



May 25, 2018

Dear Bill:

On behalf of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, I wanted to sincerely thank you for the Iowa Great Lakes Association's support, in conjunction with LS2group's lobbying efforts by Chuck Larson and Jeff Boeyink on House File 631, which changed the DNR fee structure. The bill removes the current Iowa Code provisions establishing hunting, fur-harvesting, fishing license and wildlife habitat fees and replacing them with Natural Resource Commission authority to establish the fee amounts through the administrative rule process. With this bill, the Department will be able to set fees more quickly, allowing us to fund the appropriate staffing and infrastructure repairs to maintain our natural resources.

Further, I want to thank you for the continued efforts to maintain the appropriation for lake restoration through the state's Infrastructure Appropriation bill. The DNR continues to make progress in restoring Center Lake with these dollars, as well as restoring other lakes around Iowa. The Department continues work on the various projects, including diagnostic studies and shoreline improvements, to improve Center Lake.

Once again, the DNR appreciates your support and help in successfully undertaking these legislative efforts.

Thank you,

Bruce Trautman
Acting Director, Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Bill
My thanks for everything you
do for our natural resources.
I look forward to working together
on future projects.

Thank,
Bruce