

Greetings,

I wish to express my support for removing the Sunday Hunting Prohibition for Bow Hunting in CT. Removal of this prohibition will allow many working people the opportunity to spend time with friends and family. Also a large concern is the current overpopulation of whitetail deer in many areas of Connecticut and the impact that their overgrazing is having on other species that rely of the same food sources. Allowing Sunday Hunting will increase harvest number and hopefully eliminate the need for costly deer eradication programs similar to the 80000 dollar program that recently happened in Redding, CT.

Sunday Hunting must be opened so that better whitetail management can be attained and so that working men and women can use their weekends and not the small number of vacation days that they have available.

I urge you to remove the restriction of 40 yards from blazed hiking trails for a number of reasons. First, this is a vague statement and will allow anyone to blaze a trail and cease someone from hunting on private land. Second, hunting is legal on private land and no further restrictions should be made, especially as Archery is the safest sport in the country. Third, the blazed trail prohibition will force many landowners that hunt to close access to their properties to hiking traffic, causing needless difficulties for many people.

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