Whitnall Park to Conduct Deer Management Program

The Milwaukee County Parks will be conducting an urban deer management program in parts of Whitnall Park from February 3 to March 10, 2021.

The goal of this program is to control the growth of the herd, so that deer remain an integral, but not dominant, part of the park's natural communities.

The Parks Department has been culling deer from Whitnall Park every winter since 1996. Our program has safely and humanely removed over 300 deer and has donated 9 tons of meat to area food pantries.

The Whitnall sharp-shooting program has a perfect safety record. We ask that you help us maintain this perfect record by obeying all "Trail Closed" and "Road Closed" signs.

Impacted trails will be posted with signs and are closed after 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday from February 3 to March 10, 2021. You are welcome to walk in these areas prior to 3 p.m. and anytime on weekends. Trails at Boerner Botanical Gardens are officially closed to all visitors from November to April and no one is permitted within the snow fenced perimeter at any time.

For further information, call Wehr Nature Center at (414) 425-8550.