

**NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** The Jackson County Wildlife Fund will donate \$20,000 to restore the Lowe Creek ponds

**FOR:** JUNE 2009 **BOARD MEETING**

**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** Secretary Matt Frank

**SUMMARY:**

The Jackson County Wildlife Fund organization has offered to donate \$20,000 to be used to restoring the Lowe Creek ponds. Local residents were not in favor of removing the ponds, they saw the ponds as a recreational asset to the community and beneficial for wildlife. These scrapes are not connected to Lowe Creek. Pete Segerson, West Central Regional Field Op Supervisor, estimated total project costs for his heavy equipment crew to complete the project. The option was presented to the Jackson County Wildlife organization and they accepted the plan and offered to pay for the project. All permits for the project are completed. Work will commence in 2009.

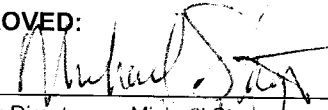
**RECOMMENDATION:** I recommend we accept this generous offer.

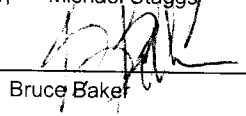
**LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:**


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

- Yes  Attached
- Yes  Attached
- Yes  Attached

**APPROVED:**

  
 Bureau Director, Michael Staggs

  
 Administrator, Bruce Baker

  
 Secretary, Matt Frank

5-21-09  
 Date

5/22/09  
 Date

6-1-09  
 Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/8  
 Dan Hatleli-Black River Falls

## *Acknowledgment of Gift*

This is to certify that at its June 2009 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of \$20,000 from

### **Jackson County Wildlife Fund**

to be used in restoring the Lowe Creek ponds in Jackson County, Hixton, Wisconsin.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

*Natural Resources Board*

Christine Thomas, CHAIR