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NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

Item No. 7.A.5

SUBJECT: Retirement Resolution for James Whipple

FOR: AUGUST 2007 **BOARD MEETING**

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Scott Hassett

SUMMARY:

James Whipple retired from the Forestry Division with over 42 years service to DNR on June 29, 2007. See the attached resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:

No	☑	Fiscal Estimate Required	Yes	☐	Attached
No	☑	Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required	Yes	☐	Attached
No	☑	Background Memo	Yes	☐	Attached

APPROVED:

Bureau Director, — Date 7·26·2007

Administrator, Paul DeLongchamp — Date 7·26·2007

Secretary, Scott Hassett — Date 7/30/07

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/5

Retirement Resolution

James W. Whipple retired from the Department of Natural Resources on June 29, 2007, with more than 42 years of dedicated service to the State of Wisconsin.

Jim began his career in July 1964 as a Forester Trainee in the Bureau of Forestry stationed in Tomahawk and in December 1964 became the assistant district forester in Neillsville, WI where he worked in public and private forestry.

In August 1970, Jim returned to Tomahawk and the Bureau of Forestry to become the Forest Product Specialist. For over 37 years he assisted countless firms on technical aspects that helped them stay in business and he became one of the best Utilization and Marketing foresters in the nation. Jim's dedication, intellect and determination helped the Wisconsin forest industry excel and grow.

In 2003 the Lakes States Lumber Association awarded Jim a lifetime achievement award for his work to further sustainable forestry and for his service to the forest industry. In 1988 the USDA-Forest Service Northeast Area presented Jim an outstanding service award for his work in utilization and marketing and for assisting other specialists in developing their skills.

Jim saw his most important contribution as having helped Wisconsin foresters advance the practice of sustainable forestry on the ground.

WHEREAS, James W. Whipple 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 August 2007 meeting at Bayfield, 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