



Big dairy over DNR, special interests win in state forest plan, goodbye to local control, and more...

MADISON - In the past week, we've seen more evidence of the utter and abject surrender by the DNR of its responsibility to protect our environment.

First, it settled a lawsuit with the Dairy Business Association on terms very favorable to the factory farms:

[DNR caves to big dairy](#)

Then, it pushed ahead with a plan to open up a huge state forest near Minocqua to heavy ATV traffic:

[Polaris, ATV Association win in state forest plan](#)

Both decisions bore the fingerprints of special interest meddling.

And that meddling continues in the State Capitol, as the big boys are grabbing for more:

[Big special interests push property rights over local control](#)

Sometimes there's a bill that has a lot of sensible – even laudable – things in it, but it also contains a fatal flaw.

Such is the case with the crime victim's rights bill that's called "Marsy's Law." I point out the flaw here:

["Marsy's Law" has constitutional flaw](#)

If you're concerned about this constitutional issue, please contact your legislators about this

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proposal -- [Assembly Joint Resolution 47](#) and [Senate Joint Resolution 43](#) .

You can contact your state legislators by calling the toll-free legislative hotline at 1-800-362-9472 (266-9960 in Madison).

Thanks, as always, for your concern about our state – and our democracy.

Best,

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