

# Resolution

No. 2013-44

## Continuation of the Wolf Population Goal of 350 or Less in the Next Revision of the Wisconsin Wolf Plan

WHEREAS, the WI DNR established a wolf population goal of 350 animals in 1999 based on prey availability and human population density, and nothing has happened to increase prey availability or decrease human density in the intervening years; and

WHEREAS, the WI DNR plans to review and revise the previous wolf management plan, adopted in 1999 and revised in 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and WI Farm Bureau have officially approved a Wisconsin wolf goal of 350; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Spring Hearings (2011) overwhelmingly supported a Wisconsin wolf population goal of 350 or less; and

WHEREAS, nineteen (19) county boards in Northern and West Central Wisconsin have passed resolutions that recommend a wolf population goal of 350 (4) or 350 or less (15); and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's residents have experienced depredations and threatening incidents involving wolves; and

WHEREAS, the higher predator population, in particular wolves, has resulted in the reduction of the deer population, reduced hunting opportunities, curtailed livestock and pleasure horse activities, and are a danger to pets and people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors assembled this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013, advised that Wisconsin continue the wolf population goal of 350 or less in the next revision of the Wisconsin Wolf Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors requests that the Wisconsin DNR and other partners implement meaningful population controls in the next Wisconsin Wolf Plan to bring the wolf population to goal levels; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors requests that the Wisconsin DNR not relocate wolves that have caused problems in Wisconsin or other areas into any county in Wisconsin; and

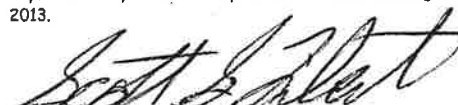
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Cathy Stepp, DNR Secretary to Gov. Scott Walker; and State Legislators.

By Action of the  
Bayfield County Board of Supervisors

  
Shawn W. Miller, Chairman

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
                                  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF BAYFIELD )

I, Scott S. Fibert, Bayfield County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy Amended Resolution No. 2013-44 of Volume 22, adopted by the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors at their meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013.

  
Scott S. Fibert, Bayfield County Clerk