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NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

Item No. 8.A.1

SUBJECT: Wildlife Violator Compact Update

FOR: OCTOBER 2009 **BOARD MEETING**

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Kristin Turner, Wildlife Violator Compact Coordinator

SUMMARY:

In 2008 the board approved rules in NR 8 to allow the department to join the Wildlife Violator Compact and implement the provisions required of the department as a member of the compact. As a member of the compact, convictions of wildlife law and revocation of license privileges and approvals that authorize the pursuing, taking or possession of wildlife that occur in any member state are treated as if they occurred in all member states. This risk of losing license privileges in all compact member states is a deterrent for violators, which therefore helps to prevent the unlawful taking of fish and wildlife. At the time of adoption of these rules, the board asked that the department come back after one year to provide an update on the progress Wisconsin has made as a member of the Wildlife Violator Compact. In the past year a number of Wisconsin residents and non-residents have had their Wisconsin Hunting, Fishing and Trapping privileges and approvals revoked through the compact process. Wisconsin has been able to obtain compliance on the payment of penalties imposed for wildlife related violations committed by residents and non-residents who do not want to risk losing their license privileges in their home state or all the other member states. The number of states making up the compact has increased to 31. This update is simply to inform the board on our success as a member of the compact and to provide some statistics related to this program.

RECOMMENDATION: Informational item only

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:

Diane Brookbank — 10-5-09
Bureau Director, — Date

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Administrator, — Date

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