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Resolution No. 3B, 2009

SUBJECT: REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGES ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

<u>WHEREAS</u>, Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), like state parks and other natural and cultural attractions encourage Louisiana residents and out-of state visitors to recreate and spend money in Louisiana, and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, there are bridges on several WMAs which have been found to be structurally insufficient for safe utilization by highway vehicles, and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, bridges have been closed on Big Lake, Loggy Bayou, Red River and Russell Sage WMAs and possibly others, and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the closure of these bridges greatly restricts user access to the WMAs and discourages their use.

<u>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED</u>, that the Louisiana Wildlife Federation (LWF) urges that the closed bridges on Wildlife Management Areas be restored to safe condition and reopened to the public, that the Legislature provide funding for such repair and replacement work and that the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development make restoration of these bridges a priority in its budget.

Adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife Federation in Convention Assembled, March 1, 2009 in West Monroe, Louisiana.



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