2009 WISCONSIN ACT 7

AN ACT to renumber and amend 30.26 (2); to repeal and recreate 30.26 (4) (title); and to create 30.26 (2) (a) 3. and 30.26 (5) of the statutes; relating to: designating a portion of the Brunsweiler River as a wild river.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 30.26 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 30.26 (2) (a) (intro.) and amended to read:

30.26 (2) (a) (intro.) The following rivers, or portions of rivers, are designated as wild rivers:

1. The Pike River in Marinette County, and the
2. The Pine River and its tributary Popple River in Florence and Forest counties are designated as wild rivers.

(b) The rivers designated under par. (a) shall receive special management to assure their preservation, protection and enhancement of their natural beauty, and their unique recreational and other inherent values in accordance with guidelines outlined in this section.

SECTION 2. 30.26 (2) (a) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

30.26 (2) (a) 3. The portion of the Brunsweiler River, described as follows: from the point at which the Brunsweiler River leaves the SW−1/4 of the SW−1/4 of Sec. 22, T. 44 N., R. 4 W. downstream to the point at which the Brunsweiler River crosses the boundary of the Chequamegon–Nicolet National Forest in the NW−1/4 of Sec. 22, T. 45 N., R. 4 W. This portion of the Brunsweiler River shall be known as the “Martin Hanson Wild River”.

SECTION 3. 30.26 (4) (title) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

30.26 (4) (title) SNOWMOBILES AND ALL-TERAIN VEHICLES.

SECTION 4. 30.26 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

30.26 (5) BRUNSWEILER RIVER. (a) As part of the management of the designated portion of the Brunsweiler River, all of the following shall apply:

1. The U.S. forest service may maintain the dam that impounds Beaver Dam Lake that is in place on the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date]. If the U.S. forest service receives authorization from the department to abandon the dam, the department may carry out restoration activities to restore the natural appearance of the lake and the river.

2. The U.S. forest service may maintain or replace the boat landing on Mineral Lake that is in place on the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date].

3. Any pier that is in place on the river on the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date], may be maintained or replaced. A replacement pier may have no more boat slips than did the original pier. A replacement pier shall either be limited to the dimensions of the original pier or the dimension requirements specified in s. 30.12 (1g) (f), whichever dimensions result in a smaller square area for the pier and any accompanying platform.

(b) Compliance with any applicable permitting or other requirements under chs. 30 and 31 is required for
the maintenance and replacement activities authorized under this subsection.