



Get Involved with DMAP

A Guide to Landowner Participation

Join a Group Cooperative

In terms of wildlife habitat, more is usually better. However, even large properties may not meet all the daily needs of larger species such as deer, bear and turkey. DMAP offers a solution. The ability to form **group cooperatives** is a useful feature of the program. If your land is within half a mile of at least one other DMAP participant, you could potentially join or form a cooperative. By entering a group cooperative, you can get to know your neighbors and support habitat and deer herd management over a much larger area. Here's how it works:

- Explain DMAP to neighbors and discuss shared habitat and herd management goals.
- Designate someone to serve as the primary contact for the cooperative.
- Complete the online DMAP application at dnr.wi.gov, keyword "DMAP".

If you are interested in joining or organizing a new cooperative, talk to your local DNR biologist, who may be able to put you in touch with nearby DMAP landowners.

Joining a cooperative can qualify several small properties for enrollment at a higher level (and that means additional benefits for all landowners involved). You will be able to network with other DMAP participants at meetings and other events. Finally, you will enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that your cooperative is playing an important role in wildlife conservation in your community.

Your Partnership with the Wisconsin DNR

Communication with local DNR resource professionals is a central component of DMAP. This program is a way for the DNR and landowners to work toward a common goal—healthy deer and healthy wildlife habitat. As a landowner or manager, you have the opportunity to immerse yourself in the DMAP experience. You will have access to online and printed educational materials that will help you understand the relationship between habitat and the wildlife that use it. You will be provided information on citizen science projects occurring in your area and invitations to local workshops and DMAP property tours. You may be eligible to obtain reduced price antlerless deer tags and a written property management plan to assist in reaching property habitat goals. You may also receive information on grants and funding opportunities to help you implement land management activities.

In exchange for these benefits, landowners may be required to pay a small enrollment fee and provide deer harvest data to monitor the deer herd. Aside from these requirements, your level of involvement in DMAP is entirely up to you.



Stay up-to-date

Interested in periodic notifications on DMAP and deer? Subscribe to the DMAP email list on the DMAP webpage (dnr.wi.gov, keyword "DMAP"), or follow the DNR on Facebook or Twitter. These methods will alert you to new developments and opportunities in the program.

Stay in touch

It's as easy as picking up the phone or logging onto your computer. To speak to a DMAP biologist, simply call or email one of the contacts below.

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