

Taylor

Docket No. 2010-3-35

RESOLUTION NO. 26

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DELISTING OF THE GRAY WOLF AS AN ENDANGERED SPECIES IN WISCONSIN.

WHEREAS, the gray wolf in Wisconsin is currently listed as an endangered species by the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, the status of listed as "endangered" negates the ability of the State of Wisconsin to manage the wolf population and attempt to control depredation of livestock and pets by problem wolves; and

WHEREAS, the target population, set by the Federal Government, for delisting the wolf in Wisconsin and Michigan, must be greater than 100 animals sustained for a period of five years; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) places the Wisconsin 2010 late winter population estimate at 720, said population having been in excess of 350 since 2003, with wolves occupying virtually all suitable habitat in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the wolf population in Wisconsin has exceeded the above specified target population for delisting; and

WHEREAS, there is no reason to believe the wolf remains endangered or threatened in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the WDNR has submitted a petition to the U.S. Department of Interior (USDOI) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS) to delist the gray wolf in Wisconsin; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Taylor County Board of Supervisors duly assembled on this 3rd day of August, 2010, requests that the USDOI and the USFWS move ahead to delist the gray wolf in Wisconsin, as petitioned by the WDNR, transferring management of the wolf population in Wisconsin the State of Wisconsin, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Taylor County Board of Supervisors requests that the State of Wisconsin use all its legal resources to pursue the delisting of the gray wolf in Wisconsin from the Federal Endangered and Threatened Species Lists and transfer wolf management in the State of Wisconsin to the State of Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Taylor County Board of Supervisors requests that the WDNR consider, in its revision of the Wolf Management Plan,

population goals that reflect changes in the amount of human activity and development in areas that were viewed as suitable habitat in 1995, which resulted in a population goal of 350 animals as established in the 1999 Wisconsin Wolf Management Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Taylor County Board of Supervisors requests that the WDNR and its partners implement much needed population controls to bring the wolf population to goal levels when formulating the next Wisconsin Wolf Management Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Taylor County Board of Supervisors directs the Taylor County Clerk to forward copies of this resolution to: Secretary of the Interior, Ken Salazar, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service acting director, Rowan Gould, Senators, Russ Feingold & Herb Kohl, Representatives, Ron Kind & David Obey, Governor, Jim Doyle, State Senators, Russ Decker & ~~Scott Suder~~ and Secretary of WDNR, Matthew Frank.

AMENDMENT: PAT KEITLOW, STATE REPRESENTATIVES,
MARY WILLIAMS & SCOTT SUDER

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



Jim Metz, Chair
Taylor County Board of Supervisors

CERTIFICATION:


STATE OF WISCONSIN)

) ss.

COUNTY OF TAYLOR)

I, Bruce P. Strama, County Clerk in and for Taylor County, do hereby certify that the attached Resolution No. 26 was adopted by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors at their meeting which was held on August 3, 2010.

Dated this 28th day of September, 2010.


Bruce P. Strama, Taylor County Clerk

SEAL:

*Unanimous as reported
by Taylor Co Clerks
Office 6/24/13*

