## Wisconsin Conservation Congress
### Ad Hoc Rule Simplification Committee
#### Meeting Minutes

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## I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

### A. CALL TO ORDER

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY**

Eugene Altwies at 7:03 PM

### B. ROLL CALL

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**GUESTS**

None

### C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

**DISCUSSION**

None

**ACTION**

Miller moved approval; second by Merryfield, motion Carried

### D. REVIEW COMMITTEE GOALS

**DISCUSSION**

O’Brien reviewed request from Governor to WCC, and discussed goal to simplify regulations, increase opportunity, and provide straightforward enforcement. The more input we can collect, the better.

O’Brien also encouraged a cultural shift to work more with authors of Resolutions for Spring Hearings to focus on this committee’s goals to provide a simple path to enjoy Wisconsin’s resources with clearly enforceable goals.

### E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**DISCUSSION**

None

**ACTION**

None

## II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

### A. PREPARATION FOR DECEMBER MEETING

**DISCUSSION**

Altwies charged the members to collaborate with their fellow delegates, constituents, and DNR Liaisons to develop 1 or more quality suggestion. These will be brought to the next meeting for review and to discuss what to forward to the Executive Council.

Altwies reiterated the desire to be as inclusive as possible to find the best ideas.

Merryfield and Pratt reinforced the opportunity to work locally for statewide improvement.

Merryfield specifically cited Trout rule simplification as an example of recent improvements from the Department.
Altwies returned conversation to ask if clarifications were necessary.

Roehl asked about method of meeting with others. Altwies suggested in-person, but method of meeting is secondary to quality output for the next committee meeting.

Altwies reviews goal of 10/31/2014 for delivery of local feedback for aggregation and presentation for December meeting

Altwies stated that a template or guide will be sent out by himself and Reith by 9/10/2014.

**ACTION**

Minutes and guideline for template to be delivered to committee members.

**PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE**

Reith

**DEADLINE**

9/10/2014

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**B. DECEMBER MEETING**

**ALTWIES**

**DISCUSSION**

Altwies reviewed plan for December meeting in-person in Stevens Point area on 12/20/2014. Plan is to review each suggestion, and then compile and then present the advanced items to the Executive Council on January 5, prior to their January meeting.

Hamm asked if prior year’s report will also be reviewed in December. Altwies said it can be included in agenda. Hamm asked what action had been taken on the report. Delivery to Governor Walker was confirmed by Lee-Zimmermann, but no info available on actions taken.

**ACTION**

Determine December meeting site and time

**PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE**

Altwies

**DEADLINE**

11/20/2014

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**C. AVAILABILITY OF MINUTES**

**REITH**

**DISCUSSION**

Merryfield inquired about meeting minutes for current meeting.

**ACTION**

Reith committed to delivering minutes to committee by 9/10/2014

**PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE**

Reith

**DEADLINE**

9/10/2014

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**III. MEMBERS MATTERS**

**DISCUSSION**

Ninneman expressed his concern over the Panfish meeting and the challenges of creating different rules.

Miller discussed format and content and poor quality of resolutions out of Spring Hearings.

**ACTION**

None

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**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

7:49 PM

**SUBMITTED BY**

Paul Reith

**DATE**

9/5/2014