

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

SUBJECT: Donation acceptance – Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation will donate 4,000 Browning knives at a value of approximately \$40,000. This donation will be used to highlight Wisconsin's hunting tradition and heritage to new Hunter Education graduates and promote the work of our conservation partners.

FOR: December 2014 Board meeting

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Secretary Stepp

SUMMARY:

Recipient of the Knives: Wisconsin Hunter Education Program

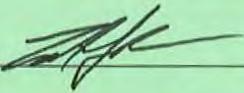
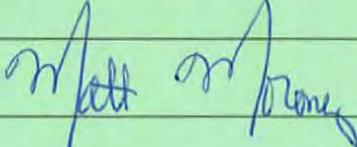
Donation item: 4,000 Browning Knives.

Who will get the knives: Three knives will be provided with every course material box sent to the approximately 1,300 Hunter Education courses held in Wisconsin annually. Hunter Education Instructors are instructed to give out the 3 knives using a name drawing lottery at the completion of the course. Per the direction from RMEF the knives will only be made available to students 17 years old or younger.

Reason for donation: The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) received an endowment/trust fund which must be used for youth education. This donation is being offered to every Hunter Education program in the US. The intent is to provide hunting equipment to future hunters.

Value: Unknown, donor does not want to say but it is estimated at approximately \$40,000.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board accept the generous donation of 4,000 Browning knives at a value of approximately \$40,000 from Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation

Approved by	Signature	Date
Todd Schaller Bureau Director		11-14-14
N/A (choose division) Division Administrator		
Cathy Stepp, Secretary		11/13/14

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

Acknowledgment of Gift

This is to certify that at its December 2014 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of 4,000 Browning knives at a value of approximately \$40,000 from:

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation

This donation will be used to highlight Wisconsin's hunting tradition and heritage to new Hunter Education graduates and promote the work of our conservation partners.

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