

Form 1100-001D (Rev. 11/21)

**Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources  
Natural Resources Board Agenda Item**

Item No. 2.H.

**SUBJECT:** Donation acknowledgement – Andrew F. Bell & Edith M. Bell Charitable Trust

Andrew F. Bell & Edith M. Bell Charitable Trust donated \$33,841.00. This donation will be used to provide \$16,920.50 for continued support of endangered resources priorities and will provide \$16,920.50 to fund activities associated with wetland habitat.

**FOR:** December 2021 Board meeting**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** Secretary Cole**SUMMARY:**

The Andrew F. Bell and Edith M. Bell Charitable Trust donated \$16,920.50 to the Bureau of Natural Heritage Conservation and \$16,920.50 to the Bureau of Wildlife Management.

The Bureau of Natural Heritage Conservation will use this donation for continued support of its endangered species priorities. These include monitoring endangered and threatened species, restoring habitat, and addressing emerging threats to our natural resources.

The Bureau of Wildlife Management plans to use this donation for wetland habitat research and wetland management training. The Wildlife Policy Team approved wetland habitat research and staff training as priorities for Bell Charitable trust funds. The money is also available to address emergency needs of "once-in-a-lifetime" habitat restoration opportunities for which other funding is unavailable. To date these funds have been used to support a multi-year blue-winged teal study, three wetland habitat management workshops, waterfowl surveys and habitat monitoring efforts within the Glacial Habitat Restoration Area, an emergency repair of a water control structure at Eldorado Marsh Wildlife Area, and a human dimensions study associated with wetland and waterfowl management.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board acknowledge the generous \$33,841.00 cash donation.

	Approved by	Signature	Date
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	Eric Lobner, WM Director	 DocuSigned by: 49A5E090CF88465...	11/9/2021   4:28 PM CST
	Keith Warnke, FWP Division Administrator	 DocuSigned by: ADAE8E13E1CD472...	11/10/2021   8:22 AM CST
For	Preston D. Cole, Secretary	 DocuSigned by: 6793A7BA427C4CD...	11/11/2021   8:05 AM CST

cc: Board Liaison - AD/8

by Todd Ambs

# **Acknowledgment of Gift**

This is to certify that at its December 2021 meeting, the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board gratefully acknowledged a gift of \$33,841:

## **Andrew F. Bell & Edith M. Bell Charitable Trust**

This donation will be used to provide \$16,920.50 for continued support of endangered resources priorities and will provide \$16,920.50 to fund activities associated with wetland habitat.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

Wisconsin Natural Resources Board

Dr. Frederick C. Prehn, Chair