**Sub 1 to 2020 RES-111**
**SUPPORTING THE ENGINEERING PLAN TO LOWER FLOOD-LEVEL WATERS IN CRYSTAL, FISH, AND MUD LAKES**

The water levels of Crystal, Fish, and Mud Lakes have recently risen significantly, with Crystal Lake over seven feet above normal levels and Fish and Mud Lakes over 12 feet above normal levels.

Water levels have inundated over 95 house trailers and destroyed a dozen homes, as well as three town roads. Should Fish Lake rise another six feet, it will flow over land to the Wisconsin River destroying additional fields, homes, roads, and farm buildings. This outcome would prevent the farming of thousands of acres of agricultural land, as well as washing manure and other pollutants into the river.

Wisconsin DNR, MSA Engineering, and the Towns of Roxbury and West Point have studied the options, and have engineered a plan to install a free-flow control structure and pipe to lower the water levels in these lakes in a controlled manner.

THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Dane County acknowledges the DNR study and MSA Engineering report and supports their partnership with the other local governments to access state funds to safely lower the lake levels in this area using environmentally sound methods.