



## Wisconsin Conservation Congress 2011 Spring District Meeting Agenda

1. **Organizational Matters** ~ 7:00 PM
  - A. Call to Order
  - B. Roll Call
2. **Informational Items & Program Updates**
  - A. Review Fisheries Spring Hearing Questions, Local Fisheries Staff & WCC District Councilors
  - B. Review Wildlife Spring Hearing Questions, Local Wildlife Staff & WCC District Councilors
  - C. DNR Staff Updates (*Regional or Statewide Issues of Interest*)
  - D. Review Conservation Congress Advisory Questions, WCC District Councilors
3. **Conservation Congress Annual County Meeting and DNR Spring Hearing Logistics**
  - A. Review the Information Provided in the *Spring Hearing Logistics Memo*
    - a. New this year—proposed changes in the rule language for department questions is **not** printed in the back of the questionnaire. It is available online and a copy will be available at each hearing.
    - b. Delegate Election
      1. Review the County Seats up for Election in 2010
      2. Review Election Protocol
    - c. Review Hearing Officer Roles and Responsibilities
    - d. Review WCC County Chair's Roles and Responsibilities
  - B. Personal Data Questionnaires
    - PDQ's will again be available online in the form of a survey. It will be a much more efficient way to capture the required data. Please review the memo for directions and if you have access to the internet, give it a try.
  - C. Local Spring Hearing Press Release
    - Please decide who within your county will be responsible for taking this press release to local media outlets.
4. **Other Congress Business**
  - A. Proposed Code of Procedure Changes
    - This is your opportunity to review and discuss the two Code of Procedure changes that were advanced by the Exec. Council. These proposed amendments to the Congress operating procedures will be voted on by the entire delegation at the 2011 Convention.
  - B. WCC Learn-to-Bear-Hunt Tag
    - The Congress received one tag for the 2011 LTBH event. It will be awarded to a novice hunter. An application for a novice hunter appeared in the February *Conservation Chronicle* and is due **April 20, 2011**. Please share the application with prospective bear hunters and encourage them to submit the form and essay. The winner will be selected at the Annual Convention. Anyone who is interested in mentoring a Learn -to-Bear-Hunt participant or donating/transferring a bear tag to a new hunter should contact Rich Kirchmeyer at 715-428-2321.
  - D. WCC Expo Travel Grant
    - The Congress will provide travel grants to school districts who wish to attend the Wisconsin Outdoor Expo in Beaver Dam. Applications are due **April 15, 2011** and can be found in the February issue of the *Conservation Chronicle*. Please let your local schools know about this opportunity. Enclosed is a press release that can be distributed to local media.
5. **Member Matters**
6. **Adjourn**

## 2011 Proposed Wisconsin Code of Procedure Changes

*1) Issue: Clearly define the ability of committees to create questions for the spring hearing.*

Section V. E. 1 is amended to read:

1. Purpose - All advisory committees shall address citizen concerns. The committees shall review assigned resolutions and provide recommendations to the Executive Council, and review Department opinions and positions regarding specific areas directly pertaining to the advisory committee's mission statement. **Committees may generate questions for review by the Executive Council and possible addition to the spring hearings if the questions are directly related to the purpose of the committee.**

*2) Issue: Update the COP to reflect the ability of delegates to fill out the personal data questionnaire online.*

Section VII.A.9 is amended to read:

9. ~~On the evening of the Spring Hearings,~~ **Delegates must** complete the personal data questionnaire **no later than the Friday following the spring hearings. Delegates are encouraged to fill it out online but may also complete a hardcopy** and turn it into your county Chair **on the evening of the spring hearings**. The questionnaires, along with recommendations from your District Councilors, which are collected during the annual convention, will be used to assign advisory committees.