

Introduction of Lake Sturgeon into the Eagle River and Three Lakes Chain of Lakes, Vilas and Oneida Counties, Wisconsin.

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PROPOSAL

I believe stocking of small (10-12 inch) Lake Sturgeon into these lake and river chains would introduce an uncommon and unique fish species to new lake and river systems and offer protection of the species that may have future habitat issues in its present waters of the state. I believe this stocking could eventually offer a unique fishing and research study opportunity in this part of northern Wisconsin.

Lake Sturgeon stocked in the Eagle River Chain (Vilas County) could populate parts of the Wisconsin River and Eagle River above Otter Rapids Dam and the several lakes and streams associated with this system.

Fished released into the Three Lakes Chain (Oneida County) would occupy an area above the Burnt-Rollways Dam and associated lakes and streams up to and including the headwaters of the Eagle River.

I believe both of these lake systems have suitable habitat for successful growth and reproduction of this species.

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Conservation Congress work with the Wisconsin Sturgeon Management Team, established in 2000, to add these two water bodies to their list to establish a future self sustaining population of lake sturgeon.

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