

2016 JOINT FINAL ALLOCATION PLAN

Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program and Nonpoint Source Program

The allocations identified in this final plan provide counties and others with grant funding for conservation staff and support costs, landowner cost-sharing, and runoff management projects. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are making these allocations to protect Wisconsin's soil and water resources, consistent with the objectives in chs. 92 & 281, Wis. Stats.

DATCP is allocating grants to county land conservation committees (counties) and other project cooperators in 2016 through the Soil and Water Resource Management Program (Table A).

DNR is allocating grants to counties through the Targeted Runoff Management (TRM), Urban Nonpoint Source and Storm Water Management (UNPS), and NR 243 Notice of Discharge (NOD) programs (Table B).

For 2016, a total of \$18,928,380 is allocated based on the state budget for the 2016-18 biennium. Table C summarizes all allocations, by grantee. Organized by funding category, Chart 1 below summarizes grant fund requests, unmet funding requests and final allocations. Chart 2 below shows the allocation categories by funding sources.

If required, these allocations may be adjusted based on reductions in appropriations or authorizations.

Chart 1: Summary of Requests and Joint Allocations for Grant Year 2016

Funding Category	Total Requests	Unmet Requests	Final Allocations
DATCP ALLOCATIONS			
County Staff/Support	\$16,025,340	\$7,286,240	\$8,739,100
County LWRM Cost-Share (B)	\$7,146,000	\$3,470,952	\$3,675,048
NR 243 Reserve (B)	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
LWRM Cost-Share (SEG)	\$2,643,900	\$990,895	\$1,653,005
Project Contracts (SEG)	\$592,931	\$45,800	\$547,131
NMFE Training Grants (SEG)	\$101,064	\$0	\$101,064
SUBTOTAL	\$26,709,235	\$11,793,887	\$14,915,348
DNR ALLOCATIONS			
UNPS Planning	\$24,669	0	\$24,669
UNPS Construction	\$100,666	\$100,666	\$0
TRM Construction	\$4,217,727	\$1,229,364	\$2,988,363
NOD Reserve (B & CP)	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
SUBTOTAL	\$5,343,062	\$1,330,030	\$4,013,032
Total			\$18,928,380

Abbreviations Used Above:

LWRM = Land & Water Resource Management Plan Implementation
NA = Not Applicable or Available
NMFE= Nutrient Management Farmer Education
NOD= Notice of Discharge/Notice of Intent
TRM = Targeted Runoff Management
UNPS = Urban Nonpoint Source and Storm Water Management
B = Bond Revenue
CP= Cropping Practices

Chart 2: Funding Sources

Staff and Support Grants

\$ 5,711,900 DATCP SEG from s. 20.115(7)(qe)
 \$ 3,027,200 DATCP GPR from s. 20.115(7)(c)

\$8,739,100 DATCP Subtotal

\$ 24,669 DNR SEG from s. 20.370(6)(dq)
 \$ 39,825 DNR Sec. 319 Account (federal)
 \$ 0 DNR GPR from s. 20.370(6)(aa)

\$ 64,494 DNR Subtotal

\$ 8,803,594 TOTAL Staff & Support Grants

Cost-Share Grants

\$ 3,675,048 DATCP Bond from s. 20.866(2)(we)
 \$ 200,000 DATCP Bond Reserve from s. 20.866(2)(we)
 \$ 1,653,005 DATCP SEG Revenue from s. 20.115(7)(qf)

\$ 5,528,053 DATCP Subtotal

\$ 3,053,674 DNR Bond Revenue from s. 20.866(2)(tf)
 \$ 100,000 DNR SEG from s. 20.370(6)(aq)
 \$ 0 DNR Bond Revenue from s. 20.866(2)(th)
 \$ 794,864 DNR Sec. 319 Account (federal)

\$ 3,948,538 DNR Subtotal

\$ 9,476,591 TOTAL Cost-Share Grants

NMFE & Other Project Cooperator (OPC) Grants

\$ 101,064 DATCP NMFE SEG from s. 20.115(7)(qf)
 \$ 547,131 DATCP OPC SEG from s. 20.115(7)(qf)

\$ 648,195 TOTAL NMFE & Other Grants

\$18,928,380 GRAND TOTAL

Table A-1: 2016 Staff and Support Tier 1, Tier 2, Rounds One, Two and Three

County	Tier 2										2016 DATCP Staffing & Support Allocation
	Tier 1 Base Allocation	First Position at 100% (Round 1)	Round 1 Award	Adjusted Award (Tier 1 + Round 1)	Second Position at 70% (Round 2)	Eligible Round 2 Award	Round 2 Award at 70.160193% (of 70%)	Adjusted Award (Tier 1 + Round 1 & 2)	Third Position at 50% (Round 3)	Round 3 Award No Funds Available	
Adams	75,000	80,702	5,702	80,702	54,620	54,620	38,321	119,023	29,744	0	119,023
Ashland	75,000	72,424	0	75,000	44,988	44,988	29,756	104,756	16,732	0	104,756
Barron	75,000	77,175	2,175	77,175	55,290	55,290	38,792	115,967	38,164	0	115,967
Bayfield	75,000	75,192	192	75,192	47,893	47,893	33,602	108,794	20,296	0	108,794
Brown	75,000	89,971	14,971	89,971	62,308	62,308	43,715	133,686	39,395	0	133,686
Buffalo	75,000	63,899	0	75,000	48,145	48,145	25,990	100,990	12,929	0	100,990
Burnett	75,000	72,125	0	75,000	46,487	46,487	30,598	105,598	24,421	0	105,598
Calumet	75,000	83,851	8,851	83,851	53,296	53,296	37,393	121,244	37,533	0	121,244
Chippewa	75,000	116,603	41,603	116,603	71,598	71,598	50,233	166,836	48,033	0	166,836
Clark	75,000	98,573	23,573	98,573	57,786	57,786	40,543	139,116	24,331	0	139,116
Columbia	75,000	102,410	27,410	102,410	50,257	50,257	35,260	137,670	35,878	0	137,670
Crawford	75,000	68,859	0	75,000	44,548	44,548	26,946	101,946	13,732	0	101,946
Dane	75,000	111,753	36,753	111,753	71,980	71,980	50,501	162,254	48,421	0	162,254
Dodge	75,000	97,907	22,907	97,907	56,606	56,606	39,715	137,622	40,338	0	137,622
Door	75,000	113,250	38,250	113,250	66,768	66,768	46,845	160,095	41,783	0	160,095
Douglas	75,000	83,562	8,562	83,562	56,633	56,633	39,734	123,296	1,545	0	123,296
Dunn	75,000	109,927	34,927	109,927	60,148	60,148	42,200	152,127	41,494	0	152,127
Eau Claire	75,000	104,698	29,698	104,698	44,834	44,834	31,456	136,154	34,248	0	136,154
Florence	75,000	76,535	1,535	76,535	6,458	6,458	4,531	81,066	0	0	81,066
Fond du Lac	75,000	96,287	21,287	96,287	64,815	64,815	45,474	141,761	44,093	0	141,761
Forest	75,000	42,556	0	75,000	38,260	38,260	4,081	79,081	2,766	0	79,081
Grant	75,000	61,963	0	75,000	44,451	44,451	22,040	97,040	29,037	0	97,040
Green	75,000	100,390	25,390	100,390	44,034	44,034	30,894	131,284	31,378	0	131,284
Green Lake	75,000	92,482	17,482	92,482	59,434	59,434	41,699	134,181	39,735	0	134,181
Iowa	75,000	73,645	0	75,000	40,899	40,899	27,744	102,744	23,196	0	102,744
Iron	75,000	63,221	0	75,000	44,244	44,244	22,778	97,778	5,822	0	97,778
Jackson	75,000	87,921	12,921	87,921	53,076	53,076	37,238	125,159	0	0	125,159
Jefferson	75,000	126,207	51,207	126,207	64,987	64,987	45,595	171,802	46,387	0	171,802
Juneau	75,000	76,860	1,860	76,860	50,653	50,653	35,538	112,398	12,500	0	112,398
Kenosha	75,000	100,967	25,967	100,967	27,746	27,746	19,467	120,434	13,073	0	120,434
Kewaunee	75,000	75,685	685	75,685	43,915	43,915	30,811	106,496	38,277	0	106,496
LaCrosse	75,000	94,732	19,732	94,732	66,312	66,312	46,525	141,257	46,795	0	141,257
Lafayette	75,000	65,525	0	75,000	38,815	38,815	20,585	95,585	22,356	0	95,585
Langlade	75,000	68,636	0	75,000	21,461	21,461	10,592	85,592	7,357	0	85,592
Lincoln	75,000	60,505	0	75,000	50,466	50,466	25,237	100,237	23,424	0	100,237
Manitowoc	75,000	108,519	33,519	108,519	65,710	65,710	46,102	154,625	42,988	0	154,625

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Marathon	75,000	102,839	27,839	102,839	65,249	65,249	45,779	148,618	45,278	0	148,618				
Marquette	75,000	100,788	25,788	100,788	63,152	63,152	44,308	145,096	45,079	0	145,096				
Marquette	75,000	73,775	0	75,000	32,757	31,532	22,123	97,123	6,335	0	97,123				
Menominee	75,000	0	0	75,000	49,736	0	0	75,000	6,927	0	75,000				
Milwaukee	75,000	0	0	75,000	76,906	1,906	1,337	76,337	30,460	0	76,337				
Monroe	75,000	77,159	2,159	77,159	42,145	42,145	29,569	106,728	11,486	0	106,728				
Oconto	75,000	93,674	18,674	93,674	49,811	49,811	34,947	128,621	31,358	0	128,621				
Oneida	75,000	62,592	0	75,000	37,479	25,071	17,590	92,590	12,299	0	92,590				
Outagamie	75,000	110,154	35,154	110,154	67,892	67,892	47,633	157,787	42,499	0	157,787				
Ozaukee	75,000	89,755	14,755	89,755	68,568	68,568	48,107	137,862	37,929	0	137,862				
Pepin	75,000	86,016	11,016	86,016	41,076	41,076	28,819	114,835	23,695	0	114,835				
Pierce	75,000	91,205	16,205	91,205	55,958	55,958	39,260	130,465	34,380	0	130,465				
Polk	75,000	102,264	27,264	102,264	62,101	62,101	43,570	145,834	43,458	0	145,834				
Portage	75,000	96,761	21,761	96,761	55,505	55,505	38,942	135,703	38,368	0	135,703				
Price	75,000	52,492	0	75,000	30,977	8,469	5,942	80,942	8,145	0	80,942				
Racine	75,000	92,701	17,701	92,701	56,634	56,634	39,735	132,436	20,022	0	132,436				
Richland	75,000	65,905	0	75,000	41,652	32,557	22,842	97,842	29,757	0	97,842				
Rock	75,000	113,482	38,482	113,482	64,583	64,583	45,312	158,794	43,680	0	158,794				
Rusk	75,000	65,393	0	75,000	39,309	29,702	20,839	95,839	10,534	0	95,839				
Saint Croix	75,000	96,637	21,637	96,637	66,842	66,842	46,896	143,533	43,414	0	143,533				
Sauk	75,000	87,171	12,171	87,171	55,536	55,536	38,964	126,135	33,754	0	126,135				
Sawyer	75,000	49,235	0	75,000	30,862	5,097	3,576	78,576	22,858	0	78,576				
Shawano	75,000	75,888	888	75,888	50,748	50,748	35,605	111,493	28,035	0	111,493				
Sheboygan	75,000	92,601	17,601	92,601	53,474	53,474	37,517	130,118	29,369	0	130,118				
Taylor	75,000	65,504	0	75,000	36,238	26,742	18,762	93,762	15,381	0	93,762				
Trempealeau	75,000	60,266	0	75,000	64,372	49,638	34,826	109,826	30,270	0	109,826				
Vernon	75,000	86,330	11,330	86,330	54,006	54,006	37,891	124,221	33,755	0	124,221				
Vilas	75,000	86,335	11,335	86,335	51,847	51,847	36,376	122,711	28,383	0	122,711				
Walworth	75,000	99,527	24,527	99,527	65,031	65,031	45,626	145,153	41,241	0	145,153				
Washburn	75,000	73,299	0	75,000	42,133	40,432	28,364	103,364	6,260	0	103,364				
Washington	75,000	86,557	11,557	86,557	49,123	49,123	34,465	121,022	32,468	0	121,022				
Waukesha	75,000	109,119	34,119	109,119	67,863	67,863	47,613	156,732	38,861	0	156,732				
Waupaca	75,000	82,085	7,085	82,085	55,165	55,165	38,704	120,789	34,579	0	120,789				
Waushara	75,000	82,387	7,387	82,387	52,870	52,870	37,094	119,481	36,575	0	119,481				
Winnebago	75,000	102,961	27,961	102,961	54,499	54,499	38,237	141,198	38,908	0	141,198				
Wood	75,000	91,228	16,228	91,228	50,758	50,758	35,612	126,840	31,795	0	126,840				
Totals	5,400,000	5,999,602	967,783	6,367,783	3,722,778	3,379,861	2,371,313	8,739,100	2,025,796	0	8,739,100				

Table B: 2016 Allocations of DNR Funding

County	Targeted Runoff Mgmt. BMP Construction	Local Assistance Funding for Large-scale TRM	Urban NPS & Storm Water Mgmt. BMP Construction	Urban NPS & Storm Water Mgmt. Planning	Total DNR 2016 Allocations
Adams	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ashland	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Barron	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bayfield	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Brown	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buffalo	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Burnett	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Calumet	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,969	\$10,969
Chippewa	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Clark	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Columbia	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Crawford	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Dane	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Dodge	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Door	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Douglas	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Dunn	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Eau Claire	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Florence	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fond du Lac	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Forest	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Green	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Green Lake	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Iowa	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Iron	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Jackson	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Jefferson	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Juneau	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Kenosha	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Kewaunee	\$337,326	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$337,326
LaCrosse	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000
Lafayette	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Langlade	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lincoln	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Manitowoc	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Marathon	\$1,065,310	\$39,825	\$0	\$0	\$1,105,135
Marinette	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300,000
Marquette	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Menominee	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Milwaukee	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Monroe	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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County	Targeted Runoff Mgmt. BMP Construction	Local Assistance Funding for Large-scale TRM	Urban NPS & Storm Water Mgmt. BMP Construction	Urban NPS & Storm Water Mgmt. Planning	Total DNR 2016 Allocations
Oconto	\$56,445	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$56,445
Oneida	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Outagamie	\$389,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$389,000
Ozaukee	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pepin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pierce	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Polk	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Portage	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Price	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Racine	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Richland	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rock	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rusk	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Saint Croix	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sauk	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sawyer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Shawano	\$143,042	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$143,042
Sheboygan	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Taylor	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trempealeau	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000
Vernon	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Vilas	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Walworth	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Washburn	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Washington	\$98,000	\$0	\$0	\$13,700	\$111,700
Waukesha	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Waupaca	\$259,415	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$259,415
Waushara	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Winnebago	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wood	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
DNR NR243 Reserve					\$1,000,000
Total	\$2,948,538	\$39,825	\$0	\$24,669	\$4,013,032

Table C: Summary of 2016 Joint Allocations of DATCP and DNR Funding

County	Staffing & Support from DATCP and DNR	Cost-Sharing from DATCP and DNR	Total Allocation of DATCP and DNR Funding	County	Staffing & Support from DATCP and DNR	Cost-Sharing from DATCP and DNR	Total Allocation of DATCP and DNR Funding
Adams	119,023	85,000	204,023	Oconto	128,621	113,925	242,546
Ashland	104,756	64,000	168,756	Oneida	92,590	35,000	127,590
Barron	115,967	80,500	196,467	Outagamie	157,787	501,500	659,287
Bayfield	108,794	70,400	179,194	Ozaukee	137,862	104,000	241,862
Brown	133,686	40,048	173,734	Pepin	114,835	51,200	166,035
Buffalo	100,990	86,100	187,090	Pierce	130,465	102,500	232,965
Burnett	105,598	29,000	134,598	Polk	145,834	43,000	188,834
Calumet	132,213	82,000	214,213	Portage	135,703	67,500	203,203
Chippewa	166,836	80,923	247,759	Price	80,942	42,000	122,942
Clark	139,116	122,500	261,616	Racine	132,436	99,000	231,436
Columbia	137,670	132,500	270,170	Richland	97,842	75,500	173,342
Crawford	101,946	61,500	163,446	Rock	158,794	112,500	271,294
Dane	162,254	87,500	249,754	Rusk	95,839	85,000	180,839
Dodge	137,622	37,500	175,122	Saint Croix	143,533	52,500	196,033
Door	160,095	51,600	211,695	Sauk	126,135	109,500	235,635
Douglas	123,296	27,000	150,296	Sawyer	78,576	42,000	120,576
Dunn	152,127	80,800	232,927	Shawano	111,493	179,542	291,035
Eau Claire	136,154	107,500	243,654	Sheboygan	130,118	76,500	206,618
Florence	81,066	50,000	131,066	Taylor	93,762	110,500	204,262
Fond du Lac	141,761	82,500	224,261	Trempealeau	109,826	262,500	372,326
Forest	79,081	15,000	94,081	Vernon	124,221	97,500	221,721
Grant	97,040	67,500	164,540	Vilas	122,711	45,000	167,711
Green	131,284	112,500	243,784	Walworth	145,153	62,500	207,653
Green Lake	134,181	85,000	219,181	Washburn	103,364	55,400	158,764
Iowa	102,744	77,500	180,244	Washington	134,722	150,080	284,802
Iron	97,778	40,000	137,778	Waukesha	156,732	20,000	176,732
Jackson	125,159	110,500	235,659	Waupaca	120,789	371,915	492,704
Jefferson	171,802	49,000	220,802	Waushara	119,481	70,000	189,481
Juneau	112,398	47,500	159,898	Winnebago	141,198	82,000	223,198
Kenosha	120,434	71,000	191,434	Wood	126,840	92,000	218,840
Kewaunee	106,496	401,626	508,122	DATCP NR243 Reserve:		200,000	200,000
LaCrosse	141,257	257,000	398,257	DNR NR243 Reserve:		1,000,000	1,000,000
Lafayette	95,585	97,500	193,085				
Langlade	85,592	85,000	170,592	Sub-Totals	\$8,803,594	\$9,476,591	\$18,280,185
Lincoln	100,237	67,000	167,237				
Manitowoc	154,625	117,500	272,125	OTHER PROJECT FUNDING:			
Marathon	188,443	1,197,810	1,386,253	UW CALS		360,000	360,000
Marinette	145,096	402,000	547,096	NMFE		101,064	101,064
Marquette	97,123	95,422	192,545	WLWCA/SOC		184,131	184,131
Menominee	75,000	20,000	95,000	Cons. Obs. Day		3,000	3,000
Milwaukee	76,337	20,000	96,337	Sub-Totals		648,195	648,195
Monroe	106,728	69,300	176,028	TOTAL	\$8,803,594	\$10,124,786	\$18,928,380

DATCP'S FINAL ALLOCATION

1. Staff and Support

The allocation under this category provides staff and support funding for counties, and project grants to cooperators. Grant awards are provided consistent with the terms of the 2016 grant application materials located at: http://datcp.wi.gov/Environment/Land_and_Water/Conservation/SWRM_Grant_Program_Working_Manual/Allocation_and_Other_SWRM_Functions/

A. Funds Available

The amount listed in Chart 2 consists of DATCP's annual appropriation in the 2015-17 budget of \$3,027,200 in GPR funds and \$5,711,900 in SEG funds "for support of local land conservation personnel under the soil and water resource management program." DATCP has no underspending from prior years that might be added to the funds appropriated for this allocation.

B. Grant Awards

DATCP revised the funding formula for staffing grants as more fully identified in the 2016 grant application.

Tier 1

As provided by s. ATCP 50.32(5), DATCP has discretion to offer a minimum grant award, and has elected to provide \$75,000 per county under Tier 1, resulting in a total allocation of \$5,400,000 (providing each of the 72 counties with a base award of \$75,000).

Tier 2

After awarding funds under Tier 1, DATCP then has \$3,339,100 available for the Tier 2 allocation, which for 2016 implements a modified version of a formula designed to meet the statutory goal of funding an average of 3 staff persons per county at the rates of 100, 70 and 50 percent. As modified, the formula limits DATCP funding for a county's first position. Counties may only claim department heads, technicians and engineers who work full-time (defined as over 95%) on eligible conservation activities as their first position.

DATCP makes Tier 2 awards in three rounds in an attempt to support the three positions. For round one, DATCP can fully fund county requests for their first position at the 100% rate. However, for round two, DATCP can only fund about 70% of the county requests for their second position at the 70% rate. DATCP has no funding to make awards in round three for a county's third position funded at the 50% rate. Table A-1 (pages 3 and 4) provides round-by-round details of the Tier 2 allocation for each county. In awarding staffing and cost-share funding, DATCP makes minor adjustments in the awards for one or two counties to account for available funds.

Unmet Need for Staff and Support Funds

DATCP would need an increase of about \$3.0 million in its annual appropriations to reach the statutory goal of funding three positions at 100, 70 and 50 percent. Given that appropriations are outside of its immediate control, the agency has channeled its recent efforts in a different direction; namely, making more effective use of available dollars. DATCP's proposed efforts are discussed below in the "Future Directions" section.

Reallocation and Redirection

DATCP approves the reallocation of up to \$8,000 to the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin submitted with Menominee County's grant application, and will require the county to provide a report on funds expended for this purpose.

Future Directions – Staff & Support Funding

In an effort to strengthen county conservation programs, DATCP intends to increase accountability requirements. Beginning with the 2017 grant application, counties must identify their top five priority activities for the year in which the application is submitted, and describe their performance targets and benchmarks for each activity. DATCP will not process grant applications unless they include adequately benchmarked performance measures. Counties will be expected to report on their progress in meeting benchmarked activities when they submit their annual report

the following April. Applying the factors in ATCP 50.30, DATCP may use this performance data in making grant awards in future allocations.

In addition, s. ATCP 50.32(5) (as amended on May 1, 2014) eliminates the minimum annual staffing grant and provides flexibility for DATCP to award “different grant amounts to different counties” based on the factors in s. ATCP 50.30. DATCP may reevaluate the minimum grant it provides.

2. Bond Revenue Cost-Sharing

The allocations under this category provide cost-sharing for NR 243 projects (awarded to counties from a reserve), and provide counties grants for landowner cost-sharing. Unless otherwise noted below, grants are awarded consistent with the terms of the 2016 grant application (see page 8 for the link to the website for the application).

A. Funds Available

The allocation amount listed in Chart 2 consists of \$3.5 million; half of DATCP’s authorization in the 2015-17 budget of \$7.0 million in bond funds, with the following adjustment:

- Increase the amount by \$375,048 from unspent bond funds from previous allocations.

B. Grant Awards

Bond Reserve projects

DATCP will allocate \$200,000 to a reserve for the purpose of funding regulatory animal waste response (NR 243) projects in cooperation with DNR. DATCP and DNR use a separate application process to award funds from this reserve, which is more fully described at web site, <http://dnr.wi.gov/Aid/NOD.html>

Landowner Cost-Sharing

After setting aside a \$200,000 reserve, DATCP has \$3,675,048 in bond funds available for allocation to counties for landowner cost-sharing. DATCP makes awards to counties by

first providing base funding, and then applying criteria related to county performance and need. This approach is designed to better meet the statewide priorities set in s. ATCP 50.30(2) including the need to address farms with water quality issues and support participation of farms in the farmland preservation program (FPP).

After providing base funding (~20% of available funds) of \$10,000 to each county, DATCP’s funding approach awards the remaining \$2,955,048 based on: a 3-year average of past performance in spending bond cost-share dollars (~50%), farmland acres determined through the 2012 USDA Ag Census data (~20%), and a 3-year cumulative on past performance in total dollars spent on bond practices (~10%). The funding formula has two performance-related criteria that reward counties that (a) have had 20% or less under-spending, and (b) spent \$75,000 or more on bond practices during a three-year time period. A needs-based criterion provides funding for counties with 50,000 or more farmland acres set by the 2012 Census. Table 1 (page 13) shows each county’s total award amount and the factors that contributed to the county’s final award.

Unmet Need for Bond Cost-Share Funds

DATCP was unable to satisfy \$3,470,952 in county requests for funds. Combined with reductions in DNR TRM grants, this funding deficit has practical implications for our capacity to implement state and local priorities including farm runoff standards, and may impact conservation compliance efforts for farmers participating in FPP.

3. SEG Fund Allocation

The allocations under this category provide funding for (1) landowner cost-sharing, (2) farmer and related training involving nutrient management, and (3) nutrient management implementation support and other projects of statewide importance. Grant awards are provided consistent with the terms of the 2016 grant application (see page 8 for the link to the website for the application).

A. Funds Available

The allocation amount listed in Chart 2 (page 1) consists of DATCP's annual appropriation in the 2015-17 budget of \$2,500,000 in SEG funds "for cost-sharing grants and contracts under the soil and water resource management program under s. 92.14" with the following adjustments:

- A decrease of \$250,000 as a result of a redirection of funds for producer-led watershed councils.
- An increase based on an encumbrance of \$270,000.

In addition, DATCP is holding back and not allocating \$218,800 until it determines whether these funds are needed to meet any lapse responsibilities. DATCP's final SEG cost-share or cooperator allocations may be adjusted based on DATCP's determination.

Of the \$2,301,200 in funds available for allocation, \$1,653,005 will be provided to counties for landowner cost-sharing, \$101,064 will be awarded for nutrient management farmer training, and \$547,131 will be awarded to project cooperators including a \$3,000 award for Conservation Observance Day. The majority of grant funding awarded in this category directly benefits farmers and other landowners by providing either cost-sharing, training or nutrient management support.

Landowner Cost-Sharing

DATCP awards grants to counties for cost-sharing to farmers primarily for nutrient management (NM) plans at the maximum rate of \$7 per acre for four years. Recently DATCP has allowed greater use of cost-share funds for cover crops and other cropping practices to implement a NM plan. The 56 counties that applied for \$2,643,900 in grants will be awarded \$1,653,005 for cost-sharing NM plans on an anticipated 59,036 requested acres at \$28 per acre or less.

For 2016, DATCP continued to apply the streamlined criteria for making grant awards, ranking applicants based on the number of NM checklists submitted to DATCP in 2014 for farmers located in the county, the number of

farmers in each county claiming FPP credits for tax year 2013, and the county's record in spending or committing at least 80% of its 2014 SEG funds. This grant process relies on data already collected by state agencies regarding county need and performance.

DATCP scored each application using the 100 point scale specified in the grant application. Applicants were ranked based on scores and organized into three groups for allocation purposes. Counties were granted either the highest maximum award for their grouping, or the amount that the county requested, whichever was less. The awards in each of the three groups are as follows:

Group 1

Score range: 86 - 100
Maximum Award: \$50,000
Minimum based on request: \$10,000
Number of counties: 14

Group 2

Score range: 70-85
Maximum Award: \$45,000
Minimum based on request: \$10,080
Number of counties: 22

Group 3

Score range: 15 - 69
Maximum Award: \$42,000
Minimum based on request: \$7,000
Number of counties: 20

Of the 56 grant recipients, 35 did not receive the maximum awards established for their respective groups because their requests were below the maximum award level. As the minimum awards indicate, a number of requests were \$35,000 to \$40,000 less than amounts counties were eligible to receive. In fact, 16 counties received \$15,000 or less based on their requests.

Table 2 (page 14) enumerates each county's score and grouping, and the competitive award for each county. The term "N/A" is used to identify the 16 counties that did not apply for funds. The shaded boxes in the "Award" column indicate counties that received less than their group's maximum award for the reasons listed in the table. Table A (page 2) also reflects amounts allocated to each county under the "SEG Cost-Sharing" column.

For 2016, DATCP will allow counties with documented NM plans covering 75% or more of their farmed acres to spend a maximum of 50% of their county's 2016 SEG allocation on practices other than NM including grassed waterways and other bondable practices, as long as the receiving landowner has a 590 NM plan, DATCP pre-approves the county's planned expenditures, and DATCP amends the county's grant contract to reflect those expenditures. The 2017 grant application will provide additional information about this exception to the cost-share requirements.

Nutrient Management Farmer Education (NMFE) Training Grants

For 2016, DATCP received 10 requests for funding under Tier 1 and one request for Tier 2 funding, totaling \$101,064 in requests. DATCP will fully fund all requests in the amounts listed in Table 3 below.

All award recipients are required to sign grant contracts that incorporate the requirements of s. ATCP 50.35. All grant recipients must agree to help farmers develop nutrient management plans that meet the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) 590 Standard.

Table 3: NMFE Grant Awards		
Organization	Tier	Grant Award
Barron Co	1	\$ 10,000
Dane Co	1	\$ 11,600
Eau Claire Co	1	\$ 6,600
Grant Co	1	\$ 8,000
Lafayette Co	1	\$ 2,750
NWTC	1	\$ 6,331
Sauk Co	1	\$ 9,800
SWTC	1	\$ 15,000
Trempealeau Co/ WTC	1	\$ 14,450
Vernon Co	1	\$ 14,533
Manitowoc Co	2	\$ 2,000
Total		\$ 101,064

Statewide Projects: Nutrient Management Implementation Support, Cooperators

In addition to funding NMFE training grants, DATCP dedicates a portion of its SEG

appropriation to fund projects that make important statewide contributions to conservation, meeting the following grant priorities in s. ATCP 50.30(3): fund cost-effective activities that address and resolve high priority problems; build a systematic and comprehensive approach to soil erosion and water quality problems; contribute to a coordinated soil and water resource management program and avoid duplication of effort. DATCP has targeted the following areas for funding: support for nutrient management implementation activities including SnapPlus (a software program designed for nutrient management planning in Wisconsin), building capacity to provide statewide training, and the development of technical standards. The 2015 allocation plan provides details on DATCP's commitment to reinvigorate training through an increased investment of staff and financial resources.

In regard to specific funding requests, the following provides DATCP funding decisions regarding each application submitted. In making its decisions, including the award amounts, DATCP considered the degree to which each project contributed to the department's overall training goals. Each of the project awards for 2016 is documented in the lower right-hand corner of Table A (page 2). All award recipients are required to sign grant contracts that incorporate the requirements of s. ATCP 50.35 and include significant accountability measures.

In the subcategory of Nutrient Management Implementation Support, DATCP received one application from the UW Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (UW-CALS) for \$390,000 to provide support in two areas. DATCP will fund \$30,000 less than the full amount of the UW-CALS request (in part using \$270,000 of encumbered funds from 2015) as follows: (1) \$220,000 for maintaining and improving SnapPlus and related soil and nutrient management projects, and (2) \$140,000 for outreach, education and training provided by the Nutrient and Pest Management Program in UW-CALS. DATCP is funding nearly the entire request based on the following considerations: the increased

importance of SnapPlus in light of the Phosphorus Index Standards in NR 151 and the pasture standard in ATPC 50, the growing interest and need for basic nutrient management education, and the fact that these funded activities will generate measurable results.

In the project cooperator subcategory, DATCP will provide the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WI Land+Water) \$149,131, essentially the same funding awarded in 2014. The funds are intended to support activities that build statewide capacity to deliver and coordinate conservation training among the counties and other partners.

DATCP will support the Standards Oversight Council (SOC) at \$15,000 less than the requested amount, providing \$35,000, which recognizes the higher costs for maintaining SOC's programming capacity, while taking into account contributions by other agencies to project.

DATCP will provide up to \$3,000 for Conservation Observance Day to cover the event costs incurred by the host county.

Unmet Need for Cost-Share Funding

Even with a reduced SEG cost-share allocation in 2016, DATCP will provide 63% of the funding requested by counties, and would need an additional \$990,895 to fully fund the requested amount. Since 2008, when DATCP started actively cost-sharing NM plans, DATCP has only funded a higher percentage of requests in two other years. In 2015, DATCP funded 69% of county requests, and in 2008, it provided \$2.9 million, which represents 77% of the funds requested.

Future Directions – County Cost-Sharing & Other Funding

With respect to all cost-share allocations, DATCP is interested in identifying award criteria and strategies that advance implementation of state priorities related to agriculture. DATCP will consider opportunities to coordinate its cost-sharing with other

programs to better support state priorities. For example, DATCP may set aside funds for cost-sharing farms located in agricultural enterprise areas. The focus on state priorities may include working with DNR to implement the Wisconsin Nutrient Reduction Strategy. In an attempt to avoid the concentration of cost-share funding in limited areas, DATCP may consider better defining how cost-share funds can and cannot be used in connection with phosphorus management tools such as the P variance (2013 Wisconsin Act 378).

DATCP will continue reviewing its options to promote implementation of nutrient management planning, including the increased need for NM plans generated by new performance standards for pastures and FPP conservation compliance requirements. DATCP will evaluate the effectiveness of its policies related to cost-sharing cover crop and other cropping practices that support nutrient management plans.

DATCP may consider changes in its Nutrient Management Farmer Education grants, including an increased annual allocation for training grants, linkages to new providers, and higher grant awards in one or both categories. Increased spending on training may be the most cost-effective approach to helping farmers achieve compliance with nutrient management plans. With dedicated funding for producer-led watershed organizations, there may be new opportunities to offer farmer training through these groups.

For 2016 and the foreseeable future, DATCP is focused on increasing funding to support training activities statewide that will primarily benefit conservation professionals in the public sector.

Table 1: 2016 County Bond Cost-Share Awards

County	Bond				County	Bond			
	12-14 Cumulative Average Under-Spending**	2012 Census Acres***	12-14 Cumulative Total Dollars Spent****	Award		12-14 Cumulative Average Under-Spending**	2012 Census Acres***	12-14 Cumulative Total Dollars Spent****	Award
Adams*	1%	118,393	\$136,742	\$57,000	Marathon	4%	479,045	\$247,455	\$82,500
Ashland	0%	45,815	\$158,841	\$50,000	Marinette	0%	132,074	\$182,064	\$57,000
Barron	9%	309,750	\$94,785	\$52,500	Marquette	1%	120,185	\$125,742	\$57,000
Bayfield	0%	71,824	\$200,315	\$62,000	Menominee*	9%	561	\$34,228	\$20,000
Brown*	14%	181,197	\$81,190	\$40,048	Milwaukee*	0%	4,563	\$0	\$20,000
Buffalo	8%	305,302	\$187,904	\$52,500	Monroe*	6%	337,895	\$128,500	\$52,500
Burnett*	36%	83,608	\$4,937	\$17,000	Oconto	6%	189,389	\$72,917	\$42,500
Calumet	17%	142,374	\$118,561	\$32,000	Oneida	6%	34,926	\$182,830	\$35,000
Chippewa	17%	384,621	\$94,144	\$42,500	Outagamie	0%	250,748	\$161,188	\$62,500
Clark	0%	458,221	\$226,520	\$72,500	Ozaukee	1%	64,987	\$213,089	\$62,000
Columbia	1%	307,973	\$231,242	\$87,500	Pepin	2%	103,604	\$97,104	\$40,000
Crawford	7%	216,584	\$96,393	\$47,500	Pierce	0%	245,974	\$238,865	\$82,500
Dane	14%	504,420	\$142,324	\$42,500	Polk	4%	255,917	\$60,875	\$43,000
Dodge	22%	402,041	\$53,817	\$27,500	Portage	4%	278,673	\$189,483	\$67,500
Door*	12%	131,955	\$86,069	\$32,000	Price	6%	92,295	\$167,381	\$42,000
Douglas	14%	70,578	\$53,919	\$27,000	Racine	0%	109,964	\$182,831	\$57,000
Dunn	5%	372,259	\$108,897	\$64,000	Richland	9%	227,833	\$134,473	\$47,500
Eau Claire	0%	203,705	\$173,735	\$62,500	Rock	4%	353,793	\$167,154	\$67,500
Florence	0%	13,392	\$156,459	\$50,000	Rusk*	1%	133,601	\$131,179	\$57,000
Fond du Lac	5%	315,553	\$85,294	\$67,500	Saint Croix	22%	267,685	\$111,137	\$27,500
Forest	10%	30,258	\$13,550	\$15,000	Sauk	0%	332,649	\$176,974	\$67,500
Grant	3%	587,587	\$155,581	\$67,500	Sawyer	0%	43,554	\$40,568	\$35,000
Green	4%	302,295	\$190,325	\$67,500	Shawano	32%	261,141	\$24,843	\$22,500
Green Lake	0%	154,595	\$168,266	\$57,000	Sheboygan	2%	190,155	\$163,485	\$62,500
Iowa	25%	350,813	\$99,504	\$32,500	Taylor	1%	217,012	\$253,051	\$82,500
Iron	0%	10,207	\$94,718	\$40,000	Trempealeau	0%	323,157	\$189,362	\$67,500
Jackson	0%	239,936	\$392,707	\$82,500	Vernon	8%	345,892	\$196,714	\$52,500
Jefferson	5%	227,901	\$57,497	\$35,000	Vilas	5%	6,881	\$73,728	\$45,000
Juneau	8%	180,039	\$104,891	\$47,500	Walworth	0%	187,711	\$183,666	\$62,500
Kenosha*	0%	76,632	\$119,337	\$57,000	Washburn	5%	87,387	\$51,797	\$47,000
Kewaunee	7%	176,735	\$101,753	\$47,500	Washington	6%	133,432	\$129,574	\$42,000
LaCrosse	4%	158,718	\$150,737	\$57,000	Waukesha	7%	92,211	\$59,184	\$20,000
Lafayette	10%	368,501	\$170,184	\$52,500	Waupaca	1%	215,330	\$223,096	\$67,500
Langlade*	4%	113,881	\$119,072	\$57,000	Waushara	2%	145,210	\$137,365	\$50,000
Lincoln	5%	76,844	\$231,226	\$60,000	Winnebago*	15%	155,520	\$185,931	\$32,000
Manitowoc	0%	230,735	\$205,095	\$67,500	Wood	2%	222,730	\$224,031	\$67,500
					TOTALS				\$3,675,048

Each County was given a base of \$10,000, plus the other 3 criteria as listed below to finalize their BOND award.

**Graduated awards based on 3-yr avg underspending: 0-5% = \$35,000, 6-10% = \$20,000 , 11-20% = \$10,000, and >20% = \$0

***Graduated awards based on 2012 Census acres: 275,000 or more=\$17,500, 175,000-274,999=\$12,500, 50,000-174,999=\$7,000, and <50,000=\$0

****Graduated awards based on 3-yr cumulative spending: >\$230,000 = \$25,000, \$200,000-\$229,999 = \$10,000, \$75,000-\$199,999 = \$5,000, and <\$75,000 = \$0

* County transferred 2014 BOND funds

Shaded award amounts=Lesser award based on amount requested, but they were eligible for more funding if they had requested more.

Table 2: 2016 County SEG Cost-Share Awards

County	Ranking and Award			County	Ranking and Award		
	Score	Grouping	Award		Score	Grouping	Award
Adams	75	2	\$ 28,000	Marathon	100	1	\$ 50,000
Ashland	85	2	\$ 14,000	Marinette	85	2	\$ 45,000
Barron	80	2	\$ 28,000	Marquette	55	3	\$ 38,422
Bayfield	65	3	\$ 8,400	Menominee	NA	NA	\$ -
Brown	NA	NA	\$ -	Milwaukee	NA	NA	\$ -
Buffalo	55	3	\$ 33,600	Monroe	65	3	\$ 16,800
Burnett	65	3	\$ 12,000	Oconto	85	2	\$ 14,980
Calumet	100	1	\$ 50,000	Onieda	NA	NA	\$ -
Chippewa	55	3	\$ 38,423	Outagamie	100	1	\$ 50,000
Clark	100	1	\$ 50,000	Ozaukee	65	3	\$ 42,000
Columbia	80	2	\$ 45,000	Pepin	65	3	\$ 11,200
Crawford	80	2	\$ 14,000	Pierce	65	3	\$ 20,000
Dane	80	2	\$ 45,000	Polk	NA	NA	\$ -
Dodge	100	1	\$ 10,000	Portage	NA	NA	\$ -
Door	85	2	\$ 19,600	Price	NA	NA	\$ -
Douglas	NA	NA	\$ -	Racine	65	3	\$ 42,000
Dunn	65	3	\$ 16,800	Richland	80	2	\$ 28,000
Eau Claire	80	2	\$ 45,000	Rock	70	2	\$ 45,000
Florence	NA	NA	\$ -	Rusk	55	3	\$ 28,000
Fond du Lac	100	1	\$ 15,000	Saint Croix	80	2	\$ 25,000
Forest	NA	NA	\$ -	Sauk	65	3	\$ 42,000
Grant	NA	NA	\$ -	Sawyer	65	3	\$ 7,000
Green	80	2	\$ 45,000	Shawano	90	1	\$ 14,000
Green Lake	100	1	\$ 28,000	Sheboygan	80	2	\$ 14,000
Iowa	80	2	\$ 45,000	Taylor	65	3	\$ 28,000
Iron	NA	NA	\$ -	Trempealeau	80	2	\$ 45,000
Jackson	65	3	\$ 28,000	Vernon	80	2	\$ 45,000
Jefferson	100	1	\$ 14,000	Vilas	NA	NA	\$ -
Juneau	NA	NA	\$ -	Walworth	NA	NA	\$ -
Kenosha	55	3	\$ 14,000	Washburn	65	3	\$ 8,400
Kewaunee	100	1	\$ 16,800	Washington	85	2	\$ 10,080
La Crosse	100	1	\$ 50,000	Waukesha	NA	NA	\$ -
Lafayette	80	2	\$ 45,000	Waupaca	85	2	\$ 45,000
Langlade	100	1	\$ 28,000	Waushara	85	2	\$ 20,000
Lincoln	55	3	\$ 7,000	Winnebago	100	1	\$ 50,000
Manitowoc	100	1	\$ 50,000	Wood	65	3	\$ 24,500
				TOTALS			
					\$ 1,653,005		

N/A= Did Not Apply for SEG funds

Shaded award amounts=Lesser award based on amount requested by county.

DNR'S FINAL ALLOCATION

DNR's portion of the final allocation may provide funding to counties through three programs:

- 1) Targeted Runoff Management (TRM),
- 2) Notice of Discharge (NOD), and
- 3) Urban Nonpoint Source & Storm Water Management.

Table B shows the final DNR allocations to each county grantee for TRM and UNPS. A reserve amount has been established for NOD, as specific county allocations are unknown at this time.

FUNDING SOURCES

Allocations for TRM projects and NOD projects are from bond revenue appropriated in s. 20.866(2)(tf), Wis. Stats., Federal Clean Water Act Section 319, and segregated funds appropriated in s. 20.370(6)(aq).

Allocations for UNPS Planning projects are from segregated funds appropriated in s. 20.370(6)(dq), Wis. Stats. Allocations for UNPS Construction projects are from bond revenue appropriated in s. 20.866(2)(th), Wis. Stats.

Note: DNR will also provide TRM grants and UNPS grants to non-county grantees. Wisconsin Statutes do not require that non-county grantees be listed in this allocation plan.

- For all grant programs, funds will be considered "committed" when a grantee has returned a signed copy of the grant agreement to DNR.
- For the TRM program, grant agreements not signed by the deadline may be rescinded by DNR, and the associated grant funds may be used to fund other eligible projects in rank order based on project scores. If, for any reason, funds committed through this allocation plan become available after March 31, 2016, these funds may be held over to fund projects selected in the next grant cycle.

1. TRM Final Allocation

DNR allocates up to \$2,988,363 to counties for cost sharing of TRM projects during calendar year 2016. As shown in Chart 1, this allocation amount results in \$1,229,364 in unmet needs under TRM, leaving nine eligible TRM projects unfunded.

The maximum cost-share amount that can be awarded for a single Small-Scale TRM project is \$150,000. The maximum cost-share amount that can be awarded for a single Large-Scale TRM project is \$1,000,000.

TRM allocations made through this plan will be reimbursed to grantees during calendar years 2016 through 2018. Project applications are screened, scored, and ranked in accordance with s. 281.65(4c), Wis. Stats. Adjustments to grant amounts may occur to account for eligibility of project components, cost-share rates, or NR 151 enforcement action at the time that DNR negotiates the actual grant agreement with an applicant.

2. UNPS Final Allocation

Table B contains a DNR allocation of \$24,669 for UNPS Planning projects received from county applicants. This amount will cover the requested state share of the two county planning project applications received.

UNPS planning grants are limited to a maximum of \$85,000 per project. The UNPS Planning allocations made through this plan will be reimbursed to grantees during calendar years 2016 and 2017. Adjustments to these amounts may occur to account for eligibility of project components or cost-share rates at the time that DNR negotiates the actual grant award with applicants.

DNR allocates \$0 for UNPS construction projects during calendar year 2016. The two county requests for UNPS construction grants did not rank within the available funding level.

3. Notice of Discharge Program

A. Background

DNR issues notices of discharge (NOD) and notices of intent (NOI) under NR 243, Wis. Adm. Code; this rule regulates animal feeding operations. DNR has authority under s. 281.65(4e), Wis. Stats., to provide grant assistance for NOD and NOI projects outside the competitive TRM process. DNR is authorized to make grants to governmental units, which in turn enter into cost-share agreements with landowners that have received an NOD or NOI from DNR.

Cost-share assistance is provided to landowners to meet the regulatory requirements of an NOD issued under NR 243, Wis. Adm. Code. In some cases, cost-share assistance must be offered before enforcement action can be taken. In other cases, DNR is not required to provide cost sharing but may do so at its discretion. DNR has several permitting and enforcement options available under NR 243 should landowners fail to meet the conditions of the NOD.

B. NOD Final Allocation

In this final allocation plan, DNR establishes a reserve of \$1,000,000 for NOD projects during calendar year 2016. The reserve includes funds for structural practices in eligible locations. DNR may use its discretion to increase this reserve if needed. In order to receive a grant award, a governmental unit must submit an application to DNR that describes a specific project and includes documentation that an NOD or NOI has either already been issued or will be issued by DNR concurrent with the grant award. Once DNR issues a grant to the governmental unit to address an NOD or NOI, DNR will designate a portion of the reserve specifically for that project.

Since DATCP also administers funds to correct NODs, DNR and DATCP will consult on each NOD application in order to assure that the two agencies are making the most efficient use of

the available funds to address these problem sites.

DNR will require that county grantees commit funds to a cost-share agreement with the landowner within a time-frame that is consistent with the compliance schedule in the NOD. The county grantee shall use the grant award to reimburse the landowner for costs incurred during the grant period, which may extend beyond CY 2016. If the landowner fails to install practices listed in the cost-share agreement within the timeframe provided, DNR will terminate its grant with the county, leaving the landowner to correct the problems identified in the NOD without the benefit of state cost sharing.

Fund balances from terminated NOD grants and projects completed under budget may be returned to the reserve account and made available to other NOD applicants. Reserve funds remaining at the end of calendar year 2016 may either be carried over for the calendar year 2017 NOD reserve account or may be allocated for calendar year 2016 or 2017 TRM projects. DNR and DATCP issue a joint report annually to the LWCB on progress in administering NOD funds.

**SUMMARY OF CHANGES TO THE 2016
JOINT PRELIMINARY ALLOCATION PLAN**

The DATCP's portion of the final plan made no substantive changes from the preliminary allocation plan.

The DNR's portion of the final plan includes the following changes from the preliminary plan:

- Updated Charts 1 and 2 to reflect currently available funding to County projects.
- Updated Tables B and C in the final plan to reflect DNR's funding decisions for county TRM and UNPS grant applications.

FINAL ACTION

DATCP has determined that the action described in this final allocation plan for the 2016 soil and water resource management grant program shown in Table A conforms to the applicable DATCP provisions of s. 92.14, Wis. Stats, and ATCP 50, Wis. Administrative Code. DATCP reserves the right to reallocate grant funds unexpended by recipients.

Dated this 7th day of October, 2015

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE
AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

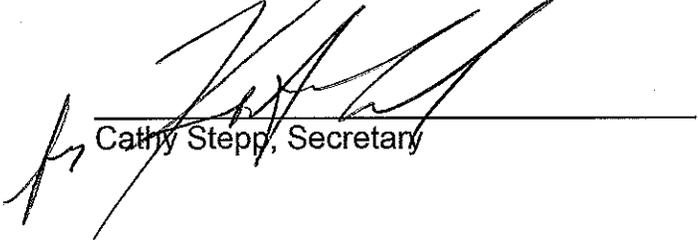


Ben Brancel, Secretary

DNR has determined that the actions described in this final allocation plan for the 2016 allocations of DNR funds shown in Table B conforms with the provisions of ss. 281.65 and 281.66, Wis. Stats.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2015

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



Cathy Stepp, Secretary