



## **WANTED: Deer Permits!!**

If you are an Orange or Ulster County farmer or landowner with special permits and you feel that we could harvest 5-10 deer over 1 or 2 days at your location, the Venison Donation Program needs you!

- ◆ We have volunteers waiting to harvest deer via deer damage permits to process the meat for the local food banks and soup kitchens.
- ◆ This is a win-win situation, farmers will eliminate deer that are eating and damaging their crops and local food banks will receive valuable protein to feed the hungry.
- ◆ This past year alone we have processed and donated almost 700 pounds of venison.

**We need your help to make this a successful program!!**

Cornell University Cooperative Extension provides equal program and employment opportunities. Please contact our office if you have any special needs.



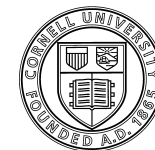
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# **STOP DEER**

# **from Eating Your Profits**

*While Helping to Feed the Hungry!*



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## Are the Deer Eating Your Profits?

Venison donation – an important part of our Gleaning program – is an effective way to reduce damage to your valuable crops and property. In response to the increase in deer problems, we are promoting the availability of this program in Orange and Ulster counties. Our refrigerated truck and volunteer hunters / butchers, can assist you by removing deer from your property, and – a wonderful “bonus” – provide nutritious venison for the needy.

## How Does it Work?

- ◆ You call with unused, available permits.
- ◆ We set up a hunt over a one or two day period.
- ◆ The truck is brought to your site (to ensure proper cooling of meat, and deliver the deer for processing).

After the successful hunt, volunteer butchers process the deer into ground venison and it is donated to the food banks and soup kitchens in our county and region.

## What Kind of Permits Can I Use?

- ◆ Any DEC permitted deer can be donated.
- ◆ Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) permits and Deer Damage permits are also available to farmers and landowners.

## What is DMAP?

- ◆ As a landowner with deer damage you can use the Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) permits to reduce the local deer herd.
- ◆ The DEC issues a special permit and deer tags to property in need of site specific deer management efforts.
- ◆ Permits are valid during the fall big game hunting season only.

## What are Deer Damage Permits?

- ◆ If deer are actually eating or destroying your profits, you could qualify for these special permits.
- ◆ Deer Damage permits give farmers/landowners the opportunity to hunt out of season.
- ◆ The permits are valid for taking does from January 1st through September 30th of each year.

## How do I apply?

- ◆ Call the DEC regional wildlife office at 845-256-3098.
- ◆ For DMAP, you may be required to submit a deer management plan describing the background and scope of the deer problem or stating the deer management goals.
- ◆ For Deer Damage permits, an on-site visit may be required to assess the damage.
- ◆ DMAP applications for permits valid during the fall big game hunting seasons must be post-marked by September 1.

For more information and an application go to this website:

[www.dec.ny.gov/animals/33973.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/33973.html)

**Call Stiles at 845-800-2056 or  
845-344-1234 to Schedule a Hunt!**