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## NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

### BRIEF OF ACTION

The regular meeting of the Natural Resources Board was held on Wednesday, March 28, 2012 in Room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2), Madison, Wisconsin. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. for action on items 1-7. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organizational Matters

1.A. Calling the roll

William Bruins – present	Preston Cole – present (via conference call)
Christine Thomas – present	Jane Wiley – present
Terry Hilgenberg – present	David Clausen – present
Greg Kazmierski – present	

1.B. Approval of agenda for March 28, 2012

**Secretary Stepp** requested the agenda be amended to remove item 3B8 – Land Acquisition, Project Boundary modification, and Partial Donation of Value – Tichigan Wildlife Area from the March agenda and moved to the April 25, 2012 agenda

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**

1.C. Approval of minutes from February 21-22, 2012

**Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Ms. Wiley. The motion carried unanimously.**

2. Ratification of Acts of the Department Secretary

2.A. Real Estate Transactions

**Ms. Wiley MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.**

3. Action Items

3.A. Air, Waste, Water, and Enforcement

3.A.1 Presentation of the 2012 Registered Laboratory of the Year Awards

The winner of the 2012 SMALL registered lab of the year is:  
Village of Saukville, Wastewater Treatment Facility

The winner of the 2012 LARGE registered lab of the year is:  
City of Whitewater Wastewater Treatment Plant

3.A.2 Request approval of the FY 2013 Laboratory Certification and Registration Program Fee Adjustment

**Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.**

- 3.B. Land Management, Recreation, Fisheries, and Wildlife
- 3.B.1 Request Adoption of Emergency Board Order CF-26-11(E), revisions to ch. NR 64 to establish a trail-route combination for all-terrain vehicles (ATVs)

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.**

- 3.B.2 Ratification of Department determination that prohibitions of nature-based outdoor activities (NBOA) are necessary: Oconomowoc, Waukesha County; Madison, Dane County; Natural Heritage Land Trust, Dane and Sauk Counties; and Mount Pleasant, Racine County

**Dr. Thomas MOVED to ratify, seconded by Ms. Wiley, the City of Oconomowoc, Waukesha County NBOA prohibitions. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Ms. Wiley MOVED to ratify, seconded by Mr. Cole the City of Madison, Dane County NBOA prohibitions. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. Hilgenberg requested an information item at the next Board meeting on the Stewardship Grant appraisal process.

**Ms. Wiley MOVED to ratify, seconded by Mr. Cole the Natural Heritage Land Trust, City of Madison, Dane County NBOA prohibitions. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mr. Bruins MOVED to ratify, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski the Natural Heritage Land Trust, Town of Newport, Columbia County NBOA prohibitions. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED to ratify, seconded by Ms. Wiley, the Village of Mount Pleasant, Racine County NBOA prohibitions.**

**Mr. Kazmierski MOVED to table until the April meeting, seconded by Mr. Bruins, ratification of the Village of Mount Pleasant, Racine County NBOA prohibitions.**

**Mr. Kazmierski requested that the department report back, after consulting with the Chairman of the WCC, as to whether permitted archery hunting is taking place on the adjoining properties.**

Chair Clausen requested a roll-call vote.

**The motion to table passed 4 – 3 on a roll call vote.**

<b>William Bruins – yes</b>	<b>Preston Cole – yes</b>
<b>Christine Thomas – no</b>	<b>Jane Wiley – no</b>
<b>Terry Hilgenberg – yes</b>	<b>David Clausen – no</b>
<b>Greg Kazmierski – yes</b>	

Dr. Thomas requested that the Department include in their presentation whether anyone has waterfowl hunted, bowhunted, and/or trapped on these parcels in the last three years. She would like clarification as to land use prior to this request.

- 3.B.3 Land Acquisition - Northern Highland / American Legion State Forest - Oneida County

**Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Dr. Thomas. The motion carried unanimously.**

- 3.B.4 Land Acquisition – Turtle Valley Wildlife Area – Walworth County

**Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Hilgenberg. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.B.5 Land Acquisition - Ice Age Trail - Columbia County

**Ms. Wiley MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.B.6 Land Acquisition - Holzhueter Farm State Park - Jefferson County

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.B.7 Land Acquisition - Spread Eagle Barrens Natural Area - Florence County

**Mr. Bruins MOVED approval, seconded by Ms. Wiley. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.B.8 Land Acquisition, Project Boundary Modification, and Partial Donation of Value – Tichigan Wildlife Area – Racine County MOVED TO APRIL MEETING

3.B.9 Land Transfer & Project Boundary Modification - South Shore Lake Superior Fish and Wildlife Area - Bayfield County - **ADDED**

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C. Scope Statements

3.C.1 Request approval of the statement of scope for Board Order ER-27-11 related to the Wisconsin Endangered/Threatened Species List

**Mr. Thiede** will provide list of externals involved in the process.

**Mr. Thiede** responded to the Board that the Department does not have pamphlets of rare plants and landowner guides to rare plants. This information is available on the DNR website at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/er/wlist/>.

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.2 Request approval of the statement of scope for Board Order FH-01-12 regarding fishing tournament rules in NR 20.40, Wis. Admin. Code

**Mr. Cole MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.3 Request approval of the statement of scope for Board Order WT-06-12 related to ch. NR 115 which establishes the statewide minimum standards for shoreland zoning

**Dr. Clausen** requested a handout on NR 115 with the areas being changed highlighted.

**Tim Andryk**, Legal Services Bureau Director, cautioned that staff are prohibited from drafting rule language until the Board approves the scope statement.

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Mr. Bruins.**

**Ms. Wiley** requested a roll call vote.

**The motion to approve passed 5 – 2 on a roll call vote.**  
**William Bruins – yes                      Preston Cole – no**  
**Christine Thomas – yes                 Jane Wiley – yes**  
**Terry Hilgenberg – yes                 David Clausen – no**  
**Greg Kazmierski – yes**

3.C.4 Request approval of the statement of scope for Emergency Board Order WM-03-12(E), related to establishing the 2012 bobcat hunting and trapping season Framework

**Mr. Kazmierski MOVED approval, seconded by Ms. Wiley. The motion carried unanimously.**

3.C.5 Request approval of the statement of scope for Emergency Board Order WM-05-12(E) related to re-establishing an antlerless-only, October firearm deer season in the CWD Management Zone

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Dr. Thomas.**

**Mr. Kazmierski MOVED to table and to include harvest data of the entire CWD management zone and harvest data for the ten years prior to establishment of the CWD management zone, seconded by Mr. Bruins.**

Ms. Wiley requested a roll call vote.

**The motion to table failed 2 - 5 on a roll call vote.**  
**William Bruins – yes                      Preston Cole – no**  
**Christine Thomas – no                 Jane Wiley – no**  
**Terry Hilgenberg – no                 David Clausen – no**  
**Greg Kazmierski – yes**

Chair Clausen called the question.

**The motion to approve carried on a voice vote of 6 - 1.**

Mr. Cole excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

- 4. Citizen Participation – 1:00 p.m.
- 4.A. Citizen Participation  
None
- 4.B. Citizen Recognition
- 4.B.1 Comeback Champs – Citizen Monitoring
- 5. Board Members’ Matters

Dr. Thomas requested an information item at an upcoming Board meeting which outlines regulatory reform legislation and how that changes the Board’s responsibilities in various areas.

Mr. Hilgenberg requested an information item on pier registration and the wetland reform legislation and whether this had changed with new legislation.

Mr. Kazmierski requested the Department form a stakeholder group consisting of hunting groups to address a crossbow season for deer.

Mr. Kazmierski then requested the Department look into limiting per acre prices on land grants.

**Mr. Hilgenberg** stated this request piggybacks on his request at item 3.B.2. Both requests could be expanded to include the process for approving Stewardship grant applications for LUG's and NCO's and how the Stewardship funds are divided up into the various programs.

**Mr. Kazmierski** agreed.

**Secretary Stepp** added that the Department also will layer in the differences in Stewardship grants and the processes for each, and what the appropriations are in the various Stewardship programs.

**Ms. Wiley** recognized the effort and amount of work by staff that went into the DNR Research Scientist Wage Evaluation report. She appreciates this information and hopes it will bring results to staff on the disparity of salaries.

**Dr. Clausen** echoed Ms. Wiley's comments. The report highlights that the Department has really talented people working very hard.

6. Special Committees' Reports  
None

7. Department Secretary's Matters

7.A. Retirement Resolutions

7.A.1 Leland D. Archiquette

7.A.2 Beverly Bakka

7.A.3 Ronald H. Campbell

7.A.4 William H. Eldred

7.A.5 Randal V. Falstad

7.A.6 Dan Fields

7.A.7 Jenny L. Gibson

7.A.8 Mark A. Martin

**Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED approval, seconded by Dr. Thomas of the retirement resolutions. The motion carried on a voice vote of 6 - 0.**

7.B. Donations

7.B.1 Ducks Unlimited will donate \$20,000 in support of the duck research study "Evaluating Factors Limiting Blue-winged Teal Production and Survival in the Great Lakes Region"

**Dr. Thomas MOVED approval and to acknowledge the donation, seconded by Ms. Wiley. The motion carried on a voice vote of 6 - 0.**

8. Information Items

8.A. Air, Waste, Water, and Enforcement

None

8.B. Land Management, Recreation, Fisheries, and Wildlife

8.B.1 America's Great Outdoor Initiative

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO ACTION WAS TAKEN**

**Ms. Wiley MOVED, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried on a voice vote of 6 - 0.**

\*\*\*The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.\*\*\*

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