



Public Action Team Implementation Proposal

Action Team: Regulations & Season Structure	Hunting Regulations, Seasons, & Bag Limits B.1
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This document shows the original Deer Trustee Report recommendation that the Public Action Team considered when developing proposals for implementing the recommendation in Wisconsin. The Public Action Team's implementation proposal is presented then followed by additional background information.

I. ORIGINAL DEER TRUSTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION

B.1. Simplify the regulatory process by setting antlerless harvest goals, harvest regulations and antlerless permit quotas on a 3-5 year cycle. The annual process of changing regulations, population estimates and antlerless permit quotas magnifies media coverage and public discontent. The annual turmoil and arguments over deer number estimates is pointless with only negative consequences. Increasing the length of the regulatory cycle should also provide better insight into population response to harvest regulations.

II. PUBLIC ACTION TEAM PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTING THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATION

Below is the Public Action Team implementation proposal along with their rationale and supporting evidence, potential implementation obstacles and consideration of the proposal's potential impact on the overall deer management in Wisconsin.

1. Action Team Implementation Proposal:

- In the northern and central regions of the state, continue to have annual quota (objective) setting meetings however in the remainder of the state, quotas (objectives) should be set on a 3-year cycle.

2. Supporting data, references, rationale and other information behind it.

- A recommendation to keep the annual quota setting process across the state, was not supported.
- A recommendation to set a 3-year process across the state was not supported.
- Deer counts are getting more accurate every year.
- Annual counts are needed to comply with tribal agreements.
- The problem with the change is that we won't have to do SAK every year if goals are set for 3 years.
- Public might be more agreeable to 3 then 5 years. Can always go through emergency rule process if condition change drastically.

3. Consider and describe potential implementation obstacles or drawbacks.

- If the Implementation Proposal for Recommendation A.5. to reduce the number of DMU's does not get adopted, it may be difficult to draw the line between the units that have annual quotas versus quotas set every 3 years.

4. Overall, how will this proposal simplify or complicate deer hunting, management, or research in Wisconsin.

- No comments submitted by the team