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SUBJECT: Those interested in discovering (or rediscovering) Wisconsin's outdoors are reminded of discounted prices for first-time license buyers

MADISON – In its third year, the <u>first-time buyer license</u> continues to provide an opportunity to explore Wisconsin's outdoors at an affordable price.

"I really encourage folks who haven't experienced all this state has to offer to spend a day out in nature," said DNR Secretary Cathy Stepp. "With our first-time license program, it's never been more affordable to get an introduction to any number of outdoor activities at a discounted price."

Certain resident hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses are available for as little as \$5 for those who have never purchased that same type of license or those who have not purchased a Wisconsin license authorizing that activity in any of the prior ten years. Certain nonresident licenses are also discounted for first-time buyers.

Hunting and fishing licenses can be purchased through the <u>Online Licensing Center</u> on the DNR website, at <u>license sales locations</u>, or by calling toll-free 1-877-WILICENSE (1-877-945-4236).

DNR Customer Service staff is available to assist the public online and via phone from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week. Spanish and Hmong bilingual customer service representatives are also available. Customers may reach customer service at 1-888-WDNR INFo (1-888-936-7463) or by e-mail at csweb@wisconsin.gov. An online chat link is also available.

For more information regarding the first-time license buyer program, visit dnr.wi.gov and search keywords "first time buyer."