Resolution
No. 2019-38

ENACT STRONGER REGULATIONS TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF CWD

WHEREAS, Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a serious disease of captive and wild cervids and threatens to cause considerable economic, cultural, and ecological damage to Wisconsin; CWD is a fatal, neurological disease of cervids;

WHEREAS, since its discovery in Wisconsin in a wild deer harvested in 2001 it is now been found in wild deer in 26 counties and in 25 captive deer farms;

WHEREAS, the most heavily infected areas of Dane and Iowa counties the prevalence rate in adult males is over 35 percent and in adult females is over 15 percent;

WHEREAS, the WI Department of Health the Center for Disease Control and the World Health Organization all recommend that meat from cervids only be eaten from cervids that have tested negative for CWD;

WHEREAS, in 2018 the DNR sold over 803,000 gun and archery deer hunting licenses to over 750,000 Wisconsin residents and to over 53,000 non-residents;

WHEREAS, in 2011 hunting-related expenditures in Wisconsin totaled $2.5 billion in 2011. 88% of hunters participated in deer hunting, making it the most popular form of hunting in the state;

WHEREAS, with no known cure or vaccine, the only option currently available to manage CWD is to aggressively limit the transmission and spread of CWD;

WHEREAS, current regulations do not adequately limit human assisted transmission of CWD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Bayfield County Board of Supervisors Assembled this 28th day of May 2019, does hereby request that WCA urge the State Legislature to make the following changes to State Statutes and concordant Administrative Rules:

- Change ATCP 10.56(1) to eliminate exceptions that allow transport of live cervids without a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
- Change NR 10.105(7) to prohibit the export of cervid carcasses which have any part of the spinal column or head attached from CWD affected areas in which a wild or captive cervid tested positive for CWD in the last 10 years.
- Enact new rules to require the disposal of harvested cervid carcasses in approved landfills, rendering, or composting facilities.
- Enact new rules to prohibit the export of live cervid animals from areas within 10 miles of a known positive CWD detection within the last five years.
- Enact new rules to require all captive cervid operations to install solid perimeter or double-fencing.
- Once a reliable live animal CWD test has been developed, enact rules to prohibit the transport of live cervids unless the animal tests negative for CWD.

By Action of the:

Bayfield County Board of Supervisors

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Dennis M. Pocernich, Chair

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF BAYFIELD

I, Scott S. Fibert, Bayfield County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Volume 26, adopted by the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors at their meeting held on the 28th day of May 2019.

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Scott S. Fibert, Bayfield County Clerk