

Citizen Resolution # 660620

(For Hearing Officer completion)



**Establish perennial vegetative buffers along rivers, streams, and ditches**

WHEREAS: Clean water is a universally recognized conservation goal

WHEREAS: perennial vegetative buffers of native species along lakes, streams and ditches keep flowing water clean.

WHEREAS: perennial vegetative buffers of native species along lakes, streams and ditches provide wildlife habitat

WHEREAS: perennial vegetative buffers of native species along lakes, streams and ditches filter our phosphorous, nitrogen, and sediment

WHEREAS: perennial vegetative buffers of native species along lakes, streams and ditches deter flooding by slowing run-off.

WHEREAS: perennial vegetative buffers of native species along lakes, streams and ditches prevent erosion

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Washburn County Conservation Congress in April, 2020 recommend that the Conservation Congress work with the state legislature to mandate perennial vegetative buffers of native species up to 50 feet along rivers and streams and buffers of 16.5 feet along ditches

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