

Citizen Resolution # 690523



Resume Bear Trapping In Wisconsin-Cable trap

Bear trapping was suspended in Wisconsin in 1957. The population was small, and sentiment shifted away from a focus on eradicating bears throughout the state.

Today, bears have robust numbers, and management of the population is necessary to prevent too many conflicts. Many things have changed with trapping as well, those old steel traps many think of are just scrap metal.

In Wisconsin, trapping could be another safe option that is an alternative to hound hunting, and could use far less bait than the current bait and shoot methods - reducing the impact of baiting and hounds on non-target species.

Maine currently allows trapping by cable trap or a live cage trap, and it continues to be very effective. Special training is required just for bear to ensure proper techniques.

Would you support harvesting of a bear where a person is allowed 1 cable trap with specific requirements and high monitoring requirements?

Additional Information provided by author:

Submitting Author:

Peter Fournier

N11376 County Hwy E

Tigerton, WI 54486

(715) 754-2407

peter_fournier@yahoo.com

Waupaca County

Resolutions introduced at each Spring Hearing are public documents under Wisconsin's Open Records law [ss. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.] and will be posted online for the public to review. Any personally identifiable information will be available to the public but will only be used by the Department for administrative purposes.