

# Citizen Resolution # 580322

(For Hearing Officer completion)



## Delegate status of graduating Youth Conservation delegates

So far the Youth Conservation Congress has been a big success in stimulating youth interest in the WCC. Under current rules high school seniors pass out of the core student program when they turn 18. There are efforts underway to extend that tenure with some sort of program to keep the YCC delegates involved as mentors for the younger youth delegates within the youth program. That is a great idea and is likely to happen. But what about running as a County WCC delegate? Graduating youth delegates are currently free to do so. However, many/most County delegate slots are comprised of veteran delegates with long tenures, who in many cases serve until they die. When that happens a new slot opens, for any county resident who wishes to serve, YCC graduates included. But that can take many years, in which case interest wanes and youth recruitment momentum is lost. What good is a recruitment program if there isn't any? As a solution, we propose that a youth delegate graduate position be created at the County level. One per county for every County which has produced or will produce graduates of the YCC. Only graduates of the YCC eligible. If we are grooming talent to keep the WCC active and relative, we should be putting that talent and energy to work, fully, and right away as an active and influential WCC County Delegate.

## Would you support creation of one more County delegate slot, reserved for graduates of the Youth Conservation Congress

Additional Information provided by author:

Here I mean up to one per county. At this time about half the Counties actually have youth delegates, with 12 graduating to WCC eligibility, this year. Over time, this strategy could increase WCC delegate membership from 360 statewide, to 432 statewide. A significant increase in youth recruitment - about 15%.

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