EXPAND THE USE OF RESIDENTIAL GREYWATER RECOVERY SYSTEMS IN WISCONSON

Whereas, Wisconsin’s state, county and local entities recognize the need to decrease the demands for potable water in the state.

Whereas, 84% of North America’s surface water is in the Great Lakes.

Whereas, 21% of the world’s freshwater supply is in the Great Lakes.

Whereas, One-tenth of the US Population lives in the Great Lakes basin.

Whereas, Use of greywater systems is increasing in the United States.

Whereas, The amount of greywater produced in a home is 50-150 gallons per day.

Whereas, Safe greywater is defined as wastewater not contaminated by feces/urine and that is not discharged from toilets, kitchen sinks and dishwashers.

Whereas, About one-half of all household wastewater could be diverted for residential irrigation purposes.

Whereas, Wisconsin regulations allow greywater reuse in the state.

RESOLVED, That the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation, at it’s April 12 and 13, 2019 Annual Meeting, advocate for the review/revision of the greywater regulation within the Uniform Plumbers Code to ensure greater use of greywater systems in new residential construction in the state.

RESOLVED, That the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation advocate for the use of residential greywater recovery systems in the state’s counties, municipalities and townships.

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