

**NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** Commercial Recreation Specialist's will donate Seven (7) Aqualand Inflatable Pools valued at \$36,599.93 to be used as part of the Department's Urban Fishing Program in Southeast Region

**FOR:** FEBRUARY 2009 BOARD MEETING

**TO BE PRESENTED BY:**

Secretary Matt Frank

**SUMMARY:**

Commercial Recreation Specialists has offered to donate 7 Aqualand inflatable pools valued at \$36,599.93

Our Fisheries staff in the Southeast Region will use these pools to help teach new anglers the skills necessary to become a proficient angler as part of our Urban Fishing Program.

Some of the pools may also assist our Fish Propagation Program by providing a temporary holding area. With the advent of VHS (viral hemorrhagic septicemia), a deadly fish virus that may jeopardize fish populations, our hatchery system has been modifying their techniques to keep hatchery fish safe from this disease. By having these temporary holding areas at their disposal, it will give them the versatility to get the job done.

**RECOMMENDATION:** I recommend we accept this generous donation

**LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:**

No  Fiscal Estimate Required

Yes  Attached

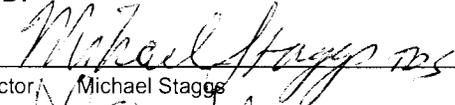
No  Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required

Yes  Attached

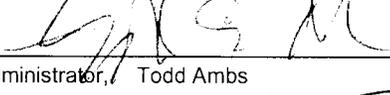
No  Background Memo

Yes  Attached

**APPROVED:**

  
Bureau Director, Michael Staggs

2-6-09  
Date

  
Administrator, Todd Ambs

2/12/09  
Date

  
Secretary, Matt Frank

2/12/09  
Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/8  
Michael Staggs-FH/4

## ***Acknowledgment of Gift***

This is to certify that at its February 2009 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of \$36,599.93 from

### **Commercial Recreation Specialists**

to be used to help teach new anglers the skills necessary to become a proficient angler as part of our Urban Fishing Program and some of the pools may also assist our Fish Propagation Program by providing a temporary holding area for the fish.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

*Natural Resources Board*

Christine Thomas, CHAIR