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Lead Reclamation

Lead bullets and shot are left over from practice and target shooting. They do not cause any problems if the lead is managed correctly and does not cause serious contamination. Lead can be neutralized from entering in our environment by very simple steps. The methods that can be used to continue lead reclamation are called an "Environmental Stewardship Plan."

Some of the federal laws shooting ranges should be aware of the Clean Water Act, (CWA); Resource Conservation and Resource Act, (RCRA); Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, (CERCLA), aka (*super fund*). The Environmental Protection Agency does have the power to prosecute violations and enforce these Acts.

Most of the sportsmen and women, and the public do not know when they are questioned what these Acts are about and how they are enforced. A question that is printed on many forms on Wisconsin DNR applications state "*Is documentation of lead reclamation activities conducted in the last 10 years included with application?*" Is this being followed?

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting in Bayfield County on April 11th, 2016 recommends the Conservation Congress work with the Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Sportsmen/Women Clubs and other organizations to start this training for Environmental Stewardship Plans and make it available statewide. The program would be voluntary at this time.

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