RESOLUTION #

**Resolution Approving a Cooperative Agreement with Upper Sugar River Watershed Association and Authorizing** **Submission of the Lake Monitoring and Protection Network Grant Application**

Resolution offered by the Land Resources and Extension Committee

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Sauk County, Wisconsin:

**BACKGROUND:** Being fortunate to have an abundance of water resources, Sauk County recognizes the negative impacts aquatic invasive species can have on rivers, lakes, and streams. Prevention measures along with outreach and educational programming are critical components to protecting our water resources. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources administers the Lake Monitoring and Protection Network grant program that supports efforts to protect water resources, including watercraft inspection, monitoring, and early detection of aquatic invasive species, and other activities related to aquatic invasive species prevention.

Each year, a predetermined funding amount is allocated to each county and counties have the option to receive the funds directly or designate an agent to accept those funds and implement these activities on the county’s behalf. The Upper Sugar River Watershed Association (USRWA) acts as the designated agent for Sauk County, utilizing the funding to provide invasive species outreach and education to Sauk County residents. An updated Cooperative Agreement is attached (Exhibit A), which outlines the responsibilities of the county and USRWA from January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2027. The Cooperative Agreement must be approved and executed in order for the Upper Sugar River Watershed Association to receive surface water grant funding for aquatic invasive species outreach and education projects completed in Sauk County. In order to receive and accept funds, Sauk County must also submit a Lake Monitoring and Protection Network grant application.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, met in regular session, approves the Cooperative Agreement (Exhibit A) and authorizes the Administrator to submit the Lake Monitoring and Protection Network grant application.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Resources and Extension Committee, this 15th day of October 2024.

Consent Agenda Item: [ ] YES [ ] NO

Fiscal Impact: [X] None [ ] Budgeted Expenditure [ ] Not Budgeted

Vote Required: Majority = \_\_\_\_\_ 2/3 Majority = \_\_\_\_\_ 3/4 Majority = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Offered and passage moved by: **Land Resources and Extension**

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Marty Krueger, Chair

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Dennis Polivka, Vice Chair

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Brandon Lohr

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Lynn Eberl

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Valerie McAuliffe

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Peter Kinsman

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Robert Prosser

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Robert Spencer

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Randy Puttkamer

Fiscal Note: As the designated agent for Sauk County, Upper Sugar River Watershed Association will receive allocated funds of $13,058.86 on behalf of Sauk County directly from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

MIS Note: No information systems impact.