but was unsuccessful at signing in.

2021-2022 Harvest Data: The information provided by Mr. Haner is attached.

2022-2023 Harvest Recommendations: The results of the survey data and Mr. Mostyn's recommendations are attached.

Land Management: Mr. Mostyn provided tasks that we should be doing this time of years. You will find it attached.

Summary: We continue to have too many deer per acre and too many does per buck. I encourage you to use this information to determine what is right for your property.

For example, the basic recommendation for the WMA is one buck per 500 acres and 1 doe per 21 acres. I have less than 500 acres so that literally translates to 0 bucks and 21 does.

However, in addition to the 21 does I will also allow the following bucks:

- 1) any spike
- 2) any buck with 4 pts or less at any age
- 3) any buck with 5-8 pts with inside main beam spread equal to or greater than 12" and
- 4) 2 mature bucks (based on body characteristics) with 10 pts or more and an inside main beam spread equal to or greater than 16".

You will find the suggested antler criteria in Chris's presentation.

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Attachments

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[CAWMA Recommendations for 2022](#)

Remember what we do on our property **does** make a difference.