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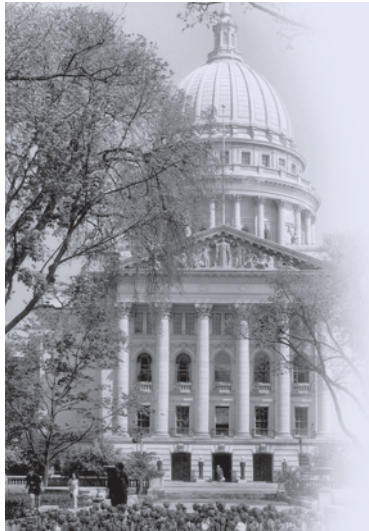
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## Spring 2008 SPORTSMAN'S UPDATE



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### Working to protect outdoor traditions

By SCOTT SUDER  
Guest columnist



land for permanent public use and protections.

In the budget, we not only re-authorized the program until the year 2020, we included some

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### Bill aims at hunting land access

Two Northern Lawmakers say they are drafting legislation to give sportsmen access to public land in Wisconsin. State Representative Scott Suder (R-Abbotsford) and

Senator Dave Zien (R-Beaumont) point to lack of land for major decreases in the number of people hunting, fishing, and trapping. The public about these lands through adequate signage that details access points, boundaries and what activities are allowed on the land." He noted, "Too often we have heard about shell games being played where there is publicly held land not

acres in Wisconsin are publicly held," explained Zien. "Between that and the shrinking number of farms we need to preserve Wisconsin's heritage as an outdoor sports paradise."

Legislature will move through the session relatively quickly when it begins its next floor session in January.

### Suder a friend to sportsmen and women

Dear Editor:

Sportsmen and women should be thanking you area Assembly Representative Scott Suder for his vote against Governor Doyle's recent budget. Doyle's

### Budget compromise protects outdoor traditions

With the gun deer opener upon us, I wanted to take this opportunity to share with your readers the important victories we were able to achieve in this year's budget compromise to protect and preserve Wisconsin's long-heralded outdoor traditions now and in the future. I have made it a pri-

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now and in the future. Over the past several years, many parcels of land purchased with stewardship dollars have been closed to hunting, fishing, trapping, and other outdoor pursuits with little or no input from the outdoor community. I fought hard to include an open access provision in the budget that requires lands managed with

urban parcels that provide little value for hunting, fishing, and trapping.

I think we can all agree that we have a responsibility to protect our natural resources so they'll still be around when the next generation of hunters, fishers, and trappers head into the woods. Tradition doesn't mean much if not

# PROTECTING OUR SPORTING HERITAGE

# STATE REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT SUDER'S LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FOR SPORTSMEN

**A**s avid outdoor enthusiasts, we are fortunate to live in the great state of Wisconsin which offers some of the finest hunting, fishing, and trapping in the entire nation. One of my top priorities is to enhance and expand our strong outdoor traditions for future generations. Here are a few of the bipartisan successes I achieved this session to preserve and protect our abundant natural resources now and in the future:

- **Stewardship Reauthorization**

The Stewardship program has been a driving force behind our state's conservation efforts. As a member of the budget writing committee, I worked with both Democrats and Republicans to reauthorize the Stewardship program until at least 2020. This crucial extension will provide the necessary means to purchase tracts of pristine land for permanent public use and protection. **(Act 20)**

- **Open Access Guarantee for Hunters, Anglers, and Trappers**

Many parcels of public land have been closed to hunting, fishing, and trapping with little or no input from the outdoor community. I fought hard to include an open access provision in the budget that requires lands purchased with Stewardship dollars to be open for hunting, fishing, and trapping. If the DNR wants to close a parcel, they must first engage the public and prove to them that lands should be closed for safety or other concerns. **(Act 20)**

- **Minimum Size Requirements for all Public Land Purchases**

To prevent the majority of Stewardship funds from being used to purchase small, urban parcels that provide little value to sportsmen, I authored a budget amendment to require 80% of Stewardship funds to be used to purchase tracts of land greater than 10 acres in size. **(Act 20)**

- **Expanded Sporting Opportunities for Younger Generations**

Tradition doesn't mean much if nobody is able to carry it on. That's why I co-authored legislation that will encourage greater participation among our young people by allowing adults who receive any DNR license or permit issued under a preference selection to pass those privileges on to a younger hunter. I also supported bi-partisan legislation that will allow experienced, responsible adults to take a young hunter into the woods, beginning at age 10, to teach them how to have a safe and successful hunt. **(AB 228 & AB 672)**

- **ATV and Snowmobile Trail Improvements**

To help expand our network of trails and bring much-needed tourism dollars to our local communities, I fought for and won more than \$2.5 Million in state funding for snowmobile and ATV trail improvements. **(Act 20)**

## 2008 Spring Conservation Congress Area Hearings

**Monday, April 14  
7:00pm**

*At the following locations:*

**Chippewa County**  
**Chippewa Falls Middle School**

750 Tropicana Blvd.  
Chippewa Falls, WI

**Clark County**  
**Greenwood High School  
West Gymnasium**

306 West Central Ave.  
Greenwood, WI

**Eau Claire County**  
**South Middle School  
Auditorium**

2115 Mitscher Ave.  
Eau Claire, WI

**Marathon County**  
**D.C. Everest Middle School**

9302 Schofield Ave.  
Schofield, WI

**Taylor County**  
**Taylor County Fairgrounds  
Multipurpose Building**  
State Hwy 13 & Hwy 64 Intersection  
Medford, WI

**Wood County**  
**Pittsville High School  
Auditorium**

5459 Elementary Ave.  
Pittsville, WI