

**SUBJECT:** Investing in Wisconsin's Whitetails

**FOR:** FEBRUARY, 2010 BOARD MEETING

**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** Keith Warnke, Big Game Biologist

**SUMMARY:**

The department will be unveiling a new document describing investments in Wisconsin's deer herd at the February Natural Resources Board meeting. This document describes a wide range of actions the department is taking to: implement the recommendations of the Sex-Age-Kill model audit, learn more about limiting factors on deer populations and hunter retention; and involve hunters in monitoring deer populations and hunting conditions.

A boost in federal funding has enhanced our ability to conduct these actions over the next couple years. The department will be looking for partners to help carry out these efforts.

**RECOMMENDATION:** This item is informational. No action is needed.

**LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:**

- No  Fiscal Estimate Required
- No  Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required
- No  Background Memo

- Yes  Attached
- Yes  Attached
- Yes  Attached

**APPROVED:**

Tom Hauge  
Bureau Director,

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Date

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Administrator,

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Date

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