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RESOLUTION

Whereas the Governor's State Trails Council has concluded that overhead power lines would be detrimental to trails in the State of Wisconsin for reasons including aesthetics, natural resource protection, user enjoyment and safety;

Whereas the security of power lines necessitates the elimination of high-growing trees, thus detracting from the aesthetic value of the trail corridor, enjoyment of users, and habitat for animals;

Whereas safety issues also include induction from power lines that could result in life threatening injuries to users should they touch a grounded metal object such as a sign or a vehicle; and

Whereas the intent of Act 89 was to limit the consideration of recreational trails as corridors for electric transmission facilities to underground facilities only, and then only if they also did not significantly impact environmentally sensitive areas;

It is therefore RESOLVED that the Governor's State Trails Council opposes the use of trail corridors for overhead power lines.

Passed unanimously this October 10, 2005 by the Governor's Wisconsin State Trails Council.

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