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### Title: Earn-A-Buck Alternative

**The Problem:**

The WDNR has attempted to stop the spread of CWD in southern Wisconsin by reducing the whitetail deer population thru the Earn-A-Buck program.

Over the past nine years the whitetail deer population in southern Wisconsin has declined considerably as a result of the Earn-A-Buck program. Many deer hunters' have discontinued deer hunting in southern Wisconsin due to the lack of whitetail deer.

Many deer hunters have limited time to hunt whitetail deer during the fall. Having to shoot an antlerless deer first to obtain a buck tag puts many deer hunters at a disadvantage when trying to harvest a buck within the CWD Management Zone.

Proper deer herd management, preservation of Wisconsin's deer hunting heritage, and fiscal responsibility are necessary for CWD control.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the WCC at its annual meeting held in <sup>DANE</sup> Jefferson County, WI on April 11, 2011, recommend that the WDNR take action to correct this situation by introducing the following rule change:

When a deer hunter purchases a deer hunting license (archery or firearm) their first CWD harvest permit would be an either sex tag. Once that same deer hunter has harvested their first deer, they may obtain another CWD harvest permit which at that point would be an antlerless only tag. That same deer hunter would need to harvest an antlerless deer in order to obtain another CWD either sex permit.

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