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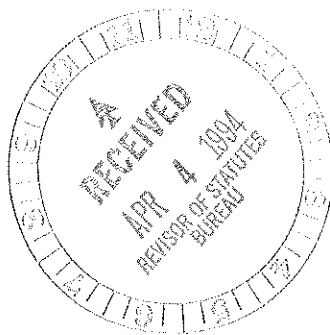
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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, George E. Meyer, Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed copy of Natural Resources Board Order No. LE-38-93 was duly approved and adopted by this Department on January 27, 1994. I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at the Natural Resources Building in the City of Madison, this 24<sup>TH</sup> day of March, 1994.

*George E. Meyer*  
George E. Meyer, Secretary

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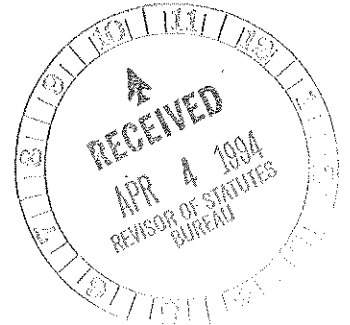
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ORDER OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD  
AMENDING AND REPEALING AND RECREATING RULES

IN THE MATTER of amending  
s. NR 50.17(4)(d) and repealing  
and recreating s. NR 50.17(3) of  
the Wisconsin Administrative Code  
pertaining to administration of  
outdoor recreation program grants  
and state-aid for shooting range  
development.

LE-38-93



Analysis prepared by Department of Natural Resources

Statutory authority: s. 23.09(2), Stats.

Statutes interpreted: ss. 23.09(2)(d)3 and 23.09(2)(h), Stats.

Each year Wisconsin, as well as other states, receives federal aid monies from the taxes on hunting equipment known as Pittman-Robertson funding. A portion of the money received is allocated to hunter education. Funding construction of shooting ranges is a permissible use of this allocation.

In 1985, s. NR 50.17, Wis. Adm. Code was created to develop standards of eligibility for this funding. At that time, priority for the funding was given to major metropolitan areas. Since 1985, 5 ranges have been selected in major metropolitan areas. During the same period, many smaller communities have been denied funding because of this requirement. By amending NR 50.17 to provide 20% of the funding to smaller communities and 80% to major metropolitan areas, there will be greater opportunity to establish ranges throughout the state.

Currently this rule requires sponsors to demonstrate an ability to operate the range for 15 years. This amendment extends this period to 20 years and requires an agreement to provide availability to the Hunter Education Program during this period.

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SECTION 1. NR 50.17(3) is repealed and recreated to read:

NR 50.17(3) BIENNIAL ALLOTMENT. (a) On July 1 of each odd-numbered year, the secretary shall establish an allotment available as matching funds for shooting range construction. Funding shall be a portion of 16 USC s. 669, et seq. money returned to the state allocated for hunter education. This allotment shall be separate from funding used to construct shooting ranges on land owned by the state of Wisconsin.

(b) Fifty percent of approved eligible project costs may be funded.

(c) Twenty percent of the established allotment may be exempted from the provisions of sub. (4)(c)1 if used to fund range projects which can be developed with not more than 10% of the total established allotment.

SECTION 2. NR 50.17(4)(d) is amended to read:

NR 50.17(4)(d) Sponsors shall demonstrate an ability to operate the range for ~~15 years~~ at least 20 years and shall contract with the state of Wisconsin for use by the hunter education program during this period.

The foregoing rule was approved and adopted by the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board on January 27, 1994.

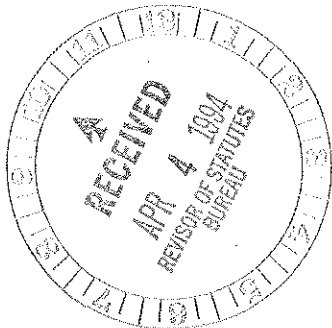
The rule shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin administrative register in s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin

3/24/94

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By George E. Meyer  
George E. Meyer, Secretary



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