Washington, D.C. – Now that Mr. Zinke has been confirmed as Interior Secretary, he is responsible for overseeing roughly 70,000 employees across nine technical bureaus, which collectively manage more than 680 million acres of land. The National Wildlife Federation looks forward to working with Secretary Zinke to help protect America’s public lands, which millions of Americans visit daily for hiking, fishing, hunting, and other recreation activities, and to help conserve and restore the wildlife and habitat on these lands.

Collin O’Mara, president and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation, said today: “During his tenure as a Congressman for the state of Montana, Mr. Zinke defended public lands and voted in support of important conservation measures, such as the Land and Water Conservation Fund and State Wildlife Grants. As the Secretary of the Interior, we look forward to working with Mr. Zinke to help him fulfill his pledge to uphold the conservation spirit of Theodore Roosevelt by opposing the sell-off, transfer, or roll-back of America’s public lands.”

“The hunters, anglers, hikers, wildlife watchers, and paddlers of the National Wildlife Federation cherish our nation’s public lands heritage and want our lands managed using the best available science. What’s more, sufficient funding and appropriate attention and investment must be directed to restoring important wildlife habitat, expanding access, improving land management, and repair critical infrastructure on these public lands that sustain a large portion of America’s $646 billion outdoor economy. We also are committed to working together to connect tens of millions of children to nature and our outdoor heritage. We look forward to working with Sec. Zinke on these important issues as the National Wildlife Federation strives to protect and conserve America’s public lands and wildlife habitat — both for today, and for future generations.”

“We look forward to working with the Secretary to conserve thousands of at-risk wildlife species through new partnerships and investment in proactive, collaborative recovery efforts that prevent the need for listing species under the Endangered Species Act. This includes continuing to make progress on the collaborative sage-grouse land use management plans that have repeatedly been under attack since their release.

“We will stand together in defending and improving the management of our public lands, which serve as the foundation of our outdoor economy (the National Park System alone attracts 300 million visitors annually, spending nearly $17 billion in nearby communities). The answer is not selling the land to private interests or transferring land to the states, which will only result in the elimination of public access, the destruction of wildlife habitat, and the degradation of America’s unique public lands system. The solution is improving their management through collaborative and science-based planning processes and addressing the growing maintenance and restoration backlog afflicting our National Parks, National Wildlife Refuges, and BLM lands. Further, we look forward to working together to improve and reauthorize the Land and Water Conservation Fund, which expires in 2018.

“We want to be sure to expand energy development and it will be important that he stand up to conserve important wildlife habitat and support hunting, fishing, and outdoor recreation interests. We’ll have to defend the Antiquities Act, which since it was first used by Theodore Roosevelt, has protected world-class hunting, fishing, and cultural sites. Efforts to reform coal leasing must include a fair return for taxpayers and sufficient resources to reclaim degraded lands.

“Through all of these efforts, we are committed to working with Sec. Zinke to engage local communities, to find solutions that are supported by sound science, to reflect America’s conservation values, and to benefit local economies.”
President’s Report
April 2017

The Annual Meeting is just around the corner (April 21 and 22, 2017). It is looking like it will be another successful meeting and Awards Banquet. If you have not yet reserved your space, it is not too late, as reservations are still being taken. We would be glad to have you attend to see what the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation is doing for Conservation in Wisconsin. We would also welcome any present CLC leaders or members to join and offer their input on the direction the Federation will undertake for the next year. Throughout the past two years we have accomplished a great deal. Our youth education programs have been very effective including our Conservation Leadership Corps program which will be graduating our fourth class this year with the four year graduate total being 52 students. Several are already making a significant difference in conservation in Wisconsin and beyond. We continue to be very active in the State Legislature and the US Congress as you can see from reading the Wisconsin Conservation and following newspapers, radio and TV throughout the state. We, working with other conservation groups, have passed several good pieces of hunting, fishing, trapping and other conservation legislation and, just as importantly, preventing several bad, controversy laden bills from being adopted into law. We could not have done it without your support!

This is my last Presidents report as, any two year term as President will come to an end at our Annual Meeting. I will never forget the dedication and willingness of the many volunteers from our Affiliate Clubs and individual members, the WWF Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, the many businesses and individuals that sold our raffle calendars, our outstanding Banquet Committee, our Wisconsin Conservation Editor, our Business Manager and our Executive. ALL of you working together have made the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation an outstanding and successful organization.

A SINCERE THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU!

George Borchert, President

A Photo Contest sponsored by the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation will be held to select photographs for its annual conservation calendar raffle program for the year 2018.

What can be submitted? Any color photograph of the WI outdoors; hunting, fishing & trapping activities, hunting dogs, plants, wildlife, scenery; etc. Photo can be as simple as a snapshot from your 35mm or digital camera!

Calendar Rules
1. Anyone, amateur or professional may enter.
2. Colored photographs and entry form (below) must be postmarked or on or before May 1st, 2017 to be considered for the 2018 calendar.
3. Photograph must be representation of each: hunting, fishing & trapping activities; hunting dogs, plants, wildlife, scenery; etc.
4. The Wisconsin Wildlife Federation Calendar Committee has the right to reject any and/or all entries.
5. Photo(s) sent via email will be considered. However, if selected you may be asked to send photo electronically.
6. Photo(s) printed on regular copy paper via your computer will not be considered.
7. All photos become the property of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation.
8. Individuals with photos selected for the 2018 calendar will be contacted by the WWF office in June.

Wisconsin Wildlife Federation
CALENDAR PHOTO ENTRY FORM 2018
The Wisconsin Wildlife Federation is hereby authorized to reproduce the photograph(s) submitted, if chosen for the 2018 WWF Raffle Calendar.

Title of Photo: __________________________
Location where photo was taken: __________________________
Name of Photographer: __________________________
Address: __________________________
City: __________________________ State: __________________________ Zip: __________________________
Daytime Phone: __________________________ Email: __________________________

Please send entries and form to: Wisconsin Wildlife Federation
Attn: Calendar Coordinator
213 N. Main St., Suite 100, PO Box 460
Poyntette, WI 53955

For further information please contact us at (920) 876-4312 or (800) 897-4161
Email: office@wwf.org

* Please duplicate as necessary.

Wisconsin Wildlife Federation
Conservation Leadership Corps

Interested in being a leader in conservation? Interested in having your voice heard on conservation issues by Wisconsin and National policymakers? The Wisconsin Wildlife Federation has created a Conservation Leadership Training Program just for you.

We welcome high school students that currently are in their junior or college year or college students that have at least one year of college to complete to receive training in conservation leadership, conservation policy development and how to advocate for sound conservation policies. Training will be provided by experienced conservation leaders.

Training will provide an excellent opportunity to network with state, federal and private conservation organizations.

All your expenses for involvement in the program will be paid for by the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation. At the successful completion of the program you will receive a $250 scholarship to further your conservation education!

Please visit our website: www.wwf.org for further details. You may also contact Danielle Browne, WWF Conservation Leadership Corps Coordinator at clc.wwf.coordinator@gmail.com or George Meyer, WWF Executive Director at georgemeyer@tds.net with any questions or to express your interest in the program.

General Information on the Conservation Leadership Corps

The Wisconsin Wildlife Federation (WWF) has just completed the fourth year of an exciting and successful program to assist in the development of future conservation leaders in Wisconsin, known as the Wisconsin Conservation Leadership Corps (CLC). WWF has based the CLC on a highly successful and similar project developed by the Conservation Federation of Missouri, our counterpart organization.

The CLC is designed to provide expert training for current juniors in high school along with college students with at least one additional year of college remaining to develop leadership skills and techniques to allow students the ability to analyze as well as develop conservation policies in his or her subject of interest. Students involved will also gain experience advocating their conservation resolutions at the WWF Annual Meeting. Successfully written and presented conservation resolutions may be adopted by WWF to serve as official policies.

Training will be provided by current and former natural resources professionals in both public and non-profit as well as private sectors. Students will be provided with real world experience and will receive feedback from professionals with the conservation policy process. Such interactions will be valuable to participants in relation to school success, future career development and involvement in organizations.

The program will take place during the 2017-2018 academic year. Events will be scheduled for three weekends throughout the year. Conservation resolution presentations conducted by those involved would be made at the Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Federation in April, 2018. Selected CLC candidates are encouraged to attend. Most, if not all of these events. All expenses encountered while participating in the CLC program will be covered by WWF. At the successful completion of the year, each participant will receive a Certificate of Accomplishment for the training program, a letter of commendation for their resume portfolio and a $500 scholarship to advance their continuing education.

Interested CLC candidates should fill out the application on the page and send it to Danielle Browne, CLC Coordinator, at clc.wwf.coordinator@gmail.com by May 1st, 2017. Candidates will be selected by June 15, 2017. All applicants will be notified of the results. More detailed information on the program will be provided to those selected over the 2017 summer.

Wisconsin Wildlife Federation
Conservation Leadership Corps Application

Please be concise and limit your response to two pages in length—the deadline for applications is May 31, 2017.

1. What is your personal and professional interest in conservation?
2. What would you say are the high points in your life related to conservation, either from the standpoint of your personal, educational or professional experience in the field of conservation?
3. Why do you want to be a member of the Conservation Leadership Corps with the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation? What would you like to get out of the experience?
4. What is your personal and professional interest in conservation?
5. Will you be willing and able to attend a majority of the training sessions?
6. Photo’s printed on regular copy paper via your computer will not be considered.

Address: ________________________________________________________________
Location where photo was taken: _________________________________________
City ____________________________________ State ________ Zip ________________

Photo quality paper only.

For further information please contact us at: (920) 623-9975 or 800-897-4161

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Wisconsin Wildlife Federation’s Call for Calendar Photo’s for 2018

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4. Why is the concept of a Wisconsin Conservation Leadership Corps important?
5. What role do you see conservation organizations have in the future of conservation in Wisconsin?
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Background and Contact Information:

Name: __________________________
Street Address: __________________________
City, State and Zip Code: __________________________
Email Address: __________________________
Telephone Number: __________________________
Present School: __________________________
Year in School (please specify whether high school or college):
City, State and Zip Code: __________________________
Street Address: ________________________________________________________________
Telephone Number: __________________________
Email Address: __________________________

Please include a name and contact information for a reference related to your conservation interest. The reference can be a parent, teacher or other adult that you have had contact with related to conservation. The reference is a very important part of the application.

Applications, preferentially electronically, should be submitted to Danielle Browne, WWF Leadership Corps Coordinator, at clc.wwf.coordinator@gmail.com or sent through mail to the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation at 213 N. Main Street, Suite 100, Box 460, Poyntette, WI 53955. The deadline is May 31, 2017.
2017 Spring Hearing Locations

DNR Spring Hearings and Wisconsin Conservation Congress County Meetings

Monday, April 10, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Adams  Adams County Courthouse, County Board Room, 400 Main Street, Friendship, WI 53934
Ashland  Ashland High School, Auditorium, 1900 Beaser Avenue, Ashland, WI 54806
Barron  Barron County Auditorium, 335 E. Monroe Street, Barron, WI 54812
Bayfield  Bayfield County Courthouse, Upstairs Board Room, 117 E. 5th Street, Washburn, WI 54891
Brown  Northeast Wisconsin Tech. College, Executive Dining Hall, 2740 W Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54307
Buffalo  Alma High School, S1618 State Road 35, Alma, WI 54610
Burnett  Burnett County Government Center, Room 165, 7410 County Highway K, Siren, WI 54872
Calumet  Calumet County Courthouse, Room B025, 206 Court Street, Chilton, WI 53004
Chippewa  Chippewa Falls Middle School, Auditorium, 750 Tropicana Blvd, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
Clark  Greenwood High School, Cafeteria, 306 W Central Avenue, Greenwood, WI 54437
Columbia  Wausau Baraboo Middle School, Gymnasium, 2050 New Pinery Road, Portage, WI 53901
Crawford  Prairie du Chien High School, Auditorium, 800 E Crawford Street, Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
Dane  Monona Grove High School, Schwine Fine Arts Center, 4400 Monona Drive, Monona, WI 53716
Dodge  Horizon Int’l Education Center, Lower Level Auditorium, N7725 State Highway 28, Horicon, WI 53032
Door  Sturgeon Bay High School, Commons, 1230 Michigan Street, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235
Douglas  Northwestern High School, 4751 County Road F, Maple, WI 54854
Dunn  Dunn County Fish and Game Club, 1600 Pine Avenue, Menomonie, WI 54751
Eau Claire  CVTC Business Ed Center, Casper Room 103, 620 W Clairmont Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54701
Florence  Florence Nature Resources Center, 5631 Forestry Drive, Florence, WI 54121
Fond du Lac  Theisen Middle School, Auditorium, 525 E Pioneer Road, Fond du Lac, WI 54935
Forest  Fondy High School, 9750 U.S. Hwy 8, Fondy, WI 54210
Grant  Lancaster High School, Hillary Auditorium, 806 E Elm Street, Lancaster, WI 53813
Green  Monroe Middle School, Enter via North-side Door, 1510 13th Street, Monroe, WI 53566
Green Lake  Green Lake High School, Multi-purpose Room, 612 Mill Street, Green Lake, WI 54941
Iowa  Dodgeville Middle School, 951 W Chapel Street, Dodgeville, WI 53533
Iron  Mercer Community Center, 2648 W Margaret Street, Mercer, WI 54547
Jackson  Black River Falls Middle School, Lg Room, 1202 Pierce Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615
Jefferson  Jefferson County Fair Park, Activity Center, 503 N Jackson Avenue, Jefferson, WI 53549
Juneau  Olson Middle School, Auditorium, 508 Greyaside Avenue, Mauston, WI 53948
Kenosha  Bristol School District #1, Gymnasium, 20121 83rd Street, Bristol, WI 53104
Kewaunee  Kewaunee High School, 911 N 1st Street, Kewaunee, WI 54221
La Crosse  Onalaska High School, Performing Arts Center, 700 Hilltopper Place, Onalaska, WI 54650
Lafayette  Darlington Elementary School, Large Group Room, 11630 Center Hill Road, Darlington, WI 53530
Langlade  Antigo High School, VoM Theatre, 1900 Tenth Avenue, Antigo, WI 54409
Lincoln  Merrill High School, Auditorium, 1201 N Sales Street, Merrill, WI 54452
Manitowoc  UW Manitowoc, 705 Viebahn Street, Manitowoc, WI 54220
Marathon  DC Everest Middle School, Auditorium, 9302 Schofield Avenue, Weston, WI 54476
Marinette  Wausaukee High School, Auditorium, N1941 Highway 141, Wausaukee, WI 54177
Marquette  Montello High School, Community Room, 222 Forest Lane, Montello, WI 53949
Menominee  Menominee County Courthouse, W3269 Courthouse Lane, Keshena, WI 54135
Milwaukee  West Allis Central High, 8616 W Lincoln Avenue, West Allis, WI 53227
Monroe  Tomah High School, Cafeteria, 901 Lincoln Avenue, Tomah, WI 54660
Oconto  Suring High School, Cafeteria, 411 E Algoma Street, Suring, WI 54174
Oneida  James Williams Middle School, 915 Acacia Lane, Rhinelander, WI 54501
Outagamie  Appleton North High School, Auditorium, 5000 North Ballard Road, Appleton, WI 54913
Ozaukee  Webster Transitional School, Commons, W756 E224 Wauwatosa Road, Cedarburg, WI 53012
Pepin  Pepin County Government Center, Room 101, 740 7th Avenue West, Durand, WI 54736
Pierce  Ellsworth High School, Cafeteria, 323 Hillcrest Street, Ellsworth, WI 54011
Polk  Unity High School, Auditorium, 1908 State Hwy 46, Balsam Lake, WI 54810
Portage  Ben Franklin Junior High, Auditorium Rm. 1208, 2000 Polk Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481
Price  Price County Courthouse, County Board Room, 126 Cherry Street, Phillips, WI 54555
Racine  Union Grove High School, Auditorium, 3433 S Colony Avenue, Union Grove, WI 53182
Richland  Richmond County Courthouse, 181 W Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581
Rock  Ramada Inn, 3900 Milton Avenue, Janesville, WI 53546
Rusk  Ladysmith High School, Auditorium, 1700 Edgwood Avenue East, Ladysmith, WI 54848
Saint Croix  Saint Croix Central High School, Commons, 1751 Broadway Street, Hammond, WI 54015
Sauk  UW Baraboo - Sauk County, 900 State Avenue, Baraboo, WI 53913
Sawyer  Shawano High School, Room LGI, 150 S Union Street, Shawano, WI 54166
Shawano  Plymouth High School, Auditorium, 125 Highland Avenue, Plymouth, WI 53073
Taylor  Taylor County Fairgrounds, Multipurpose Building, Hwy 64/Hwy 13, Medford, WI 54451
Trempealeau  Arcadia High School, Room 219, 756 Raider Drive, Arcadia, WI 54612
Vernon  Viroqua High School, Commons, 100 Blackhawk Drive, Viroqua, WI 54665
Vilas  Saint Germain Elementary School, 8234 Hwy 70 West, Saint Germain, WI 54558
Washburn  Spooner High School, Auditorium, 801 County Highway A, Spooner, WI 54801
Washington  Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Pleasant Valley Road, West Bend, WI 53095
Waukesha  Waukesha Co. High School, 820 N Main Street, Pewaukee, WI 53072
Waupaca  Waupaca High School, Auditorium, E2325 King Road, Waupaca, WI 54981
WAusau  Waushara County Courthouse, Board Room 206, 206 S Saint Marie Street, Wausau, WI 54482
Winnebago  Webster Stanley Middle School, Auditorium, 915 Hazel Street, Oshkosh, WI 54901
Wood  Pittsville School District Admin. Building, Auditorium, 5459 Elementary Ave, Pittsville, WI 54466
ADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources stocked a record number of extended growth walleye fingerlings in key Wisconsin waters in 2016, even as fish from the initial year of the Wisconsin Walleye Initiative are expected to begin reaching harvest size this year.

In all, 797,815 of the 6- to 8-inch extended growth walleye were stocked in 150 Wisconsin waterbodies in 2016, up from the 760,969 fish stocked in 133 waters in 2015, said Dave Gneistbrock, DNR fisheries culture section chief. Gneistbrock’s proposed 2017-2019 biennial budget continues funding the Wisconsin Walleye Initiative at current levels for both years.

“Despite the vote of confidence in our program and the continued support for this important effort to restore and sustain Wisconsin as a premier walleye destination,” Gneistbrock said. “This year, anglers can look forward to catching some very large fingerlings we stocked in 2013 with harvest opportunities increasing as more fish reach legal size in the years ahead.”

In addition to the fish stocked during the first year of the Wisconsin Walleye Initiative in 2013, extended growth walleye stocked totaled 719,670 fish in 2014. Prior to the launch of the initiative, in 2012 the department stocked 142,121 extended growth walleye.

Through the years, the number of lakes that are stocked with the larger fish has varied depending on the size of the waters and number of fish available. Lakes are stocked on a rotating basis and some lakes require a larger number of fish to reach the standard rate of 10 fish per acre needed to support a good recreational fishery. For example, Lake Mendota received 98,077 fish in 2016, none in 2015 and 97,751 in 2014.

Walleyes are a favorite quarry for Wisconsin anglers and boost the economy by driving expenditures for lodging, dining, retail purchases, guided trips and tournament participation among other things. Wisconsin remains one of the top three fishing destinations in the U.S. with resident and nonresident anglers generating an economic impact of nearly $2.3 billion per year, according to the American Sportfishing Association.

Gneistbrock said the Wisconsin Walleye Initiative fosters growth in the aquaculture industry, with some 245,000 fish coming from private and tribal hatcheries in 2016. The contributions from private hatcheries continued, with some 239,000 in 2015 and 213,000 in 2014.

“Modernization of these facilities contributes to the efficiency of our stocking program with enhanced fish health and better outcomes for anglers,” Haas said. “The improved facilities are functioning well and helping us get these young fish off to the best possible start so that anglers can enjoy great walleye fishing for years to come.”

The Wisconsin Walleye Initiative is part of DNR’s overall management strategy to help restore naturally reproducing populations in lakes that formerly supported native populations and improve walleye numbers in lakes that need regular stocking to maintain good fisheries.

While stocking the larger, extended growth fingerlings makes sense in some lakes, DNR also stocks approximately 1.4 million small fingerlings each year. DNR fisheries biologists develop stocking plans for the different sized fish based on specific lake conditions; in some lakes the smaller fingerlings perform very well and are more cost effective than the larger fish.
Eric Lobner Named Director of DNR’s Wildlife Management Program

**ERIC LOBNER** has been named the new Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Director of the Wildlife Management Program. Lobner has a strong understanding of how important wildlife resources are to hunters, trappers and the rest of Wisconsin’s citizens. He knows the key to success is to expand the opportunities to collaborate with our external partners and recommit to what we collectively need to successfully manage wildlife populations and the habitat necessary for their survival across the state.

“I am excited to take on this leadership role and continue to move the wildlife management bureau forward while working closely with our great partners and stakeholders,” said Lobner.

Lobner was born and raised in central Wisconsin and comes from a family where hunting, fishing and wildlife appreciation are second nature. He received a bachelor’s degree in biology and wildlife management from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Lobner previously worked in a number of positions within the wildlife management program, including as a technician at various wildlife areas, wildlife biologist out of the Horizon office and as a District supervisor for the Southern District in Fitchburg. He is stationed in Madison and can be contacted at 608-235-0860 or via email at eric.lobner@wdfw.wi.gov.

**12,850 Permits Awarded for 2017 Black Bear Hunt**

**Madison** — Notifications have been sent to 12,850 hunters who successfully drew a black bear permit for the 2017 hunting season.

Successful applicants should have received a postcard in the mail — status updates are also available at www.dnr.wi.gov.

This year’s harvest quota of 5,000, approved by the Natural Resources Board at its January 2017 meeting, was set for deer, bear, and all other legal methods not using dogs.

• Sept. 6-12 — with aid of bait
• Sept. 14 to Oct. 4 — with aid of all other legal methods; and
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Executive Director Activity

Executive Director, George Meyers Pens Letter to DNR Concerning SB68/AB 61

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The only appearances at the commit-tee were the bills’s authors Representa-tives Jarchow and Senator Moulton and myself who testified in favor and my-self representing the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation testifying in opposition. The only registrants were Whitetail of Wiscon-sin (one of the deer farms), Federation in support and the Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters in opposition. The Department of Natural Resources did not appear and did not register. Of note, testifying at the hearing on another bill were 2 DNR Division Administrators and 1 Deputy Bureau Director.

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The information was presented by the scientists and animal health ex-erts at the Department’s Chronic Wasting Disease Response Plan Committee meetings. The Committees upon hearing that information from experts both in and outside the Department agreed not to move this recommendation a pro-vision similar to SB68/AB61. In addition a recommendation similar to SB 68 and AB 61 was included in the legislative recom-mendations of the CDACs when they reviewed the Committee’s preliminary recommen-dations. A solid majority of the CDACs opposed the proposal.

After Wednesday’s hearing I asked TomGary if the Department had weighed in on the issue outside of the public hear-ing. He steered me to read the Fiscal Note for the bill. I read the very short document and found nothing in it on the substantive impact of the bill and also that the Department found no fi-nancial impact on the Department from the measure.

Kurt, the Wisconsin Wildlife Federa-tion is sincerely hoping that the Depart-ment has strongly weighed in against this measure and is working to defeat it in order to protect the health of the Wis-consin deer herd. Can you please let us know if sportsmen and women know their efforts in this matter?

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Trump Administration Delays Action on Asian Carp

A NN ARBOR, MICH. – The Trump administration announced today that it will delay the release of a plan to keep invasive Asian carp out of the Great Lakes. The plan for keeping Asian carp out of the Great Lakes at Brandon Road Lock and Dam near Joliet, Ill., was set to be released last Wednesday by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Great Lakes advocates view the delay as a critical step in stopping the invasions of the Asian carp from the invasive Asian carp, which have outcompeted native species of the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers, hurting river recreation and local economies. Without a completed study, construction of improved defenses at Brandon Road cannot move forward, leaving the Great Lakes exposed to the potential of an invasion from Asian carp.

Director of the DNR’s decision to block the release of a plan to protect the Great Lakes from the invasive Asian carp is unacceptable," said Marc Smith, policy director for the National Wildlife Federation’s Great Lakes Regional Center. "After many years of review, and extensive input from diverse stakeholders, the study needs to see the light of day to help prevent the Asian carp from wreaking havoc on our environment and economy. Delaying action only allows the carp to keep swimming closer to the Great Lakes.

"Anglers in the Great Lakes states expect solutions to keep invasive carp from ruining our multi-billion dollar sport-fishing industry," said Dan Eichinger, executive director of Michigan United Conservation Clubs. "It requires decisive action and this delay is unacceptable. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers needs to proceed immediately with the Brandon Road study to protect our lakes, economy, outdoor recreation and way of life."
**Amish Cinnamon Bread**

No kneading, you just mix it up and bake it.

**Batter:**
- 1 c. butter, softened
- 2 c. sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 c. buttermilk or 2 c. milk plus 2 Tbsp. vinegar or lemon juice
- 4 c. flour
- 2 tsp. baking soda

Cream together butter, 2 cups of sugar, and eggs. Add milk, flour, and baking soda. Put 1/2 of batter (or a little less) into greased loaf pans (1/4 in each pan). Mix in separate bowl the 2/3 c sugar and cinnamon. Sprinkle 3/4 of cinnamon mixture on top of the 1/2 batter in each pan. Add remaining batter to pans; sprinkle with last of cinnamon topping. Swirl with a knife. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 min. or until toothpick tester comes out clean. Cool in pan for 20 minutes before removing from pan.

**Lakeview Rod and Gun Club Inc.**

On Big Muskego Lake
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**Pistol Range Open**

May thru the 3rd week in September on Wednesday noon – 6pm and Saturday’s 10 am – 4pm.

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**March 2017 Calendar Winners**

1. $1000 Cash
   - Eugine Weitzke, Appleton, WI 8599

2. Franchi Instinct Shotguns
   - Gerald Mosche, Burnettville, WI 283

3. Gander Mountain Card $100
   - Dan & Erua Smith, Woodbury, MN 3499

4. $100 Cash
   - Gary Traendel, Cambridge, WI 2863

5. Thompson Center Icon Rifle
   - Dale Stahl, Park City, MI 2856

6. Gander Mountain Card $100
   - Spencer Campbell, Cartes, WI 3745

7. $100 Cash
   - Brenda Busck, Manitowoc, WI 10031

8. CZ 504 12 Gauge O/u
   - Lee Hoffman, Greenwood, WI 738

9. Gander Mountain Card $100
   - Kevio Redmond, Jefferson, WI 2885

10. $100 Cash
    - Julian Fries, Madison, WI 7237

11. Browning A Bolt Rifle
    - Lyle Fahini, Arena, WI 4507

12. $100 Cash
    - Lori Wintland, Jefferson, WI 4797

13. Brownells/Bole Rifle
    -速率 Kaplan, Arena, WI 4507

14. $100 Cash
    - Lory Wintland, Jefferson, WI 4797

15. 3 hour fishing charter up to 6 people
    - Paul Melling, Muskego, WI 2835

16. Remington 770 SS 7mm mag w/Bushnell Scope
    - London, Spring Green, WI 6399

17. Gander Mountain Card $100
    - Henry Rose, Antigo, WI 7331

18. $100 Cash
    - Jason Paskaliak, Stoddard, WI 6989

19. Savage 93-17 Package
    - Eric Kapusz, Pewaukee, WI 2926

20. Gander Mountain Card $100
    - Kyle Stammann, Green Bay, WI 2101

21. Boy Long guided canoe trip
    - Tyler Radoski, Manitowoc, WI 4582

22. Gander Mountain Card $100
    - Dean D Panzer, Lake Mills, WI 2657

23. Henry Golden Boy 22 Rifle
    - Glenn M Lonzmore, McFarland, WI 8986

24. Gander Mountain Card $100
    - Anthony Brau, Racine, WI 9429

25. $100 Cash
    - Arlen Boydston, Edgerton, WI 6864

26. Weatherby Upland Pump Shotgun
    - Brenda H Smith, Jewel, WI 5626

27. Gander Mountain Card $100
    - Tom Lundberg, Detroit Lakes, MN 2495

28. $100 Cash
    - Joe Turlu, Watertown, WI 5859

29. Remington 770 Edeh Plg
    - Mike Halz, Sheboygan, WI 566

30. Gander Mountain Card $100
    - Milt Blumenberg, Merrillan, WI 10251

31. $100 Cash
    - Eric Detlef, Mount Pleasant, WI 2947

32. 12 ga Pump 350
    - Jake Stacek, Elroy, WI 7752

33. 2 Night Stay at the Hotel Med
    - Rick Tempin, Wissocume, WI 5856