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Although Wisconsin prohibits trailers carrying EWM from launching, a warden must witness the launch. It is not possible to have a warden watching every launch. This proposal would allow citation of any boat trailer owner carrying EWM on public roads and would help stop the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS).

**The Solution:** WHEREAS,

- 1. EWM is rapidly infesting Wisconsin waterbodies, impacting recreational use of our waters, the fishery and water quality.
- 2. Clean, healthy lakes and streams are important to Wisconsin's tourism, recreation and economy.
- 3. The primary means of infestation is by boat trailers.
- 4. Similar regulation of EWM in Minnesota counties has been very successful.
- 5. The State can better protect water quality and recreational use by prohibiting transportation of any Aquatic Invasive Species.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wisconsin Conservation Congress at its annual meeting in [XXXXXX] County supports *statewide* prohibition of the transportation of AIS on any Wisconsin roadway.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Wisconsin Conservation Congress at its annual meeting in [XXXXXX] County supports the timely *countywide* prohibition of the transportation of AIS on any [XXXXXX] County roadway until such time as the State of Wisconsin enacts said prohibition of AIS transport.

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