



**RESOLUTION # 1 - 4/12**

**ITEM # 4-18**

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 25  
Against: 1  
Abstain: 1  
Abs/Excd: 4  
Vote Req: 1  
Other Action: -

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD ACTION**

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

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

**RE: REQUEST WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO DO A HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF FRAC SAND MINING ON PUBLIC HEALTH**

**WHEREAS**, crystalline forms of silica meet the definition of a known carcinogenic air pollutant as defined in Wisconsin's Air Toxic Rule, Chapter NR445 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code; and,

**WHEREAS**, exposure studies have found crystalline silica is a cause of silicosis, an incurable, chronic and progressive lung disease; and,

**WHEREAS**, mining and rock crushing are among the most well-known sources of crystalline silica; and,

**WHEREAS**, no crystalline silica air monitoring data exists in Wisconsin; and,


**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin DNR Silica Study published on Aug. 30, 2011 stated it is currently unknown whether emissions from large sources in Wisconsin are high enough and whether people are close enough to have significant exposures; and,

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to study the effects on public health from crystalline silica exposure associated with frac sand mining and transportation.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board does hereby encourage Gov. Walker, Sen. Shilling, Reps. Doyle and Billings and the Wisconsin Counties Association to support requiring the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to conduct a health impact assessment of frac sand mining hazards and to develop recommendations for actions to protect public health if needed.

**FISCAL NOTE:** No cost to the County of La Crosse with passage of this resolution.

Date: April 10, 2012

  
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD  
CHAIR

Date: April 10, 2012

  
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.	<u>50</u>	_____	_____
Fin. Director	<u>62</u>	_____	_____
Corp. Counsel	<u>22</u>	_____	_____
Board Chair	<u>8</u>	_____	_____

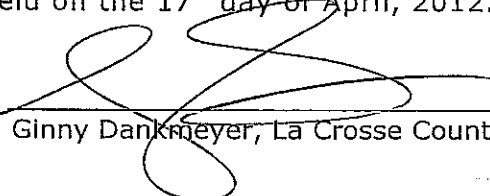
Requested By: Doug Mormann  
Date Requested: March 30, 2012  
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 17 Day of April, 2012

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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk