President’s Report

W
isconsin Wildlife Federation has been busy over the last few months, as I mentioned in the previous month’s report we assisted the Wisconsin bowfisherman fight to get charges dropped against a gentleman that was legally bow fishing on Lake Winnebago near Oshkosh. In addition the WWF helped the Trempealeau Sportsman Club fight an unjust eviction notice against their club. The Federation really prides itself in assisting our affiliate clubs in carrying out their sports activities.

This was the inaugural year of Game Fest held in Chippewa Falls Wisconsin. During the two-day event Wisconsin Wildlife Federation members and Conservation Leadership Corps students manned a booth where we interacted with many individuals and organizations. The highlight of the weekend was the look on the kids’ faces as we showed them the contents of our educational trunks, which included pellets and other hands-on objects from numerous wildlife species indigenous to Wisconsin. One of the highlights was also a reproduction of a grizzly bear paw which fascinated both young and old alike. No matter how hard I tried I could not convince any of the kids that the skunk pelts were actually a kitty cat.

There are already plans in the works to have Game Fest again next year September 11th through the 13th, we would love to see you there.

Many of you have already heard in the news concerning the issue close PFO’s, and PFOS’s. PFOS (Perfluorooctanoic acids) are part of a family of chemical compounds that are found in fire retardants, nonstick cookware, stain-resistant carpets and fabrics, just to name a few of their uses. PFOS’s remain in the body for long periods of time, while it still is undetermined what the negative effects of low-level contamination are, but at high levels they can affect growth and development and cause reproductive and liver damage. They also have lead to health advisories for fish and deer affected by contaminated lands and waterbodies. Wells in Marinette county surrounding a Tyco plant that produces fire retardants, and in the City of Madison near Trux Field both have shown elevated levels PFOA’s.

Dr. Thomas Johnston, WWF District 9 Director and Environmental Committee Chair has been working with the National Wildlife Federation regarding PFOSA’s in the contaminated wells.

“Go afield with a good attitude, with respect for the forest and fields in which you walk. Immerse yourself in the outdoor experience. It will cleanse your soul and make you a better person.”

- Fred Bear

We will continue to keep you informed of any further developments regarding this issue.

If you have not already picked up your conservation calendar you can order one online (www.wwf.org) or visit one of our many businesses selling for us. To find out where you can buy one you can be listed in Wisconservation or contact a district or associate director. Buying a calendar helps to ensure that we can afford to continue our conservation educational programs and advocacy work for Wisconsin wildlife.

Another way that you can do to support the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation is to participate in one of our numerous District conservation raffles in progress now.

District 2 has the Rock River AR 1550 semi automatic rifle at Rivers Edge Bar and grill in Tomahawk Wi, the drawing is to be held at 6:30 on October 18th. Tickets are $10 a piece only 200 will be sold. District 9 will be raffling off a Winchester SX4 field semi automatic 12 gauge shotgun on October 31st at Tanner’s tap in Omro. Tickets are $5 each, only 250 will be sold. District 9 will be raffling off a Smith & Wesson Shield 9MM at the Tri-Angle Tap in Hartland. And last but not least district 5 will be raffling off a Remington R700 TMR at Tanner’s tap in Omro to be drawn October 31st at 5 p.m. If you know of a bar, restaurant or contact a district or associate director. Buying a calendar helps to ensure that we can afford to continue our conservation educational programs and advocacy work for Wisconsin wildlife.

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70th Anniversary

(1949) Pheasant production in the wild in the three lake states of Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin as well as over most of the rest of the pheasant states of the country, reached its peak from 1941 to 1944, after which pheasants started declining and continued to slide until about 1949, when all three states experienced somewhat of a recovery, although never reaching their peak productions again. The Wisconsin Federation of Conservation Clubs Board of Directors, voted to have their President, Les Wuerpel, compile a study of the pheasant programs of the various states, their hunting success, and costs. After receiving all of this information, we combined it into graphs, where suitable, to make the picture more pronounced, as graphs... are easier to understand than narrative accounts to the same facts and figures. Requests for copies for the pamphlet started coming in as soon as it had been distributed to the contributors. It took four printings to supply the requests for the pamphlet.

(1948) At the same time we were investigating irrigation practices, the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin was advocating drainage of marshlands, swamps, and other wetlands, while the Conservation Department was urging protection of wetlands to assure future adequate water tables and protect wildlife needing the wetlands for survival. A case came to view where the Conservation Department had planted an area to trees to prevent erosion. A few years later, the College of Agriculture encouraged cutting the trees to revert the land back to crops in disregard of the erosion which would certainly occur as a result of denuding the slopes. Many instances of conflict between State agencies dealing with natural resources were brought to light by the investigation, so the Board of Directors proposed to the Legislature and to Governor Rennenbohm that steps be taken to minimize this conflict between state agencies.

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Winners of first two Conservation Raffles

Here are our proud winners of the first and second WWF Raffle. Ray Zweck from Tomahawk WI and Laurie Kent from Rhinelander WI. Mission complete! Time for Raffle #3!

WWF District 8 Director Don Camplin presented Honorary Director recognition by George Meyer, Executive Director. Don has been a long time conservationist and sportsman. Don has been a member of several conservation organizations including the Waushara County Conservation Alliance and the Friends of Vernon Marsh. Don retired from the WWF District 8 Director position in April.
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Groundwater Coordinating Council releases recommendations to improve groundwater quality in Wisconsin

ADISON, Wis. - The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources’ Groundwater Coordinating Council shared key recommendations for protecting and preserving groundwater. The recommendations were developed in collaboration with the Wisconsin legislature in its August 2018 ‘Groundwater Coordinating Council Act’ to help Wisconsin’s waterways and wetlands. The council has concluded its work and will disband as of September 30, 2019.

Recognizing the importance of Wisconsin’s groundwater resources to public health and the economy, Gov. Tony Evers declared 2019 the Year of Clean Drinking Water in Wisconsin. Speaker Robin Vos formed a task force to hold hearings focused on water quality throughout the state. The council helps to inform both efforts about steps that should be taken to protect these vital resources.

Too many people in Wisconsin are concerned about the state of their drinking water, our recommendations are intended to change that,” said Bruce Rheineck, groundwater section chief for the Department of Natural Resources.

Three of the key recommendations found in the report address the three most prevalent issues in Wisconsin water quality, including:

- Protecting groundwater from nitrate and other agricultural contaminants.
- Evaluating groundwater for viruses and other pathogens; and
- Addressing groundwater quality challenges such as perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals, livestock and climate change impacts.

Areas of the state with a greater density of agriculture generally have a higher frequency of nitrate and pesticide detection, especially in areas of the state with vulnerable geology and soils. The report reflects the council’s goal of evaluating a strategy to promote prac- tices that lead to reduced agricultural use of nitrogen and phosphorus and reduced or no use of pesticides to protect drinking water sources.

New duck hunting and fishing regulations in Burnett, Barron, Polk and Washburn counties in effect September 1, 2019

ADISON - The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources notified the Burnett County Board of Supervisors that Effective September 1, 2019, Elkhorn Elk Tests Positive for CWD

of the positive finding, DATCP has quar-
in Ames, IA, the Wisconsin Department
of agriculture and feeding bans for Barron, Polk and
losis. As required by law, this will create
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DATCP’s Division of Animal Health will
each animal’s health, is fundamental to improving
produce an unhealthy breeding population, which threatens to lower the number of ongoing outreach activities to engage communities near Superfund sites.

The important work of the Task Force will continue under the Superfund Program and at all sites on the National Priorities List (NPL). The agency will continue to prioritize expediting cleanups to protect people's health and the environment. Moving forward, the agency plans to:

- Improve accountability and ensure the work continues in the future by tracking and reporting on our progress with a new set of performance measures.
- Conduct a strategic and comprehensive portfolio review of every site remaining on the NPL to enable EPA to better utilize the Task Force’s tools to expedite cleanups.
- Continue to identify and implement new opportunities and approaches to improve the program’s performance and effectiveness.

Highlights of the Superfund Task Force Accomplishments

Goal 1: Expediting Cleanups and Reforming the NPL

The Task Force developed several tools to expedite cleanup and remediation at sites including the Administrator’s Emphasis List, a list of sites targeted for the administrator’s immediate and intense attention. The agency will continue using the Emphasis List to focus on sites that have seen substantial progress in the last quarterly: Substantial progress has been made at sites on this list, for example:

- New Castle, Delaware: At the Delaware Sand and Gravel Landfill Superfund Site a settlement with responsible parties was secured allowing the initiation of pre-design work and installation of two groundwater interceptor wells to protect water supplies. The site is not currently listed on the NPL.
- Picher and Cardin, Oklahoma: At the Tar Creek Superfund Site the Agency brought together efficient partners to develop an integrated strategy to manage risks, cleanup, and economic opportunities at the site.

Goal 2: Re-Inventing Responsible Party Cleanup and Reuse - The Task Force developed new enforcement guidance for EPA’s regional offices to accelerate remedial design starts at potentially responsible party (PRP)-lead Superfund sites. Moving forward, the guidance’s recommended settlement strategy will be considered by EPA regions as a matter of national practice. This guidance has accelerated work at several sites, including:

- Calvert City, Kentucky: At the B.F. Goodrich Site EPA negotiated a settlement agreement with PRPs for the remedial design. The agreement allows the PRPs to begin the site’s cleanup while the agency negotiates a separate agreement for the remedial action phase of the cleanup.

Goal 3: Encouraging Private Investment - The Task Force recognized that EPA should support, where appropriate, innovative approaches to promote third-party investment in cleanup and use of contaminated properties consistent with statutory authorities. By the end of 2019, EPA plans to issue a memorandum to EPA regional offices to promote this approach where appropriate and in the interest of the Superfund Remediation Program.

- Fredericktown, Missouri: At the Madison County Mines Site EPA entered into an administrative settlement with Missouri Mining Investments, LLC to conduct removal activities on site after the cleanup. The site is now at the site and the public is encouraged to continue to visit the Superfund Redevelopment website for stakeholders to conduct research and engage in opportunities. In addition to a cleanup that restored neighborhoods and created opportunities. In addition to a cleanup that restored neighborhoods and created opportunities, the site has river access, pavilions, a memorial, parking, and picnic tables.

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Goal 4: Promoting Redevelopment and Community Revitalization - The Task Force worked to increase the number of NPL sites that are returned to communities for redevelopment through focused management attention and improved program practices. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, EPA achieved the goal statewide ready for anticipated use at 31 sites, the highest total since FY 2013. EPA will continue to post specific information about sites available for redevelopment prominently on the Superfund Redevelopment website for stakeholders, developers, and interested businesses seeking information about projects.

- Libby, Montana: The agency identified the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site and the Libby Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site as redevelopment opportunities. In addition to a cleanup that restored neighborhoods and business areas, parts of the sites are now in reuse. The Riverfront Park now has river access, pavilions, a memorial, parking, and picnic tables.

- Goal 5: Engaging Partners and Stakeholders - The Task Force initiated a number of ongoing outreach activities at all Superfund sites, for example:

- Partnership and Stakesholder Engagement Strategy: EPA developed and released a “Partnership and Stakesholder Engagement Strategy” (https://www.epa.gov/superfund/partnership-stakesholder-engagement-strategy) to enhance EPA partnerships and increase public participation and transparency at Superfund sites across the country.

- Risk Communication Strategy: The agency developed a plan (https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-risk-communication-strategy) to improve risk communication and community involvement practices during the long-term stewardship phase of Superfund site remediations. Lessons learned from implementing this plan will be applied across the life-cycle of the Superfund process.

WASHINGTON — U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Andrew Wheeler announced the completion of the Superfund Task Force’s work, highlighting significant accomplishments over the past two years at Superfund sites across the country. The announcement, made from the Southside Chattanooga Superfund Site, included plans for continuing the work of the Task Force into EPA’s ongoing cleanup work moving forward.

In May 2017 to provide recommendations on how EPA could streamline and improve the Superfund Program, the Task Force issued its initial report in July 2017 following a robust and dynamic review process. Based on the collective experience of EPA’s career staff and others, the recommendations offered important suggestions for improving the program and expediting site cleanups through innovation and better coordination. Based on the Task Force’s recommendations over the past two years, the Task Force has helped to provide certainty to communities, states, tribes and developers that the nation’s most hazardous sites are being cleaned up in an affordable and effective manner.

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Sham Review Ignores Risks to Alaska’s Wildlife, Pristine Landscape

Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Plan ‘Pushes the Envelope Far Beyond the Last Frontier of Reason’

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Newly released plans for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge underscore the Trump Administration’s reckless pursuit of development at the expense of our wild- land and water resources. The National Wildlife Federation urged the Trump Administration to heed the call of Alaskans, sportsmen and women, and Alaskaans to recognize that the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is spoiled for ever by well pads and pipelines.

“Alaska’s Arctic National Wildlife Refuge provides pristine habitat for iconic caribou, polar bears, snow, musk ox, and waterfowl,” said Collin O’Mara, president and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation. “Unfortunately, this sham environmental impact statement ignores the overwhelming scientific evidence that demonstrates the unprecedented risks to wildlife that would result from drilling in the Coastal Plain of Alaska. These conservationists all agree that this is the wrong place and place to push the envelope far beyond the Last Frontier of reason."

Located in the northeast corner of Alaska, the 19.6-million-acre Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is home to more than 200 bird species, which migrate to the refuge to breed in the summer. As many as 2.5 million snow geese and 500,000 other birds spend the coastal plain each fall to feed on the refuge’s abundant food supply. Other sensitive and unique species of the Arctic Refuge include the 130,000-member porcupine caribou herd. Each spring, the herd migrates millions of miles across Canada and Alaska to calve in the refuge’s coastal plain. The Gwich’in people call the area home and have lived for 20,000 years among the Caribou.

“The rush to exploit these lands for energy has more than three-decade-old prohibition on oil and gas drilling in the 2017 tax bill but required a full environmental review be conducted before the Department of Interior proceed with allowing any extraneous activities.”

House Votes to Protect Alaska’s Abundant Wildlife, Cultural Heritage

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The House of Representatives’ vote to pass the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Preservation Act sends a clear signal to the White House that the bipartisan conservation majority that produced these unique heritage landscape should not be sacrificed in the name of ‘energy dominance.’

“Nearly 60 years ago, President Dwight Eisenhower designated the Arctic Refuge, home to porcupine caribou, polar bears and nearly 200 spe- cies of birds, as a wildlife refuge and have depended on the herd for their culture and subsistence for generations. They strictly oppose reckless oil and gas development, which will threaten the culture and wildlife of Alaska.”

The Arctic Refuge also supports a great diversity of wildlife and ecosystems. In addition to the caribou, and migrating birds, the refuge is home to Dall sheep, arctic fox, arctic hare, musk ox, musk deer, moose, caribou, and porcupine caribou. In addition to the refuge coastal plain, the interior portion of the Refuge provides exceptional habitat for imperiled polar bears. Oil and gas development could forever damage this ecosystem and way of life.

The rush to exploit these lands for energy threatens the Arctic Refuge, its wildlife population and cultural heritage. Americans have said they want to protect the Arctic Refuge from the threat of oil and gas development. Members of the indigenous Gwich’in Nation make their home near the refuge and have depended on the herd for their culture and subsistence for generations. They strictly oppose reckless oil and gas development, which will threaten the culture and wildlife of Alaska.”

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — The contiguous U.S. had its wettest January through August on record. Average precipitation stretched from coast-to-coast, with average temperature for the contiguous U.S. of 24.59, which is 3.88 inches above average.

For meteorological summer (June 1 through August 31), the average temperature for the contiguous U.S. was 72.4 degrees F, which is 1.9 degrees above the 20th-century average in the upper third of the historical temperature record. For meteorological summer, precipitation was 8.83 inches—0.51 inch above the 20th-century average in the upper third of the record.

More notable climate events

- The wet streak continues: Average precipitation across the contiguous U.S. for the 12-month period September 2018–August 2019 was 37.55 inches, 7.61 inches above average. This ranks as the fourth wettest among all 12-month periods. Alaska’s hot, dry summer: Anchor- age, King Salmon and Tanana had their hottest and driest summer on record.

- Sizzling Southwest: Arizona, New Mexico and Texas each had their second-wettest August on record, while Utah had its fourth warmest. Much of the Southwest had record and near-record hot daytime high temperatures in August.

- Colorado beats incredible recreation opportunities, including hiking, biking, camping, hunting, fishing, kayaking and mountain bike trails at places as diverse as Syl- van Lake, the Yampa River Recreation Area and Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

- The most successful conservation fund: The Land and Water Conservation Fund has helped support recreation projects and sites available to access land previously closed off to recreationists. Making LWCF funding permanent will safeguard these opportunities — our public lands and waters.

- Of Congress overwhelmingly supported permanent funding LWCF, Congress will honor its promise to protect and promote America’s cherished public lands.

- The Land and Water Conservation Fund is built on a simple concept: that we should take revenues of the depletion of one public resource—oil and gas—and use them to pay for the conservation of another resource—our public lands and waters. Since its creation in 1964, the Land and Water Conservation Fund has supported over 41,000 local and state projects, including Lake Wenatchee State Park, the Nantahala National Forest, the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, as well as the Tongass National Forest and Little River National Forests,” said Meredith Trainer, executive director of the Southest Alaska Conservation Council. “Passing a permanent funding bill will ensure that our public lands, wildlife and robust out- door economy will thrive for future generations.”

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- Millions Urged Permanent Funding for America’s Most Successful Conservation Fund

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**The Clean Water Act Under Siege**

Hunters and anglers support the Clean Water Act because it conserves our nation's critical headwaters streams, wetlands from flooding, supplies drinking water to one in three Americans, and provides essential fish and wildlife habitat that supports our drinking water, wildlife, outdoor recreation, and way of life. The National Wildlife Federation (NWF), the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation (WWF) and Walleyes For Tomorrow (WFT) have caught on fire more than a dozen times in the history before the passage of the Clean Water Act. In 1972, Republicans and Democrats came together to pass the Clean Water Act to protect our nation's waters – from the Cuyahoga River in Cleveland, Ohio that caught on fire more than a dozen times in the 1960s, to the most powerful rivers in the United States. The Fox-Wolf River System extends from Columbia County in the south to Forest County in the north and makes up more than 22% of the inland water resources of the state. The waterhed maintains a diverse and outstanding fishery in the finest Lake Sturgeon population and fishery in the world. Beyond its vast recreational and environmental benefits, the economic benefits from angling on just the Menasha Lock was the Fox-Wolf River System in 2006 according to the review and approval of the Fox-Wolf River System. FRNSA has contracted with Smith Root to design such a system and has submitted preliminary design documents to the Department. FRNSA has also started its intent to eventually provide navigation around or through the project to reopen the Menasha Lock by the Fox River Navigational System Authority. FRNSA has also stated their intent to eventually provide navigation around or through the project to reopen the Menasha Lock by the Fox River Navigational System Authority. FRNSA has also stated their intent to eventually provide navigation around or through the project to reopen the Menasha Lock by the Fox River Navigational System Authority. FRNSA has also stated their intent to eventually provide navigation around or through the project to reopen the Menasha Lock by the Fox River Navigational System Authority.
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- Ecklund Motorsports, Oshkosh, WI
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- Bronze Lake Superior Bluetick kennel, Bayfield, WI
- Sheboygan County Conservation Assoc., Sheboygan Falls, WI
- Lake Michigan Bluetick kennel, Two Rivers, WI

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**WWF “Kitchen News”**

**Pickled Mushrooms**

**Ingredients**
- 2/3 cup tarragon vinegar
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 ½ teaspoons salt

**Directions**
- In a glass bowl, combine the first 7 ingredients. Add mushrooms and onion and toss to coat. Cover and chill for 8 hours or overnight. Sprinkle with red pepper before serving. Store in refrigerator.

**Stuffed pork Chops**

**Ingredients**
- Two extra thick pork chops
- ½ teaspoon celery seed
- 1 small onion finely chopped
- 2 teaspoons chopped garlic
- 2 tablespoons butter
- Bread crumbs

**Directions**
- Brown both sides of pork chop in butter in a cast iron skillet. Remove from pan. Add onion and garlic and sauté until onion is translucent. In medium bowl, mix bread crumbs, celery seed, apple, basil, and oregano. Stir in onions and garlic. Slightly beat egg and stir into stuffing mix. Place pork chops back into cast iron skillet and put stuffing in pocket made in chops. Make a bone-in wine mix. Cover and bake at 350° for about 45 minutes. Remove chops from pan and serve.

**Apple Walnut Cake**

**Ingredients**
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose baking soda

**Directions**
- In a mixing bowl, beat eggs, sugar, oil, and vanilla. Combine flour, baking soda, nutmeg, and salt; mix into batter. Fold in apples and walnuts. Spread into greased 13 X 9 baking pan. Bake at 325° for 50 to 60 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean. Frost with Cream Cheese Frosting.

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   - 4946

2. **Franks Affinity 3.2° GA Walnut**
   - Calven J. Rauch, Campbellsport
   - 4410

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   - Sara Essoom, Water Town
   - 3471

4. **$100 Gift Card to Bacon’s**
   - Jolene Schulz, DePere
   - 8807

5. **Armee 410 O/U Walnut 9/15 SxS in Chokes**
   - Tony Erickson, Larssen
   - 5995

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   - Anna Fols, Larssen
   - 5583

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   - Dale Alger, New London
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    - Earl Brinkman, Greenfield
    - 2996

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