

2011-Columbia #01

Title: The Current Wisconsin Black Bear Hunting Season

The Problem: The current Wisconsin black bear hunting season only allows the use of archery or firearms for the harvest of a black bear. With a large black bear population expanding throughout the state, and with the change in current available technology, a humane restraint device, currently used elsewhere, could provide additional harvest opportunity for the permit holder.

Be it resolved that the Conservation Congress, at its annual meeting, held in Columbia County on April 11, 2011, recommends that the Conservation Congress work with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Trappers' Association and the Wisconsin Bear Hunters Association to correct this situation by introducing a rule change to include a humane cable restraint device to be used to help harvest a black bear during the regular black bear hunting season.

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