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## **“Remove or Be Removed” Permanent Duck Blinds Need To Be Removed**

(Necedah, WI) -- The Wisconsin River Power Company (WRPCO) needs to have all permanent duck blinds removed from project lands of the Castle Rock and Petenwell Reservoirs by May 31, 2008. After that date, WRPCO workers will begin removing the blinds. This is part of a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) requirement and is outlined in WRPCO's license agreement.

Permanent waterfowl blinds are legally not allowed on WRPCO land. Temporary waterfowl blinds are permitted on project lands as long as they meet all state regulations. Hunting blinds are allowed no earlier than seven days prior to the opening of the waterfowl hunting season and must be removed within seven days of the close of the waterfowl season. Each blind must be clearly identifiable with the owner's name, address and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Customer ID number in lettering that is at least “one inch” in size.

WRPCO officials thank everyone in advance for their cooperation in this matter.