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The Oakland County Community Deer Coalition Partners with SEMCOG on Regional Deer Survey to Foster Regional Solutions

In recent years, the deer population has grown steadily throughout Oakland County. This has led to an increase in the number of deer related auto accidents, damage to landscaping and private property, and the greater potential for exposure to Lyme Disease and other illnesses that can be spread by deer.

Over the past few years, cities and townships throughout Oakland County have received a rising number of calls and emails from concerned residents. To address these concerns, the Oakland County Community Deer Coalition was created in November 2021 by a group of leaders in nine Oakland County communities. The Coalition has recently partnered with the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) with the shared goal of building a regional solution to address deer concerns. The Oakland County Community Deer Coalition, along with the Deer, Elk, and Moose Management Specialist for the DNR, is working toward formulating a plan for the entire region.

As a first step in developing new solutions to this regional issue, the Coalition is conducting a survey to gather data from residents and business owners throughout Oakland County. Please take a few minutes to complete this brief survey, available at <https://www.cobaltcommunityresearch.org/deer.html> through November 11, 2022.

For those without internet access, paper copies will be available at the City Manager's Office at Farmington Hills City Hall located at 31555 W. Eleven Mile Road. Your answers will be extremely valuable in helping the Coalition create a plan to address deer concerns. Thank you in advance for your time and feedback.

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