

The Township of Bernards wishes to inform you that we are continuing with year nine of a deer management program approved by the Bernards Township Committee and which will begin on September 12, 2009 and which will continue through March 31, 2010.

This notice is being sent to residents and non-resident property owners whose lands adjoin any of the 35 Township or Somerset County tracts which may be used for controlled hunting in the 2009-10 program.

From February 15 through March 31, 2010 the program will be conducted under a Community Based Deer Management permit from the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife following approval by the New Jersey Division of Fish and Game Council. The remainder of this season's program does not require a CBDM permit, according to a 2006 policy decision by the New Jersey DFW, since it conforms to the State sports hunting regulations and timetable. However, the entire program will be conducted, as in past years, in accordance with CBDM Program rules and requirements. The Bernards Township Police Department will provide site security if and as needed during the program.

This season's program will comprise the following elements:

1. Controlled hunting, using bow and arrow from temporary tree stands, by members of two Township-authorized private hunting groups, from September 12, 2009 through March 31, 2010, except Sundays, on some or all of 35 tracts of Township or Somerset County property approved by the State, by the County where applicable, and by the Township for this purpose. These are the same tracts that were approved for use in last year's program. The tracts will be posted prior to the program's commencement.
2. Controlled hunting via firearm by one of the above Township-authorized private hunting groups, during the September 12, 2009 through March 31, 2010 period, except Sundays, on a limited number of the approved tracts during periods designated by the Township Deer Management Administrator and as permitted by State regulations for sports hunting via firearm as extended by the State-approved deer management permit. Two of the so-designated tracts are on Somerset County park property and will be used only on selected dates authorized by Lord Stirling Park authorities. (This restriction applies also to bow and arrow hunting on these two tracts.)

The public tracts which are planned for or possible for use in this season's deer management program are in the following table (note are no tracts numbered 12, 13, or 14):

A map showing the 35 approved public tracts will also be posted at the Bernards Township Municipal Building and is available on the Bernards Township website.

A 24-hour telephone hot line will be in operation at the Bernards Township Municipal Building and will be maintained by the Township to provide timely and regularly updated advance information to residents as to which tracts are scheduled to be used. The hot line number is 908-204-3114. This information will also be posted on the Bernards Township website.

Thank you for your continued cooperation,

Carolyn Kelly, Mayor  
Bernards Township

**BERNARDS TOWNSHIP DEER CULLING TRACTS  
2009-2010 SEASON**

<b>Tract ID</b>	<b>Block--Lot or Block--(Lots)</b>	<b>Size, Location, Comment</b> (Acreages represent portions of approved tracts that may be used for culling.)
1	3201-18	7 acres east of Riverside Dr
2	2801-1	27 acres west of S Maple Ave
3	2801-10	11 acres west of S Maple Ave
4	9501-3	70 acres west of Somerville Rd
5	9204-8; 9101-3	217 acres south of Spring Valley Blvd and west of Acken Rd
6	8501-1, 46; 8701-163	136 acres south of Spring Valley Blvd and east of Acken Rd
7	7301-27	12 acres southwest of Mine Brook Rd
8	2301-37, 41	14 acres east of Meeker Rd
9	5901-1, 29	16 acres west of Stonehouse Rd
10	8101-3	24 acres west of Stonehouse Rd
11	8301-6	10 acres south of Haas Rd
15	8502-1	25 acres east of King George Rd and west of Passaic River
16	7601-15	5 acres east of Lyons Rd and west of Goltra Dr
17	6501-1	8 acres east of Knollcroft Rd and south of Summit Dr
18	11101-2, 6	116 acres north, west, and southeast of Ricky Ln
19	1701-11,13	488 acres west of Passaic River, northern half of Lord Stirling Park
20	3201-7, 8	42 acres south of Lord Stirling Rd and west of Passaic River
21	11601-1	143 acres west of Martinsville Rd, Mountain Park
22	20 lots in 3 blocks	10 acres west of I287 and south of Conkling St; 1406-1,13,17,18,19,20,21,23,24,25,26,27; 1407-1; 1408-1,2,3,4,5,6,7
23	2401-9	7 acres between YMCA and I287
24	4201-2	4 acres between Whitenack Rd and I287
25	3901-61	9 acres west of Harrison Brook and near Cooper Ln
26	6401-5	19 acres between Blackburn Rd and Stonehouse Rd
27	6703-7	4 acres northeast of Pleasant Valley Park
28	9204-2	4 acres east of Tamke Tree Experts and north of Dead River
29	8401-16	9 acres along Passaic River and east of Crest Dr
30	10704-39; 10801-96	10 acres northwest of west end of Ramapo Dr
31	9501-3	9 acres west of intersection of Allen and Somerville Roads
32	11201-6, 11	10 acres southeast of bridge on Allen Rd
33	8001-1	79.14 acres north of Valley Road
34	7002-22	2.6 acres northeast of Grist Mill Drive
35	7301-35	3.727 acres north of Liberty Corner Road
36	4601-5.01,10,12,13,14	186.75 acres south of Whitenack Road between Mine Brook and Annin Rds.
37	4301-51	10.72 acres north of Whitenack Road, south of Canoe Brook Rd.
38	9401-11, 11Q	23.263 acres north of Allen Rd. and east of Somerville Rd

Total of 35 tracts  
Township of Bernards  
August 28, 2009