



AMENDED BY COUNTY BOARD

RESOLUTION # 33-8/10

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM # 8/15

BOARD ACTION

Adopted:
For: 3-3
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 2
Vote Req:
Other Action:

AMENDED

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:
For: 7-
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: -

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:
For: 8-
Against: -
Abstain: -
Abs/Excd: 1

RE: SUPPORT FOR ELIMINATION OF POTENTIAL OF THE ASIAN CARP SPREAD INTO THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND SURROUNDING WATERSHEDS

WHEREAS, the spread of the Asian Carp throughout the Great Lakes has received a great deal of attention, with little acknowledgement that the Asian carp has also been caught by commercial fishermen in the Mississippi River over the past two years; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Biologists believe these Asian Carp have passed through the dams in the pools south of La Crosse during the 2007/2008 floods and these exotic species pose a huge threat to recreational boaters and fisherpersons as well as native aquatic habitats, threatening the multi-billion dollar commercial & recreational fishing industry; and

WHEREAS, if the Asian carp establishes a significant presence in the Mississippi River Basin, they will negatively affect the entire Great Lakes ecosystem, including inland lake tributary river systems.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors supports the efforts by the Attorney General to pursue legal remedies to stop Asian carp from entering Lake Michigan and urges the AG to also pursue legal remedies to protect the Mississippi River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors urges the Governor of Wisconsin to address the United States Congress to support studies that find ways to biologically separate Asian carp from entering the Mississippi River through dams and tributary river systems.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to PRESIDENT OBAMA, U.S. Senators Kohl and Feingold, U.S. Representative Kind, Governor Doyle, the Wisconsin Attorney General, La Crosse County State legislative representatives, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all Wisconsin counties urging adoption of a similar resolution.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no direct impact to the County Budget.

Date: August 9, 2010

Date: 8-11-10

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

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	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	SO/ma	_____	_____	Requested By: Bill Brockmiller Date Requested: July 21, 2010 Drafted By: Steve O'Malley
Fin. Director	GI/mr	_____	_____	
Corp. Counsel	WAS/ma	_____	_____	
Board Chair	SD/ma	_____	_____	

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 19TH Day of AUGUST, 2010

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Linda A. Stone, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 19th day of August, 2010.

Linda A. Stone
Linda A. Stone, La Crosse County Clerk