

RESOLUTION 2 - 16

WOLF CONTROL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the WI DNR established a wolf goal of 350 (minimum overwinter count) animals in 1999, and reaffirmed this minimum overwinter count goal in 2007, 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.

WHEREAS the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and WI Farm Bureau have officially approved a WI wolf goal of 350 or less.

WHEREAS the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Spring Hearings (2011) overwhelmingly supported a WI wolf minimum over winter count goal of 350 or less.

WHEREAS 32 county boards in Wisconsin have passed resolutions that recommend a wolf population goal of 350 (7 counties), or 350 or less (24), or 50 or less (1);

WHEREAS Wisconsin's residents have experienced depredations and threatening incidents involving wolves, including 81 incidents to animals and 6 threats to human safety in 2013, occurring in 21 counties, and

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

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Lafayette County Board advised that Wisconsin approve a wolf overwinter minimum count goal of 80 or less in the next revision of the Wisconsin Wolf Plan, and

Be it further resolved that the Lafayette County Board requests that Wisconsin DNR and other partners implement meaningful population controls in the next Wisconsin Wolf Plan to bring the wolf minimum overwinter count to goal levels, and

Be it further resolved that the Lafayette County Board requests that the WI DNR not relocate wolves that have caused problems in Wisconsin or other areas into any county in Wisconsin.

Be it further resolved that the Lafayette County Board favors management of Wisconsin's wolves by the State of Wisconsin, not the federal government.

Respectfully submitted
LAFAYETTE COUNTY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE



Leon Wolfe, Chairman



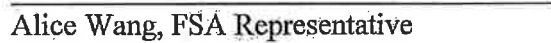
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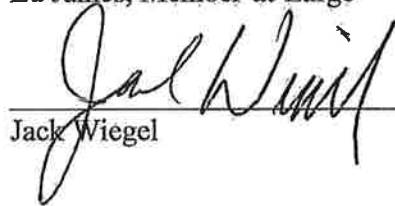
David Hammer



Ed James, Member-at-Large



Alice Wang, FSA Representative

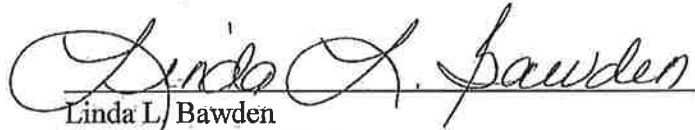


Jack Wiegel

LEGAL NOTE: Within County Board Authority

FISCAL NOTE: No direct fiscal impact from the passage of this resolution.

I, Linda Bawden, Clerk of the County of Lafayette, State of Wisconsin, do certify that the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on April 19, 2016 adopted this resolution.



Linda L. Bawden
Lafayette County Clerk

Per Co Clerk Linda Bawden passed 15 in favor
10 opposed