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Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resources Board Agenda Item

Item No. 8.A.1

SUBJECT: Briefing on New Policy Development Manual Code

FOR: January 2013 Board meeting

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Kristy Rogers, Director of Process Improvement

SUMMARY:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) develops many different types of policy including administrative rules, manual codes, handbooks, guidance, directives from managers, etc. Several of DNR's policy development processes do not include public input or notification opportunities for those impacted by the new or changed policy. A number of DNR customers and staff have expressed specific concerns with this lack of notice and input on policy decisions that ultimately impact them.

An excellent team of DNR policy and legal staff have been working to develop a new policy development process that provides for public input where it currently doesn't exist. The new draft process will be shared along with the proposed plan for moving forward to adopt the manual code.

RECOMMENDATION: Information Only

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS (check all that are applicable):

☐ Background memo
☐ N/A

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Approved by	Signature	Date
Not Applicable, Bureau Director		
Matt Moroney, Deputy Secretary	Matt Moroney	1/7/13
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cc: Board Liaison – AD/8