

Bernards Township
LEGAL NOTICE

The Township of Bernards hereby notifies all Township residents and non-resident Township property owners that year ten of a Bernards Township Committee approved deer management program will begin on or after September 15, 2010 and will continue through March 31, 2010. From February 19 through March 31, 2011 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 15, 2010 through March 31, 2011, 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. They 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 15, 2010 – March 31, 2011 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 as follows:

1. 7 acres east of Riverside Drive
2. 27 acres west of South Maple Avenue
3. 11 acres west of South Maple Avenue
4. 70 acres west of Somerville Road
5. 217 acres south of Spring Valley Blvd. and west of Acken Road
6. 136 acres south of Spring Valley Blvd. and east of Acken Road
7. 12 acres southwest of Mine Brook Road
8. 14 acres east of Meeker Road

9. 16 acres west of Stonehouse Road
10. 24 acres west of Stonehouse Road
11. 10 acres south of Haas Road
15. 25 acres east of King George Road and west of Passaic River
16. 5 acres east of Lyons Road and west of Goltra Drive
17. 8 acres east of Knollcroft Road and south of Summit Drive
18. 116 acres north, west and southeast of Ricky Lane
19. 488 acres west of Passaic River, northern half of Lord Stirling Park
20. 42 acres south of Lord Stirling Road and west of Passaic River
21. 149 acres south of Mountain Road and west of Martinsville Road
22. 10.0 acres in Blocks 44, 46 and 47 west of I-287 and south of Conkling Street
23. 6.8 acres between YMCA and I-287
24. 3.5 acres between Whitenack Road and I-287
25. 8.7 acres west of Harrison Brook and near Cooper Lane
26. 18.9 acres between Blackburn Road and Stonehouse Road
27. 4.1 acres northeast of Pleasant Valley Park
28. 4.2 acres east of Tamke Tree Experts and north of Dead River
29. 8.8 acres along Passaic River and east of Crest Drive
30. 10.0 acres northwest of west end of Ramapo Drive
31. 9.1 acres west of intersection of Allen and Somerville Roads
32. 10.3 acres southeast of bridge on Allen Road
33. 79.14 acres north of Valley Rd
34. 2.6 acres northeast of Grist Mill Drive
35. 3.727 acres north of Liberty Corner Road
36. 186.75 acres south of Whitenack Rd between Mine Brook Rd and Annin Rd
(Whitenack Woods)
37. 10.72 acres north of Whitenack Rd and south of Canoe Brook Rd (McCollum
Farm)
38. 23.263 acres north of Allen Rd. and east of Somerville Rd (Sons of Liberty Farm)

(Note there are no tracts numbered 12, 13, or 14.)

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.

By order of the Township Committee

Denise Szabo, Municipal Clerk