Permit 2019-011 Name: Stuart Davis Department or Organization: University of Akron Biology Deparment **Email Address:** spd34@zips.uakron.edu Are you requesting renewal of a previously approved permit application? No Type of activities at The University of Akron Field Station and Bath Nature Preserve Research Title of project or class name and course number: How does Using a Drone (UAV) to Sample White-Tailed Deer Compare to other Sampling Methods? Date/Dates requested: 12/3/2019 Number of people in group: 3 I am requesting permission to use a Research Area. Yes I am requesting permission to use a Sensitive Area. Yes I am requesting permission to use areas outside of the designated Research or Sensitive Areas. Yes I would like to use the Martin Center for Field Studies and Environmental Education for this prop... Yes Will the activity involve destructive sampling/collecting? No Which Research Areas? 18 Acres Beefy's Woods Garden Pond **Grandview Alley**

Round Top South Woods Which Sensitive Areas?
Garden Bowl
North Fork
Tamarack Bog / Wetland

Which areas outside of the designated Research or Sensitive Areas?

Please indicate any preparation or set-up you will need in the Martin Center for Field Studies an...
none

Provide a brief description of (1) your proposed activities, (2) goals, and (3) impacts of your u...

Proposed Activities: I plan on walking transects and flying drones in order to count deer.

Goal: to estimate the population of deer in Bath Nature Preserve using a variety of methods.

Impacts of use of Bath Nature Preserve: This focus of this study will use a thermal camera mounted to an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) to study white-tailed deer populations in conjunction with Bath Nature Preserve and the Summit Metroparks (SMP). UAV sampling has been done before, but the accuracy or usefulness has never been compared to other commonplace methods. The impact this study wishes to have is to develop a cheap and time efficient deer sampling method using drones.

By checking this box, I agree to the above terms and state that all of the above information is c... I agree