Resolution to Obtain Public Information for All Wolf Depredations and Harassments

Whereas, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has not provided complete information in a consistent and timely manner about wolf-related incidents in Wisconsin, including threats to human health and safety, livestock harassment and depredation, harassment and depredation of horses and other pets; and

Whereas, the public has a right to know about such incidents involving wolves; and

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has an obligation to its citizens to fully inform them of wolf incidents that might threaten their safety or the safety of their pets and livestock; and

Whereas, the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation supports the full disclosure of wolf depredation and harassment incidents in Wisconsin by the DNR and other state agencies.

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation at its 2017 Annual Meeting held April 21st and 22nd in Wisconsin Rapids, requests that the Department of Natural Resources provide information in a timely manner in one location of the DNR website of all incidents probable or verified of wolf depredations, harassment and threats to humans and domestic animals; and

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation further requests that the Department of Natural Resources establish and post on their website all wolf depredation and harassment warning areas and provide instant email notifications for all such incidents in the same manner now done for hunting dog incidents.

Submitted by the WWF Wildlife Committee:
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