Evaluation and restriction of High Capacity Wells in the State of Wisconsin

Whereas, Groundwater and surface water supplies are connected and they are therefore essential to keeping Wisconsin’s lakes streams and wetlands healthy.

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin continues to issue high capacity well permits, and these high capacity wells are increasing numbers and have already shown to have an effect on our water supply in many locations in our state.

Whereas, many of our high capacity wells are lowering or drying up our lakes and streams.

Whereas, high capacity wells are lowing or drying up family wells.

Whereas, many of these high capacity wells are not a necessity.

Whereas, we recognize that land where these high capacity wells are located are owned by individuals but the water belongs to all of the citizens.

Whereas, water is one of Wisconsin’s most precious resources; we must protect it for future generations.

Be it Resolved, the Conservation Congress at its 2019 annual meeting held in Spooner, Wisconsin, request that NRB oppose the issuance of any more permits for high capacity wells until the WDNR completes an immediate scientific investigation on the effects of high capacity wells on our lakes, streams and ground water.

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