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Adams County Conservation

Conservation Specialist Grows Adams County Conservation Programs

Travis Paul, Adams County Conservation Director, hired Marti Sutton in March 2022 as a park officer and conservation specialist. Sutton came to Adams County with a few years of conservation experience. She will help manage and maintain wildlife and prairie areas and develop plans for maintaining these areas.

Sutton has been instrumental in expanding educational opportunities for Adams County and visitors to the area. She has brought in new animal ambassadors that have made appearances in programs such as “Scales and Tails.”

Lenox requested to collaborate with the University of Iowa, Adams County Conservation, and Taylor County Conservation to install the *School of the Wild* for their junior high students. This was a week-long adventure where students went between parks in Taylor County and Lake Icaria to learn about nature and outdoor activities. The Lenox teachers and conservation specialist lead groups in nature hikes, kayaking, fishing, archery, and bird watching. This was received well and Lenox has already planned to continue this program, with SWV wanting to begin next fall.

Sutton Harvests a Deer for the First Time

Hunting and fishing are alive and well in Adams County. Every November and December, hunters arrive in Adams County to take part in the turkey, pheasant, and deer harvest. Travis Paul is not only our local director, but an avid outdoorsman. He has been instrumental in helping Sutton with her first ever deer hunt. Sutton found success during the first shotgun season.

“Growing up in California, I’ve always had a negative connotation surrounding hunting. After moving to Iowa, I’ve had the pleasure of meeting some of the coolest conservationists and hunters, and learned how hunting is a vital tool to managing our natural resources! Needless to say, I’m hooked and am already looking forward to many more fall seasons to come,” said Sutton.

Resident deer season always seems to end as soon as it begins. Shotgun season two starts December 10th, then we’ll be down to late muzzleloader and the archery late split. For real time quota updates visit: <https://gooutdoorsiowa.com/RealTimeQuotas.aspx>

Adams County may have the opportunity to participate in the Excess Tag January Antlerless season if the quota is unfilled January 10th. Grab the 2022-2023 Iowa Hunting, Trapping & Migratory Game Bird Regulations at the Adams County Recorder’s office or view it [online](#). The regulation book is a great resource for hunters.

