

#### Sawyer County Land & Water Resource Management Plan 5 Year Review







#### Sawyer County

- Population 16,581
- 1350 square miles total
- 93 square miles of water (6.9%)
- 5<sup>th</sup> largest county in WI by land area
- Located in the northwest corner of Wisconsin about 70 miles south of Lake Superior
- Formed in 1883 from parts of the Chippewa and Ashland Counties

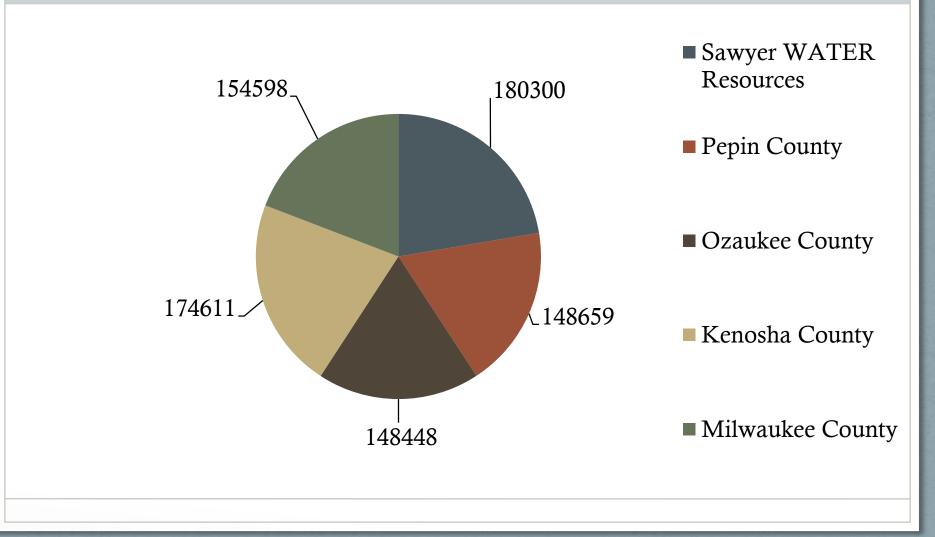
# Surface Water



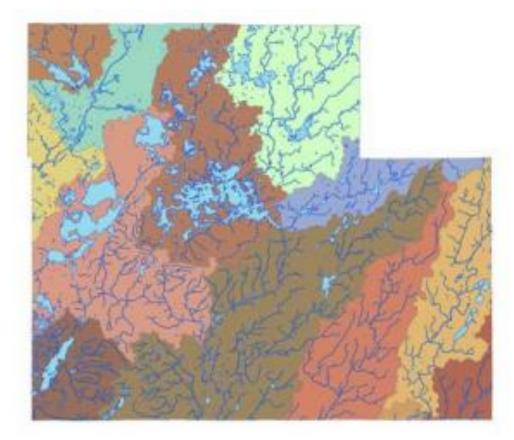
- Sawyer County lakes are legendary for providing recreational activities and producing world record fish.
- Total inland surface water area is approximately 56,180 acres
- There are 496 lakes in Sawyer County, including the 15,300 acre Chippewa Flowage, the third largest inland water body in Wisconsin
- Approximately 850 miles of shoreline in Sawyer County

### Water Resources

Comparison of Sawyer County Water by acres to counties with similar total size



# Watersheds

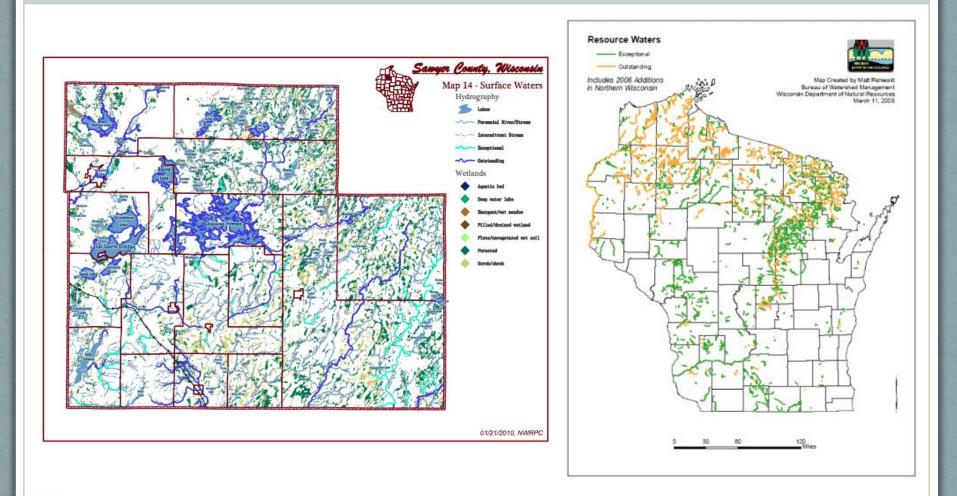




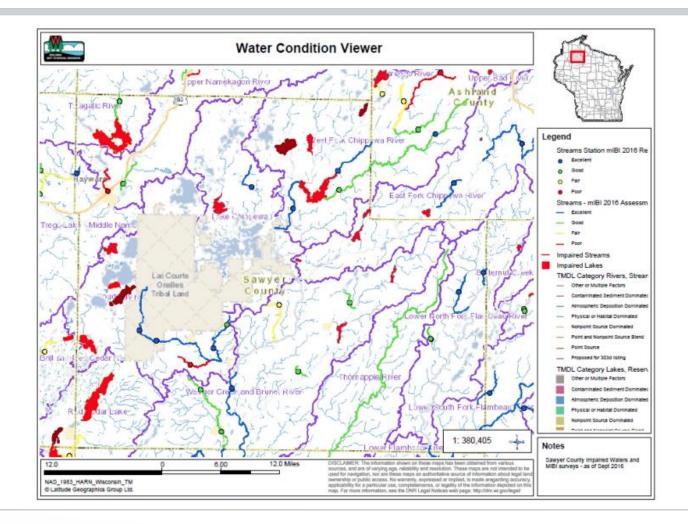
#### 14 Watersheds

- 3 Basins
- Upper Chippewa
- Lower Chippewa
- St. Croix

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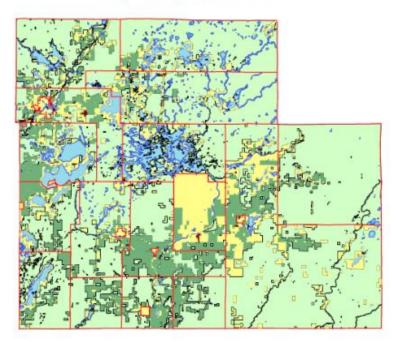


# Water Quality

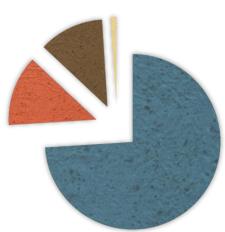


# Land Use Categories

Sawyer County General Land Use







Land Use

- Forestry/W etland
- Agricultural
- Rural/Resi dentialCommercial

# Agricultural Projects



# Fencing Projects



# Nutrient Management





20% Cropland with NMP's
8,090 acres currently
NMFE Grant Farmer Training
Adding ~2,856 acres

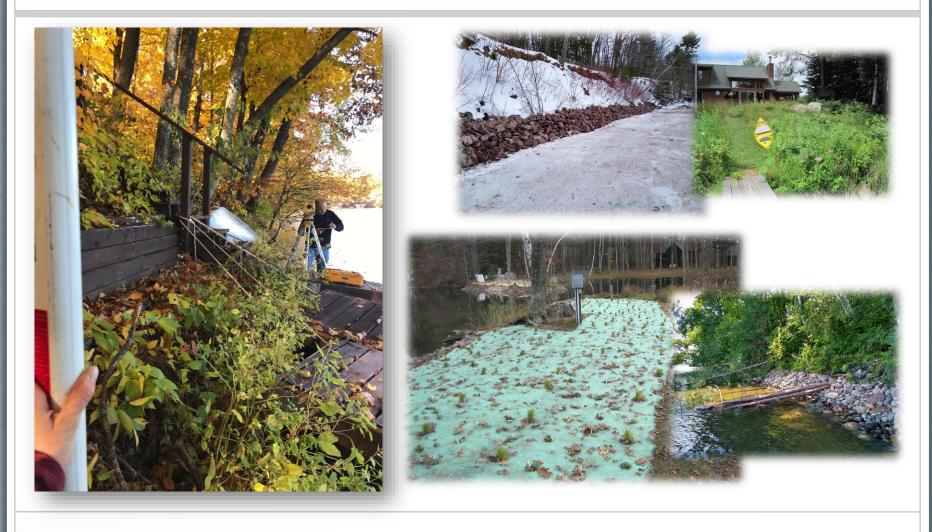
# Shoreline Projects



### Shoreline Erosion & Restoration Project



### Shoreline Erosion Projects



#### Streambank Before & After





# Wetland Enhancement Construction



# Cost Share Project Summary 2015-2020

- 40 projects
- 11 Ag related
- 29 Shoreline related
- 3,366 feet of shoreline
- Just under 200k in funding for Sawyer County Landowners





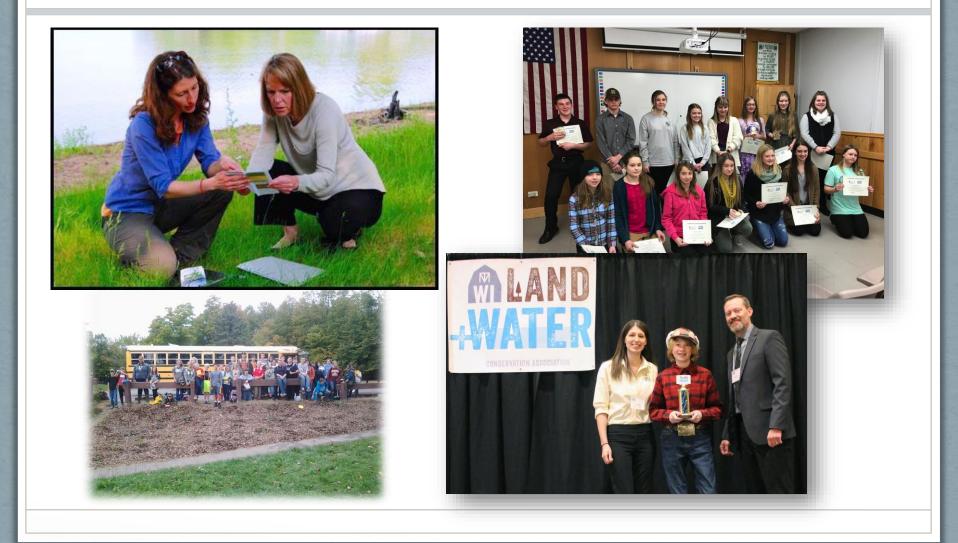
# Education & Outreach





3 Community Park Native Plant Demonstration Projects

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# Tree Sale





#### Saw yer County Spring Tree Sale 2021



#### Orders are now open ONLINE! Tentative Tree Order Pickup Dates April 30th & May 1, 2021

Reserve your trees & shrubs online and pick up in the spring! A reminder postcard confirming the pick up dates and times will be sent in April.

Visit <u>www.sawyercountygov.org</u> and look for the <u>Tree Sale link</u> to place an order

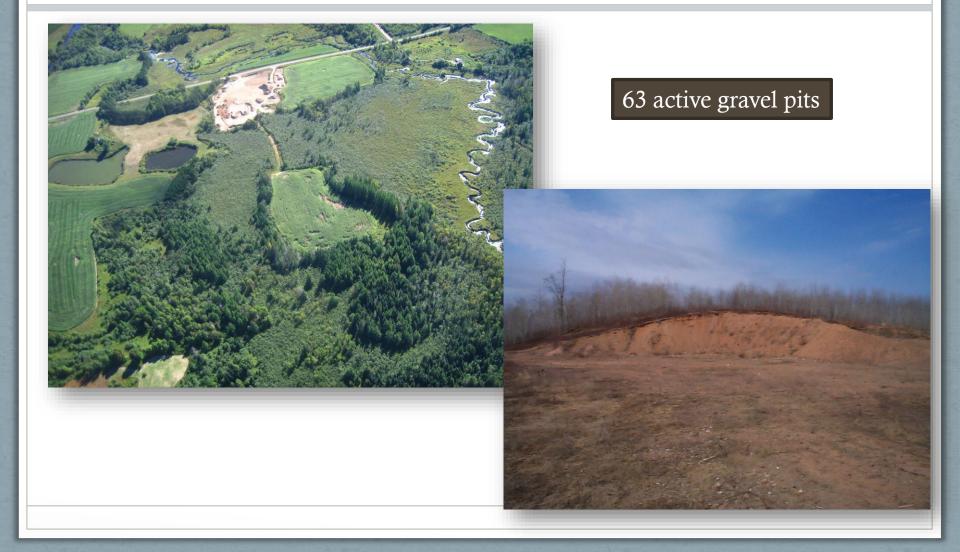
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# AIS



# Non-Metallic Mining



# WDP





- 2020 180 bears relocated / 33% of the state total
- In the last 5 years, 25% of all bears relocated have been from Sawyer County

