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Meeting Date: April, 2014

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CONSERVATION CONGRESS

TITLE: Restore size and bag limits on Bass in the Wolf River to  
squelch over-abundance.

The Problem: The Wolf River in eastern Langlade County has always  
been managed as a large, free-flowing, whitewater trout river,  
well-preserved in a uniquely wild and scenic state of nature.  
It has maintained its Native Brook Trout population by natural  
reproduction, which must be perpetuated.

Under the present small mouth Bass regulations (14 in.  
size limit and 3 fish bag limit) their numbers have greatly  
increased and very few of that size are caught. Being largely  
cannibalistic, they feed on minnows including the small brook  
trout, adversely reducing their population. The DNR recently  
poisoned-out McGee Lake to eliminate the bass that some-how had  
gotten into it because of the adverse effects they were having on  
the lake's former trout only populations.

The DNR wants us to encourage children to become fishermen.  
To do so, kids must be able to catch and keep good eating-sized  
fish to proudly take home to their parents. Present regulations  
do not allow that; for very few, if any 14 inch bass are caught.  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; The size and bag limit for Small Mouth  
bass on the Wolf River, from the bridge over the Wolf River at  
Pearson, and downstream to the Menominee County line, should be the  
former 9 in. size limit and an 8 fish daily bag limit, which  
should resolve the problem at no cost to the state.

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