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Duck Season Zone Boundaries

**Problem:** To further provide hunting opportunity and reduce pressure on public land, Wisconsin's duck hunting zone boundaries need to be changed.

Currently in Wisconsin, duck hunting is split into 3 zones, north south and the Mississippi River. Many hunters, especially near the boundaries (hwy 10 and the Mississippi River) see added pressure to public lands when zones open at different times. Zones closing to early also take opportunity away from late season hunters. Changing zone boundaries can decrease a bottleneck of hunters on public land and splits in season dates within zones can also extend hunting opportunities later into the year and extend opportunities to hunters who chose different styles of hunting. Zone options would be discussed at the migratory committee meeting and then shown to the public at the next spring hearings for consideration.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Portage County on April 14<sup>th</sup> 2014 recommend that the Conservation Congress work with the Department to take action to correct this situation by changing the zone boundaries for duck season in Wisconsin.

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