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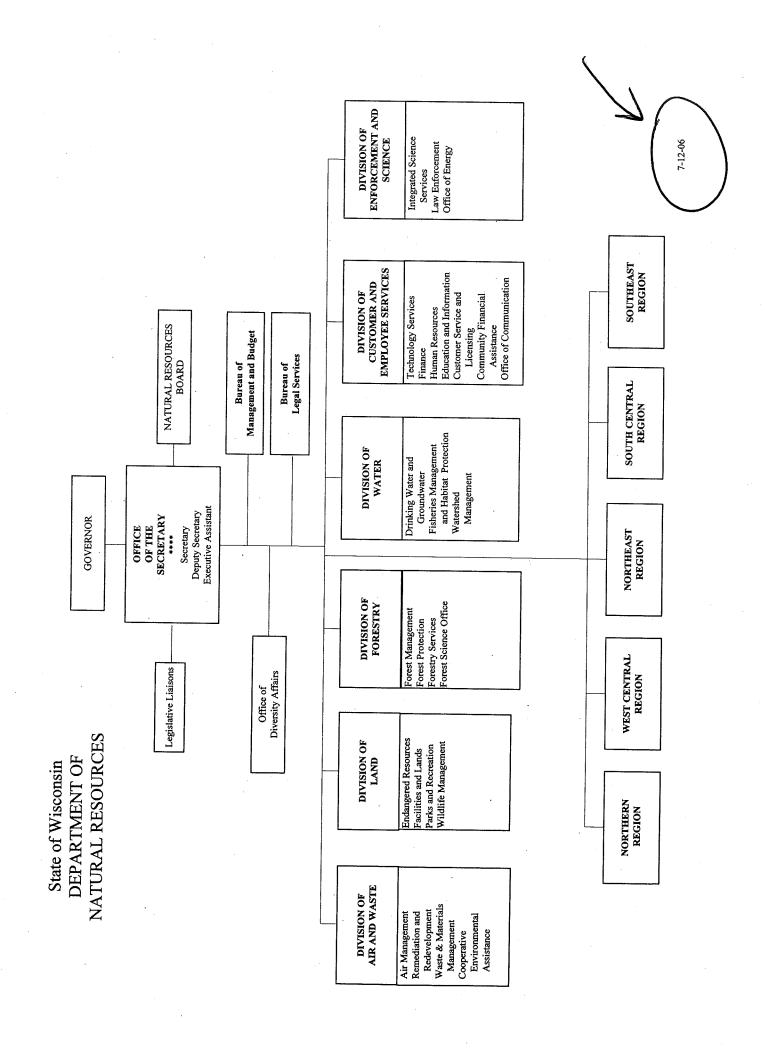
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January 18, 2007 For Immediate Release Contact: Senator Mark Miller

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SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE ADVANCES DNR BOARD APPOINTEES

The Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, chaired by Sen. Mark Miller (D-Monona) today voted unanimously to recommend the confirmation of three appointments by Governor Jim Doyle to the Natural Resources Board. The appointees now go before the full Senate for its consideration.

The Natural Resources Board helps direct policy for the Department of Natural Resources.

Joining Committee Chair Sen. Miller on the committee are Sen. Bob Jauch, Vice-Chair (D-Poplar), Sen. Bob Wirch (D-Pleasant Prairie), Sen. Neal Kedzie (R-Elkhorn) and Sen. Dale Schultz (R-Richland Center).

The new committee chair hailed the committee's work. "Today was a successful first meeting of our committee. We accepted our responsibility as members of the committee charged with overseeing legislation on the environment and reviewing and voting on gubernatorial appointments," Sen. Miller said. "The governor's three appointments to the Natural Resources Board are experienced, knowledgeable people and will serve our state well.

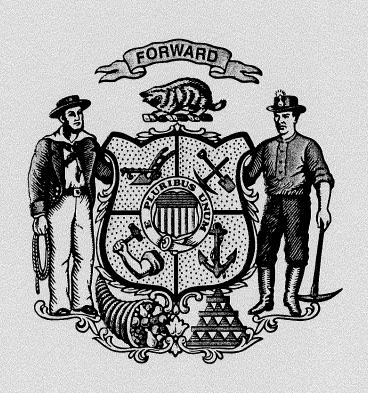
"I am excited to get our committee work underway. We have a good committee with dedicated members from both parties. I anticipate we will all work well together in support of our states natural resources," Miller said.

The three appointments to the Natural Resources Board advanced today by the senate committee include:

- Dave Clausen, of Amery, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2007.
- Jane Wiley, of Wausau, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2009.
- John W. Welter, of Eau Claire, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2005 and then to serve for the term ending May 1, 2011.

Department of Natural Resources Secretary Scott Hassett also provided an overview of the department to the new senate committee.

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February 19, 2007

Senator Mark Miller, Chair Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Room 409 South, State Capitol P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882

Subject: Fish Stocking

Dear Senator Miller:

As requested at the January 18, 2007 Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources hearing, I am enclosing additional information on state and private fish stocking activities. Attached you will find tables listing the stocking done by Wisconsin DNR hatcheries, ponds, and cooperative facilities during the 2005 and 2006 fiscal years. This link will provide stocking information for individual waterbodies in Wisconsin: http://infotrek.er.usgs.gov/wdnr public/.

Also attached is a copy of fish stocking permits issued to private citizens and filled by private hatcheries during the 2005 and 2006 fiscal year. The data is compiled in separate tables for game fish and bait fish. Although we do occasionally deny or modify a private stocking permit request because the stocking might harm the receiving water, significant private fish stocking is occurring in Wisconsin waters. During fiscal year 2005, 341 permits were issued for stocking 1.62 million gamefish and 16,000 pounds of baitfish. Although not all of the fiscal year 2006 data has been reported yet, at least 174 permits were issued for stocking 1.57 million gamefish and 4,500 pounds of baitfish. We are also working with the Wisconsin Aquaculture Association on a standard cooperative agreement contract that will expedite filling additional public water stocking needs.

I hope that this information meets your needs. If you have any questions about this information, please feel free to contact me or our Fisheries Management Bureau Director, Mike Staggs, at 267-0796.

Sincerely,

Scott Hassett Secretary

cc: Sen. Robert Jauch

Sen. Robert Wirch Sen. Neil Kedzie Sen. Dale Schultz

Mike Staggs, DNR-FH/4

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Summary of number and pounds of fish stocked by species for July 01, 2004 thru June 30, 2005 from DNR Hatcheries, DNR Ponds, and DNR Coop Ponds

Species	No. Stocked	Lbs. Stocked
BROOK TROUT	226,546	33,004
BROWN TROUT	2,307,353	243,740
CHINOOK SALMON	1,720,656	21,848
COHO SALMON	576,288	46,767
LAKE STURGEON	33,829	1,029
LAKE TROUT	159,049	12,228
LARGEMOUTH BASS	323,465	904
MUSKELLUNGE	1,343,175	21,800
NORTHERN PIKE	3,397,607	589
RAINBOW TROUT	756,358	82,551
SAUGER	350	35
SMALLMOUTH BASS	13,940	422
SPLAKE	76,070	5,933
SPLAKE (122 X 123)	57,165	7,793
WALLEYE	20,226,969	10,843
WHITE SUCKER	31,000	1

Summary of number and pounds of fish stocked by species for July 01, 2005 thru June 30, 2006 from DNR Hatcheries, DNR Ponds, and DNR Coop Ponds

Species	No. Stocked	Lbs. Stocked
BROOK TROUT	352,722	. 57,048
BROWN TROUT	2,580,562	249,492
CHINOOK SALMON	1,411,968	17,202
COHO SALMON	472,709	33,708
LAKE STURGEON	46,795	941
LAKE TROUT	163,070	13,785
MUSKELLUNGE	265,972	25,697
NORTHERN PIKE	622,744	3,665
RAINBOW TROUT	867,492	98,200
SPLAKE (122 X 123)	47,516	5,445
WALLEYE	18,106,843	12,914
WHITE SUCKER	7,756	800

Number of gamefish stocked by species during the 2005 and 2006 fiscal years by Private Fish Hatcheries

Species	No. Stocked	Fiscal Year
Black Crappie	15,575	2005
Bluegill	54,875	2005
Brook Trout	17,412	2005
Brown Trout	17,785	2005
Channel Catfish	472	2005
Hybrid Bluegill	9,744	2005
Largemouth Bass	6,803	2005
Muskellunge	3,850	2005
Northern Pike	105,421	2005
Rainbow Trout	27,520	2005
Smallmouth Bass	1,676	2005
Walleye	1,210,187	2005
Yellow Perch	147,945	2005
Black Crappie	37,615	2006
Bluegill	11,229	2006
Brook Trout	8,600	2006
Brown Trout	13,675	2006
Channel Catfish	432	2006
Hybrid Bluegill	3,811	2006
Largemouth Bass	4,427	2006
Muskellunge	1,292	2006
Northern Pike	2,422	2006
Rainbow Trout	12,885	2006
Smallmouth Bass	525	2006
Walleye	1,458,104	2006
Yellow Perch	12,065	2006

Number of baitfish stocked by species during the 2005 and 2006 fiscal years by Private Fish Hatcheries

Species	Amount Stocked		Fiscal Year
Black Bullhead	7,200	pounds	2005
Fathead Minnow	8,090	pounds	2005
Golden Shiner	208	pounds	2005
White suckers	587	quarts	2005
Fathead Minnows	4,332	pounds	2006
Golden Shiner	10	pounds	2006
White Sucker	175	quarts	2006





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Hearing Notes August 28, 2007

Call Public Hearing to Order and ask Clerk to call the roll

- ROLL CALL
- 1. SB 198 hunting of deer during the open bow hunting season
- Turn gavel to Sen. Jauch
- Sen. Miller testify
- 2. SB 197 restrictions on the use and sale of fertilizer containing phosphorus and other lawn fertilizer and providing a penalty.
- Turn gavel to Sen. Jauch
- Sen. Miller & Rep. Bies testify
- 3. CR 07-034 relating to groundwater quality standards
- DNR to testify first

Public Hearing concludes, adjourn meeting.





Hearing Notes September 25, 2007

Call Public Hearing to Order and ask Clerk to call the roll

- ROLL CALL
- 1. Appointment of Preston Cole, to serve on the Natural Resources Board for a term ending May 1, 2013
- Preston Cole to testify
- 2. Appointment of Celestine Jeffreys, to serve on the Fox River Navigational System Authority for a term ending July 1, 2008
- Celestine Jeffreys to testify
- 3. SB 81, the Wisconsin Safe Climate Act, relating to management of greenhouse gases, granting rule0making authority and providing penalties
- Sen. Miller and Rep. Black to testify
- Lt. Governor Lawton to testify
- Order of coalition support:
 - Business Paul Linzmeyer (Bay Towel), Craig Tarr (Renewable Energy expert)
 - Health Dr. Bruce Barret, Dr. Karin Ringler, Amy Schulz, RN
 - Agriculture Patty Edelburg (Dairy Farmer, Scandinavia, WI),
 Darin Von Ruden (Farmer, LaCrosse)
 - Faith Dr. Wayne Stoessner (WICEC), Sister Janet Weyker (Racine Dominican Eco-Justice Center)
 - Civic Jen Jackson (Kenosha County Board),
 - Wildlife & Recreation George Meyer and Don Hammes (WI Wildlife Federation)
 - Student Tony Uhl (UW Madison)
 - Interest group Andrea Kaminski (League of Women Voters)

- Doug Drale

Public Hearing concludes, adjourn meeting.





Hearing Notes October 9, 2007

Call Public Hearing to Order and ask Clerk to call the roll

- ROLL CALL
- 1. Appointment of Matt Frank, to serve as Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources for a term ending at the pleasure of the Governor
- Matt Frank to testify

[Call Rep. Gunderson, 6-3363 for SB 274]

- 2. SB 274, relating to restrictions relating to soil testing and the installation, design, maintenance, repair, and sale of private sewage systems and providing a penalty
- Sen. Miller to testify possibly Rep. Gunderson as well
- WOWRA to testify
- 3. SB 208, relating to the leasing of land in the Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest for the purposes of gravel extraction
- Sen. Breske may testify, although he has a speech in Stevens Point in the morning
- DNR to testify

Public Hearing concludes, adjourn meeting.





Hearing Notes October 11, 2007

Call Executive Session to Order and ask Clerk to call the roll

ROLL CALL

Appointment of Preston Cole as a member of the Natural Resources Board, to serve for a term ending May 1, 2013

- MOTION FOR RECOMMENDATION FOR CONFIRMATION.
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLL CALL

Appointment of Celestine Jeffreys as a member of the Fox River Navigational System Authority, to serve for a term ending July 1, 2008

- MOTION FOR RECOMMENDATION FOR CONFIRMATION
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLL CALL

SB 198

Relating to: hunting of deer during the open bow hunting season

- MOTION FOR PASSAGE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLL CALL

SB 15

Relating to: the appointment of the secretary of natural resources

- MOTION FOR PASSAGE
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION

• ROLL CALL

Amendment to SB 15

- MOTION FOR ADOPTION
- SECOND
- DISCUSSION
- ROLL CALL

Adjourn Executive Session