**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2021**

**AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS GRANT PROGRAM**

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

***Background: The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has grant funding available through the County Conservation Aids (CCA) program, specifically for the improvement of fish and wildlife resources under Wis. Stat. § 23.09(12). The CCA program is administered as a cost-sharing program, meaning the grant covers up to 50% of total project costs. The Land Resources and Environment Department plans to use the 2022 grant funds towards a prairie restoration project at White Mound County Park.***

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, met in regular session, that the Land Resources and Environment Director is authorized to act on behalf of Sauk County to sign and submit an application to the WDNR for Conservation Aid Funds, submit to the WDNR reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within one (1) year of project end date, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project; and,

 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Sauk County will comply with all state and federal laws related to the County Conservation Aids programs and will obtain approval in writing from the WDNR before any change is made in the use of the project site.

For consideration by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on September 21, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

**LAND RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

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**Fiscal Note:** The present allocation in the 2022 budget request is $4,490, which includes $2,245 of County Conservation Aid and a 50% County match.

**MIS Note:** No information systems impact.