



## Public Action Team Implementation Proposal

Action Team: <b>Herd Health/CWD</b>	Hunting Regulations Seasons & Bag Limits <b>B.4</b>
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This document shows the original Deer Trustee Report recommendation that the Public Action Team considered when developing proposals for implementing the recommendation in Wisconsin. The Public Action Team's implementation proposal is presented then followed by additional background information.

### **I. ORIGINAL DEER TRUSTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATION**

**B.4 Consider charging a fee for antlerless tags in the CWD Zone. CWD DMUs allow unlimited antlerless deer harvest and antlerless carcass tags are free of charge (limit of four per hunter per day) which implies deer have little or negative value in these areas. Charging a modest fee of \$5-10 per set of four tags would signify some positive value for deer and generated funds could be earmarked for CWD monitoring, research or outreach efforts.**

### **II. PUBLIC ACTION TEAM PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTING THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATION**

Below is the Public Action Team implementation proposal along with their rationale and supporting evidence, potential implementation obstacles and consideration of the proposal's potential impact on the overall deer management in Wisconsin.

#### 1. Action Team Implementation Proposal:

- We support this core recommendation. For DMAP participants, we support the recommendation that comes from the DMAP Team regarding antlerless tag fees. We support the regulations committee recommendation on this matter.

#### 2. Supporting data, references, rationale and other information behind it.

- Free tags devalue the deer and the resources from tag sales are needed for deer and CWD management. The current state budget proposal includes language that tag fees from CWD areas would be available to support CWD surveillance and testing, which we support.

#### 3. Consider and describe potential implementation obstacles or drawbacks.

- No comments submitted by Team

#### 4. Overall, how will this proposal simplify or complicate deer hunting, management, or research in Wisconsin.

- This will bring the southern CWD affected area into line with statewide approaches to tag fees.