

Citizen Resolution # 040521

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Wolf Management Plan and Wolf Hunting and Trapping

Wildlife management plans are essential and necessary to guide game management in Wisconsin. To work, wildlife management plans must be up to date to take into account new findings including animal population, changing environmental conditions, scientific evidence derived from studies and observation and input from the public, and other stakeholders. Native American Nations must be consulted. Conservation of resources must be achieved, resources must be protected for the public good and the environment must be protected to ensure future generations of plants, animals and humans can flourish in Wisconsin. Wisconsin's Wolf Management Plan has not been updated since 2007.

A wolf hunt that resulted in a higher kill than the one set by the Department of Natural Resources was conducted in the spring of 2021. Wisconsin Statute 29.185 (1m) states: DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY. If the wolf is not listed on the federal endangered list and is not listed on the state endangered list, the department shall allow the hunting and trapping of wolves and shall regulate such hunting and trapping as provided in this section and shall implement a wolf management plan. In regulating wolf hunting and trapping, the department may limit the number of wolf hunters and trappers and the number of wolves that may be taken by issuing wolf harvesting licenses.

Be it resolved that any future wolf season declared under Wisconsin Statute 29.185 prior to a complete update of the current Wisconsin DNR Wolf Management plan will commence and end as stated in state statute and will have a hunting and trapping bag limit of zero with no wolf harvesting licenses issued.

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