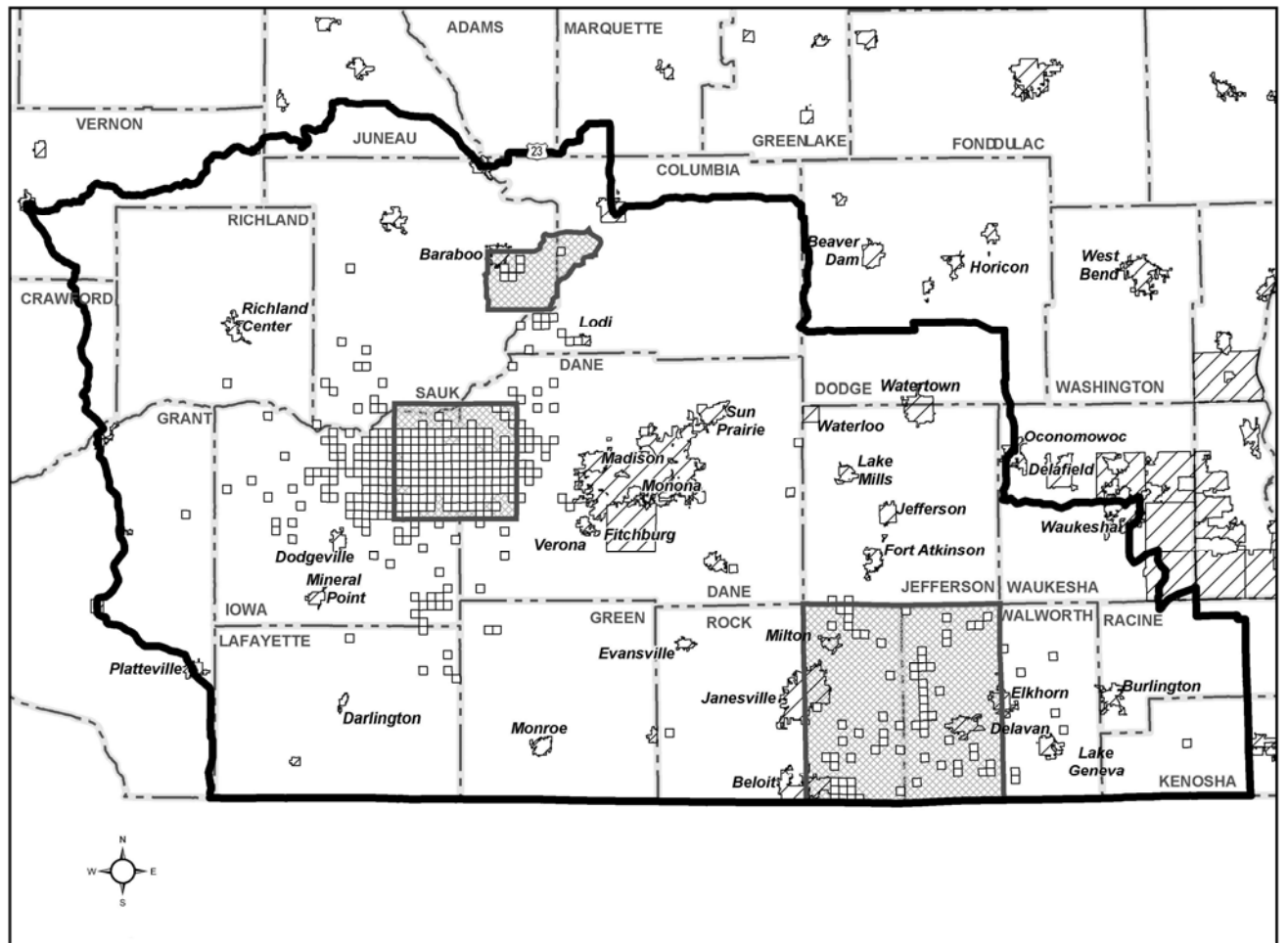


# The CWD Management Zone and Monitoring Areas

The dark line shows the boundary of the new CWD Management Zone (CWD-MZ). It matches the boundary of what used to be the Herd Reduction Zone (HRZ) which merged with the Disease Eradication Zone (DEZ) to make the CWD-MZ. This map also displays the locations where wild deer have tested positive for CWD as shown by the small white squares. Each square depicts a one square mile area.

Within the CWD-MZ, there are three monitoring areas where CWD testing is required for all adult deer. These are represented on the map as grey areas with darker borders. The Eastern Monitoring Area consists of 576 square miles in eastern Rock and western Walworth counties, the Western Monitoring area includes 210 square miles of land in Western Dane and Eastern Iowa Counties, and the Baraboo Range Monitoring Area consists of approximately 80 square miles of the Baraboo bluffs from the city of Baraboo east into Columbia Co. and includes all of Devil's Lake State Park. Intensive sampling for CWD is needed in these areas to monitor how the disease is spreading and to test how control efforts are impacting disease progression. This information will be used to make decisions on future management of the disease.



CWD Management Zone  
 CWD Positive Location  
 CWD Monitoring Area  
 Municipality  
 County Boundary

## Registering Deer in the CWD Management Zone

This list of registration stations only includes those offering CWD sampling. For a list of all registration stations in the CWD-MZ, visit: [http://prodoasext.dnr.wi.gov/inter1/pk\\_cwd\\_regpub\\$. Startup](http://prodoasext.dnr.wi.gov/inter1/pk_cwd_regpub$. Startup)

The \* proceeding some of the stations indicates they will be sampling only October 18 and November 22-23.

- Baraboo:** Gander Mountain,  
\* Viking Express II
- Barneveld:** Eagle Mart Stop-N-Go
- Belmont:** Belmont Fresh Meat
- Black Earth:** Black Earth Meats,  
Norslien's Wood Works
- Clinton:** Chad's Taxidermy
- Cottage Grove:** Stoddard's Country  
Grove Market
- Delavan:** Bob Black Meat Processing
- Dodgeville:** Jumping Jupiter
- Ft. Atkinson:** What's The Point Bar
- Highland:** Palan's Outpost
- \* **Hollandale:** Countryside Lanes - *also  
open Oct. 19*
- Janesville:** Lunatic Red's Bar
- Lodi:** Lodi Sausage and Meat Market
- Lone Rock:** Oar House
- \* **Merrimac:** Lakeside Country Store
- Milton:** Milton Bait & Tackle
- Mt. Horeb:** Dick's Quality Meats
- Mt. Vernon:** Gone Fish Inn
- New Glarus:** Hoesly's Meats
- North Prairie:** Bills Self Service Mini  
Mart
- \* **Portage:** Blystone Repair Service
- Sullivan:** Ley's Bark River Lanes
- Spring Green:** Woody's LLC
- Waunakee:** Fred's Village Market

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Feel free to contact:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

You can also call the DNR's toll free information line at 1-888-WDNRINFO (1-888-936-7463) or visit us online at <http://www.dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/whealth/issues/cwd/>.

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## 2008-09 CWD Deer Hunting Season Structure

This year's season structure returns to the nine-day deer season in November, while offering sixteen more days of gun hunting opportunity in December and January.

### Archery Season:

September 13 to January 4 (earn-a-buck)  
*During antlerless-only gun seasons, bow hunters must wear blaze orange and follow antlerless only restrictions.*

### Youth Gun Hunt:

October 11 and 12  
*See 2008 Deer Hunting Regulations booklet for more information.*

### Early Firearm Season:

October 16-19 (antlerless only)

### Nine-day Firearm Season:

November 22-30 (earn-a-buck)

### Ten-day Muzzleloader Season:

December 1-10 (earn-a-buck)

### Late firearm Season:

December 11-14 (antlerless only)

### Holiday Firearm Season:

December 24 – January 4 (earn-a-buck)

### Tagging:

Unlimited earn-a-buck tagging will be implemented in the CWD zone again this year. During the deer seasons, hunters will earn one additional buck sticker for each antlerless deer they register. Buck stickers from last year should be used first, as they will not be valid next fall.

## Wisconsin CWD Management Strategy

The DNR continues to hear, through conversations, surveys and public forums, that hunters want CWD controlled. Research on controlling this disease advocates management plans with three main strategies:

- 1) Reduce deer densities
- 2) Limit activities that encourage deer congregation and contact
- 3) Control activities which may introduce CWD to areas where it currently is not found

Drawing from experience gained in the past six years of CWD management efforts, as well as the latest research, and input from stakeholders, the DNR is beginning a new phase of CWD management which will try to significantly limit the spread of the disease and the number of positive deer, while maintaining hunting traditions. It may take decades of sacrifice, but it is the best way to preserve a healthy deer herd for future generations.

## New for 2008

- It will be legal to harvest a deer with a rifle throughout the CWD-MZ, except in unit 76M.
- The \$2.00 CWD DEZ Landowner and Hunter permits will not be available this year, due to the increased cost of applying it to the new, larger CWD Management Zone.
- To help control the cost of CWD Management, the CWD information line (1-877-WISC-CWD) has been discontinued. CWD information is still available through the general Wisconsin DNR information line, 1-888-WDNRINFO (1-888-936-7463).



## Beyond Wisconsin

In August, **Michigan** detected their first case of CWD in a white-tailed deer from a deer farm in the southern peninsula. With those listed below, that brings the total to 15 states and 2 Canadian provinces where CWD has been found in either wild or captive cervids:

**Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Alberta and Saskatchewan**

**Illinois** is working to control a CWD outbreak that extends from the Wisconsin border as far south as LaSalle County, with an apparent epicenter in the Rockford area. Extra hunting opportunities, including a yearly antlerless only hunt in January are offered, as well as liberal harvest limits. Additionally, IL DNR continues to cull deer in targeted, often non-hunted, areas using agency sharpshooters to help reduce deer density on the landscape. For more information about CWD in Illinois, visit the Illinois DNR's CWD web site: [dnr.state.il.us/cwd/](http://dnr.state.il.us/cwd/).

## Donating Venison

Local Community Action Programs (CAP's), food pantries, and butchers have come together to form Target Hunger. This non-profit coalition will organize the collection and processing of hunter harvested deer as well as the distribution of venison to needy families. The DNR is working with Target Hunger and will continue to cover costs associated with CWD testing and disposal of CWD positive meat.

Venison donations to food pantries are especially needed this year, due in part to the floods that devastated much of southern Wisconsin. To meet this need, Target Hunger has set a goal of 2000 deer, much greater than the 600 donated last year. Hunters are asked to make an effort to shoot an extra deer, one more than they would normally harvest for themselves, and donate it to Target Hunger. Deer donations will be accepted with no charge to the hunter at over 18 locations within the CWD-MZ. A list is available on the DNR's CWD website.

Individuals interested in making a monetary donation are encouraged to call Southwest Wisconsin Community Action Program at 608-935-2326 or Community Action Coalition of South Central Wisconsin at (608) 246-4730 ext. 206.

## 2008 CWD Surveillance and Testing

- Hunters can bring deer or deer heads to any CWD-MZ sampling station for testing free of charge. Deer still must be registered in the unit of kill or an adjacent unit
- Some veterinary clinics will collect tissue samples from deer for CWD testing, for a fee. A list of participating vets can be found at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife/WHEALTH/issues/cwd/vetest.htm>
- To ensure tests results are as accurate as possible, heads should be kept cool and delivered to a sampling station as soon as possible
- Sampling is voluntary, except for the three monitoring areas shown on the map of the CWD-MZ.
- To ensure that CWD is not present or becoming established in other areas of Wisconsin, the DNR conducts periodic state-wide surveillance. This Fall, samples are being collected in the northern region.



## Restrictions on Carcass Transport

**Beginning on September 1, 2009** the importation of whole cervid carcasses (deer, elk and moose) into Wisconsin from areas within other states or provinces that have CWD will be prohibited. Movement of whole deer carcasses from the CWD Management Zone to elsewhere in the state will also be restricted.

Since many states currently have restrictions on moving carcasses from CWD areas, nonresident hunters are advised to check for CWD carcass movement restrictions in their home states and states through which they will travel. Most state wildlife agencies provide these regulations on their websites. Many of these can be accessed through links at the following web site: [www.cwd-info.org/index.php/fuseaction/links.main](http://www.cwd-info.org/index.php/fuseaction/links.main).

## CWD Waste Disposal

Hunters should contact their local landfill for information on how to properly dispose of the waste from butchering deer. Dumpsters will also be available at the Barneveld and Black Earth DNR registration stations for hunters to dispose of butcher waste.