

**Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resources Board Agenda Item**

SUBJECT: Donation acceptance – The Friends of High Cliff State Park

The Friends of High Cliff State Park will donate up to \$30,000. This donation will be used to repair the roof, door, and masonry of a silo at High Cliff State Park. The silo will be used to provide a historic meeting location and "Dark Sky Area" for interpretive programs and local astronomy clubs.

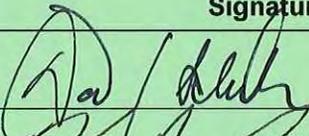
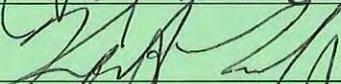
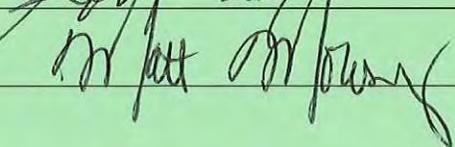
FOR: September 2013 Board meeting

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Secretary Stepp

SUMMARY:

The Friends of High Cliff has a primary goal to, "Provide financial support to the High Cliff State Park for the furtherance of its programs, facilities, and resources..." The repairs to the silo would allow for a land mark to a proposed, "Dark Sky Area" that is both historic and attractive. The area will be used for Department interpretive programs and local astronomy groups to meet.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board accept the generous donation of up to \$30,000 from The Friends of High Cliff State Park

Approved by	Signature	Date
Dan Schuller, Bureau Director		8/6/13
Kurt Thiede, Administrator		8-8-13
Cathy Stepp, Secretary		8/29/13

cc: Board Liaison - AD/8
Department rule coordinator – LS/8

Acknowledgment of Gift

This is to certify that at its September 2013 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of up to \$30,000 from:

The Friends of High Cliff State Park

This donation will be used to repair the roof, door, and masonry of a silo at High Cliff State Park. The silo will be used to provide a historic meeting location and "Dark Sky Area" for interpretive programs and local astronomy clubs.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

Natural Resources Board

Preston D. Cole, Chair

