

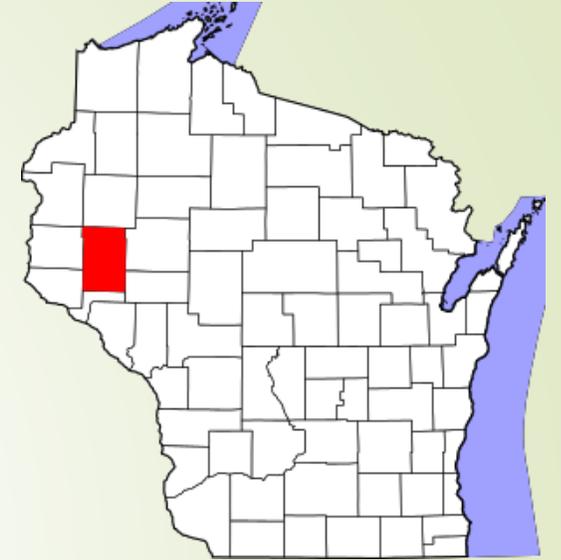
Dunn County LWRM Plan

2017-2026 5 year review

Chase Cummings – County Conservationist

Tom Quinn– Land Conservation Committee
– Chairperson

- County population: approx. 45,000
- 553,000 acres
- 240,765 acres of cropland (NASS 2017)
- 100,928 acres of corn
- 66,461 acres of soybeans
- 42,964 acres of alfalfa/hay/forage
- 4,255 acres of kidney beans (dry edible)
- 18,768 milk cows on 129 farms
- Agriculture provides 17% of jobs in the county workforce (Dunn County Comprehensive Land Use Plan 2010-2030)
- Generates \$10.6 million in local and state taxes (Dunn County Comprehensive Land Use Plan 2010-2030)



Dunn County LWCD

Staffing Capacity

- 8.0 FTE
- 5.35 FTE County Funded
- 1.75 FTE DATCP SWRM
- 0.9 FTE Other Funds



Accomplishments 2017-2020





More progress needed...

- ▶ Grazing
 - ▶ Planner certifications
 - ▶ Information and Outreach
 - ▶ Community Capacity assessment
 - ▶ Economic Development potential
 - ▶ Third Crop in Rotation
 - ▶ i.e. Winter wheat
 - ▶ Improved soil health and crop diversity
 - ▶ Market limitations
 - ▶ Stable water monitoring program
 - ▶ Groundwater Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation follow-up
 - ▶ Increase public awareness and mitigation
 - ▶ Improvement to ground water quality monitoring program
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Priority Farm Strategy

Priority Farms (LWRM Plan)

- Farmland Preservation
- Land and livestock facilities in the TMDL
- Livestock Siting
- Complaints
- Manure Management (Storage) Ordinance
- Livestock facilities in SWQMAs
- Voluntary

Work plan implementation

- FP Zoning – AEA
- Producer Led Watershed Groups
 - Hay River FLW
 - Red Cedar Conservation Farmers
- Red Cedar Demo Farm
- Watershed prioritization
- Ordinance updates



Next 5 years...

- ▶ Coordination of Citizen & Agency work group efforts
 - ▶ TMDL/9KE Implementation
 - ▶ Producer Led Groups
 - ▶ Demonstration Farm Networks
 - ▶ Grazing/Market Strategy
 - ▶ Water Quality/Quantity Monitoring
 - ▶ Watershed prioritization
 - ▶ Ordinance Update
 - ▶ NR151 Implementation (Priority Farm/Priority Watershed)
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Thank you!



Questions?