

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Lands and Forests, Region 9

West Almond Sub-Office

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2023 Bully Hill State Forest
Deer Management Assistance Permits (DMAP) Available

**The West Almond DEC Lands and Forest Office
will be accepting applications
Monday, August 21st through 3:00 PM Friday, September 15th, 2023.**

The Department of Environmental Conservation Forestry Office in West Almond, NY, has limited Deer Management Assistance Permits (DMAP) available for use during the 2021 hunting season. Individuals with a valid NY State big game hunting license are eligible to apply for this program.

These permits can be used by eligible hunters to harvest antlerless deer on Bully Hill SF ONLY.

Bully Hill State Forest, containing 3506 acres, is located in the Towns of Almond and Birdsall. This forest is sustainably managed and provides for multiple uses. Bully Hill can be accessed by many town and forest roads, and provides parking areas, camping opportunities, and recreation trails.

DEC Foresters have determined that repeated over-browsing from high deer pressure in the area has negatively impacted forest regeneration. As a result, desirable tree species and herbaceous plants are lacking or severely deformed across much of the forest understory. Additional hunting opportunities, in combination with forest management activities, will help to ensure that a desirable cohort of forest vegetation can be regenerated. The goal of this program is to create a healthier and more biologically diverse forest ecosystem.

An online DMAP application for Bully Hill State Forest is available on the Bully Hill State Forest webpage: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/52281.html>.

Hunters can mail or drop off applications using the following address: West Almond DEC Lands and Forest Office (Attn: Bully Hill DMAP), 2524 County Route 2A, Almond, NY 14804. Applications may also be emailed to westalmond.DMAP@dec.ny.gov.

A limited number of tags will be available and awarded based on a lottery drawing.

Tags will be mailed to the mailing address provided on your application.

* The DEC will not be responsible for lost or delayed mailed applications or tags.



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2023 DMAP Application for Bully Hill State Forest

Applications will be accepted by mail, email, or at the forestry office until 3:00 PM, Friday September 15, 2023. Applications received after this date may be considered only if there are remaining tags. Submitting this application will enter your name in a random draw for a limited number of DMAP tags for use on Bully Hill State Forest. This permit will help DEC Foresters better control high deer browse pressures on this forest.

Participation in this program is a privilege and subject to the following rules and procedures:

- All hunters utilizing DMAP tags must also possess a valid big game license and appropriate hunting privileges for the season in which the tags are being used. All laws and regulations pertaining to season dates, hunting hours, tagging requirements, transportation and possession remain in effect.
- Awarded tags will be mailed to the address listed on your application **prior to October 1st.**
- One tag will be issued per licensed hunter, if selected. Once filled, the hunter may apply for a limited number of second tags, on a first come first served basis.
- **Tags are valid for antlerless deer harvested on Bully Hill State Forest only.**
- When reporting your harvest to the West Almond Forestry Office please provide the harvest location (to the nearest road or crossroad), whether the deer was male or female, and if the deer was an adult or fawn.
- If a tag recipient is no longer utilizing their Bully Hill SF DMAP tag prior to the end of hunting season promptly return unfilled tags to the West Almond Forestry Office so they may be awarded to other applicants.
- Mandatory reporting is required.
- Tags are non-transferable.

Additional details will be provided with your tag. Failure to participate according to these rules will result in the revocation of your privilege this year and in following years. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

(*) Indicates required information.

Name* _____ Date of Birth* _____

Hunting ID # (not DOC #) * _____ Phone #* _____

Mailing Address* _____

City, State, Zip* _____

Alternate Phone # _____ Email _____

Please indicate when you intend to hunt on Bully Hill State Forest (circle all that apply):

Early Bowhunting	(10/1 – 11/17)	Crossbow	(11/4 – 11/17)
Regular	(11/18 – 12/10)	Extended Bow/Muzzleloader	(12/11 – 12/19 and 12/26 – 1/1)

Signature* _____ Date* _____

By signing here, I understand that participation in the Bully Hill State Forest DMAP is a privilege and that any tags issued to me under this program are only for use on Bully Hill State Forest. Knowingly providing false information on this form is punishable as a class 'A' misdemeanor pursuant to section 210.45 of the New York State Penal Law. Failure to follow the rules of participation will result in the revocation of my tag and may result in the loss of future privileges and legal action.

