

Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies □ Resolution
Regarding
Stopping the Spread of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) in the United States

WHEREAS, white-tailed and mule deer are a valued wildlife resource throughout the Midwest and United States; and

WHEREAS, chronic wasting disease is a serious disease of elk, white-tailed, and mule deer; and

WHEREAS, the distribution of chronic wasting disease in wild deer is currently limited to Colorado, Wyoming, and Nebraska in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the introduction of chronic wasting disease to white-tailed deer populations in the Midwestern states could be devastating to deer populations and states' ability to manage deer through hunting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies requests that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies' Wildlife Health Committee examine all current information, and results, comments, and recommendations from the Chronic Wasting Disease Conference.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the IAFWA Wildlife Health Committee is directed to provide direction and guidance to the states to develop the most effective control program for chronic wasting disease.

Adopted: July 17, 2001
 Saint Paul, Minnesota

Signed: _____
 Timothy P. Bremicker, President
 Association of Midwest Fish and Wildlife Agencies