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Senator Cowles Named Legislator of Year

The Friends of Wisconsin State Parks (FWSP) named Senator Robert Cowles (R-Green Bay) as the legislator of the year award. "This award is given annually to a Wisconsin legislator and staff who best champion the advancement of Wisconsin State Parks", according to FWSP President Bill Zager. "We are very excited to recognize Senator Cowles for the great work he has done for parks and natural resources".

"It's an honor to be named Legislator of the Year by the Friends of Wisconsin State Parks," said Senator Cowles "Their advocacy efforts were crucial in gaining unanimous support for the Parks Revitalization Act to provide \$4.5 million to update critical water infrastructure in State Parks to help ensure the health and safety of the over 15 million annual Parks visitors."

"As an advocate for the economic, recreation and conservation benefits contributed by our State Parks System, it was a pleasure to work with leaders of the Friends of Wisconsin State Parks on SB 421," Senator Cowles continued. "I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues in the Legislature and the Friends of Wisconsin State Parks on maintaining and improving our State Parks."

Senator Cowles will receive the award at FWSP Annual Meeting in Madison November 10, 2018. The Legislator of the Year Award is given annually to a Wisconsin legislator for leadership in promoting WI parks, trails, forests and recreation areas through legislation and supporting the mission and objectives of FWSP.