

# **NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE DEER**

There were a total of 232 licenses issued for the 2015 Wildlife Refuge Deer seasons, which included 165 at Sand Lake (152 residents and 13 nonresidents); 34 at Lacreek (30 residents and 4 nonresidents); and 33 at Waubay (30 residents and 3 nonresidents).

All license-holders for each season were surveyed and response rates for Sand Lake, Lacreek, and Waubay refuges were 83%, 91%, and 88%, respectively. Approximately 70% of survey respondents did so through the Internet.

The seasons had different opening dates at each refuge. The average days hunted were 2.89 at Sand Lake, 2.71 at Lacreek and 2.10 at Waubay.

The reported harvest at the refuges consisted of only white-tailed deer. The projected harvest for Sand Lake was 39 bucks and 6 does, for Lacreek was 12 bucks and 0 does, and for Waubay was 8 bucks and 0 does. The projected success rate for Sand Lake was 27%, for Lacreek was 35%, and for Waubay was 24%.

## **Harvest summaries for 2006-2015 National Wildlife Refuge Deer Seasons**

### **Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>LICENSES</b>	<b>BUCKS</b>	<b>DOES</b>	<b>% SUCCESS</b>	<b>AVE DAYS HUNTED</b>
2006	444	92	79	29%	2.81
2007	436	103	83	33%	2.68
2008	399	86	112	25%	3.39
2009	275	58	66	23%	2.88
2010	272	56	55	20%	2.86
2011	220	30	51	18%	3.30
2012	128	33	10	34%	2.54
2013	132	37	18	41%	2.48
2014	133	44	4	36%	2.34
2015	165	39	6	27%	2.89

### **Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>LICENSES</b>	<b>BUCKS</b>	<b>DOES</b>	<b>% SUCCESS</b>	<b>AVE DAYS HUNTED</b>
2006	38	10	5	39%	2.56
2007	43	16	6	51%	2.78
2008	43	11	6	40%	2.43
2009	43	19	4	52%	2.61
2010	46	16	10	57%	2.46
2011	45	16	9	45%	2.93
2012	48	14	19	47%	2.38
2013	48	11	4	22%	1.97
2014	34	8	0	24%	3.10
2015	34	12	0	35%	2.71

### **Waubay National Wildlife Refuge**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>LICENSES</b>	<b>BUCKS</b>	<b>DOES</b>	<b>% SUCCESS</b>	<b>AVE DAYS HUNTED</b>
2006	71	14	11	35%	2.62
2007	71	19	13	33%	2.07
2008	66	17	5	33%	2.29
2009	66	16	9	38%	2.23
2010	66	17	8	37%	2.22
2011	64	9	7	25%	3.82
2012	51	17	2	38%	1.76
2013	51	15	1	31%	1.71
2014	33	8	2	32%	1.54
2015	33	8	0	24%	2.10

## 2015 Sand Lake Refuge Deer Harvest Projections

Last Revised:

25-Mar-16

Unit/Type	Licenses						Response Rate	Tag Success	Harvest Projections					Mean Satisf Score	Avg Days Hunted
	Resident			Nonresident					Whitetail				Total Deer Harvested		
	Appl. 1st		Sold	Appl. 1st		Sold			Bucks		Does				
	Choice *	Available		Choice *	Available				Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn			
SL1-01	158	20	20	7	2	2	95%	33%	6	1	0	0	7	5.29	2.67
SL1-03	4	10	11	0	1	0	82%	22%	0	0	2	0	2	2.83	2.78
SL2-01	177	20	20	14	2	2	91%	55%	11	1	0	0	12	5.47	2.85
SL2-03	6	10	10	0	1	1	73%	50%	0	6	0	0	6	5.14	1.75
SL3-01	49	20	20	1	2	2	77%	71%	13	0	1	1	16	5.56	2.82
SL3-03	4	10	10	1	1	1	82%	22%	0	1	1	0	2	4.13	4.44
SL4-01	42	20	20	1	2	2	82%	22%	5	0	0	0	5	4.27	3.00
SL4-03	1	10	10	0	1	1	82%	44%	0	2	0	2	5	5.00	2.67
SL5-01	91	20	20	5	2	2	73%	25%	4	0	1	0	6	4.67	3.44
SL5-03	7	10	11	0	1	0	91%	10%	0	1	0	0	1	3.57	2.30
<b>Licenses</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>83.0%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>4.75</b>	<b>2.89</b>

## 2015 Lacreek Refuge Deer Harvest Projections

Unit/Type	Licenses						Response Rate	Tag Success	Harvest Projections					Mean Satisf Score	Avg Days Hunted
	Resident			Nonresident					Whitetail				Total Deer Harvested		
	Appl. 1st		Sold	Appl. 1st		Sold			Bucks		Does				
	Choice *	Available		Choice *	Available				Adult	Fawn	Adult	Fawn			
LC1-01	190	15	15	3	2	2	88%	20%	3	0	0	0	3	3.75	3.00
LC2-01	209	15	15	15	2	2	94%	50%	9	0	0	0	9	4.88	2.44
<b>Licenses</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>91.2%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4.33</b>	<b>2.71</b>

All units require the use of muzzleloader firearms.

## 2015 Waubay Refuge Deer Harvest Projections

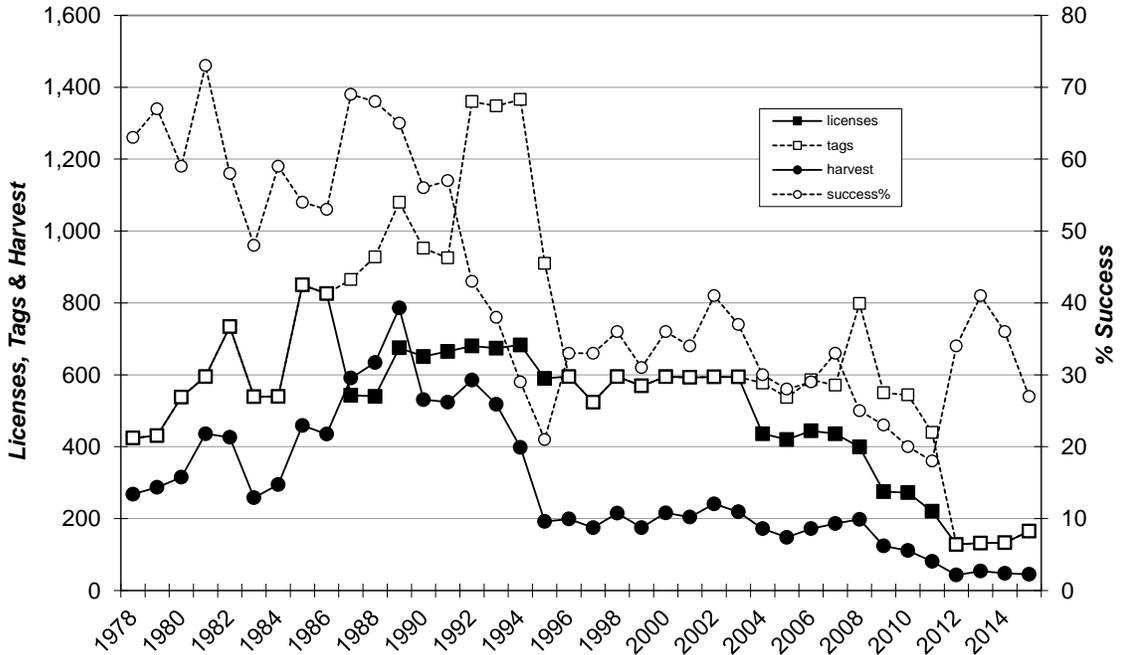
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WA1-01	66	10	10	3	1	1	91%	30%	2	1	0	0	3	4.11	2.10
WA2-01	24	10	10	0	1	1	91%	20%	2	0	0	0	2	4.33	2.10
WA3-01	55	10	10	1	1	1	82%	22%	2	0	0	0	2	3.71	2.11
<b>Licenses</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>87.9%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4.06</b>	<b>2.10</b>

Response rate for all units combined was:

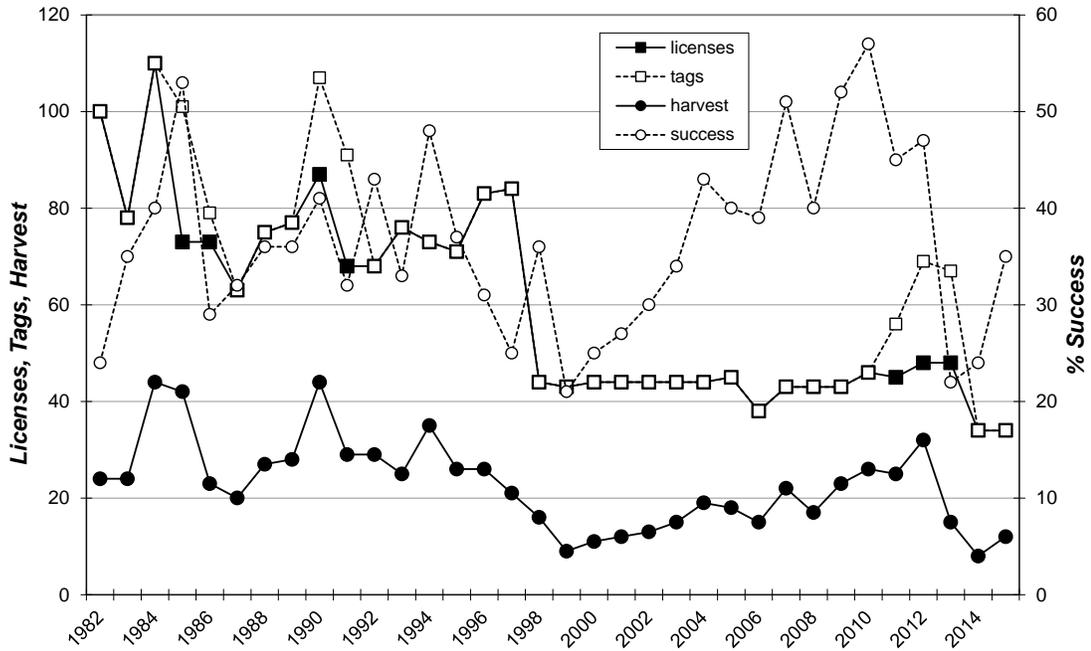
**84.9%**

\* Number of 1st drawing applicants with that season as 1st choice.

### Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge 1978-2015



### Lacreek National Wildlife Refuge 1982-2015



## Waubay National Wildlife Refuge 1987-2015

