County Size: 849 square miles
Year Opened to Deer Hunting: 1976
Record Harvest: 1,435 (2007)
Average Harvest (2011-2020): 1,151
Total 2020-2021 Harvest (all seasons): 1,174
Permits issued/quota 2020-2021 (excludes landowner; CWD are unlimited):
   Firearm: 1178/1450  Muzzle: 253/350  CWD: 57
2020-2021 Harvest Sex Ratio (all seasons): 63% M: 37% F; (56% antlered: 44% antlerless)
Chronic Wasting Disease Detected: Yes
Check Station Location: Des Plaines Game Propagation Center
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: 277
CWD positive deer 2020-2021: 3
IDNR sharpshooting: 68 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).