Deer Management



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Deer at Alverna





Winter



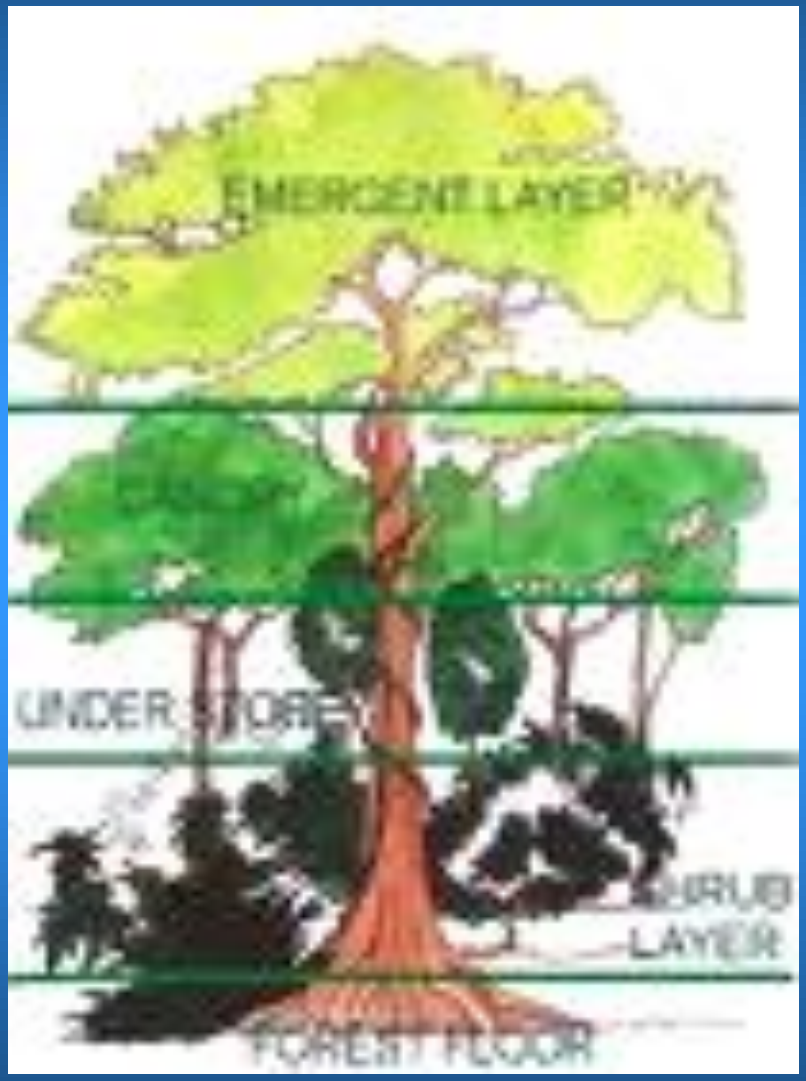
Beech Tree and Deer Browse



Summer






EMERGENT LAYER
UNDER STOREY
SHRUB
LAYER
FOREST FLOOR

Healthy Forest



- The Problem is…





Deer Browse Line

- There are no Layers in This Forest
- No Shrubs or Saplings
- No Fallen Down Trees
- Low Diversity of Plants
- Poor Quality Wildlife Habitat



An over population of deer not only affect the deer, but the entire ecosystem and the wildlife that inhabit it.

Exclosure Fencing

- Time consuming
- Helps to reestablish the forest floor layer and new tree growth
- When fencing is taken down, ground cover disappears again.

















What's Missing









What's Missing







- Another Problem

Antlers










IN MEMORY OF



- Yet, Another Problem






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Big Picture

- It’s not only all about the individual deer or the species, but the entire ecosystem.
- Forest is out of balance
- Plants affected
- Wildlife affected
- Human Health affected
- Cars on State 290 affected


Questions?