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RE: Recognition of a Request for a permit to cull Whitetail Deer

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Wildlife Division received the City of Ann Arbor request to harvest up to one hundred (100) white-tailed deer on December 14, 2015. The request is for a permit to conduct an out-of-season cull of urban white-tailed deer within Wards 1 and 2 in the City of Ann Arbor on various city parks and nature areas in an effort to reduce human-deer conflicts and negative impacts of deer activity on biological diversity in natural areas.

Based on information provided by the City of Ann Arbor, the DNR Wildlife Division and Law Enforcement Division have concluded that a permit for an out-of-season, mid-winter cull for white-tailed deer is justified.

A permit will be issued to the City of Ann Arbor to complete control activities in 2016. The permit will contain conditions, guidelines, and protocol for methods of culling, data collection, and reporting. Permit conditions are set on a case-by-case basis based on the specific issues identified and may differ from those requested.

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