# Bristol Deer Hunting Cooperative Summary

# 2025-2026

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# Bristol Hunting Cooperative

- Collaborated with Bristol Town Council, Police Department, Town Planner
- Archery deer hunting only
- September 15 – January 31
- Hunting license and deer permits required
  - Hunter education required
  - Archery Proficiency certification required
- 200' Buffer from all occupiable dwellings
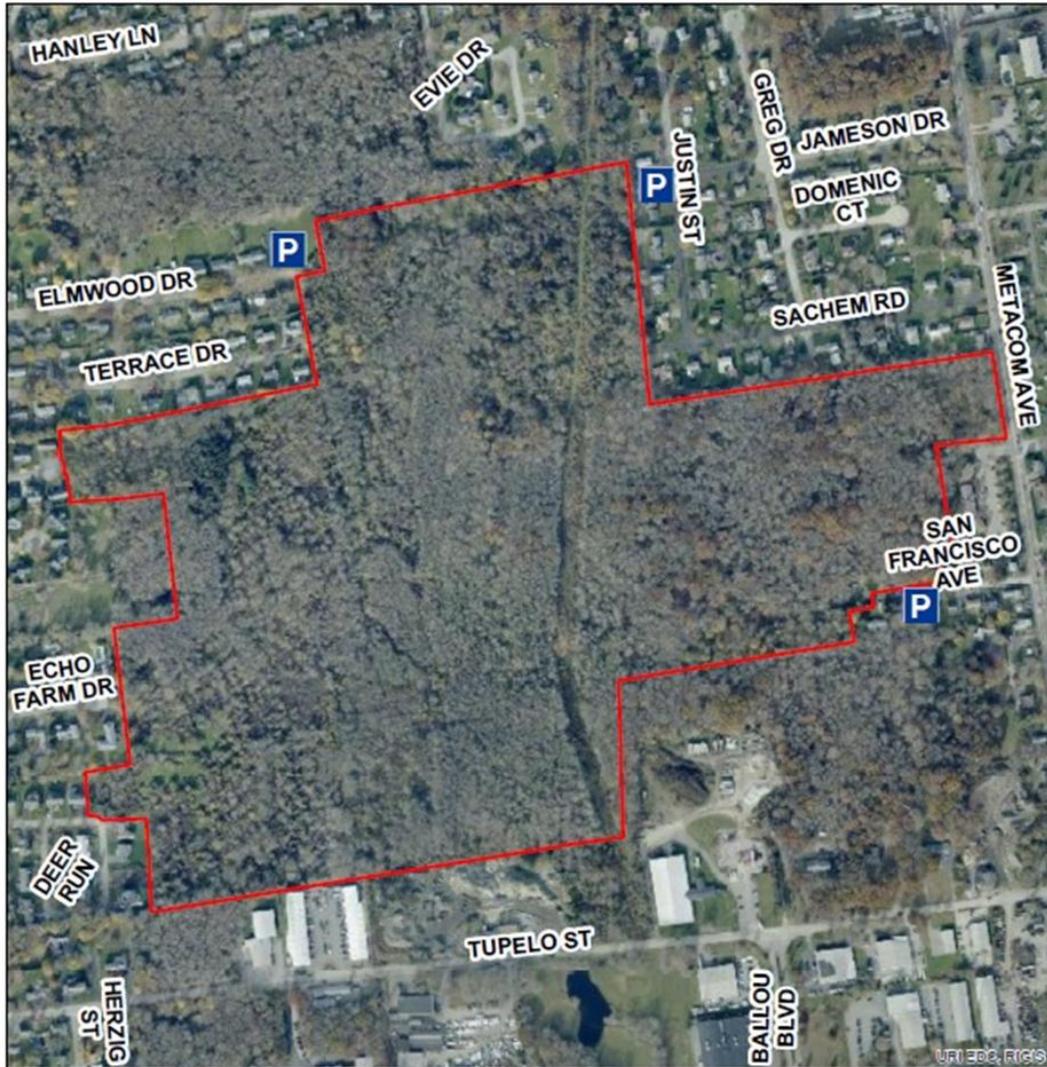- Legal hunting hours: 30 mins prior to sunrise to 30 mine after sunset
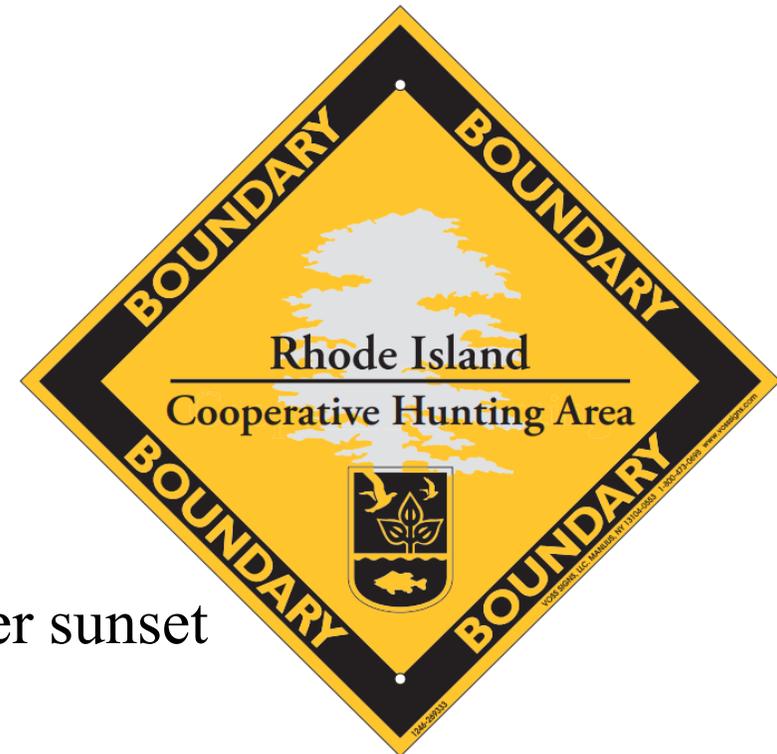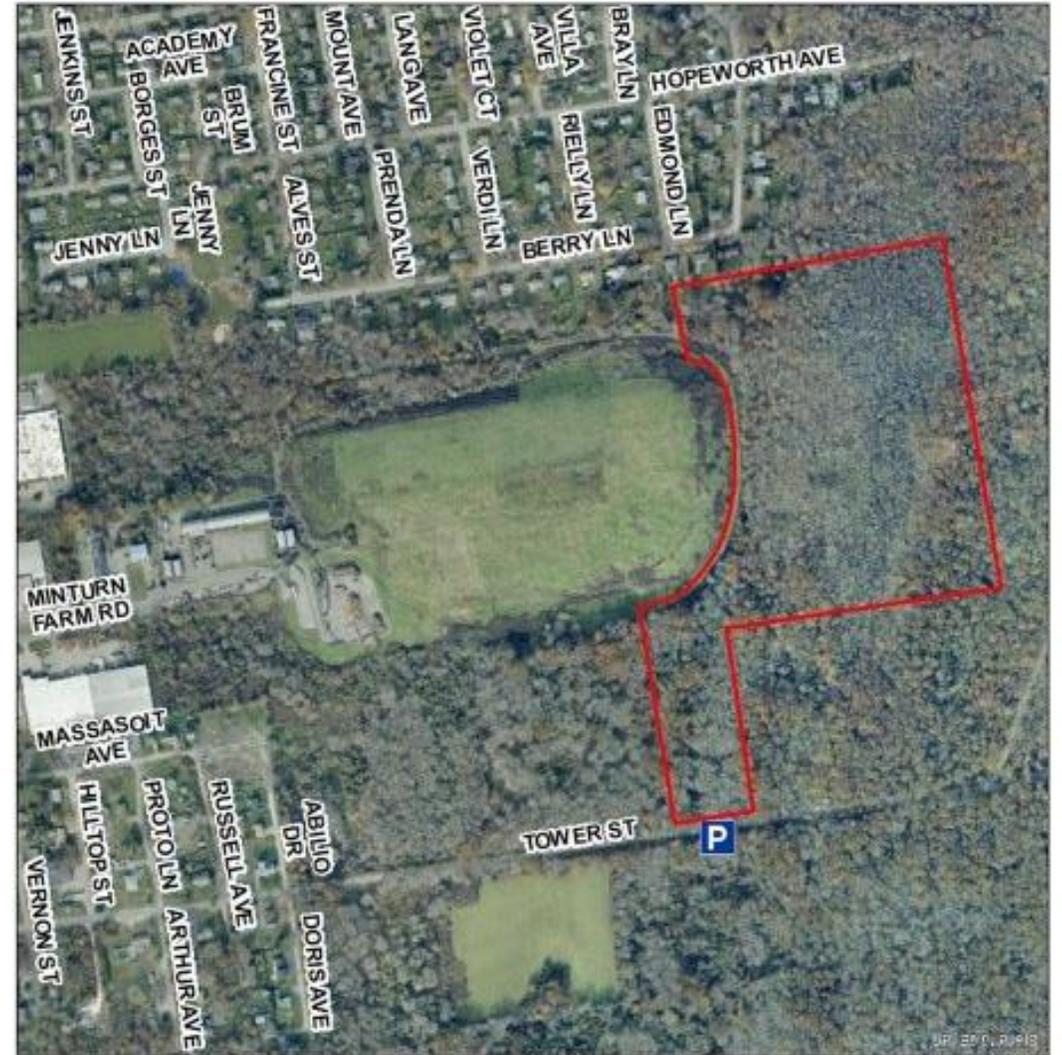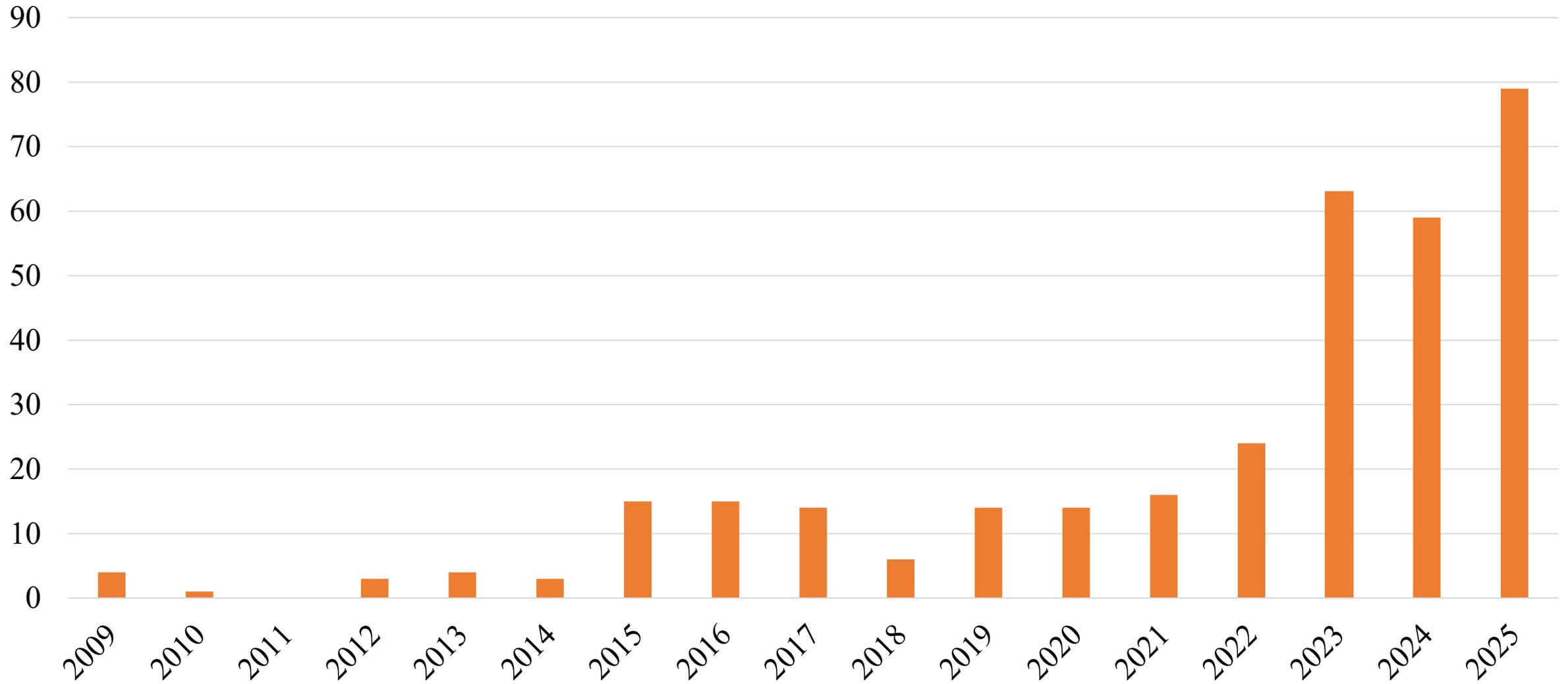
# Hopeworth

# Skaters Pond

# 100 Acre Woods

# Minturn



P Parking
☐ Hunting Area

0   500   1,000 Feet

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# Bristol Deer Harvest 2009-2025

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| Property | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 100 Acre Woods | 12 | 10 | 9 |
| Hopeworth | 13 | 12 | 19 |
| Minturn | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| Skaters Pond | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| RI -Veterans Home | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Private | 23 | 25 | 37 |
| **Grand Total** | **63** | **59** | **79** |

# Bristol Deer Vehicle Collisions 2009-2025
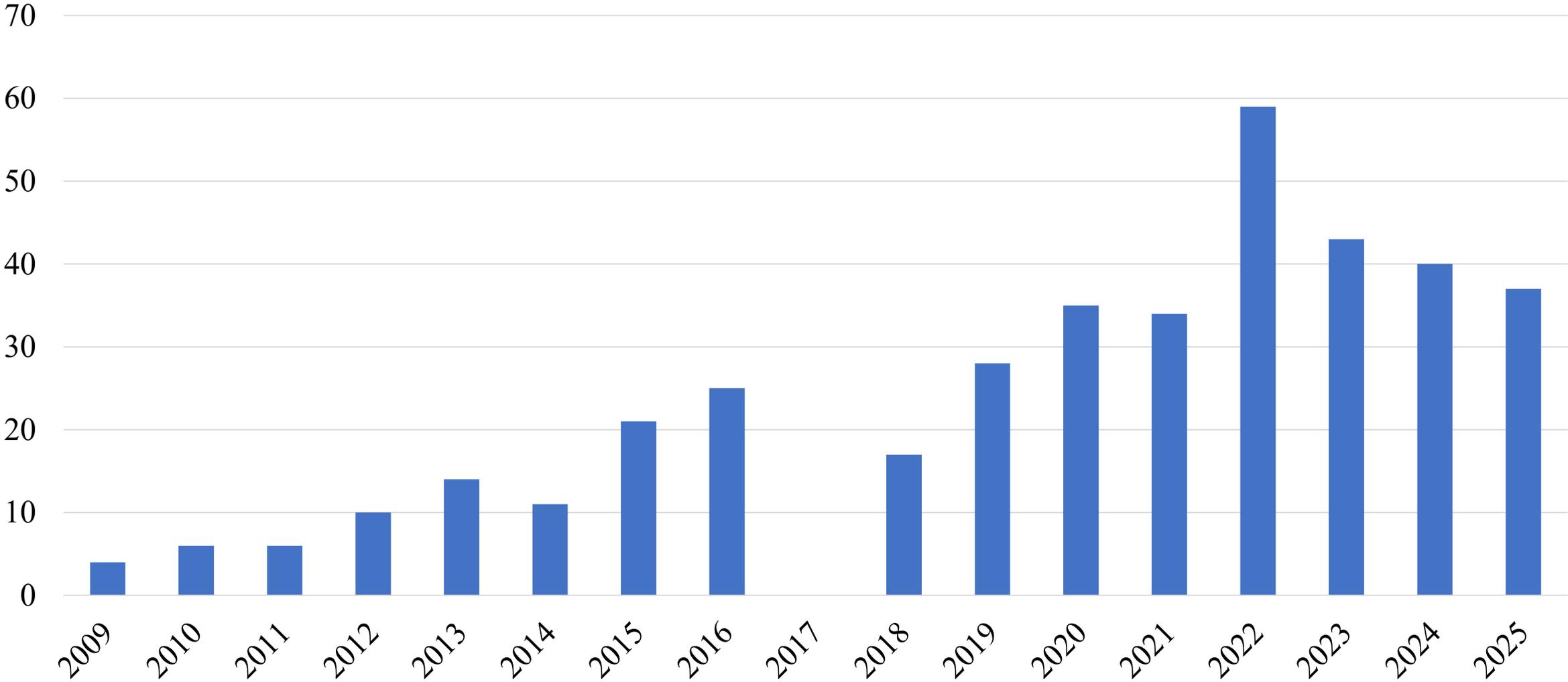
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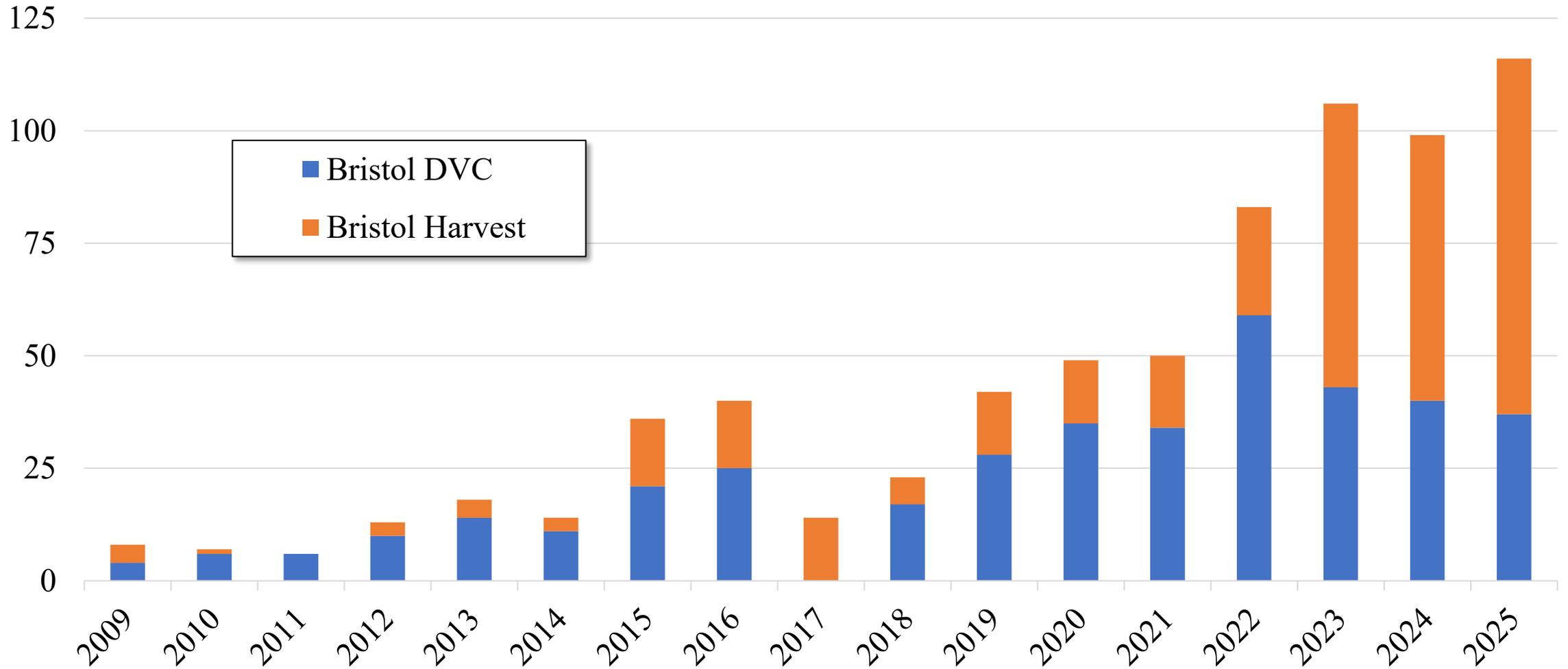
# Incidents

- Artificial illumination of deer/wildlife: 1
- No deer tags: 1
- Failure to check deer: 2
- No archery proficiency: 1
- No landowner permission: 2 (outside Co-op)
- Firing within 500' of a house: 2 (outside Co-op)
- Feeding deer: 34 (Colt State)
- Hunter injuries: 1 (accidentally self inflected)
- General public injuries: 0

# Research Updates

Aerial Survey

- Statewide: 16,000 deer, (16 deer/square mile)
- Colt State Park: 62 deer, (70/square mile)
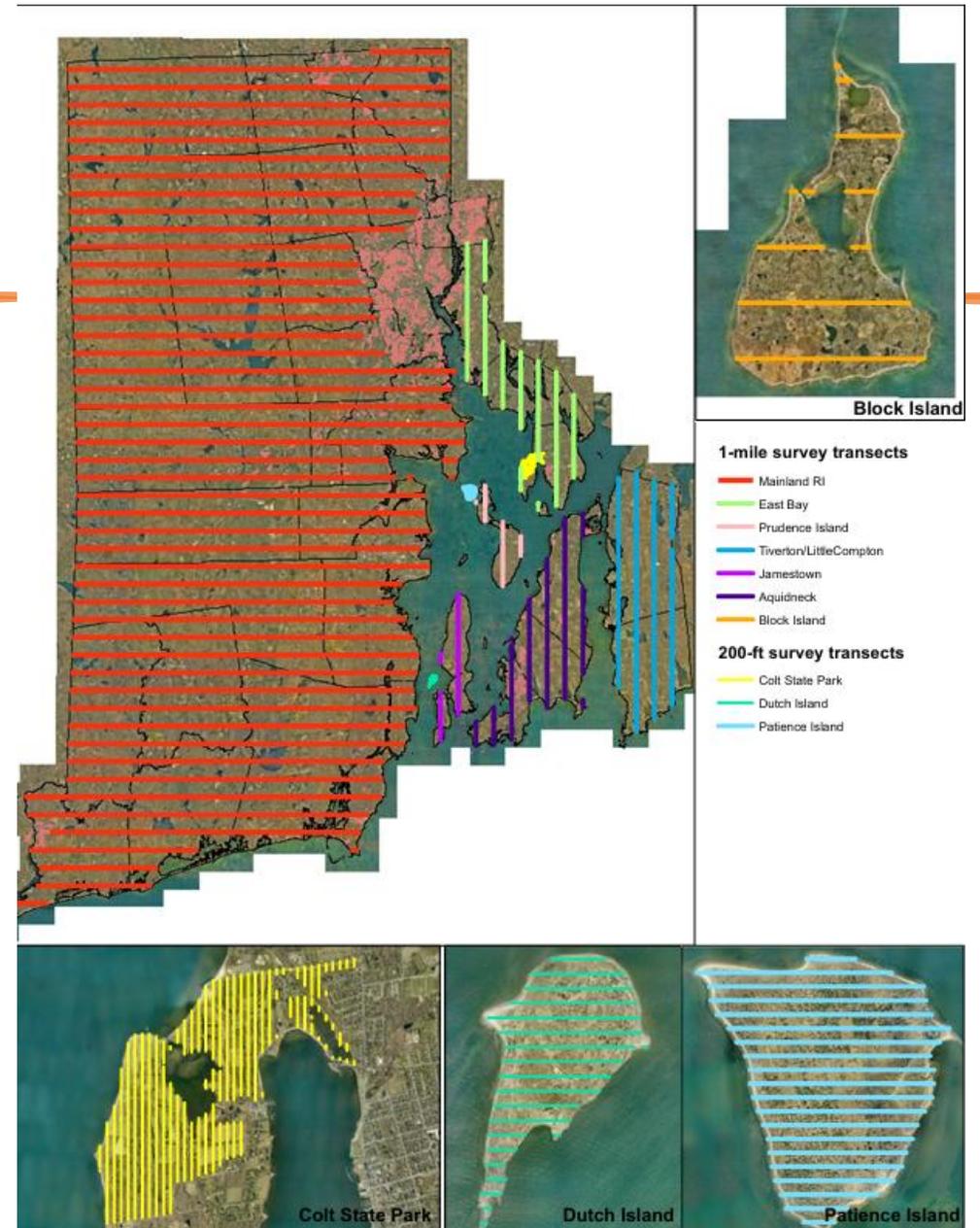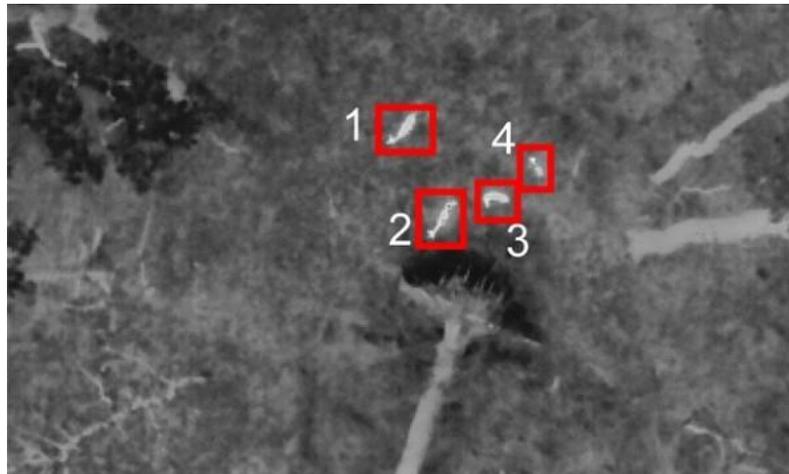
# Recommendations

- No changes to existing regulations
- Enroll Mt. Hope Community Forest

Questions?