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MDC thanks hunters for help with CWD sampling
MDC collected 15,872 samples this past weekend, offers CWD testing through rest of season.

Missouri - The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) thanks the more than 10,000 deer hunters who participated in the Department's mandatory CWD sampling efforts last weekend in 25 counties. Thanks to hunter participation, MDC collected 15,872 tissue samples last weekend from harvested deer for CWD testing.

MDC has also collected about 750 tissue samples for CWD testing over the past several months from harvested and road-killed deer with no new cases of CWD found so far this season.

MDC sends test samples to an independent laboratory for testing and will report test results as they become available. Stay up to date on test results received by MDC at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under CWD in Missouri.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there have been no documented cases of CWD in humans, but it is important to prevent human exposure to CWD. As a safeguard, the CDC recommends hunters strongly consider having their harvested deer tested for CWD before eating the meat if the animal was harvested from an area where CWD has been found. The CDC also recommends not consuming an animal

that tests positive for the disease. Learn more at mdc.mo.gov/cwd under Human Health Risks from CWD.

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