

Resolution to Create a Youth Bear Hunt

Whereas, in 2005 the Legislature created a Youth Deer Hunt to allow hunters under the age of 15 to have a separate harvest season to allow youth hunters a focused deer hunting experience with less competition in the field and allowing a greater opportunity for harvest success; and

Whereas, subsequently a Youth Turkey Hunt for young hunters ages 12-15 who have completed a Hunter Safety Education Course, was created with separate season dates; and

Whereas; a Youth Waterfowl Hunt was developed for young hunters ages 10-15 who have completed a Hunter Safety Education Course, also having separate season dates; and

Whereas; currently there is not a Youth Bear hunting season in a format consistent with the current Youth Turkey, Deer and Waterfowl hunting seasons in the State of Wisconsin; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation at its Annual Meeting held on April 20th and 21st, 2018 at Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, requests the Department of Natural Resources work with interested sports groups and the Legislature to establish a Youth Bear Hunt following the successes of the Youth Deer, Turkey and Waterfowl hunts.

Submitted by the Wildlife Committee
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