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Title: Group Hunting To Fill Antlerless Tags for Designated Deer Hunters

The problem:

By legislative action, antlerless tags are issued each year for the Wisconsin youth hunt, and for hunters that fall under categories for junior (ages 10-17), active military and disabled hunters. The purpose of these tags is to allow a hunting experience for the specific members of these categories.

In some counties, the deer population has reached low enough levels that the CDAC within the county has voted to have a zero antlerless quota for all hunters except those who are in these categories. The state has allowed group hunting, in which a member of a hunting group can take an antlerless deer for a member of the special category. Group hunting is contrary to the intent of the special categories and is contrary to the intent of the CDAC quota in this case.

The solution:

In counties where the general antlerless quota has been set at zero, group hunting should not be allowed to fill antlerless tags, and only hunters with unused tags who fall within the categories should be allowed to carry weapons during special antlerless seasons such as the 4 day December hunt.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Congress at its spring hearings held in Florence County on April 13, 2015 recommends that the Conservation Congress work with the Department and the Legislature to take action to restrict group hunting and carrying of weapons as detailed in the solution above.



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