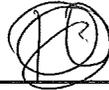


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Citizen Resolution #

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Democratizing Funding of the DNR and A First Time Democracy for Non-Hunting Citizens in Boards Governing our Commons

The DNR was structured on hunting and trapping license income as the major source of income from the beginning. It started when hunting was a survival food source. Now that hunting has morphed to recreational and trophy killing, and trapping for personal profit, the structure has remained special interest.

This funding structure excludes the 90% majority of wildlife watchers, hikers, and non-consumptive citizens from making any decisions about our public lands and waterways, forests, and wildlife.

Wildlife is only sold to death and not to life.

This system has a trajectory of the DNR recruiting more hunters and trappers to maintain a hunter stranglehold of control over policy. This causes massive suffering and death to millions of innocent wild animals. 90% of the general public do not kill anybody, and pay for more than 90% of our billions of dollars of public land investment, now dedicated primarily to killing interests.

The answer is democratic funding. Replace hunting and trapping license funding with general public funding. Wildlife watchers bring many times over the revenue of hunting licenses directly to state tax coffers. Redirect that tax income to fair participation in funding the DNR and proportionate representation on governing boards for non-consumptive citizens.

Public

advise the DNR

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Congress and DNR to take action to ~~draft~~ ~~legislation~~ to direct ~~wildlife~~ ~~watcher~~ tax revenue to replace killing licenses and five proportionate democratic representation on boards governing our commons.

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