WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources has the obligation to determine whether a stream is navigable under Wisconsin law; and

WHEREAS, SB 506 and AB 599 establishes conditions under which, if the DNR has determined that a stream is not navigable, restrict the DNR’s ability to change that determination when water resources are changed by human alterations; and

WHEREAS, construction of dams on non-navigable streams change the hydrology of a stream and in some cases cause a non-navigable stream to become navigable under the Supreme Court’s definition of a navigable stream; and

WHEREAS, if the DNR no longer has the authority to change the determination, it would leave some navigable streams or water bodies without the required protections under the Public Trust Doctrine; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin has a long tradition of insuring our public resources are not degraded and remain available for everyone to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, this legislative overreach is an attempt to address a specific and relatively unique situation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors is strongly opposed to 2017 SB 506 and 2017 AB 599; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors directs the County Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association, State Legislators, State of Wisconsin U.S. Legislators, and Governor Scott Walker.

Legal – Fiscal – Administrative Approvals:

Legal Note: 
Fiscal Impact: .

12/21/17 Community Development Committee RECOMMENDED

RESULT: RECOMMENDED [5 TO 0]
MOVER: Jill Ann Berke, Vice chair
SECONDER: Chris Matter, Supervisor
AYES: Hesselink, Matter, Mootedan, Berke, Hansen
ABSTAIN: Tom Coulter
Vote Confirmation.

St. Croix County Board of Supervisors Action:
Roll Call - Vote Requirement – Majority of Supervisors Present

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This Resolution was Adopted by the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors on January 4, 2018

Cindy Campbell, County Clerk