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VAN ROY CORMORANT BILL PASSES ASSEMBLY

Madison... State Rep. Karl Van Roy is reporting that his Cormorant Bill, Assembly Bill 486 has passed the State Assembly. Van Roy's bill requires the DNR to work with federal agencies to control the overpopulating nuisance species that has been devastating fish populations and island habitats in Green Bay.

"These Cormorants are destroying the environment on several of Green Bay's islands and are wiping out our yellow perch populations throughout the Bay," said Van Roy. "It's been a long process but I'm pleased that my colleagues agree that we need to take action on this growing environmental problem."

Van Roy says that his bill passed on a voice vote with tremendous support from the majority of members from both parties. After passage, AB 486 was immediately messaged to State Senate where Van Roy hopes to see it pass soon.

"The Departments of Natural Resources in New York, Michigan, Minnesota, Vermont, and the Canadian Great Lakes Provinces are already doing what we're asking our own DNR to do in this bill," said Van Roy. "The Wisconsin DNR needs to listen to what my constituents and the experts have been saying and start solving the problem."

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