

**Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resources Board Agenda Item**

SUBJECT: Donation acceptance – Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc.

Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. will donate a Bobcat Tool Cat valued at the amount of \$59,400 and an additional cash donation of \$8,600. This donation will be used to help maintain the Badger State Trail throughout the year for the enjoyment of hikers, bicyclists and snowmobilers.

FOR: January 2014 Board meeting

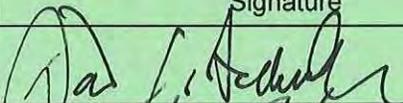
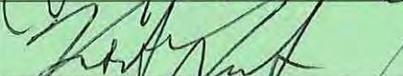
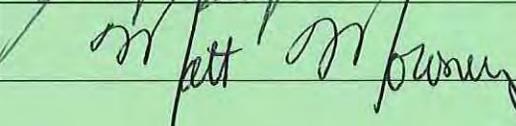
TO BE PRESENTED BY: Secretary Stepp

SUMMARY:

The Badger State Trail travels 40 miles through farmlands, woods, rolling hills, scenic meadows, remnant prairies, ravines, glacial topography and several small communities, connecting the City of Madison with the Wisconsin - Illinois border. At the Illinois border the Badger State Trail connects to the Jane Addams Trail which continues to Freeport, Illinois. The Badger State Trail is open for hiking, bicycling, snowmobiling and limited ATV use in the winter and connects to the Capitol City, Military Ridge and Sugar River state trails.

Within the City of Monroe, this trail crosses over 8th Street, where the City and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation have recently completed a project replacing the trail bridge over 8th Street to increase the clearance under the bridge for vehicle traffic. Unfortunately, the new trail bridge is a box structure with a vertical limit of approximately 8.5 feet, restricting maintenance and snowgrooming equipment from utilizing the new bridge. In order for the bridge to remain in place, Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. would like to donate a Bobcat Tool Cat model number 5610 and an additional funding to assist in covering operational cost of this piece of equipment. The Bobcat Tool Cat has a low profile which will allow it to fit under the existing bridge. The Tool Cat can accommodate a number of different attachments, making it extremely versatile and useful year-round when maintaining the trail.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board accept the generous donation of a Bobcat Tool Cat valued at the amount of \$59,400 and an additional cash donation of \$8,600 from Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc.

Approved by	Signature	Date
Dan Schuller, Bureau Director		12/12/13
Kurt Thiede, Administrator		12/15/13
Cathy Stepp, Secretary		12/19/13

cc: Board Liaison - AD/8
Department rule coordinator – LS/8

Acknowledgment of Gift

This is to certify that at its January 2014 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of a Bobcat Tool Cat valued at the amount of \$59,400 and an additional cash donation of \$8,600 from:

Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc.

This donation will be used to help maintain the Badger State Trail throughout the year for the enjoyment of hikers, bicyclists and snowmobilers.

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

Preston D. Cole, Chair