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Dr. Anthony DeNicola  
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Dear Dr. DeNicola:

This letter is the official attachment to your Scientific Collector's Permit (**SC 1600**). Your permit is issued in the *research category* only. In addition to any requirements and conditions listed within this attachment, all requirements and conditions listed on the front and back of the permit form and within the Information Circular for Scientific Collector's Permits shall apply to this permit.

Research Specifications:

1. The purpose of this permit is to examine different management techniques to control the overabundance of white-tailed deer in the City of Ann Arbor in Washtenaw County, Michigan.
2. A written letter of authorization from an appropriate City of Ann Arbor employee or representative must be provided to White Buffalo Inc. and to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Wildlife Division Permit Specialist prior to starting research activities outlined below.
3. Pre-baiting will be permissible beginning November 1, 2018 in areas where animals are to be captured for sterilization.
4. The original permit allowed the capture and sterilization of up to 80 female white-tailed deer within the area described in the permit and attachments. (54 were captured and sterilized in 2017 with an additional 18 captured and sterilized in 2018.) Dr. DeNicola will be delegated the authority to capture by tranquilization and sterilize an additional 8 female white-tailed deer from November 15, 2018 through December 15, 2018. The methods used are to follow those described in the original permit with the additional requirement given the potential for tranquilized deer to be available in the harvest:
  - a. Capture is to be in accordance with the letter of authority submitted with the application submitted in December of 2016 and the amendment requested October 31, 2017. Once captured they may be transported to a temporary veterinary surgical site for sterilization.
  - b. All female deer sterilized must be returned near the site of capture.

- c. One adult doe per group may be radio-collared and all female deer sterilized must be affixed with ear tags.
  - d. In addition to the surgical procedure outlined in the letter of authority, additional analgesic medications must be available in order to appropriately ensure the animal's well-being should unexpected trauma occur during surgery.
  - e. All animals tranquilized shall be clearly labeled on ear tags and/or collars indicating the capture date along with a do not consume advisory and a phone number to call either White Buffalo Inc. or City of Ann Arbor for further information on the safe consumption of the meat and/or tranquilizer used.
5. Pre-baiting for culling operations shall be permitted beginning December 15, 2018.
6. You must notify local law enforcement, DNR law enforcement, and the local biologist at least 24 hours prior to shooting activities.
  - a. Lt. Andy Turner (517-284-4747) and Biologist Denny Tison (517-522-4097)
7. Sharpshooting of up to 150 deer may commence no earlier than January 2, 2019 and must conclude by the end of February 28, 2019.
8. All Sharpshooting protocols described in Appendix A must be followed.
  - a. All proper Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) and Tuberculosis (TB) disease protocols must be followed to prevent the spread of disease. Therefore, all deer heads must be submitted to the DNR, Wildlife Disease Lab for testing (517-336-5030) and CWD testing. Each deer must be affixed with the proper CWD disease tag. Facilitation of this process will be done by the Dee, Elk, and Moose Management Specialist Chad Stewart (517-284-4745).
  - b. All deer taken to a processor must be confirmed negative for CWD prior to distribution of meat for consumption.
9. The following are approved subpermittees under this permit: Dr. Steven Timm, Dr. Nathan Kotschwar, Anthony DeNicola, Ryan Rodts, Vickie DeNicola, Sam Friederichs, Garrett Parsons, and Dan Ellingwood, including City of Ann Arbor Municipal Staff assigned to baiting. Written approval from the DNR Permit Specialist is required to modify subpermittees.

It is not legal to keep or sell any of the parts of deer taken during this research project.

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This permit does not authorize trespass. A separate *use permit* may also be required if you are working on state land or public boat launches. A use permit for state land is issued by the local land manager.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at the number below.

Sincerely,



Casey M. Reitz, Permit Specialist

DNR-Wildlife Division

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Mr. Chad Stewart, DNR Wildlife Division  
Mr. Stephen Beyer, DNR Wildlife Division  
Mr. Joe Robison, DNR Wildlife Division  
Mr. Denny Tison, DNR Wildlife Division