**County Size:** 565 square miles

**Year Opened to Deer Hunting:** 1957

**Record Harvest:** 1,829 (2007)

**Average Harvest (2011-2020):** 1,453

**Total 2020-2021 Harvest (all seasons):** 1,345

**Permits issued/quota 2020-2021** (excludes landowner; CWD are unlimited):

- **Firearm:** 2504/3250
- **Muzzle:** 254/525
- **CWD:** 30

**2020-2021 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons):**
59% M: 41% F; (50% antlered: 50% antlerless)

**Chronic Wasting Disease Detected:** Yes

**Check Station Location:** Stephenson Co. Fairgrounds

**Late Winter/CWD Season in 2021-2022:** Yes.
CWD has and continues to be detected in this county.
CWD seasons allow for extra hunter harvest to reduce deer density and disease transmission.

**Number tested for CWD 2020-2021:** 266

**CWD positive deer 2020-2021:** 8

**IDNR sharpshooting:** 213 deer were removed via sharpshooting which is used to supplement hunter harvest, allows localized deer reductions in known CWD positive areas to reduce transmission rates and environmental contamination. Through these efforts CWD prevalence has remained low (see below).