Bow Hunting on Joppenbergh Mountain

Due to signs of over browsing of native plant species, we have implemented the bow hunting deer management option of our 2012 Land Management Plan. A large deer population feeds heavily on native plant species which allows less desirable invasive plant species to take over the habitat. As such, the WVLT has granted a limited number of bow hunters permission to access the property for hunting purposes. Anyone interested in obtaining permission for bow hunting on the property should contact our office for more information.

Due to the size of the Joppenbergh parcel and the proximity to town, we will only allow bow hunting at this time. No other deer hunting methods will be considered as they are not part of our current land management plan.

The **2019 deer bow hunting season is from October 1st to December 17th.**

**Hiker and Pet Safety**

Always know the dates of hunting season and if hunting is allowed where you are hiking. Even if you are not a hunter.

Always wear hunter orange and fit your pet with a hunter orange vest while hiking.

Consider adding a bell to your pets’ collar for added safety

Keep your pet on a leash at all times. The land management plan for Joppenbergh Mountain has always requested that dogs be on leash as per Rosendale town code. A dog off leash is more likely to be mistaken for game than a dog on a leash with a bell and bright jacket.