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Special two-day statewide buck only deer hunt.

THE PROBLEM: Since the DNR initiated the Earn-a-Buck and CWD Management Zone deer seasons, hunters in those areas had to pre-qualify to shoot a buck by registering an antlerless deer first. This pre-qualification requirement has left a foul taste in many hunters' mouths, treats hunters differently across the state, and has generated numerous complaints.

WHEREAS, since Earn-a-Buck was started along with special regulations in the CWD Management Zone, there was a pre-qualification requirement for hunters to shoot an antlerless deer before they could shoot a buck, and

WHEREAS, this has been an effective management tool but a controversial management tool, and

WHEREAS, this pre-qualification requirement has many hunters upset and they seek an opportunity to shoot a buck without the pre-qualification requirement, and

WHEREAS, the bow hunters have owned the peak of the rut for over 70 years,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Conservation Congress requests the Wisconsin DNR to consider implementing a special two day statewide buck-only deer season the first weekend (Saturday & Sunday) in November without the requirement for any hunter to pre-qualify by shooting an antlerless deer first,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this special season last for a period of FIVE years and renewed only upon a favorable evaluation/recommendatin by the DNR and Conservation Congress.

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