Lengthen beaver and otter season

Currently the beaver and otter seasons are broken into four zones. Leaving zone D alone, the other 3 zones make up most of the state. Zone C closes March 31, where Zones A & B close April 30. I live in the northern part of zone C and most years there is still ice on ponds and lakes and creeks and rivers may or not be open, which makes less than ideal trapping conditions. I would like to see the beaver and otter season be changed to include Zones A, B & C into one zone that closes on April 30th. This would allow more opportunity for trapping beaver and otter, which is obviously an issue since APHIS traps in southern Wisconsin, so there is a need. Minnesota’s beaver and otter season runs into May. At the very least, I would ask that Zone C be shortened and it’s northern boundary line be Hwy. 21 extended. However, I really think that since the Federal Government is trapping beaver and catching otter, in the southern part of the state, there should not be any reason the season can’t be extended for us recreational trappers.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Statewide beaver and otter season close on April 30th, and not have the 3 different zones, or at the very least shorten zone C and allow the Conservation Congress to work with the legislators to make that change.

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