

## **5.0 MITIGATION MEASURES**

Certain mitigation measures have been incorporated into the project plans as presently set forth that are intended to minimize the impacts of the project. The reduction of the deer herd, while representing a short term loss of deer, will actually have multiple beneficial impacts as set forth herein, that include potentially reduced accident rates, reduced ecological damage and reduced incidents of Lyme disease.

Project plans already include numerous provisions to protect public safety. Public safety is the primary concern associated with culling, as firearms may be discharged in the suburban environment.

In addition to the anticipated procedures mentioned in previous chapters of this DEIS, a security plan will be developed by the VCH Police Department to assure that the areas planned for culling are safe and do not put people or property in harm's way.

No significant unavoidable adverse impacts have been identified in connection with the proposed deer management plan. Therefore, under the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, no further mitigation measures are warranted.