

NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Retirement Resolution -John Brandenburg

FOR: DECEMBER 2008 BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Matt Frank

SUMMARY:

John Brandenburg will retire after 18 years of service to the citizens of the state of Wisconsin.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Retirement Resolution for John Brandenburg

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:

- No Fiscal Estimate Required
- No Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required
- No Background Memo

- Yes Attached
- Yes Attached
- Yes Attached

APPROVED:



 Regional Director

9-8-08

 Date

 Administrator

 Date

 Secretary, Matt Frank

 Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/5
 CC Susan Krantz-NOR/Spooner

Retirement Resolution

John G. Brandenburg, Jr. began his career with the Department of Natural Resources on June 30th, 1980 as a Natural Resources Assistant in the North Central District, Trout Lake where he helped to maintain 274 public use areas on the Northern Highland American Legion State Forest. In 1983, John was promoted to a Natural Resources Assistant 2 also on the Northern Highland American Legion State Forest, where he assumed a larger responsibility of the trail system. In 1985 he was reclassified to a Natural Resources Technician due to his assumption of trail coordinator duties of not only the trails on the Forest, but also the Bearskin Trail. In 1991 John was reclassified to a Natural Resources Equipment Operator 2 where he continued to perform trail maintenance and lead worker duties until the year 2000 where he was reclassified to a Ranger Assistant Property Manager for the Bearskin/Hiawatha State Trails. This position was part of the Headwaters Basin Land and Forestry Team, Merrill Sub-Team. John attended the Basic Recruit Law Enforcement Academy and obtained his law enforcement credentials in 2001. During his long tenure on the Bearskin, John has been instrumental in securing vital real estate transactions with the future Department goal of connecting the Bearskin to the Hiawatha State Trail. His dedication and enthusiasm through the years is evident on the trail through well maintained trail surfaces and bridges. The Bearskin Trail continues to be a popular local attraction with bicycles as well as snowmobiles year after year. John has assisted other properties with projects and duties and is a team player in every sense. John Brandenburg has been a valued employee of the Department of Natural Resources who has done his very best in protecting the State's resources as well as its visitors.

WHEREAS, John Brandenburg has served the people of the State of Wisconsin faithfully and well in the performance of duties and has thus earned the commendation due an exemplary public employee:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Natural Resources Board at its December 2008 meeting at Madison, Wisconsin, recognizes such faithful service with due respect and gratitude, and hereby makes this commendation a part of its official records.

Natural Resources Board

Christine Thomas, CHAIR