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**GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION
PROPOSAL**

**National Wildlife Refuge Deer Hunting Season
Chapter 41:06:36**

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	May 1-2, 2014	Custer State Park
	Public Hearing	June 5, 2014	Yankton
	Finalization	June 5-6, 2014	Yankton

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Season Dates:

Sand Lake NWR	November 8-12, November 13-17, November 18-23, November 24-30 (CLOSED), December 1-7, and December 27, 2014 - January 4, 2015.
Lacreek NWR	October 15-21 and November 26 – December 2.
Waubay NWR*	November 15-22, November 23-30, and December 1-7. * includes Waubay State Game Refuge

Licenses:

Sand Lake NWR	Resident: 80 "any deer" and 40 "any antlerless deer" licenses Nonresident: 8 "any deer" and 4 "any antlerless deer" licenses
Lacreek NWR	Residents: 30 "any deer" licenses Nonresidents: 4 "any deer" licenses
Waubay NWR	Residents: 30 "any deer" licenses Nonresidents: 3 "any deer" licenses

Requirements and Restrictions:

1. The first season on Sand Lake NWR, both seasons on Lacreek NWR and the first 2 seasons on Waubay NWR are restricted to muzzleloaders.
2. Applicants may apply for only one refuge unit (season) in the first application period.
3. Licenses remaining after the first application period may be purchased by any resident or nonresident on a first-come, first serve basis.

Recommended changes from last year:

1. Offer 15 less resident "any deer" licenses and 3 less nonresident "any deer" licenses for Waubay NWR.
2. Convert "any whitetail deer" licenses to "any deer" licenses and offer no antlerless deer licenses for Lacreek NWR.
3. Repeal Unit RFD-ZZ1.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

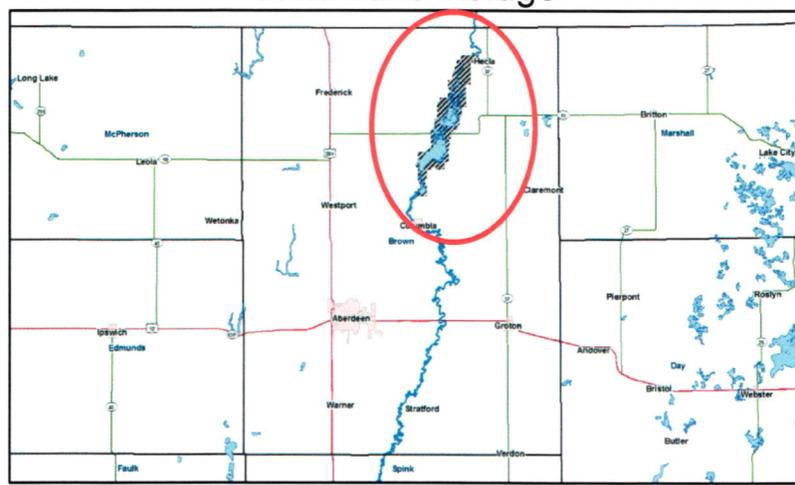
Table includes harvest data from Sand Lake, Lacreek and Waubay National Wildlife Refuges.

Year	Licenses	Success	Bucks Harvested	Does Harvested	Total Harvest
2009	384	45%	93	79	172
2010	384	23%	89	73	162
2011	329	37%	55	67	122
2012	248	38%	64	31	95
2013	213	37%	63	23	85

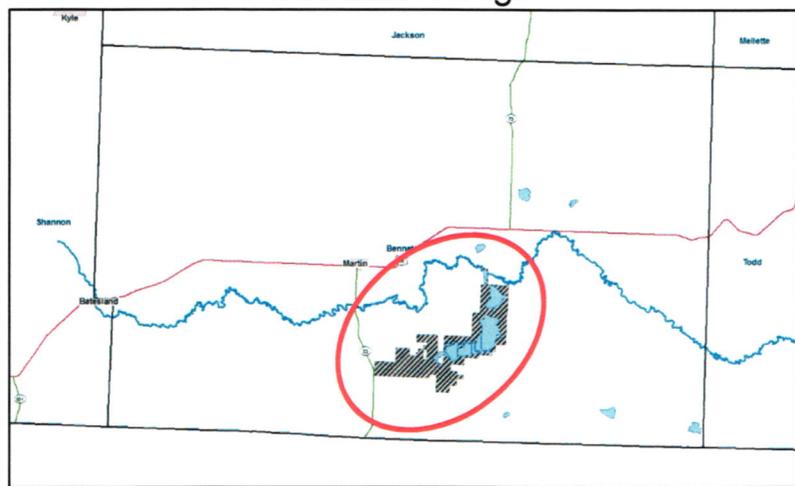
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REFUGE DEER UNITS

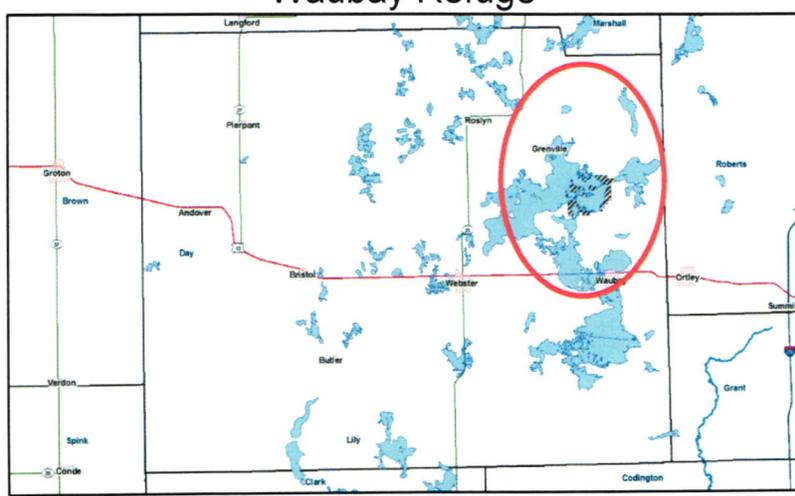
Sand Lake Refuge



Lacreek Refuge



Waubay Refuge



Refuge Deer - 2014

Unit	Resident Licenses			Nonresident Licenses			License Totals							
	Any D	Any Atl D	2 Any Atl D	Any D	Any Atl D	2 Any Atl D	RES	RES	RES	RES	NR	NR	NR	NR
	01	03	09	01	03	09	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags
Lacreek Refuge														
RFD-LC1	15			2			15		15	15	2		2	2
RFD-LC2	15			2			15		15	15	2		2	2
Sand Lake Refuge														
RFD-SL1	20	10		2	1		30		30	30	3		3	3
RFD-SL2	20	10		2	1		30		30	30	3		3	3
RFD-SL3	20	10		2	1		30		30	30	3		3	3
RFD-SL4														
RFD-SL5	20	10		2	1		30		30	30	3		3	3
Waubay Refuge														
RFD-WA1	10			1			10		10	10	1		1	1
RFD-WA2	10			1			10		10	10	1		1	1
RFD-WA3	10			1			10		10	10	1		1	1
TOTAL	140	40		15	4		180		180	180	19		19	19
Unit	Any D	Any Atl D	2 Any Atl D	Any D	Any Atl D	2 Any Atl D	RES	RES	RES	RES	NR	NR	NR	NR
	01	03	09	01	03	09	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags	1-tag	2-tag	Lic	Tags
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