



Wisconsin Conservation Congress
 CDAC Oversight Committee
 Meeting Minutes

WCC Meeting Minutes
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ORDER OF BUSINESS	06/07/2022	7:00 pm	Zoom
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by	Rob Bohmann at 7:01 pm
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B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Joel Taylor, Terri Roehrig, Scott McAuley, Larry Bonde, Tony Grabski, Rob Bohmann
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	Jeff Pritzl (DNR), Jean Voss (Public), N. Mess (Public)

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	Bohmann - no repairs, asked for motion to approve agenda as written
ACTION	Motion to Approve Agenda by Bonde, 2nd by Taylor, Motion Carried

D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION	Bohmann read committee's mission statement
ACTION	None

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	None

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Review 2022 CDAC recommendations

Jeff Pritzl/CDAC Committee

DISCUSSION	<p>Pritzl - should he add a review of the CDAC Oversight Committee - need to follow up with him later. Farmland zones, nothing out of ordinary. Seeing an increase in Holiday Hunt and Extended bow hunt. Central Forest - pretty steady, not much fluctuation and no real changes. Northern Forest - most of changes. Florence County change by DNR than what was in CDAC recommendation. DNR increase quota to 300 vs 160 and 750 permits available for private land and 200 for public land (this number is the same). There may be other counties that we may want to discuss. Seeing variability - not a bad thing, will probably cause some tension as it relates to CDAC recommendations.</p> <p>Roehrig - asked what the Florence County CDAC felt about the change in recommendation.</p> <p>Pritzl - commented that when DNR has different recommendation than CDAC, there is a meeting held with the CDAC and he had a call with Florence County CDAC. Initially, information was shared via email and CDAC didn't want a meeting but decided to have a meeting. He provided information to the CDAC as to their position. He also had have conversation with TJ yesterday and didn't offer up any further challenges. Florence CDAC was ok with the DNR recommendations.</p> <p>Taylor - Bayfield still needs to be re-looked at.</p> <p>Bonde- Need to set some criteria when DNR goes against CDAC recommendation, there should be a meeting with the county CDAC to explain why. We need to support our CDAC's recommendations. We also need a process to support the DNR recommendations.</p> <p>McAuley - Agrees with what has been said.</p> <p>Grabski - As long as it was discussed with CDAC, he feels that it's the right direction.</p> <p>Pritzl - increase in number of counties that bumped up from 2 to 3 antlerless and has also seen that some of the higher from 4-5-6 down to 3 to 4. Study from several years that after the 3rd tag CDACs weren't gaining - that is where CDACs are moving to.</p> <p>Bohmann - is the private tags related to the SE part of the county?</p> <p>Pritzl - some may be relating to the old 40/50 zone. Florence County CDAC history shows that eastern part of county is bound to erupt before the other parts of the county and may be poised to have high numbers next year. Looked at</p>
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	<p>bucks killed per square mile - Florence was 3rd in the state. No evidence that Florence county is struggling, but they are on the west part of the county.</p> <p>Bohmann - What is the DMAP participation in Florence?</p> <p>Pritzl - doesn't know what the total DMAP participation is but a DMAP participant agreed regardless of DMAP participation, he'd like to see more antlerless tags. Doesn't feel there is enough DMAP participation to be influential.</p> <p>Bohmann - Northeastern part of Florence County - there are two larger properties that are open to public and get heavily pressured by hunters. With excess antlerless tags, these properties get pounded. If small bucks are available they will get harvested for meat. Would like to see more DMAP participation in Florence county and target the antlerless population on private lands.</p> <p>Pritzl - Goodman Timber - FIA - gets antlerless tags (nuisance permits). Has not been a program like that for a number of years, but they made a request this year and there has to be a forest browse assessment.</p> <p>Bohmann - this committee needs to take a position on our CDAC's recommendations, and send our position to Executive Committee so they can discuss next week and make an official Congress position to take to NRB at the end of the month.</p> <p>Bonde - suggests that the testimony discusses that we appreciate the DNR reaching out to Florence County to discuss the Dept's recommendation and would like to see this step in the process added to the CDAC guidance document.</p> <p>Pritzl - public opinion in Florence County and the private landowners opposed the CDAC recommendation and that the recommendation was too low and the DNR took that into consideration. Initial recommendation was 300 and motion failed. Then motion was 160 and passed 4 to 3 and not a lot of justification in minutes.</p> <p>Bohmann - thanked Jeff for reaching out to the Florence county CDAC to discuss</p>
ACTION	Motion to support the initial CDAC recommendations and forward the committee's position to the Executive Committee to take an official position in support this committee's recommendation by Grabski, 2nd by McAuley, motion carried.
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

B. N/A

[PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	N/A
ACTION	N/A
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	<p>Grabski - concerned about low input for CDACs and doesn't know how to get the participation up. Using the public input doesn't make CDACs job easy.</p> <p>McAuley - Situation in Wood County with white deer and in last year they are seeing 28% of deer are white and cannot be hunted. How do we set the deer numbers?</p> <p>Pritzl - White deer issue is a social issue than a biological issue and the scales have not tipped. If things stay the status quo, DNR is not set up to assess the white population deer herd. It is a much larger area from WI Rapids to north of Marshfield and Winnebago County. It is deer population that is off limits. If we want x% harvested, we may not be able to do that because of the white deer population. Appreciate the level of tracking that is being done in that are around white deer.</p> <p>McAuley - white deer are now south of Babcock so they are expanding.</p> <p>Pritzl - 2020, we had report of 20 counties have them and 2022 we now have about 24 counties with white deer.</p> <p>Bonde - feels the pain, white deer do not need protection. Manitowoc County now has 3 white. Need to educate the public about the difference between albino and white deer. Need to talk to representatives to give municipalities the ability to harvest white deer, and that will have to be dealt with through legislation. We need a process for when there is a disagreement between the CDACs and DNR.</p> <p>Pritzl - agrees that the DNR should meet with the local CDAC when the DNR's position is different.</p> <p>Bohmann - would like it that added to the guidance document.</p> <p>Taylor - DNR needs to do a much better job about educating the public on white deer, they are not rare, this is an issue that needs to be addressed. Need a way to encourage the CDACs to follow the public input. And we don't have a way to mentor those folks and we need a figure out a way to deal with these issues.</p> <p>Rob - sportsmen and women need to be a part of the education process as well.</p> <p>Roehrig - March 16 Meeting, I was not able to attend due to funeral, who took minutes as they are not submitted.</p> <p>Bohmann - that's on me, I took the minutes, my computer will not open the pdf file, trying to get the glitch fixed on</p>
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	my computer so I can get the minutes submitted Bohmann - Long time WCC Delegate Jim Hephner passed away on Monday, June 6. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.
ACTION	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	7:50 pm - Motion to adjourn by Larry Bonde, 2nd by Terri Roehrig. Motion carried.
SUBMITTED BY	Terri Roehrig
DATE	06/07/2022