

Susi Lampe

From: Curtis Cooksley <ccooksley@hendersonproducts.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2024 10:26 AM
To: Susi Lampe
Subject: RE: Request for bowhunting approval inside city limits of Independence
Attachments: Cooksley hunting request 2023-2024 season.pdf; Property boundry.PNG; To whom it may concern_Bowhunting city limits request.docx; copier@hendersonproducts.com_20230320_162516.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Due By: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 10:00 AM
Flag Status: Flagged

Hey Susi –

Was nice talking with you on the phone.

Please consider this as my request to obtain bow hunting (whitetail deer) permission from the City of Independence for the upcoming 2024-2025 archery season. The Iowa DNR has not published the exact dates of the archery season on their website yet. However, it starts on Oct 1st and follow similar dates every year.

Everything I am requesting is the same as last year, I have attached the approval letter from the city for your reference. I've already talked to my grandmother, owner of the property, about permission and she has granted me permission. If I need to update the written letter to state 2024-2025 then I can do that.

Thanks,

Curtis Cooksley | Sr Buyer, *Global Sourcing & Supply*

DIR: (563) 927-7276

ccooksley@hendersonproducts.com

<http://www.hendersonproducts.com>



To whom it may concern:

This letter is intended to request the appropriate approval/certification by the City of Independence to bow hunt whitetail deer within the city limits during the regular bowhunting season set by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for the 2024-2025 season.

Hello, my name is Curtis Cooksley and I am a current Buchanan county resident that has been bowhunting whitetail deer since my early teenage years. A bowhunter like myself is always looking for new areas or properties to hunt to increase our chances of filling the freezer with fresh venison. I, along with many other bowhunters, have been confronted with some challenges regarding hunting areas. With the increased popularity of the sport of bowhunting, many areas already have hunters in them with established relationships with the landowners themselves that own the properties. Or in recent years, the increased use of hunting leases has made it difficult to obtain hunting access if you don't have the financial means to support it. I find myself squarely confronted with both these challenges.

My grandmother, Kay Cole, lives on the east side of Independence. (Address and map of the property are provided in my email) During numerous family gatherings I would see deer in her backyard as her property butts up to a good-sized timber making it a great place for deer to congregate. I have obtained verbal permission from her to be able to bow hunt her property upon approval from the City of Independence. With the approval from the city this would allow me to continue my passion for bowhunting these magnificent animals on family-owned land.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Curtis Cooksley

To whom it may concern:

I, Kay Cole give my grandson, Curtis Cooksley permission to hunt deer on my property located at 1615 1st St. East, Independence in the year 2023 and any year thereafter.

Kay Cole

