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Title: Training Dogs in Zone C

Problem:

Wisconsin Bear hunters are able to choose 2 methods of harvesting of a bear, one over bait and one by chasing with dogs. Hunting over bait is allowed state wide, but hunting with the aid of dogs is restricted to zones A, B & D. The issue is that at this time training of bear dogs is allowed state wide including Zone C where they can't be used to hunt with.

Sportsmen and Women know that any wild animal that is chased becomes more cautious and can change patterns on coming into bait. In areas that bait is only allowed a bear may come into bait not during legal hunting hours after being chased earlier by dogs. Training is allowed as close as 8 days to the opening of season in Zone C.

Second, the ethics have been questioned of some trainers/hunters, running dogs on private property they have no permission to, chasing bear through subdivisions, and not pulling dogs off of bears once treed.

BE IT Resolved, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Clark County on April 11, 2011 recommend that the Conservation Congress take action to correct this situation by introducing rule changes allowing the **Training of Dogs for the use of bear hunting only in zones that allow the use of dogs for hunting.**

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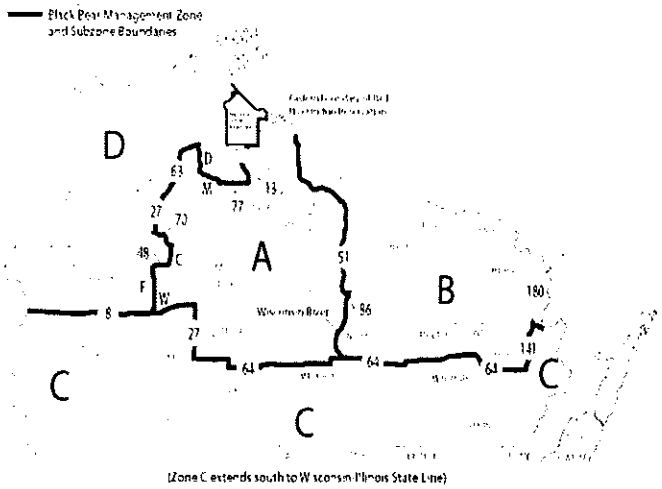
County	Resolution Vote
2006 Marathon	103 Yes to 23 No
2007 Marathon	49 Yes to 8 No
2008 Marathon	92 Yes to 11 No
2009 Barron	35 Yes to 16 No
2009 Calumet	55 Yes to 16 No
2009 Clark	22 Yes to 15 No
2009 Crawford	11 Yes to 4 No
2009 Dunn	43 Yes to 12 No
2009 Iowa	22 Yes to 16 No
2009 Jefferson	58 Yes to 14 No
2009 Marathon	81 Yes to 15 No
2009 Menominee	6 Yes to 4 No
2009 Oconto	59 Yes to 20 No
2009 Richland	32 Yes to 9 No
2009 Rock	46 Yes to 30 No
2009 Trempealeau	23 Yes to 14 No
2009 Waukesha	122 Yes to 27 No
2010 Dane	80 Yes to 35 No
2010 Marathon	58 Yes to 3 No



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