

SUBJECT: DONATION: The Ruffed Grouse Society will donate \$29,540 to support ruffed grouse and woodcock habitat projects on Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources properties.

FOR: MAY, 2012 BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY / TITLE: Sec. Cathy Stepp

SUMMARY:

The Ruffed Grouse Society (RGS) is dedicated to the preservation and improvement of grouse hunting and critical grouse habitat through research, education and active participation in habitat management projects. The RGS Wisconsin Drummer Fund generously offers to donate \$29,540 to the following eight habitat projects on Wisconsin Department of Natural Resource properties in northern Wisconsin:

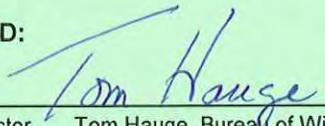
- Radley Creek Woodcock Opening, Waupaca County, \$1,500
- Potato River Grouse Management Area, Iron County, \$6,300
- Bayfield County Forest Woodcock Habitat, Bayfield County, \$6,000
- Langlade/Lincoln Opening/Trail Restoration, Langlade/Lincoln Counties, \$7,500
- Stone Lake Ruffed Grouse Surveys, Oneida County, \$740
- Woodboro Lakes Wildlife Area Trails, Oneida County, \$4,000
- Young Forest Initiative Outreach, across northern counties in Wisconsin, \$2,000
- Kimberly Clark Wildlife Management Area Alder Shearing, Price County, \$1,500

RECOMMENDATION: that the Board accept the Ruffed Grouse Society donation of \$29,540.00 to support ruffed grouse and woodcock habitat projects on Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources properties.

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:

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| No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |
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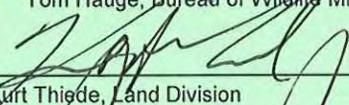
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Bureau Director, Tom Hauge, Bureau of Wildlife Mngmt

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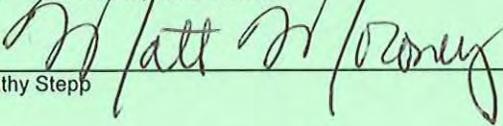
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Administrator, Kurt Thiede, Land Division

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Secretary, Cathy Stepp

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cc: NRB Liaison
DNR Rules Coordinator

- Jane Riley, WM/6
- Mike Zeckmeister, Northern WM Supervisor
- Jeff Pritzl, Northeastern WM Supervisor

Acknowledgment of Gift

This is to certify that at its May 2012 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of \$29,540 from the

Ruffed Grouse Society

to be used to support habitat projects on Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources properties in northern Wisconsin. This support will help maintain habitat that will improve conditions for ruffed grouse, woodcock and associated species.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

Natural Resources Board

David Clausen, CHAIR