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Resolution: Change opening day of Wolf Hunting and Trapping Season (Requires Legislation)

The Problem: Currently wolf hunting and trapping season opens October 15 each year. This opening date is too early as the wolf fur is of poor quality. Bird hunters and bear hunters are still in the woods with their dogs and dogs are getting caught in wolf traps. Also some black bears are getting caught in wolf traps. Also hunters and trappers are filling the wolf quota zones with early poorer quality wolves, the zones close early, not giving other wolf hunters and trappers with a wolf permit a chance to get a later quality wolf. Moving the season opener two weeks later would get better quality wolves harvested, and avoid a lot of conflicts with hunting dogs and bears.

Be it resolved that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Rock County on April 14, 2014 request that the Wisconsin State Legislature change the opening wolf season date to the Saturday closest to Nov. 1.



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