History of Deer Dog Hunting in Orange County

Current Dog Deer Hunting Line:

- NC Legislature established a dog deer hunting line in the 1940's. In counties west of this line, hunting deer with dogs is not allowed. East of the line, it is.
- The line generally follows county borders except for Alamance, Anson, and Orange County. In these counties, the line passes through the middle of the county.
- Orange County is bordered by Alamance to the West, Caswell and Person to the North, and Durham to the East.
- NC Legislature established a local "no hunting deer with dogs" law in Alamance County in 1979.
- NC Legislature established a local "no hunting deer with dogs" law in Durham County in 2001.

History of No Dog Hunting Resolution by the Board of County Commissioners:

- In November and December of 2009 County Staff held separate meetings with deer dog hunters and residents. Each meeting was attended by County Staff, Sheriff, Animal Control, And WRC Officers.
- In December of 2010 County Commissioners took public comment and reviewed minutes of staff meetings with hunters and residents
- In January of 2010 County Commissioners addressed the issue as an agenda item and again took public comment and reviewed additional staff memorandum. They then voted unanimously for a resolution to ban deer dog hunting in Orange County.
- The NC Legislature did not address this resolution during the 2010 short session.
- In February 2011 County Commissioners again voted unanimously for a resolution to ban deer dog hunting in Orange County.