

NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Retirement Resolution - Allan K. Swenson

FOR: DECEMBER 2008 BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Matt Frank

SUMMARY:

Allan Swenson will retire after more than 30 years of service to the citizens of the state of Wisconsin

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Retirement Resolution for Allan Swenson

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:

- No Fiscal Estimate Required
- No Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required
- No Background Memo

- Yes Attached
- Yes Attached
- Yes Attached

APPROVED:



 Regional Director,

09-30-2008

 Date

 Administrator,

 Date

 Secretary, Matt Frank

 Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/8

cc: Susan Krantz NOR-Spooner

Retirement Resolution

Allan K. Swenson retired from the Department of Natural Resources on August 8, 2008 with 30 years of dedicated service to the State of Wisconsin.

Al began his career with the Department in 1978 as a Seasonal Natural Resource Assistant in the North Central District at the Sandhill-Meadow Valley Work Unit. In April of 1979 Al moved up north and took a Seasonal Position at the Woodruff State Fish Hatchery, now the Art Oehmcke State Fish Hatchery, and devoted the rest of his career to the fish propagation program at Woodruff.

Al held positions as a Natural Resource Assistant II, Fish Propagation Technician II, and as a Fisheries Technician. He possessed a variety of abilities and valuable qualities used to meet the job requirements that were his responsibility. His work, whether in the field or in the hatchery, contributed greatly to the production of walleye and muskellunge required to meet the management needs of Wisconsin's waters.

Al's work involved a variety of tasks. His outdoor work found him performing an important role in egg taking operations, collection of minnows for forage, rearing operations, harvesting, and stocking of fingerling muskellunge and walleye. When not in the field, his skills were directed to incubating and hatching operations, net repair and construction, and general hatchery and equipment maintenance.

Al's skills, knowledge, and experience, along with genuine dedication to the hatchery program, materially contributed to the success of walleye and muskellunge production at the Art Oehmcke SFH. His work helped produce fish that met the needs of Wisconsin's angling public. The anglers who fish the waters of the state are the beneficiaries of Al's contributions to the fisheries program.

WHEREAS, Allan K. Swenson has served the people of the State of Wisconsin faithfully and well in the performance of duties and has thus earned the commendation due an exemplary public employee;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Natural Resources Board at its December 2008 meeting at Madison, Wisconsin, recognizes such faithful service with due respect and gratitude, and hereby makes this commendation a part of its official records.

Natural Resources Board

Christine Thomas, CHAIR