

**Conservation Federation of Missouri
2013 Resolutions**

**Committee: Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste and Recycling
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Support of the Department of Natural Resources' Management of Scrap Tires

1 **WHEREAS**, Six (6) million scrap tires are generated each year in Missouri (or one (1) per
2 citizen per year); and,
3 **WHEREAS**, Improper management of scrap tires leads to unsightly tire dumps which have
4 negative impacts to human health and the environment; and,
5 **WHEREAS**, Improper management of scrap tires has necessitated the cleanup of over 1,128
6 tire dumps containing over 16.5 million tires; approximately 185 known tire dumps containing
7 over 265,000 tires remain to be cleaned up with likely another 500,000 tires yet to be identified; and,
8 **WHEREAS**, The Department of Natural Resources, through the 50-cent Scrap Tire Fee,
9 provides funding for scrap tire dump cleanups and to various conservation-minded organizations
10 such as Stream Teams, Missouri River Relief, Boy Scouts of America, etc. for their scrap tire
11 cleanup efforts; and,
12 **WHEREAS**, The proper management and recovery of scrap tires facilitates tire recycling
13 and their use in other products that help reduce use of or conserve other resources; and,
14 **WHEREAS**, Examples of recycled products that enhance other products or aid in the
15 conservation of resources are tire-derived fuel, tire-derived asphalt, playground surfacing, equine
16 mats and arena surfacing, field turf, picnic tables, running tracks, walking trails, etc: now, therefore,
17 be it
18 **RESOLVED**, That the Conservation Federation of Missouri in its Annual Convention assembled at
19 the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO this 24th day of February, 2013, supports the Department
20 of Natural Resources in their efforts to properly manage scrap tires, ensuring proper disposal and
21 recycling of scrap tires as well as protection of human health and the environment both now and in

22 the future. The CFM wants to ensure that the Department maintains the authority to develop
23 appropriate fees, rules and regulations needed to protect Missouri's citizens, wildlife, and the
24 environment.