

Resolution 11-22
Wisconsin Wolf Population Goal
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wolf Management Plan

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) established a wolf population goal of 350 animals in 1999, and reaffirmed this population goal in 2007, based on prey availability and human population density; and

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

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and Wisconsin Farm Bureau, Wisconsin Conservation Congress (2011, 2013, 2021), officially support a Wisconsin Wolf population goal of 350 or less; and

WHEREAS, thirty-six (36) county boards, half the county boards in Wisconsin, from north to south, have passed resolutions that recommend a Wisconsin wolf population goal of 350 or less; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's residents have experienced depredations and threatening incidents involving wolves, including 107 officially listed conflicts in 2021; 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.

NOT, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors advises that Wisconsin approve a wolf population goal of 350 or less in the next Wisconsin Wolf Management Plan.

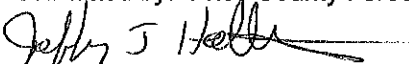
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors encourages the WDNR to include elected officials from counties with high wolf conflicts on the DNR Wolf Advisory Committee.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors requests that the WDNR and other partners implement meaningful population controls in the Wisconsin Wolf Management Plan.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors requests that WDNR not relocate problem wolves from other counties in the state into Price County.

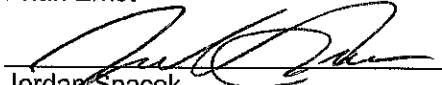
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall forward this resolution to the offices of the Wisconsin Governor; Secretary of the WDNR, Preston Cole; Secretary of DATCP, Randy Romanski, and state and federal legislators who represent Price County. When the WDNR public comments period for the revised Wolf Management Plan is announced, the resolution will be sent to the designated contact determined by WDNR.

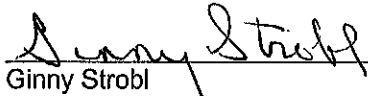
Submitted by: Price County Forestry and Parks Committee


Jeffrey Hallstrand, Chair



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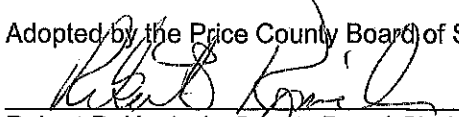

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Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors this 15th day of February 2022.


Robert D. Kopisch, County Board Chair


Jean Gottwald, County Clerk

For: 11 Against: 0