

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

## for Wisconsin Conservation Congress meetings

The Wisconsin Conservation Congress revolves around public input. The public is welcome to attend any WCC meeting and can provide input at committee meetings. Citizens may speak at committee meetings or simply submit written comments about issues that come before the committee.

### What is appropriate for a public appearance?

A public appearance means testifying on items that **ARE** on the current committee agenda.

Public appearances **cannot** be made on the following:

- agenda items that are presented for information only on which the committee takes no action.

### Public Appearance Guidelines

- Speakers may comment during the Public Comment period.
- Organizations are limited to two spokesperson per agenda item.
- You will have a maximum time limit of 3 minutes, set by the Chair.
- Committee members may ask you questions after your presentation.
  - If you wish to speak on a more complex issue, consider emailing or mailing written comments to the committee for review prior to the WCC meeting.



### Appropriate Public Discourse



The WCC provides an avenue for the public to provide input concerning conservation issues. The WCC welcomes all viewpoints and recognizes the importance of hearing a variety of perspectives to informed decision-making. Those who wish to provide comments at a WCC meeting are reminded that comments should remain respectful, factual and on topic.