

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

**SUBJECT:** Donation acceptance – The Ruffed Grouse Society

The Ruffed Grouse Society will donate \$45,755. This donation will be used to support eleven habitat and trail projects across Wisconsin. This is the highest number of projects and amount of funding that the Society has provided to the Wisconsin DNR since the Drummer Fund Program was started in 2010. Support from the Ruffed Grouse Society is critical to the management of young forest habitat across the state.

**FOR:** May 2015 Board meeting

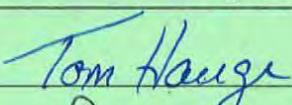
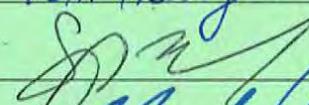
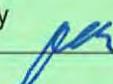
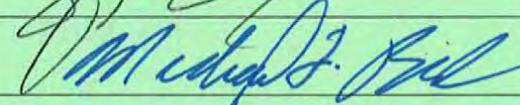
**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** Secretary Stepp

**SUMMARY:**

The Ruffed Grouse Society (RGS) is dedicated to the preservation of our sporting tradition by creating healthy forest habitat for ruffed grouse, American woodcock and other wildlife. The RGS Wisconsin Drummer Fund generously offers to donate \$45,755 to the following eleven habitat and trails projects:

- Lower Wolf River Bottoms Alder Regeneration - \$2,500
- Radley Creek Alder and Aspen Regeneration - \$6,000
- Sawyer County State Wildlife Areas Trails & Openings Management - \$4,900
- Flambeau River St. Forest Hunter Walking Trail Maintenance - \$5,000
- Eldorado Marsh State Wildlife Area Opening Management - \$3,000
- Development of a Young Forest Brochure for Landowners - \$1,000
- WI Young Forest Partnership Program Support - \$10,000
- White River Wildlife Area Disabled Hunter Accessible Trails - \$5,130
- County Forest, Pete DeFoure Unit, Oak Savanna Maintenance - \$3,000
- Cylon Wildlife Area Alder Regeneration - \$3,225
- Marathon County Alder Regeneration - \$2,000

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board accept the generous donation of \$45,755 from The Ruffed Grouse Society

Approved by	Signature	Date
Tom Hauge, Bureau Director		4/7/15
Sanjiv Dison, Administrator		4/8/15
Cathy Stepp, Secretary 		4/24/15

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

# **Acknowledgment of Gift**

This is to certify that at its May 2015 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of \$45,755 from:

## **The Ruffed Grouse Society**

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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