

**COUNCIL GROUNDS STATE PARK 2009 DEER SEASON**  
**Gun and Muzzleloader Hunting SPECIAL REGULATIONS – DMU 52A**

Only holders of a Park Access Permit for deer hunting in Council Grounds State Park (Deer Management Unit 52A) may deer hunt in the park. On all vehicles that enter the park, Park admission stickers are required (\$7.00 per day or \$25.00 annually for residents; \$10.00 per day or \$35.00 annually for non-residents). Hunters are encouraged to purchase stickers prior to opening morning to avoid delays at the office. Camping **WILL NOT** be allowed during the hunting season within the park.

**Season Dates:**

- Council Grounds State Park will be open to gun deer hunting (shotguns, handguns, or muzzleloaders) November 21 – 29, 2009.
- Council Grounds State Park will be open only to muzzleloader hunting November 30 - December 9, 2009.
- NOTE: The Park will not be open to firearm hunting during the statewide December 10 - 13, 2009 antlerless gun hunt.
- NOTE: areas open to firearm and archery hunting are different, please see maps on reverse side for closed areas.

**Weapon Restrictions:**

- Shotguns, handguns, or muzzleloaders may be used from November 21 – November 29, 2009.
- **Only Muzzleloaders** may be used to hunt deer in the park during the November 30 - December 9, 2009 muzzleloader season. Please see the *2009 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* for muzzleloader restrictions. All firearms must be unloaded and enclosed within a carrying case when in or on a motor vehicle or within a closed area of the park. Note: Muzzleloaders are considered unloaded if the cap is removed from a cap lock muzzleloader, or the flash pan is cleaned on a flint-lock muzzleloader; the ball and powder may remain in the barrel, except that the powder and projectile must be removed from the barrel of an electronic ignition muzzleloader to be considered unloaded.
- Scope restrictions do not apply to muzzleloaders during these seasons.

**Tagging Options:**

- Firearm hunters that receive a 2009 Park Access Permit for unit 52A must first purchase a gun deer license. They may use their Gun Buck Deer Carcass Tag to tag one buck during the open firearm seasons listed above.
- In addition, shotgun, handgun, muzzleloader hunters must purchase unit-specific antlerless deer carcass tags for unit 52A, if they wish to tag antlerless deer harvested from Council Grounds State Park. Unit-Specific antlerless deer carcass tags and park access permits for unit 52A will go on sale at **noon on August 22, 2009, but will not be sold on August 23, 2009.** Antlerless tags for unit 52A may be purchased at a rate of one per day until sold out (\$12 each for residents and \$20 for non-residents).

**Hunting Hours:**

- Hunting hours are found in the *2009 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* (pages 50 – 51). Hunters may enter the park up to one hour before the legal hunting hours.

**Deer Registration:**

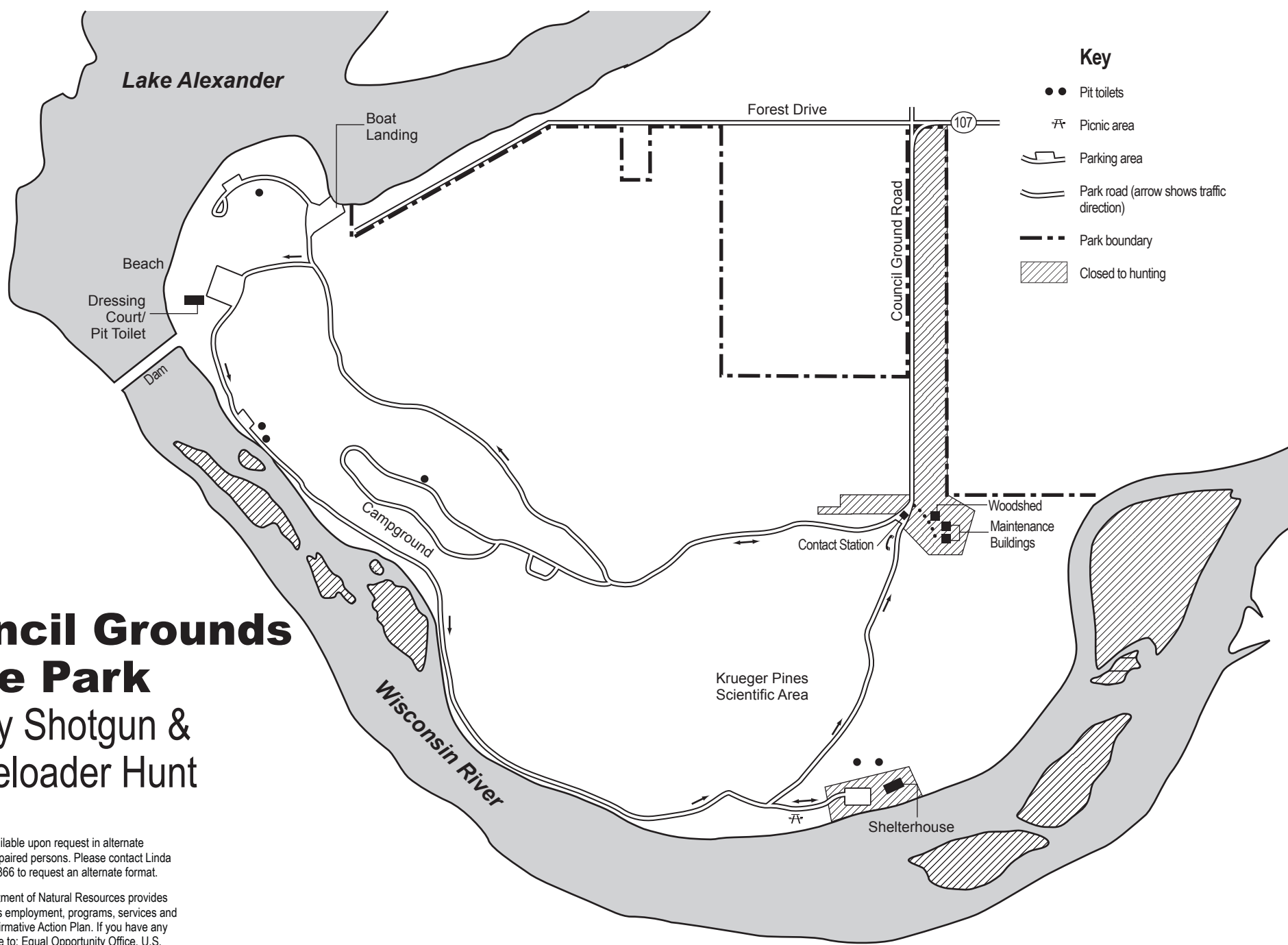
- Deer will not be registered at Council Grounds State Park. Deer must be registered at a deer registration station in an adjacent unit of kill. A list of registration stations is available on the DNR website ([dnr.wi.gov](http://dnr.wi.gov)) or at all DNR Service Centers.
- If registering a deer harvested from Council Grounds State Park, indicate unit “52A” as the Deer Management Unit of Kill.

**Additional Park Regulations:**

- Some areas of the park will be posted as closed areas (see map on back). **No hunting on or shooting into the closed areas is allowed.** A hunter may not pursue a wounded deer moving into any closed hunting area or drive deer from a closed area. Park rangers must be informed by the hunter of the location of any wounded animal within the closed areas.
- Group Hunting is restricted to persons in possession of a 2009 Park Access Permit for unit 52A. Persons who have filled their carcass tags may continue to engage in group hunting, providing they have their unit 52A Park Access Permit and a valid gun deer license in their possession.
- Tree stands and ground blinds must be portable, removed from the property each day, and do no damage to trees (no screw-in foot pegs).
- All tree stands that are not occupied during legal hunting hours shall have the owner’s customer ID number or name and address attached to the tree stand in a manner that is visible to a person on the ground.
- Ground blinds used on DNR lands must have a minimum of 144 square inches of highly visible blaze orange material that is visible 360 degrees around the blind, any time a gun deer season is in effect.
- All parking regulations and traffic restrictions shall apply during the season. No snowmobiles or ATVs are allowed. Contact the park office for more information.
- All hunters should be aware of other recreational users within the park. Not all people will be wearing blaze orange, so be sure of your target and beyond!
- See the *2009 Wisconsin Deer Hunting Regulations* for additional regulations.

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## 16-Day Shotgun & Muzzleloader Hunt

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