

Preliminary 2022 Elk Season Results



Chad Stewart, Deer and Elk Management Specialist
Wildlife Division
January 12, 2023



2022 Late Elk Season Summary

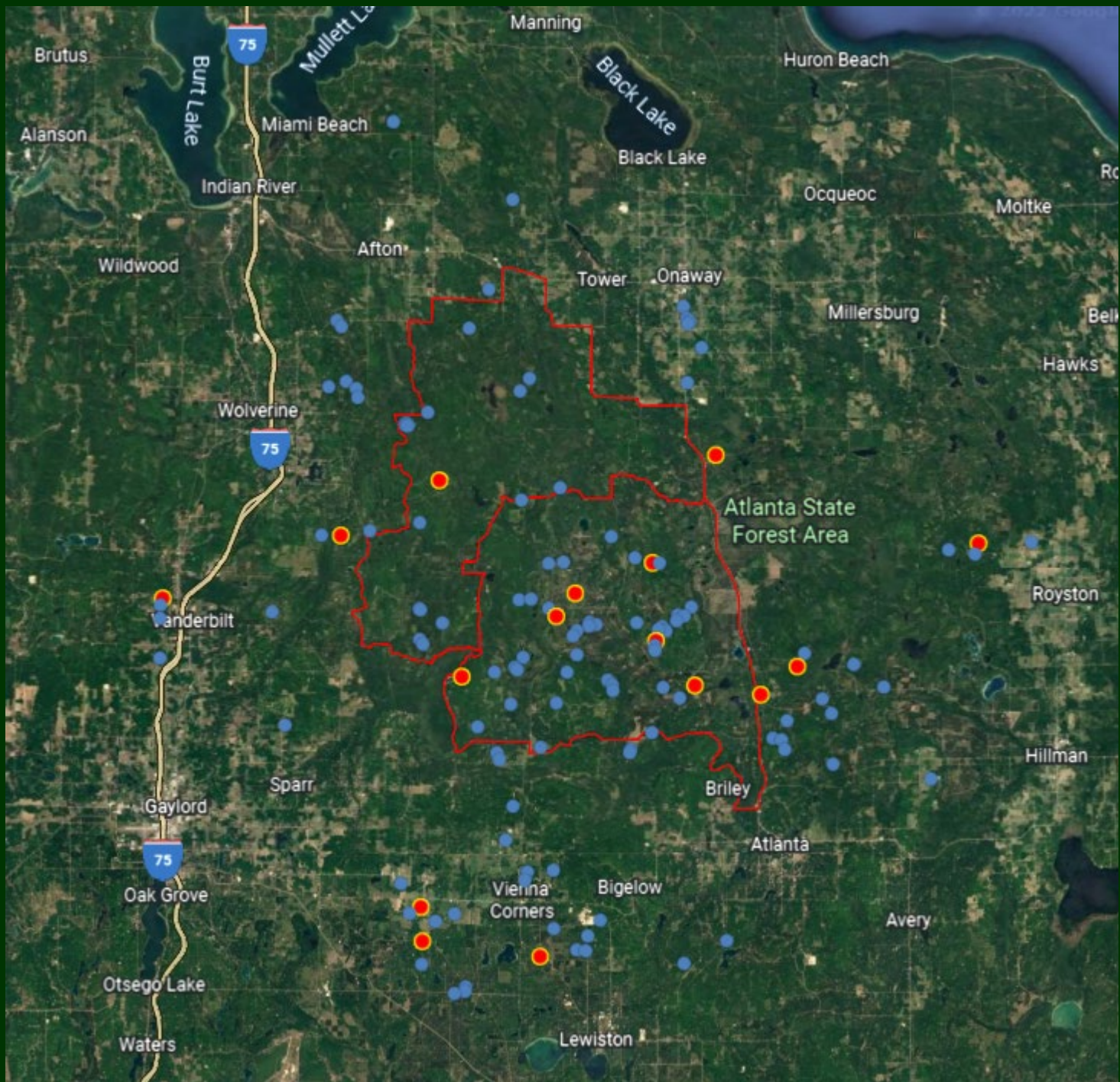
- Hunt Period 2:
 - December 10-18
 - Hunt Areas H, I, and X
- License Quota: 160
 - 50 any elk
 - 110 antlerless only elk
- Weather was variable
 - Little snow at the beginning of the season, with better tracking snow later in the season
 - Temperatures were cold to mild throughout



Elk Harvest – Late Season



- Hunt Period 2 Harvest
 - State hunter harvest: 115 legally harvested elk
 - 46 antlered bulls
 - 62 cows
 - 7 calves (3 female, 4 male)
 - 72% success (160 hunters)
 - 5 reported law events (not included in harvest totals)
 - Tribal harvest: 8 elk
 - 3 bulls and 5 cows



Historical Success Rates- Statewide Drawn Hunters

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	5 Year Avg.
Early Season	69%	74%	83%	75%	80%	76%
Late Season	83%	92%	86%	89%	72%	83%



2022 Total Elk Season Summary

- Hunt Period 1 Harvest:
 - State hunter harvest: 78 legally harvested elk
 - 26 bulls, 52 cows/calves; 80% success
- Hunt Period 2 Harvest:
 - State hunter harvest: 115 legally harvested elk
 - 46 bulls, 69 cows/calves; 72% success
- Tribal Harvest: 11 elk (still being tabulated)
- All 3 Pure Michigan hunters successful



Thank You

www.michigan.gov/elk

