

Citizen Resolution # 041121

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Trap Warnings To Ensure Public Safety

Trapping is allowed on public lands throughout the state of Wisconsin. Use of public lands is increasing for the purposes of recreation, fitness, foraging, exploration and camping. More frequently, pets accompany their owners in their outdoor endeavors. These changes raise the risk of unintentional exposure to trap and snare sets by adults, children, and pets as more people explore Wisconsin's public lands and waters. The public is generally lacking in awareness about trapping regulations and it is not possible to access information about the presence of traps and snares in areas they recreate.

Each year pets are killed and injured from encounters with traps and snares. Children and adults are also at risk of injury by encountering traps while exploring off the beaten path. The public needs better information in order to avoid these unintended exposures. The DNR regulates trapping under Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 29 and Chapter 10 of the Administrative Code of the DNR.

Be it resolved the DNR will implement requirements for highly visible signage and/or other readily available public notification measures in areas where active trapping is taking place on DNR managed public lands and waters of the state for the purposes of public safety.

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