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Resolution

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Elimination of the 14" size limit on Largemouth Bass on the Lake Winnebago, Buttes des Mortes, Poygan and the Fox & Wolf Rivers

The Problem:

The current 14" size limit on largemouth bass restricts harvest of this abundant fish on the Winnebago System.

Whereas, Size limits on fish are imposed to allow fish to reach adult size and have to ability to reproduce.

Whereas, Size limits are imposed to restrict harvest activities that will have a detrimental affect on the overall population of a particular species of fish.

Whereas, The largemouth bass population on the Winnebago System is healthy and increasing.

Whereas, There is no documented scientific evidence that a 14" size limit is necessary to support a healthy population of largemouth bass on the Winnebago System.

Whereas, Eliminating the 14" size limit on the Winnebago System will provide increased angling harvest opportunity of this abundant resource.

Be it therefore resolved that the citizens of Fond du Lac County attending the Annual Spring Hearing on April 11, 2011 requests the Conservation Congress petition the Department of Natural Resources to remove the 14" size limit on Lake Winnebago, Poygan, Buttes des Mortes and the Fox & Wolf Rivers upstream to the first dam on each river.

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