

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee
Initiated by

Public Works Committee
& Parks Advisory Committee
Submitted by



Lori Williams, Parks Director
Drafted by

July 18, 2013
Date Drafted

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION WITH WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR COUNTY FISH AND GAME PROJECT GRANT FUNDS

1 **WHEREAS**, the legislature of the State of Wisconsin enacted legislation providing for allocation to the
 2 respective counties in the state on an acreage basis for the county fish and game projects on the condition
 3 that the counties match the state allocation; and
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 5 **WHEREAS**, Rock County desires to participate in county fish and game projects pursuant to provisions of
 6 s.23.09(12) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
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 8 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 12
 9 day of September, 2013, hereby authorizes the Parks Director to act on behalf of Rock County to submit a
 10 state grant application to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for 2014 financial aid for
 11 county fish and game projects; sign documents; and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete
 12 the application.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution only authorizes an application for a grant and, therefore, has no fiscal impact at this time. If a grant is awarded, a subsequent resolution would be required to accept the grant and amend the budget.

LEGAL NOTE:

The authority to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats., necessarily implies the authority to make application for such funds.

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- EXECUTIVE SUMMARY -

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Each Wisconsin County is allocated a certain amount of money annually to fund small projects on a 50/50 match basis. Rock County has been allotted \$1,927 in 2014, but additional funds may be available and will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis. Rock County Parks plans to apply for an additional \$1,073, for a total grant of \$3,000.

Parks plans to access this funding source to help pay for invasive species control at Carver-Roehl Park. Though this funding source requires a 50% match by the County, all time and materials supplied by the Parks and Highway Divisions, as well as other community resources may be used as in-kind match. The Friends of Carver-Roehl Park and the Sheriff Department's Workender Program (people who owe community service) have assisted with this project in the past and have expressed a strong interest in continuing the effort.

The main species to be targeted using this grant is garlic mustard. For the past two years, the contractor hired has also treated dame's rocket, and last year they discovered and treated a few Japanese barberry plants.

For the past few years, we have used these funds for garlic mustard control in Carver-Roehl Park, and we're starting to achieve a noticeable reduction of the invasive species. However, we still have a long way to go in eradicating this invasive in Carver-Roehl, so it is imperative that we continue these control efforts at Carver-Roehl, especially now that it is a State Natural Area.