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### Ten City of Ann Arbor Parks Removed from Deer Cull Activities

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 13, 2016 — As a result of recent operational assessments related to the cull, the City has determined that deer cull activities will not be carried out in any of the following 10 parks or nature areas that were previously identified as potential sites. The following parks will no longer have reduced hours and will remain open, effective Jan. 14, 2016. Closure signage will be removed.

1. Arbor Hills Nature Area
2. Braun Nature Area
3. Dhu Varren Woods Nature Area
4. Foxfire South Nature Area
5. Foxfire West Nature Area
6. Narrow Gauge Nature Area
7. Oakridge Nature Area
8. Oakwoods Nature Area
9. Onder Nature Area
10. Traver Creek Nature Area

Deer cull activities will continue as planned in the following 14 City of Ann Arbor parks and nature areas, which will remain closed for all purposes from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Monday through Friday until March 1, 2016. All parks will remain open during regular park hours on Saturdays and Sundays.

1. Barton Nature Area
2. Bird Hills Nature Area
3. Black Pond Woods Nature Area
4. Bluffs Nature Area
5. Cedar Bend Nature Area
6. Furstenberg Nature Area
7. Huron Parkway Nature Area
8. Kuebler Langford Nature Area
9. Leslie Park Golf Course
10. Leslie Woods Nature Area
11. Olson Park [The dog park will remain open during regular hours.]
12. Ruthven Nature Area
13. South Pond Nature Area
14. Stapp Nature Area



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Safety is the city's top priority. For this reason, information specific to cull activities will not be provided. However, USDA and local law enforcement are in coordination and are working with state and local officials to ensure public safety. Information will be provided when cull activities are completed.

The deer cull will be performed in designated parks and nature areas only by experienced USDA-APHIS marksmen who are specially trained to conduct a cull in an urban setting with precision, accuracy and safety as top priorities. USDA personnel continues to abide by the MDNR permit, which was issued for Jan. 2 – March 1, 2016 and includes the restriction that shooting may not occur within 150 yards (450 feet) of an occupied dwelling unless written consent is obtained.

Answers to [frequently asked questions](#) are available on the [Deer Management website](#). In addition, a deer hotline is available for citizens to call at (734) 794-6295 or questions can be emailed to [deermanagement@a2gov.org](mailto:deermanagement@a2gov.org).

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