

**SUBJECT:** Retirement Resolution - George W. Osipoff

**FOR:** SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING

**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** Secretary Matt Frank

**SUMMARY:**

George W. Osipoff will retire on December 30, 2009 with 34 years of service.

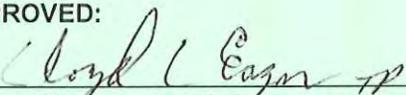
**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt retirement resolution for George W. Osipoff

**LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:**

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

- Yes  Attached
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**APPROVED:**

  
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 Regional Director, Lloyd L. Eagan

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 Secretary, Matt Frank

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- cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/8  
 Lloyd Eagan - Fitchburg  
 Andy Morton - Dodgeville  
 Debbie Kundert - Fitchburg

## ***Retirement Resolution***

George W. Osipoff is retiring from the Department of Natural Resources on December 30, 2009, after completing 34 years of dedicated service to the State of Wisconsin.

George began his career with the Department as a Wastewater Engineer in the Southern District on July 21, 1975. George was involved in the Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) program when it had just been created as a primary arm of the Clean Water Act. George was on the "ground floor" during the formative years of the wastewater program and made key contributions to it to ensure its success. We have George to thank for the clean water we now enjoy in our rivers, lakes and streams in South Central Region, and for the environmental legacy that George helped to establish.

George was well known for his knowledge of his assigned facilities and the excellent relationships he maintained with his facilities. His outstanding achievements in safeguarding water quality led to his nomination for the Department's prestigious Brogan Award in 1989, which recognizes employee excellence and work above and beyond the call of duty in environmental protection efforts. His colleagues, wastewater operators, supervisors, and all who have worked with George will greatly miss working with him and wish him the best for the future. The citizens of our state are indebted to George Osipoff for his outstanding work in protecting the water resource over a long and highly successful career.

***WHEREAS***, George Osipoff 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 September 2009 meeting at Sturgeon Bay, 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