



Land and Water Conservation Board Agenda

April 2, 2024

Microsoft Teams

This meeting will be conducted via teleconference only.

The Land and Water Conservation Board (LWCB) will meet on **April 2, 2024**. The board will hold its official business meeting at 9:00 am via Microsoft Teams. To attend the meeting remotely, join by telephone at +1 608-571-2209 with Conference ID 112411209# or click the following Teams [hyperlink](#). The agenda for the meeting is shown below.

AGENDA ITEMS AND TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

- 9:00 AM 1 Call the Meeting to Order – **Mark Cupp, LWCB Chair**
- a. Roll Call
 - b. Pledge of allegiance
 - c. Open meeting notice
 - d. Introductions, Acknowledgements
 - e. Approval of agenda
 - f. Approval of February 6, 2024 meeting minutes
- 9:10 AM 2 Public appearances*
- *Each speaker is limited to 5 minutes or less. Each speaker must complete a Public Appearance Request Card and submit it to a DATCP representative before the start of the meeting*
- 9:15 AM 3 Recommendation for approval of LWRM 5 Year Plan revision for Ashland County
MaryJo Gingras, Ashland County Conservationist; George Bussey, Land Conservation Committee Vice-Chair, Charlie Ortman LCC member
- 9:45 AM 4 Recommendation for approval of LWRM 5 Year Plan revision for Clark County
Jim Arch, Clark County Conservationist; Fritz Garbisch, Land Conservation Committee Chair

*Mark Cupp, Chair; Monte Osterman, Vice Chair
Brian McGraw, Secretary*

*Members: Andrew Buttlers; Ron Grasshoff; Rebecca Clarke; Yogesh Chawla;
Andrew Potts; Robby Personette; Jill Schoen*

- 10:15 AM 5 LWCB Advisory Committee on Research - Committee Updates, Bylaw Revision
Kirsten Biefeld & Katy Smith, DATCP
- 10:25 AM 6 Extension of DATCP Projects from 2023 into 2024; Report on Transfers and Reallocations of 2023 Cost-share dollars (written report only)
DATCP
- 10:30 AM 7 Recommendation for approval of LWRM 5 Year Plan revision for Barron County
Tyler Gruetzmacher, Barron County Conservationist; Randy Cook, Land Conservation Committee Chair; Dave Gifford, Director of Land Services
- 11:00 AM 8 Agency reports
- a. FSA
 - b. NRCS
 - c. UW-CALS
 - d. UW Madison - Extension
 - e. WI Land + Water
 - f. DOA
 - g. DATCP
 - h. DNR
 - i. Member Updates
- 11:30 AM 9 Planning for June 2024 LWCB Meeting -
Mark Cupp, LWCB
- 11:35 AM 10 Adjourn

MINUTES
LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING

February 6, 2024
2811 Agriculture Drive, Madison WI
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Item #1 Call to Order—pledge of allegiance, open meeting notice, approval of agenda, approval of December 5, 2023, LWCB meeting minutes.

Call to Order

The Land and Water Conservation Board (Board) met in person at 2811 Agriculture Drive, Madison, WI 53718 on **February 6, 2024**. The meeting was preceded by public notice as required by Wis. Stat. § 19.84. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Cupp at **9:00 am** and the pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Members and Advisors Present

Members: Mark Cupp, Monte Osterman, Brian McGraw, Ron Grasshoff, Yogesh Chawla, Andrew Buttles, Robby Personette, Andrew Potts, and Jill Schoen. A quorum was present.

Advisors: Matt Krueger (WI Land + Water), Ian Krauss (FSA), Ryan Gerlich(NRCS), Francisco Arriaga (UW CALS), Amber Radatz (UW Extension)

Approval of Agenda

Motion

McGraw motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Potts, and the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion

Osterman motioned to approve the December 5, 2023, meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Schoen, and the motion carried unanimously. The approved minutes shall be posted as the official meeting record for publication on the LWCB website.

Item #2 Public Appearances

No public appearance cards were submitted.

Item #3 Election of 2024 Officers

The Board conducted an election of officers from the floor in the following order:

Nomination for Secretary

Grasshoff nominated McGraw as Secretary, seconded by Osterman. The LWCB Chair closed nominations. McGraw was elected to serve as 2024 LWCB Secretary by a unanimous voice vote.

Nomination for Vice Chair

Grasshoff nominated Osterman as Vice Chair, seconded by Buttles. The LWCB Chair closed nominations. Osterman was elected to serve as 2024 LWCB Vice Chair by a unanimous voice vote.

Nomination for Chair

Chair Cupp turned the election process over to Vice Chair Osterman. Buttles nominated Cupp as Chair, seconded by Grasshoff. The LWCB Vice Chair closed nominations. Cupp was elected to serve as 2024 LWCB Chair by a unanimous voice vote.

Item #4 Recommendation for approval of 5-year Land and Water Resource Management Plan review for Douglas County

Ashley Strabel, County Conservationist, and Sue Hendrickson, Land Conservation Committee Chair, formally requested a recommendation of approval from the Board regarding the County's 5-year LWRM plan review.

The County provided written answers to the Board's standardized questions, recent work plans and accomplishments, and other materials (available on LWCB's website: lwcb.wi.gov).

Motion

After a discussion between the Board and County representatives, Grasshoff motioned to recommend approval of Douglas County's 5-year LWRM plan review, seconded by McGraw, and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #5 Recommendation for approval of 5-year Land and Water Resource Management Plan review for Rock County

Andrew Baker, Rock County Land Conservation Department Director, and Alan Sweeney, Land Conservation Committee Vice-Chair, formally requested a recommendation of approval from the Board regarding the County's 5-year LWRM plan review.

The County provided written answers to the Board's standardized questions, recent work plans and accomplishments, and other materials (available on LWCB's website: lwcb.wi.gov).

Motion

After a discussion between the Board and County representatives, Buttles motioned to recommend approval of Rock County's 5-year LWRM plan review, seconded by Grasshoff, and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #6 Measuring the Impact of Nutrient Management Planning on Surface Water Quality in Wisconsin

Andrew Beguhl, Captain, US Air Force and Professor Marin Skidmore, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign presented study "Measuring the Impact of Nutrient Management Planning on Surface Water Quality in Wisconsin." A copy of the study and supporting presentation are available on LWCB's website: lwcb.wi.gov.

Item #7 Annual Soil and Water Conservation Report

Coreen Fallat, DATCP, presented the 2022 Annual Soil and Water Conservation Report.

Item #8 LWCB Advisory Committee on Research-Committee Updates

Ron Grasshoff and Kirsten Biefeld, DATCP, discussed updates from the January 9th meeting of the Advisory Committee on Research; the Committee will reconvene on March 5th, 2024. Grasshoff reported: he is collaborating with Biefeld and Radatz to finalize a letter to additional UW Contacts provided by Arriaga regarding the Soil and Water Conservation Research and Educational Needs Survey Report; the committee started developing a work plan.

Item #9 Agency Reports

- a. FSA- Krauss submitted a written report that is available online at the Land and Water Conservation Board website within the February 6, 2024 [meeting packet](#).
- b. NRCS- Gerlich submitted a written report that is available online at the Land and Water Conservation Board website within the February 6, 2024 [meeting packet](#). In addition, Gerlich reported the State Conservationist position was announced in early winter and has closed; NRCS Wisconsin has increased staffing by 52 permanent staff since 2022; Local workgroup meetings have been online since Covid, in-person meetings will be offered starting in June in the different work areas.
- c. UW-CALS- Arriaga reported there are a number of UW staff working on agrivoltaics, if the board is interested in learning more, he can connect them with staff; UW will be conducting research on a new solar array that is pending near Madison; The Department of Agronomy and Horticulture have merged to form the Plant and Agroecosystem Sciences Department, within the new Department, there is a new undergraduate degree in agricultural ecosystems which will include a Land Management Tract which is expected to have practical training for employment at the county level; there are now 4 new faculty with Extension Appointments in UW-CALS with an interest in water quality issues as it pertains to agriculture.
- d. UW Madison- Extension- Radatz reported the Division of Extension is excited for new capacity in areas with water quality and conservation issues; Wisconsin Water and Soil Health Conference was in Wisconsin Dells in December, 385 attendees discussed the intersection of agriculture, water quality and conservation; Extension is half way through an [Ag and Water Quality Winter Webinar Series](#); the Division of Extension has filled many positions in the last 2-years, many look different than they have in the past and may serve different geographic areas, reconfigurations were need to create a sustainable model for staffing.
- e. WI Land + Water- Krueger reported: the association is gearing up for their [annual conference](#) on March 6th through the 8th in Green Bay; they will be holding in-person trainings for new LCC members following spring elections, in partnership with DATCP with hopes to conduct continuous trainings during 2-year tenures; New Employee trainings for LCC and agency staff are being evaluated for improvements.
- f. DOA- Potts reported the legislative session is wrapping up; DOA is monitoring the bills moving through the legislative process; once the legislative session wraps, they will start working on base budget reconciliation for the biennial budget; DNR submitted a s. 13.10 request to the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) to access \$125 million dollars approved under the state 23-25 biennial budget to address PFAS contamination, the JFC has not yet announced a hearing date for the release of these funds.

- g. DATCP- Personette submitted a written report that is available online at the Land and Water Conservation Board website within the February 6, 2024 [meeting packet](#). In addition Personette reported ATCP 50 has been referred to the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules; the availability of the Engineering Reserve Fund; Act 42 went into effect in December of 2023; the 2024 annual workshop for PLWPG will take place on February 20th.
- h. DNR- Schoen submitted a written report that is available online at the Land and Water Conservation Board website within the February 6, 2024 [meeting packet](#). In addition, Shoen reported TRM and UNPS grants applications are due April 15th.

Item #10 Planning for the April 2, 2024 LWCB meeting

The Board should expect the following at the next LWCB meeting:

- 5-year Review Ashland, Barron, Clark Counties
- Extension of DATCP Projects from 2023 to 2024
- Report on Transfers and Reallocations of 2023 Cost-Share Dollars (written report only)
- LWCB Advisory Committee on Research Updates, and related bylaw revisions
- Board Education Item

Item #11 Adjourn

Motion

Osterman motioned to adjourn, seconded by Buttles, and the motion carried unanimously. The business meeting was adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM _____ **State of Wisconsin**

DATE: March 20, 2024

TO: Land and Water Conservation Board Members and Advisors

FROM: Lisa K. Trumble, DATCP *Lisa K. Trumble*
Resource Management Section,
Bureau of Land and Water Resources

SUBJECT: *Five Year Review of the Ashland County Land and Water Resource Management Plan*

Recommended Action: This is an action item. The LWCB should determine whether the county has met the LWCB's criteria for a five-year review of a LWRM plan approved for ten years. If the LWCB makes a formal determination that the county has failed to meet these criteria, DATCP will automatically modify its order to terminate approval of the county's plan effective December of this year.

Summary: The Ashland County land and water resource management plan has been approved through December 31, 2029, contingent on a five-year review conducted prior to December 31, 2024. In advance of the five-year review, Ashland County has completed a DATCP approved form designed to implement the LWCB's reference document dated October 27, 2021, and the criteria for conducting a five-year review. The county has provided written answers to four questions regarding past and future implementation, has provided the required work planning documents, and has appropriately involved the Land Conservation Committee.

Materials Provided:

- Completed Five Year Review Form
- 2023 Annual Workplan with Accomplishments
- 2024 Annual Workplan

Presenter: MaryJo Gingras, County Conservationist, Ashland County LCD
George Mika, Land Conservation Committee Chair



Land and Water Conservation Board
County Land and Water Resource Management Plan
Five Year Review of LWRM Plans

County: ASHLAND

Implementation Covering Past Five Years and Future Directions

Answer these four questions in writing (not to exceed 4 pages)

1. Provide a representative number of accomplishments that can be directly traced to activities identified in multiple work plans. For each accomplishment, explain how the planning process helped the county achieve its outcome, including planning adjustments that helped better target county activities.

In the past five years, at least 30 activities accomplished from Ashland's LWRM 2020-2024 Work Plan (46% of plan) are identified in other plans, including the Lake Superior Collaborative Action Plan 2019; Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science (NIACS) Adaptation Strategies; Lake Superior Lake-Wide Management Plan; Marengo River Watershed Action Plan (9-Key Element Plan), and Ashland Comprehensive and Farmland Preservation Plans.

Accomplished activities including those listed below, were developed during Ashland's LWRM Plan update process in 2019. The plan's Advisory Committee listed actions that would improve resource issues. Regional management plans were also reviewed to identify activities listed in other plans that could be incorporated and collaborated on. The planning process involved resource partners and citizens who shared local concerns and projects that needed to be completed. These strategies helped prioritize specific actions, and noted projects for which the county would need to apply for grant funds, such as the first example below for a demonstration project to "slow-the-flow." This process enabled the county to achieve successful outcomes. The work plan was well-developed and achievable from a funding and staff capacity standpoint so there were no major adjustments necessary to achieve most accomplishments. Minor adjustments that helped better target activities included altering a year identified to implement a large-scale or grant-funded project, carrying over or extending funds from one year to another to implement practices pushed back due to weather conditions, or altering a project based on landowner preferences. None of these resulted in not completing a planned activity.

Examples of representative accomplishments identified in multiple work plans include:

1. Encourage a landscape-scale demonstration project to evaluate "slow-the-flow" practices to account for present and future conditions (identified in four of the work plans listed above). The LWCD was awarded 5 grants amounting to \$600,000 including a 2019 Act 157 GPR allocation from the Wisconsin Legislature to Ashland County for \$150,000 to implement 2-3 natural flood management demonstration projects in the Marengo River watershed. Severe floods in 2016 and 2018 prompted the LWCD to include climate adaptation strategies and demonstration project ideas into the 2020 LWRM Plan. Those ideas garnered press, media, and grant funding opportunities. Two projects were installed

in 2023 and the third project was delayed to spring 2024 due to excessive fall rains. The installed projects included a 10-acre wetland restoration and a first-of-its-kind Post Assisted Log Structures (PALS) project to re-establish stream channel and floodplain connection. Both projects will "slow-the-flow" and increase water storage capacity in an effort to mitigate increased precipitation. They also aide in building climate resiliency.

2. Commendable accomplishments were made in increasing producer technical assistance & cost-share for NMPs and NR 151 compliance (Listed in 3 plans). Ashland County Board also adopted an Agricultural Performance Standards and Animal Waste Ordinance. Ashland County increased farmland covered under NMPs by 2,528 acres and planted 745 acres with the county's No-Till planter. The LWCD was awarded National Association of Conservation District grants in 2021-2024 and hired an Agricultural Technician. Annual strategic planning with the Ag. Techncian assists in targeting priority farms or priority areas. In addition, Nutrient Management Farmer Education grant prioritizes efforts.

3. Provide techncial assistance & cost-share to install practices that reduce erosion, slow runoff, & increase water storage (listed in 4+ plans).

The LWCD implemented 52 cost-share projects many which contributed to the activity: Livestock Fencing: 72,674 ft; Livestock Watering Facility: 8; Stream Crossings: 328 ft; Well Decommissioning: 3; Wetland Restoration: 44 acres; Access Roads: 3,941 ft; Barnyard Runoff Control: 1; Critical Area Stabilization: 3; Grade Stabilization: 1; Heavy Use Protection: 1; Livestock Trails/ Walkways: 242 ft; Manure Storage Closure:1; Post-Assisted Log Structures: 1 Project; 11 structures; 863 feet stabilization

4. Prevent the introduction of, and control existing Aquatic Invasive Species populations (listed in 4+ plans). The LWCD has utilized WDNR grants since 2011 to fund annual Clean Boats Clean Waters, AIS Lake Monitoring, AIS removal and control efforts, education and outreach activities, and boat landings and marina monitoring at Lake Superior and through the county to prevent AIS. We also participate in AIS control efforts, attend collaborative invasive species events and meetings, host school education presentations, host public AIS education events, participate in Kids Fishing Day, serve on the steering committee of the Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area, and much more.

2. Identify any areas where the county was unable to make desired progress in implementing activities identified in multiple work plans. For each area identified, explain the work plan adjustments that were made to refocus planned activities. If no areas are identified, explain how the county was able to make progress in all the areas planned.

The only activity without the desired progress was to increase our Farmland Preservation Program participation. Ashland County has 4 FPP participants. Ashland received a Farmland Preservation Program Cooperator Grant in 2021 and expected to add 5-8 new participants by offering an incentive payment to enroll. The majority of farmer interest was in southern Ashland County far removed from the current Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA). Due to AEA restrictions we ere not able to enroll the interested farmers due to distance. There was also a general lack of interest in the program. We were able to enroll one new partipant.

The county was able to make progress in all other areas planned through annual review of the LWRM Work Plan, collaborating with resource partners including NRCS, WDNR,

Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management, USFWS, the Lake Superior Collaborative, and US Forest Service. In addition, from 2020-2023 we were awarded more than 750,000 in additional grant awards to increase staff and assist in project implementations.

3. Describe how the county's work plans implement its priority farm strategy and the effectiveness of county actions implementing agricultural performance standards and conservation practices on farms. In particular, the county should describe outreach, farm inventories, and additional funds that were pursued to implement its strategy.

2019-2023 were very successful for Ashland in implementing its priority farm strategy, and increasing education, Nutrient Management Plans, and NR 151 compliance, as well as accomplishing Performance Measurements listed in annual work plans. The County's success and effectiveness can be attributed to specific actions taken, including:

- * National Association of Conservation District grant awards in 2021-2024 & the hire of an Agricultural Technician (only 7 WI counties receive this grant).
- * 2018 Ashland Co. Agricultural Performance Standards & Animal Waste Ordinance.
- * Annual staff work plans that include deliverables for new and updated NMPs.
- * Soil Water Resource Management cost-share funds.
- * Ownership of and rental program for the No-Till Drill Planter.
- * 2020 policy approved by LCC that producers have a NMP to receive cost-share funds.
- * Annual review the LWRM Work Plan to identify specific outcomes and priority farm strategies to add to annual work plans as "Performance Measurements."

Priority Farm Strategy:

1. Farms located in the Lake Superior Basin; work towards/maintain NR151 compliance.
2. Farms located in impaired watersheds with management plans (Marengo River), with highest priority for practices that address the identified impairments.
3. Status reviews for NR151 compliance that request cost-sharing, permitting, or other programs that require compliance (FPP, etc)
4. Response to public complaints or staff observations.

Outside of the Priority Strategy, projects are implemented in watersheds of Outstanding or Exceptional Resource Waters, and in impaired watersheds without management plans.

The county's effectiveness in implementing its priority farm strategy and performance standards have been achieved due to the factors listed above and through the knowledge and commitment of local staff. The LWCD assists implementation of NR151 through technical assistance and cost-share. Ashland County implements all standards in NR 151, and this typically occurs through voluntary compliance. Where voluntary compliance is not possible, the Agricultural Performance Standards and Animal Waste Ordinance is employed. This occurred on a farm where the producer did not voluntarily comply. He was issued 2 letters of non-compliance and 2 farm visits, and is now working towards compliance. Considerable progress has been made with voluntary implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs) and development of nutrient management plans.

The Agricultural Technician conducts a number of outreach activities annually:

1. Implements an annual mailing to producers that need to write or update their NMP.
2. Works with producers to write a NMP if they do not have a NMP, or if they request cost-share funds from our department.
3. Hosts one-on-one and NMP class workshops; hosts No-Till Planter at county fairs.

4. Publishes newsletters, articles, and social media posts about NM funding, NRCS programs, No-Till rental, Farmland Preservation, agricultural field days, and more.
 5. Coordinates the No-Till Planter in Ashland, Bayfield, and Douglas Counties.
 6. Submits written and oral reports at County Land Conservation Committee meetings.
- Technical and Financial Assistance

1. Ashland County has written and updated 18 NMPs from 2019-2023 and administered \$76,329 in SEG funding.
2. Ashland County received a Cooperating Agreement from DATCP in 2021 to increase FPP participants. Unfortunately, due to the restricted AEA and limited staff resources we were not able to add more than one new FPP participant. Most of the interest was in southern Ashland County, farm removed from the AEA and with not enough participants to add another AEA. Maintain and enhance the Farmland Preservation Program.
3. Impressive technical and financial assistance was administered through cost-share conservation practices. From 2019-2023, 89% of all cost-share practices were implemented on active farmlands, 3% were implemented on agricultural land no longer in production, and the remaining 8% was implemented on forested private lands.
4. Ashland County promotes NRCS programs and collaborates with NRCS on cost-share conservation projects annually. 15-20% of annual projects utilize NRCS & EQIP funds.

Farm Inventories, Evaluation, and Tracking

1. FPP compliance certification is conducted every 4 years & reported to DATCP.
2. NM compliance checks & 590 annual checklists are conducted & reported to DATCP
3. Cost-share projects and unit measurements are tracked/ reported annually to DATCP.
4. NR 151 compliant projects have been recorded in GIS.

NR151 status review information is stored in a tracking database. The LWCD offers cost-share and technical assistance to works towards achieving NR 151 compliance.

4. Provide representative examples that show changes in direction for work planning in the upcoming five years, with specific examples provided showing adjustments in planned activities in the county's most recent work plan.

*Increasing climate resiliency plays a key role in our work. Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) grants have played an instrumental role in implementing natural flood management projects. Another GLRI application was submitted in 2024 for a second project similar to the Act 157 Natural Flood Management Marengo River project.

- * Update the Ashland County Comprehensive and Farmland Preservation Plans in 2025.
- * Well Testing Program began in 2022 and will continue annually beginning in 2024.
- * Expand the Agricultural Technician position from a 50/50 split Wildlife Damage Coordinator/Agricultural Technician to 100% Agricultural Technician position in 2024.
- * Increase lake monitoring/AIS Early Detection efforts on Ashland County inland lakes.

Annual Work Plans

Attach both of the following:

- a. The most current annual work prepared by the county.
- b. The work plan for the previous year that includes a column that identifies the progress in implementing the planned activities for that year.

Board Review Process

The goal of the review is not to fail counties. The board recognizes the dynamic nature of the planning process. Board members are interested in how counties tackle priorities over time and how they respond to changing conditions in pursuing their priorities. The board will evaluate a county's planning and implementation based on how well the county balances and prioritizes the following: agricultural performance standards, other state priorities (impaired waters, FPP checks), and local priorities. When needed, the Board will provide constructive support to counties to improve the quality of their planning. Counties have the option to prepare a brief presentation to illustrate their successes and future priorities.

Land Conservation Committee Notification

The LCC was provided a completed copy of these questions (including attachments) on: 2/7/24

Signature of Authorized Representative:  **Date:** 2-12-2024
(e.g. County Conservationist, LCC chair)

Send completed questionnaire and attachments to:

Lisa.Trumble@wi.gov

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS - ASHLAND COUNTY 2023 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY-IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

Table 1: Planned activities and performance measures by category

CATEGORY	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS
Cropland, soil health and/or nutrient management	<p>Climate Adaptation Practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote crops, planting dates, and practices which account for future variable conditions. ○ Minimize extreme weather impacts through adaptive practices to reduce peak flows, runoff velocity, and soil erosion on crop lands. <p>Practice Installation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide technical assistance planning, survey, design and construction of conservation practices. ○ Grassed waterway. (LS12) <p>Nutrient Management (NM) (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Host farmer education field day. ○ Develop NM plans through cost-share incentives. <p>Farmland Preservation (FPP) (AEA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop new FPP Agreements. <p>No-Till (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Administer no-till seeding with LWCD planter. <p>Ordinances and Zoning (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implement Ag. Standards and Animal Waste Storage Ordinance. ○ Implement CAFO Ordinance. <p>Cropland Compliance Reviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct NM compliance reviews. ○ Conduct Farmland Preservation compliance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provided educational materials to producers (15). ○ Implemented wetland restoration on marginal farmland near streams (1: Fischbach 10 acres). ○ Implemented 2 Act 157 natural flood management projects. ○ Developed Berweger design for final Act 157 implementation. ○ Received DNR grant to expand NFM projects. ○ Developed 4 new NMPs on 1000 acres; \$40,000 SEG funds. ○ Implemented 1 new FPP Agreement in AEA. ○ Planted 120 acres No-Till; 4 (Ashland) landowners/ 4 (other). ○ As needed. ○ Ensure 1200+ acres in compliance with NM; 5 farm reviews. ○ Ensure 1000+ acres in compliance with FPP as needed.
Livestock	<p>Practice installation</p> <p>Technical planning, survey, design, and construction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Access Road (LS12) ○ Crossing (LS12) ○ Fencing (LS12) ○ Livestock Watering (LS12) <p>Livestock Compliance Reviews</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partner with NRCS to maximize landowner cost-share ○ Installed Access Road (1,025 feet); (2) ○ Installed Fencing (22,856 feet); (4) ○ Installed Livestock Watering Facility (2)

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS - ASHLAND COUNTY 2023 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY-IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

CATEGORY	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct livestock compliance standards reviews. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct compliance reviews as needed.
Water quality/quantity	<p>Practice Installation Provide technical assistance: planning, survey, design, and construction of conservation practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wetland Restoration (LS12) <p>Groundwater Testing (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partner w/ UWSP & Ashland Co. Health Dept. on well testing. ○ Partner with USGS and Superior Rivers Watershed to conduct surface quality water sampling. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implemented Stream Bank/Shoreline Protection (863 ft) (1) ○ Implemented Wetland Restoration (10 acres); (1). ○ Partnered with USGS and Superior Rivers to conduct event water quality sampling (4).
Forestry	<p>Practice Installation Provide technical assistance planning, survey, design and construction of conservation practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide technical design as requested. ○ Promote Agroforestry Conservation Practices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As needed. ○ Provide educational materials to landowners.
Invasive species	<p>AIS Early Detection Monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AIS Early Detection Monitoring – Inland Lakes. ○ AIS Early Detection Monitoring – Lake Superior. ○ Project RED AIS Monitoring. <p>Citizen Monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Encourage citizens to conduct AIS monitoring. <p>Control Efforts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Control Invasive Species. ○ Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA) Boat Wash Partnership. <p>AIS Interns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruit, employ, and train AIS interns. <p>Education Efforts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maintain AIS signage at boat landings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conducted AIS Monitoring. (10 inland lakes) ○ Conducted AIS Monitoring. (11 sites on Lake Superior) ○ Conducted Project RED AIS Monitoring. (1 waterbody) ○ Assisted citizens with AIS monitoring (when requested) ○ Hosted citizen lake monitoring workshops (when requested) ○ Assisted citizens with data entry into SWIMS ○ Coordinated with partners on control measures; species include purple loosestrife (5+ sites), knotweed (in partnership with NWCA), garlic mustard (2 sites), yellow iris (1 site), ○ Implemented NCWMA portable boat wash use. (20 hours) ○ Hired 2 aquatic invasive species interns. ○ Inspected landing signage; replace as needed. (39 landings)

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS - ASHLAND COUNTY 2023 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY-IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

CATEGORY	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clean Boats Clean Waters (CBCW) Program. ○ Educate the public about AIS and Prevention. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inspected 768 boats; conducted 270 LWCD hours / 252 partner hours; entered data in SWIMS. ○ Hosted Landing Blitz, Drain Campaign, & Bait Dealer Initiative.

<p>Wildlife-Wetlands-Habitat (other than forestry or invasive species)</p>	<p>Practice Installation Technical planning, survey, design and construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wetland Restoration. (LS12) <p>Wildlife Damage Program (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Host Wildlife Damage Coordinator. ○ Deer Donation Program. ○ Provide wildlife damage assistance/abatement. <p>Annual Tree & Shrub Sale</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote native trees & shrubs. ○ Promote climate change strategies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implemented Wetland Restoration. (listed above) ○ Provided Wildlife Damage Coordinator office space. ○ Coordinated with WDNR & USDA-APHIS. ○ Provided abatement, reimburse owners. (\$9,400; 5 owners) ○ Hosted Tree & Shrub Sale. (3,375 trees; 129 landowners) ○ Promoted species well-suited for future variable conditions.
<p>Urban issues</p>	<p>Stormwater Management & Construction Sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Assist Ashland to reduce wastewater overflows. ○ Stormwater plan review. ○ Review Construction Site Erosion Control Plans. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provided Stormwater/wastewater education/tours, as requested. ○ Conducted site visits for LWCD funded projects (14 Storm Water Permits) (Received 1 Miscellaneous Structure IP from DNR) (1 Wetland GP from DNR) (1 GP18 from DNR) (2 Storm Water Permits from DNR) (2 NWP27 from OCOE) (1 NWP40 from OCOE) ○ Handled by zoning department; plan reviews as requested. ○ Handled by zoning department; plan reviews as requested.
<p>Watershed strategies</p>	<p>Climate Adaptation Practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote landscape-scale flood mitigation project. ○ Minimize extreme weather through adaption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Critical Area/Two-Stage Channel. (LS12) ○ Stream Crossing. (LS12) ○ Access Road. (LS12) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Listed above in the Cropland Performance Measure section) ○ Installed 11 PALS structures; 863 ft of stream bank stabilization and 2 New Berry riffles. ○ Fischbach Wetland Restoration ○ Berweger Wetland Grass Waterway and Grade Stabilization plan for 2024.

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Other	PL 566 Non-metallic Mining ○ Non-metallic mining plan & ordinance review	○ Handled by Highway Department. ○ 5 meetings with Town and County Work Crews.
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Table 2: Planned activity related to permits and ordinances

Permits and Ordinances	Plans/application reviews anticipated	Permits anticipated to be issued
Feedlot permits	0	0
Manure storage construction and transfer systems	0	0
Manure storage closure	0	0
Livestock facility siting	0	NA
Nonmetallic/frac sand mining	NA; Zoning Dept.	2 ; Zoning Dept.
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	2 ; Zoning Dept.	NA; Zoning Dept.
Shoreland zoning	NA; Zoning Dept.	NA; Zoning Dept.
Wetlands and waterways (Ch. 30)	30 ; Zoning Dept.	30 ; Zoning Dept.
Other	NA	NA

Table 3: Planned inspections

Inspections	Number of inspections planned
Total Farm Inspections	5+
For FPP	NA; up to date
For NR 151	5
Animal waste ordinance	0
Livestock facility siting	0
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA; Zoning Dept.
Nonmetallic mining	NA; Highway Dept.

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Table 4: Planned outreach and education activities

Activity	Number
Tours	4
Field days	12
Trainings/workshops	12
School programs (class/field days)	10
Social media posts	30
News release/story	25

Table 5: Staff Hours and Expected Costs (staff can be combined or listed individually)

Staff/Support	Hours	Costs
County Conservationist	1950	\$99,546
Civil Engineering Technician	1950	\$90,179
Ag Technician/Wildlife Damage Coordinator	1950	\$63,043
Land & Water Specialist	1950	\$50,290
Conservation Summer Interns (2)	1050	\$16,466
Administrative Assistant	370	\$7,541
Operational Costs		~\$40,000
TOTAL		
Cost Sharing		
Bonding		\$50,000
SEG		\$40,000

**ASHLAND COUNTY 2024 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
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Table 1: Planned activities and performance measures by category

CATEGORY	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS
Cropland, soil health and/or nutrient management	<p>Climate Adaptation Practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote crops, planting dates, and practices which account for future variable conditions. ○ Minimize extreme weather impacts through adaptive practices to reduce peak flows, runoff velocity, and soil erosion on crop lands. <p>Practice Installation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide technical assistance planning, survey, design and construction of conservation practices. ○ Grassed waterway. (LS12) <p>Nutrient Management (NM) (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Host farmer education field day. ○ Develop NM plans through cost-share incentives. <p>Farmland Preservation (FPP) (AEA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop new FPP Agreements. <p>No-Till (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Administer no-till seeding with LWCD planter. <p>Ordinances and Zoning (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implement Ag. Standards and Animal Waste Storage Ordinance. ○ Implement CAFO Ordinance. <p>Cropland Compliance Reviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct NM compliance reviews. ○ Conduct Farmland Preservation compliance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide educational mailings to producers. ○ Implement wetland restoration on marginal farmland near streams (5 acres) ○ Implement final Act 157 natural flood management project. ○ Develop design for Brunswailer Watershed NFM project. ○ Seek USFWS & DNR grants to expand NFM projects. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implement Grassed waterway. (0.5 acres); (1) ○ Implement Grade Stabilization (1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop 3 new NMPs on 750 acres; \$30,000 SEG cost-share. ○ Collaborative NM Farmer Education grant w/ Douglas Co. ○ Host 1 field day & workshop/NM training in Ashland County. ○ Type 4 press releases. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Target 1 new FPP Agreement in AEA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Target 200 acres for No-Till plantings; 8 landowners. ○ Post No-Till Planter at county fair. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As needed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ensure 1200+ acres in compliance with NM; 5 farm reviews. ○ Ensure 1000+ acres in compliance with FPP as needed.
Livestock	<p>Practice installation</p> <p>Technical planning, survey, design and construction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Access Road (LS12) ○ Crossing (LS12) ○ Fencing (LS12) ○ Livestock Watering (LS12) <p>Livestock Compliance Reviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct livestock compliance standards reviews. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partner with NRCS to maximize landowner cost-share ○ Install Access Road (75 feet); (1) ○ Install Fencing (5,600 feet); (2) ○ Install Livestock Watering Facility (2) ○ Install Stream Crossing (280 feet); (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct compliance reviews as needed.

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CATEGORY	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS
Water quality/quantity	<p>Practice Installation Provide technical assistance in planning, survey, design, and construction of conservation practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wetland Restoration (LS12) <p>Groundwater Testing (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partner w/ UWSP & Health Dept. on well testing. <p>Water Quality Sampling (Marengo Watershed)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partner with USGS and Superior Rivers Watershed for surface water quality sampling. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implement Wetland Restoration (5.3 acres); (2). ○ Implement 40 well tests in the Marengo Watershed. ○ Implement run-off event sampling as needed (4-6 events).
Forestry	<p>Practice Installation Provide technical assistance planning, survey, design and construction of conservation practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide technical design as requested. ○ Promote Agroforestry Conservation Practices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As needed. ○ Provide educational materials to landowners.
Invasive species	<p>AIS Early Detection Monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AIS Early Detection Monitoring – Inland Lakes. ○ AIS Early Detection Monitoring – Lake Superior. ○ Project RED AIS Monitoring. <p>Citizen Monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Encourage citizens to conduct AIS monitoring. <p>Control Efforts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Control Invasive Species. ○ Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA) Boat Wash Partnership. <p>AIS Interns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruit, employ, and train AIS interns. <p>Education Efforts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maintain AIS signage at boat landings. ○ Clean Boats Clean Waters (CBCW) Program. ○ Educate the public about AIS and Prevention. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conduct AIS Monitoring. (8 inland lakes) ○ Conduct AIS Monitoring. (10 sites on Lake Superior) ○ Conduct Project RED AIS Monitoring. (1 waterbody) ○ Assist citizens with AIS monitoring (when requested) ○ Citizen lake monitoring workshops (Butternut/Schnur Lake) ○ Data entry into SWIMS ○ Coordinate with partners on control of: purple loosestrife, knotweed, garlic mustard, yellow iris, Eurasian watermilfoil, curly-leaf pondweed, etc. (5 sites) ○ Encourage NCWMA portable boat wash use. (50 hours) ○ Recruit and hire 2 aquatic invasive species interns. ○ Inspect landing signage; replace as needed. (30 landings) ○ Inspect 500+ boats; conduct 200+ hours; enter data in SWIMS. ○ Implement Landing Blitz, Drain Campaign, Bait Dealer Initiative.

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<p>Wildlife-Wetlands-Habitat (other than forestry or invasive species)</p>	<p>Wildlife Damage Program (County-wide)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partner with APHIS ○ Deer Donation Program. ○ Provide wildlife damage assistance/abatement. <p>Copper Falls Wildlife Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Collaborate on Copper Falls pollinator garden. ○ Collaborate on Copper Falls nest boxes project. <p>Practice Installation Technical planning, survey, design and construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wetland Restoration. (LS12) <p>Annual Tree & Shrub Sale</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote native trees & shrubs. ○ Promote climate change strategies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Support WDP implemented through USDA-APHIS. ○ Provide abatement, reimburse owners. (\$10,000; 5 owners) ○ Provide species and seeds for pollinator garden. ○ Partner with Mellen K-12 to construct nest boxes (14). ○ Implement Wetland Restorations. (listed above) ○ Host Tree & Shrub Sale. (4,000 trees; 150 landowners) ○ Promote species well-suited for future variable conditions.
<p>Urban issues</p>	<p>Stormwater Management & Construction Sites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stormwater and Construction Site plan reviews. ○ Develop LWCD project permits. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Handled by zoning department; plan reviews as requested. ○ Conduct permit site visits (20+). ○ File for/receive landowner permits (4).
<p>Watershed strategies</p>	<p>Climate Adaptation Practices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promote landscape-scale flood mitigation projects. ○ Minimize extreme weather through adaption: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Access Road. (LS12) ○ Wetland Restoration (LS12) ○ Grade Stabilization (LS12) ○ Grass Waterway (LS12) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Listed above in the Cropland Performance Measure section) ○ Implement Critical Area Stabilization w/ Act 157 grant.
<p>Other</p>	<p>PL 566 Non-metallic Mining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Non-metallic mining plan & ordinance review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Handled by Highway Department.

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Table 2: Planned activity related to permits and ordinances

Permits and Ordinances	Plans/application reviews anticipated	Permits anticipated to be issued
Feedlot permits	0	0
Manure storage construction and transfer systems	0	0
Manure storage closure	1	1
Livestock facility siting	0	NA
Nonmetallic/frac sand mining	NA; Zoning Dept.	NA; Zoning Dept.
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA; Zoning Dept.	NA; Zoning Dept.
Shoreland zoning	NA; Zoning Dept.	NA; Zoning Dept.
Wetlands and waterways (Ch. 30)	NA; Zoning Dept.	NA; Zoning Dept.
Other	NA	NA

Table 3: Planned inspections

Inspections	Number of inspections planned
Total Farm Inspections	9+
For FPP	4
For NR 151	5
Animal waste ordinance	0
Livestock facility siting	0
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA; Zoning Dept.
Nonmetallic mining	NA; Highway Dept.

Table 4: Planned outreach and education activities

Activity	Number
Tours	4
Field days	12
Trainings/workshops	12
School programs (class/field days)	10
Social media posts	30
News release/story	25

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Table 5: Staff Hours and Expected Costs (staff can be combined or listed individually)

Staff/Support	Hours	Costs
County Conservationist	1950	\$100,362
Agricultural Technician	1950	\$85,700
Civil Engineering Technician	1950	\$70,560
Land & Water Specialist	1950	\$60,500
Administrative Assistant	370	\$23,500
Conservation Summer Interns (2)	1050	\$17,500
Northland College Work Study Student	300	\$3,300
Operational Costs		\$40,000
TOTAL		
Cost Sharing		
Bonding		\$50,000
SEG		\$30,000

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM _____ **State of Wisconsin**

DATE: March 20, 2024

TO: Land and Water Conservation Board Members and Advisors

FROM: Lisa K. Trumble, DATCP *Lisa K. Trumble*
Resource Management Section,
Bureau of Land and Water Resources

SUBJECT: Five Year Review of the *Clark County Land and Water Resource Management Plan*

Recommended Action: This is an action item. The LWCB should determine whether the county has met the LWCB's criteria for a five-year review of a LWRM plan approved for ten years. If the LWCB makes a formal determination that the county has failed to meet these criteria, DATCP will automatically modify its order to terminate approval of the county's plan effective December of this year.

Summary: The Clark County land and water resource management plan has been approved through December 31, 2029, contingent on a five-year review conducted prior to December 31, 2024. In advance of the five-year review, Clark County has completed a DATCP approved form designed to implement the LWCB's reference document dated October 27, 2021, and the criteria for conducting a five-year review. The county has provided written answers to four questions regarding past and future implementation, has provided the required work planning documents, and has appropriately involved the Land Conservation Committee.

Materials Provided:

- Completed Five Year Review Form
- 2023 Annual Workplan with Accomplishments
- 2024 Annual Workplan

Presenter: Jim Arch, County Conservationist, Clark County LCD
Fritz Garbisch, Land Conservation Committee Chair



Land and Water Conservation Board
County Land and Water Resource Management Plan
Five Year Review of LWRM Plans

County: Clark

Implementation Covering Past Five Years and Future Directions

Answer these four questions in writing (not to exceed 4 pages)

1. Provide a representative number of accomplishments that can be directly traced to activities identified in multiple work plans. For each accomplishment, explain how the planning process helped the county achieve its outcome, including planning adjustments that helped better target county activities.

Cover Crop Demo Plot Demonstration - Started in 2019 using a DNR Large Scale TRM grant, the project had originally been a three year duration project but was extended one year due to COVID-19. The idea for the project stemmed from a dramatic increase in soil erosion and phosphorous moving off farm fields into the County's surface waters. Through collaboration with the Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition, the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and the Eau Claire County Land Conservation Department and Clark County submitted the TRM grant to the DNR that was eventually accepted. Using the work plan helped the department identify the goals we wanted to accomplish with the project.

Pre-ordinance manure storage inspection program - In 2021 the department started inspecting the County's three hundred forty pre-ordinance manure storages. Many of these storages were installed in the 70's and early 80's usually without soil investigation test pits or any engineered designs. The planning process help identify what we wanted to accomplish by doing these inspections, such as identifying which storages were still in use and which ones have been abandoned? What is the visual condition of these storages? Which landowners of these storages would be willing to have them closed up properly? Were there any ground water wells that may have been contaminated by these storages?

The County no-till drill - In 2016 the County purchased a Great Plains no-till drill with the idea to rent it out to farmers. As was identified in Chapter 4 of the LWRM Plan There was and still is considerably more tillage being done by farmers and if the County ever hopes to cleanup it's watersheds using no-till planting will need to be adopted by farmers almost universally. Planning was imperative to convince the LCC and the County Finance department why spending \$24,000 was a good investment in helping to clean up surface water in the County.

Farmland Preservation Program (FPP) - We identify in our plan a strong emphasis on the need for Nutrient Management Planning (NMP) in the County. We use the FPP requirements of each acre of cropland signed up for FPP have an NMP and that it is

current and up to date. Because fields in FPP must also meet Tolerable soil losses (T) we use that requirement to encourage more no-till and cover cropping.

Closing up abandoned manure storages - Is a priority in the County as these old manure storages can be a hazard for well water contamination from nitrates and bacteria as well a danger to drowning for persons or animals that could fall into one because most do not have a fence around them.

Waterway design and installation - There are many fields in Clark County that need waterways or waterway fixing due to bigger fields, less hay being planted and intensive tillage. Meeting NR 151 requires no gullies be present in fields which is also a requirement in the FPP

2. Identify any areas where the county was unable to make desired progress in implementing activities identified in multiple work plans. For each area identified, explain the work plan adjustments that were made to refocus planned activities. If no areas are identified, explain how the county was able to make progress in all the areas planned.

Due to the turnover we had with the engineer tech position in 2022 very little designing of waterways or storage closures was done. You can not plan for employee turnover you just have to do what can be done, we tried to send more of that work we would otherwise be doing to the NRCS.

COVID-19 definitely had an impact especially 2020-2022, some projects like new manure storages, waterways, wetland scrapes had to be on hold because some materials were not available. Also for some projects we rely on other agencies to give us their approval before we can signoff on a project, agencies like the DNR were limited to working at home and some employees were not allowed to go out into the field during the peak of COVID. The projects just didn't get done or were held over another year.

Clark County has a large and growing Plain Faith population, these are the Amish and Mennonites. These two groups generally will not accept government cost sharing of any kind. This can be a major stumbling block to getting projects like waterway installation, installing wetland scrapes, rock crossings, manure storage closures and barnyard improvements, etc... done because they cost so much money and they have to self-fund 100%. We have worked to try and develop good relationships with these Plain Faith groups but haven't had much luck on changing their attitudes towards cost sharing.

Since COVID-19 prices of everything from excavator charges to materials like manure pumps, transfer pipes etc... have gone up drastically this means some farmers have decided not to do projects. We send some work to the NRCS because their cost sharing is usually much better than what we can offer and cover through our bond money or sometimes we can piggy back to help reduce the cost to the landowner.

Lack of sufficient bond to help pay for projects. This seems to be an increasing problem as our bond allotment keeps being cut. A manure pit closure can cost anywhere from \$10,000-over \$20,000, it doesn't take long to burn through \$58,500. Our work around for this dilemma is to send the landowner to the NRCS to see if they qualify for their cost-sharing.

3. Describe how the county's work plans implement its priority farm strategy and the effectiveness of county actions implementing agricultural performance standards and conservation practices on farms. In particular, the county should describe outreach, farm inventories, and additional funds that were pursued to implement its strategy.

We use the County Manure Storage Management Ordinance (MSMO) to reduce Milkhouse waste ending up in ditches, the updated 2021 MSMO makes any new manure storage constructed in the County including milkhouse waste going into the manure storage. Before the update in most cases milkhouse waste ended up in ditches where by it would eventually end up in a surface water. Also in the MSMO farmers must have a current NMP before a permit is issued. As indicated before the FPP is good program for making landowners implement best management practices like eliminating field gullies and doing NMPs.

We use the cover crop demo plots as a tool to show farmers in the area what cover cropping planting methods, planting timing and cover crop species work best for this area.

We are currently using MDV funds we applied for in 2022 to help cover the cost of installing waterways instead of using our allotment of bond money, unfortunately the program can be very restrictive on where the practices can be installed which has made it hard to use this funding source.

When the County bought their no-till drill in 2016, there were no other entities that were renting drills out since then that number has grown significantly.

4. Provide representative examples that show changes in direction for work planning in the upcoming five years, with specific examples provided showing adjustments in planned activities in the county's most recent work plan.

We will try to concentrate more effort on educating farmers on how no-till farming and using cover crops will improve their soil health, return on investment and water quality.

Use the new Cover Crop Demo Plot project to do test plots of different cover crops in hopes of increasing the adoption of cover cropping and no-till in the County.

We would like to get a Priority watershed group started in the County to help with the above.

Put more effort in closing up abandoned manure storages as these can be a source of ground water contamination and is a drowning hazard

Increase emphasis on closing up abandoned wells, the County still has drilled and hand dug wells just sitting there some are in fields where pesticides and manure are applied.

More monitoring for violations of wetlands as the County has a growing problem with wetlands being drained. All we can do is turn over the violations we notice to the DNR and hope they are doing their job.

Increase education on intensive grazing options as most dairy cows in the County are confind 100% of the time.

There are a lot of things that can be done to improve both ground and surface water and soil health quality in the County but most of it will depend on landowners/farmers willingness to adapt the changes needed, that's where more reliance on education is warranted.

Annual Work Plans

Attach both of the following:

- a. The most current annual work prepared by the county.
- b. The work plan for the previous year that includes a column that identifies the progress in implementing the planned activities for that year.

Board Review Process

The goal of the review is not to fail counties. The board recognizes the dynamic nature of the planning process. Board members are interested in how counties tackle priorities over time and how they respond to changing conditions in pursuing their priorities. The board will evaluate a county's planning and implementation based on how well the county balances and prioritizes the following: agricultural performance standards, other state priorities (impaired waters, FPP checks), and local priorities. When needed, the Board will provide constructive support to counties to improve the quality of their planning. Counties have the option to prepare a brief presentation to illustrate their successes and future priorities.

Land Conservation Committee Notification

The LCC was provided a completed copy of these questions (including attachments) on:
3/20/2024

Signature of Authorized Representative: James Arch **Date:** 3/21/2024
(e.g. County Conservationist, LCC chair)

Send completed questionnaire and attachments to:
Lisa.Trumble@wi.gov

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Table 1: Planned activities and performance measures by category

CATEGORY (goal and objective from LWRM plan can be added in each category)	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS If applicable identify focus areas, e.g. HUC 12 watershed code (examples of types of “planned activities” in italics)	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS (examples in italics)	PROGRESS ON METTING GOALS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Cropland</i> 			
Cropland, soil health and/or nutrient management	<i>Waterways Cover Crops Soil Health Training No-Till Crops NM planning and training Transect Survey 2X for Tillage Practice</i>	<i>Install 7 Acres 1000 acres 45 Farmers 2000 Acres 10 New Farmers 24 Townships</i>	<i>9 acres 1,026 acres 25 370 1 Performed once per year County wide</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Livestock</i> 			
Livestock	<i>Manure Storage Manure Storage Closures Milk House Waste Roof Runoff Diversions Stream Crossing Barn Yard Runoff Control</i>	<i>6 Manure Pits 8 Closures 6 Collected 1 Diversions 1 Crossings 1</i>	<i>6 6 6 0 1 (85 linear feet) 0</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Water quality</i> 			
Water quality/quantity (other than activities already listed in other categories)	<i>CREP Well Closings</i>	<i>4.5 acres 15 wells Closed</i>	<i>0 14</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Forestry</i> 			
Forestry	<i>Practice installation</i>	<i>Type and units of practice(s) installed Amount of cost-share dollars spent # lbs of sediment reduced (using any approved method) # lbs of P reduced (using any approved method)</i>	<i>0</i>

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- Invasive*

Invasive species	<i>Surveys</i>	3	<i>1</i>
	<i>Management plans</i>	3	<i>1</i>
	<i>Control</i>	3	<i>1</i>

- Wildlife*

Wildlife-Wetlands-Habitat (other than forestry or invasive species)	<i>Wetland restoration</i>	2 Acres of wetland restored	<i>0</i>
	<i>Wildlife damage program</i>	\$35,623.51	<i>\$37,931.00</i>
	<i>Tree and plant sales</i>	0	

- Urban*

Urban issues	<i>Stormwater control</i>	Number of site visits	<i>0</i>
	<i>Construction site erosion control</i>	Number of plans reviews	<i>12</i>
	<i>Floodplain protection</i>	Number of permits issued	<i>0</i>
		Number of compliance issues resolved	

- Watershed*

Watershed strategies	<i>P-compliance</i>	5 Number of meetings attended/presentations given	<i>8 reviews for CAFOs</i>
	<i>TMDL coordination</i>	1 Modeling completed	<i>0</i>
	<i>Producer-led</i>	5 Number of partner contacts made	<i>0</i>

- Other*

Other	<i>PL 566</i>	1-Sportsman Lake
	<i>Non-metallic and frac sand mining</i>	0

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Table 2: Planned activity related to permits and ordinances

Permits and Ordinances	Plans/application reviews anticipated	Permits anticipated to be issued	
Feedlot permits	0	0	0
Manure storage construction and transfer systems	8	8	6
Manure storage closure	10	10	6
Livestock facility siting	0	0	0
Nonmetallic/frac sand mining	0	0	Planning and Zoning deals with mining
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	8	8	12
Shoreland zoning	1	1	0
Wetlands and waterways (Ch. 30)	8	5	0
Other	0	0	0

Table 3: Planned inspections

Inspections	Number of inspections planned	
Total Farm Inspections	65	67
For FPP	65	67
For NR 151	65	67
Animal waste ordinance	55	45
Livestock facility siting	0	0
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	10	0
Nonmetallic mining	0	0

Table 4: Planned outreach and education activities

Activity	Number	
Tours	0	0
Field days	2	1
Trainings/workshops	2	1
School-age programs (camps, field days, classroom)	0	0
Newsletters	6	5
Social media posts	0	0
News release/story	0	0

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Table 5: Staff Hours and Expected Costs (staff can be combined or listed individually)

Staff/Support	Hours	Costs
<i>Total Staff</i>	2080	\$354,721.00
Cost Sharing (can be combined)		
<i>Bonding</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>\$64,500.00</i>
<i>SEG</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>\$75,000.00</i>
<i>MDV</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>\$37,287.73</i>

**CLARK COUNTY 2024 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

Table 1: Planned activities and performance measures by category

CATEGORY (goal and objective from LWRM plan can be added in each category)	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS If applicable identify focus areas, e.g. HUC 12 watershed code (examples of types of “planned activities” in italics)	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS (examples in italics)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Cropland</i> 		
Cropland, soil health and/or nutrient management	<i>Waterways</i> <i>Cover Crops</i> <i>Soil Health Training</i> <i>No-Till Crops</i> <i>NM planning and training</i> <i>Transect Survey 2X for Tillage Practice</i>	<i>12 Acres</i> <i>1,300 acres</i> <i>45 Farmers</i> <i>1,500 Acres</i> <i>10 New Farmers</i> <i>24 Townships</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Livestock</i> 		
Livestock	<i>Manure Storage</i> <i>Manure Storage Closures</i> <i>Milk House Waste</i> <i>Roof Runoff Diversions</i> <i>Stream Crossing</i> <i>Barn Yard Runoff Control</i>	<i>8 Manure Pits</i> <i>12 Closures</i> <i>8 Collected</i> <i>2 Diversions</i> <i>1 Crossings</i> <i>1</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Water quality</i> 		
Water quality/quantity (other than activities already listed in other categories)	<i>CREP</i> <i>Well Closings</i>	<i>Type and units of practice(s) installed</i> <i>Amount of cost-share dollars spent</i> <i># lbs of sediment reduced (using any approved method)</i> <i># lbs of P reduced (using any approved method)</i> <i>15 Well Closings</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Forestry</i> 		
Forestry	<i>Practice installation</i>	NA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Invasive</i> 		
Invasive species	<i>Surveys</i> <i>Management plans</i> <i>Control</i>	<i>Number of surveys completed: 3</i> <i>Number of control efforts implemented/sites treated: 3</i> <i>3</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Wildlife</i> 		
Wildlife-Wetlands-Habitat (other than forestry or invasive species)	<i>Wetland restoration</i> <i>Wildlife damage program</i> <i>Tree and plant sales</i>	<i>Acres of wetland restored: 2</i> <i>\$35,000</i> <i>Number of trees sold: Department doesn't sell trees</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Urban</i> 		
Urban issues	<i>Stormwater control</i> <i>Construction site erosion control</i>	<i>Number of site visits: NA</i> <i>Number of plans reviews: NA</i>

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	<i>Floodplain protection</i>	<i>Number of permits issued: NA Number of compliance issues resolved: NA</i>
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- *Watershed*

Watershed strategies	<i>P-compliance TMDL coordination Producer-led</i>	<i>Number of meetings attended/presentations given: 2 Modeling completed: 3 Number of partner contacts made: 12 Information system/tracking developed: 3 Number of partnership development activities accomplished: 5</i>
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- *Other*

Other	<i>PL 566 Non-metallic and frac sand mining</i>	<i>Number of plans reviewed: 1 Number of inspections: NA</i>
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Table 2: Planned activity related to permits and ordinances

Permits and Ordinances	Plans/application reviews anticipated	Permits anticipated to be issued
Feedlot permits	0	0
Manure storage construction and transfer systems	8	8
Manure storage closure	12	12
Livestock facility siting	0	0
Nonmetallic/frac sand mining	0	0
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	20	20
Shoreland zoning	0	0
Wetlands and waterways (Ch. 30)	8	8
Other		

**CLARK COUNTY 2024 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

Table 3: Planned inspections

Inspections	Number of inspections planned
Total Farm Inspections	
For FPP	65
For NR 151	65
Animal waste ordinance	55
Livestock facility siting	NA
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	20
Nonmetallic mining	NA

Table 4: Planned outreach and education activities

Activity	Number
Tours	0
Field days	2
Trainings/workshops	2
School-age programs (camps, field days, classroom)	0
Newsletters	6
Social media posts	0
News release/story	0

Table 5: Staff Hours and Expected Costs (staff can be combined or listed individually)

Staff/Support	Hours	Costs
<i>Total Staff</i>	3@ 2,096	\$304,079
	1@ 1,836	\$66,580
Cost Sharing (can be combined)		
<i>Ex. Bonding</i>	N/A	\$58,500
<i>Ex. SEG</i>	N/A	\$65,000
<i>Ex. MDV</i>	N/A	\$34,866.34

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM _____ **State of Wisconsin**

DATE: April 2, 2024

TO: Land and Water Conservation Board (“LWCB” or “Board”) Members and Advisors

SUBJECT: Proposed Bylaw Change

This is an action item. The LWCB Advisory Committee on Research recommended a change to the Board Bylaws at its January 9, 2024 meeting.

Under the adopted LWCB Bylaws, the bylaws shall be reviewed at the December meeting of even numbered years. However, bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted with an affirmative vote of six members at any regular meeting provided that notice of each change has been transmitted to the board no less than 10 days prior to the time at which the proposed change or addition is to be considered.

The LWCB Bylaws, last amended at the December 6, 2022 meeting of the LWCB, may be accessed in their entirety [here](#)¹.

Proposed Bylaw changes:

- Require that at least one member of the LWCB Advisory Committee on Research shall be a representative of County Land Conservation Committees.
- Acknowledge name changes for the Division of Extension and Universities of Wisconsin.

Enclosure:

(1) Revised Section VII. Committees, LWCB Bylaws

¹ <https://datcp.wi.gov/Documents2/LWCBBylaws.pdf>

- 3) Area meetings of the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association if the board member has been invited to participate in the meeting in his or her capacity as a member of the Land and Water Conservation Board.

B. Prior Approval Required

Board members will receive per diem and expenses for attending any other meetings, other than those listed in Section VII, A, or activities, only if prior approval has been obtained from the board chair, with the concurrence of the ARM Division administrator.

VIII. COMMITTEES

The board shall set forth the composition of any committees it establishes, the areas or matters concerning which such committees shall advise the board, the specific duties and responsibilities the board expects them to perform and discharge, and such other matters as the board deems relevant to individual committees. Board advisors serving on a committee shall not vote on committee actions.

An executive committee of the LWCB Officers may meet as necessary to fulfill responsibilities of the LWCB.

A. LWCB Advisory Committee on Research

The LWCB Advisory Committee on Research purpose shall be to create, implement and oversee the process for the State of Wisconsin Land & Water Conservation Board to advise the Universities of Wisconsin (formerly known as University of Wisconsin System) on research and outreach needs relating to soil & water conservation. The Committee will provide oversight of a sustainable, lasting process which involves all Board members and advisor organizations as part of the normal agenda of the Board.

Members of the LWCB Advisory Committee on Research shall have terms concurrent with their regular LWCB appointment. New members may be appointed by the Board Chair in the event of a vacancy. No more than 5 voting members of the Land and Water Conservation Board, of which at least one member shall be a county land conservation committee member elected under s. 15.135(4)(b) 2., and 2 advisors, being the:

- The dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, or their designee,
- and the director of the University of Wisconsin-Extension UW-Madison Division of Extension, or their designee

may serve on the committee at any one time.

IX. REVIEW OF AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

Bylaws shall be reviewed at the December meeting of even numbered years. These bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by an affirmative vote of six members present at any regular meeting provided that notice of each proposed change hereof or addition hereto has been delivered personally, or electronically transmitted to each member at such address as the member shall have designated to the board, not less than 10 days prior to the time of meeting at which the proposed change or addition is to be considered.

X. STAFF ASSISTANCE

DATE: March 22, 2024
TO: Land and Water Conservation Board Members and Advisors
FROM: Susan Mockert, DATCP
Land Water Resources Bureau
SUBJECT: DATCP extension of 2023 cost-share and other grants into 2024

RECOMMENDED ACTION: This is an action item. The LWCB should recommend the extension of \$2,244,898.35 in 2023 grant funds for county cost-share projects into 2024. The LWCB should further recommend the following extensions of 2023 SEG funds into 2024:

- \$39,006.03 to the Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WI Land+Water)
- \$12,080 to UW-SFAL
- \$5,686.26 to UW Extension NRE
- \$102,882.96 to 11 recipients of Nutrient Management Farmer Education (NMFE) grants
- \$129,335.00 to give recipients of Innovation grants

DATCP ACTION ON COST-SHARE EXTENSION REQUESTS: Counties may request a one year extension for cost-share projects if their requests meet s. ATCP 50.34(6), Wis. Admin. Code and they have funds remaining to extend.

Attachment A1 is an aggregate of the dollar amounts for all county extension requests for SEG and Bond funded projects, providing the total dollar amount recommended for extensions in each category. By signing Attachment A1, the Secretary approves the total extension amounts for each county by fund type, and also the extension amounts for other project cooperator grants. Extended cost-share funds become pooled and available for use to pay costs related to any extended project cost-shared with the same fund type.

In Attachment A2, county extension requests are divided into two groups based on the type of funds (Bond or SEG) used to cost-share the project. Detailed within each group are the projects for which a county has requested an extension along with the specific amount of cost-share funds the county would like to extend. In regard to each project for which an extension is requested, DATCP may take any of the following actions:

1. Extend the project for the amount requested.
2. Extend the project for an amount less than the amount requested if the county lacks the remaining funds to cover its request or requests less than the contract amount.
3. Not extend the project if the county was fully reimbursed for the project after submitting its extension request.
4. Deny the extension request for other reasons.

DATCP records the specific action taken for each project in the gray-shaded columns in Attachment A2.

Table 1, organized by fund type, contains the total number of (1) the extension requests submitted by counties, (2) the projects recommended for extension, (3) projects for which an extension is not necessary because the county received reimbursement pending action on an extension request, and (4) projects not extended for other reasons.

TABLE 1: COST-SHARE PROJECT EXTENSION REQUESTS AND TREATMENT (By Fund Type)							
EXTENSION REQUESTS SUBMITTED*		PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR EXTENSION**		PROJECTS REIMBURSED AFTER REQUEST SUBMITTED		PROJECTS NOT EXTENDED FOR OTHER REASONS	
Bond	SEG	Bond	SEG	Bond	SEG	Bond	SEG
205	145	198	142	7	3	0	0

*Counties may withdraw extension requests and these are not counted in the total of requests submitted.
 **Specific extension amounts are listed in Attachment A2.

Chart 2A (see attached) contains a five-year history of BOND allocations, extension requests and unspent funds. Chart 2B (see attached) contains a five-year history of the SEG allocations, extension requests and unspent funds.

DATCP ACTION ON OPC REQUESTS FOR EXTENSIONS: Cooperators may request one-year extensions of their projects pursuant to s. ATCP 50.35. DATCP will take the following actions regarding extension requests received from cooperators:

WI Land+Water requested an extension of \$43,000 involving its statewide training support, county accountability, facilitation of statewide conservation goals, and related support activities. DATCP is recommending an extension of \$39,006.03, which is the remaining unspent balance.

UW-Extension NRE requested an extension of \$5,686.26 for producer-led program outreach and support. DATCP is recommending an extension of \$5,686.26, which is the remaining unspent balance.

UW-SFAL requested an extension \$12,080 for the soil lab certification program to implement a double blind study. DATCP is recommending an extension of \$12,080, which is the remaining unspent balance.

NMFE grant recipients requested a total extension of \$111,087.57 for statewide nutrient management farmer education trainings. DATCP is recommending an extension of \$102,882.96, which is the remaining unspent balance, as follows:

NMFE Chippewa Valley Tech College	\$13,081.71
NMFE Douglas County	\$927.03
NMFE Eau Claire County	\$7,472.00
NMFE Kewaunee County	\$3,071.49
NMFE Lafayette County	\$12,161.80
NMFE Langlade County	\$9,153.50
NMFE Manitowoc County	\$4,134.68
NMFE NE WI Tech College	\$11,262.00
NMFE Ozaukee County	\$1,604.75
NMFE Taylor Marathon Lincoln Clark Wood Counties	\$17,964.00
NMFE Vernon County	\$22,050.00

Innovation Grant recipients requested a total extension of \$129,335.00. DATCP is recommending an extension of \$129,335.00, which is the remaining unspent balance, as follows:

Innov Calumet County	\$29,700.00
Innov Columbia County	\$18,250.00
Innov Langlade County	\$50,000.00
Innov Manitowoc County	\$19,425.00
Innov Marathon County	\$11,960.00

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Chart 2A, Chart 2B: Bond/SEG Allocated and Extended Unspent Funds

Attachment A1: Addendum to 2024 Joint Final Allocation Plan

Attachment A2: Extension of SWRM Grant Projects from 2023 to 2024 (for Bond and SEG Cost-Share Funds)

PRESENTER: Susan Mockert, DATCP

Bond Cost-Share		
County	Total LWRM Requests for Extension	Total Recommended to be Approved for Extension
Adams	\$41,825.00	\$16,148.96
Ashland	\$1,689.22	\$1,689.22
Barron	\$14,483.70	\$14,483.70
Bayfield	\$7,981.00	\$7,981.00
Brown	\$16,603.00	\$16,334.50
Buffalo	\$48,070.30	\$48,070.30
Burnett	\$17,325.50	\$17,325.50
Calumet	\$16,030.00	\$7,700.00
Chippewa	\$34,065.00	\$34,065.00
Clark	\$1,978.89	\$1,978.88
Columbia	\$60,340.00	\$60,340.00
Crawford	\$48,913.00	\$41,834.66
Dane	\$28,393.80	\$4,682.11
Dodge	\$26,511.02	\$26,510.66
Door	\$27,350.00	\$27,350.00
Douglas	\$43,550.00	\$22,155.62
Dunn	\$17,500.00	\$4,097.00
Eau Claire	\$76,967.83	\$37,100.00
Fond du Lac	\$5,488.70	\$5,488.70
Forest	\$16,291.75	\$16,291.75
Green	\$18,805.60	\$18,805.60
Green Lake	\$19,160.00	\$16,710.18
Iowa	\$21,443.13	\$15,988.98
Iron	\$29,325.75	\$29,325.75
Jackson	\$70,770.00	\$48,413.25
Kewaunee	\$54,846.70	\$54,846.70
La Crosse	\$3,508.17	\$3,508.17
Lafayette	\$56,734.92	\$54,477.42
Lincoln	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00
Manitowoc	\$37,195.59	\$26,357.15
Marathon	\$39,041.31	\$39,041.31
Marinette	\$19,586.00	\$19,586.00
Marquette	\$9,816.46	\$9,816.46
Monroe	\$44,595.24	\$36,652.38
Oneida	\$30,000.00	\$18,998.15
Ozaukee	\$41,604.11	\$41,604.10
Pepin	\$25,051.40	\$19,280.40
Pierce	\$25,648.00	\$25,197.32
Polk	\$39,807.00	\$37,987.89
Portage	\$47,766.70	\$16,266.79
Price	\$14,515.28	\$14,515.28
Racine	\$20,776.38	\$14,929.38
Richland	\$14,667.10	\$14,667.10
Rock	\$25,783.51	\$25,761.12
Saint Croix	\$31,466.76	\$31,466.76
Sauk	\$28,823.00	\$28,226.57
Sawyer	\$29,000.00	\$29,000.00
Shawano	\$32,668.75	\$32,668.75
Sheboygan	\$2,262.13	\$2,262.13
Taylor	\$35,718.46	\$35,165.77
Trempealeau	\$31,000.21	\$31,000.21
Vernon	\$49,029.71	\$49,029.71

Vilas	\$28,150.00	\$28,150.00
Walworth	\$28,350.00	\$638.65
Washburn	\$3,499.95	\$1.00
Washington	\$126,000.00	\$124,006.80
Waukesha	\$25,885.00	\$25,885.00
Waushara	\$10,120.19	\$10,120.19
Winnebago	\$20,825.00	\$14,141.93
Wood	\$38,938.57	\$24,073.44
Total Bond Cost-Share	\$1,825,543.79	\$1,522,201.35
SEG Cost-Share		
Buffalo	\$7,200.00	\$7,200.00
Burnett	\$12,240.00	\$12,240.00
Calumet	\$28,916.00	\$26,652.00
Columbia	\$148,045.00	\$142,755.00
Dane	\$5,468.00	\$5,468.00
Dunn	\$20,960.00	\$14,776.00
Fond du Lac	\$6,696.00	\$6,696.00
Green Lake	\$13,356.00	\$262.55
Iowa	\$16,390.36	\$15,987.50
Langlade	\$11,436.00	\$10,630.00
Lincoln	\$10,596.00	\$10,596.00
Manitowoc	\$36,530.99	\$35,869.55
Marathon	\$59,314.00	\$56,457.30
Marinette	\$5,094.25	\$5,094.25
Marquette	\$40.00	\$40.00
Monroe	\$46,080.00	\$46,080.00
Outagamie	\$18,325.55	\$18,325.55
Ozaukee	\$17,481.80	\$17,453.00
Pepin	\$15,687.60	\$15,687.60
Pierce	\$3,668.40	\$3,668.40
Racine	\$39,400.00	\$39,400.00
Richland	\$9,987.00	\$9,987.00
Rock	\$45,272.80	\$14,211.00
Saint Croix	\$38,760.00	\$38,760.00
Taylor	\$20,144.00	\$19,320.50
Trempealeau	\$19,520.00	\$19,520.00
Vernon	\$21,040.00	\$21,040.00
Vilas	\$1,776.00	\$1,776.00
Washington	\$14,188.00	\$13,772.00
Waupaca	\$42,392.00	\$34,014.35
Waushara	\$200.00	\$200.00
Winnebago	\$50,219.60	\$50,219.60
Wood	\$48,908.00	\$8,537.85
Total SEG Cost-Share	\$835,333.35	\$722,697.00

SEG Programming		
Other Project Cooperators	Total Requests for Extension	Total Recommended to be Approved for Extension
NMFE Chippewa Valley Tech College	\$19,960.00	\$13,081.71
NMFE Douglas County	\$944.03	\$927.03
NMFE Eau Claire County	\$7,472.00	\$7,472.00
NMFE Kewaunee County	\$3,071.49	\$3,071.49
NMFE Lafayette County	\$12,161.80	\$12,161.80
NMFE Langlade County	\$9,153.50	\$9,153.50
NMFE Manitowoc County	\$4,900.00	\$4,134.68
NMFE NE WI Technical College	\$11,262.00	\$11,262.00
NMFE Ozaukee County	\$1,604.75	\$1,604.75
NMFE Taylor, Marathon, Lincoln, Clark, Wood Cou	\$18,508.00	\$17,964.00
NMFE Vernon County	\$22,050.00	\$22,050.00
Innov Calumet County	\$29,700.00	\$29,700.00
Innov Columbia County	\$18,250.00	\$18,250.00
Innov Langlade County	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Innov Manitowoc County	\$19,425.00	\$19,425.00
Innov Marathon County	\$11,960.00	\$11,960.00
WI L+W	\$43,000.00	\$39,006.03
UW SFAL	\$12,080.00	\$12,080.00
UW Ext NRE	\$5,686.26	\$5,686.26
Total Other Project Cooperators SEG	\$301,188.83	\$288,990.25

Entity	Total LWRM and OPC Requests for Extension	Total Recommended to be Approved for Extension
County Cost-Share	\$2,660,877.14	\$2,244,898.35
Other Project Cooperators	\$301,188.83	\$288,990.25
Grand Totals	\$2,962,065.97	\$2,533,888.60

Approved:	
DATCP Secretary	Date

2024 SOIL AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GRANT PROJECT EXTENSIONS

Fund CS Bond

County	CSA #	Name	Reason*	Request	Recommended Approval Amount	Explanation of Difference between Request and Recommended Approval Amount
Adams	SWRM-2023-02	James II & Melissa Bays	A	\$2,100.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Adams	SWRM-2023-03	JJ Mason LLC	A	\$39,725.00	\$16,148.96	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Ashland	2023-LWRM-05	Thomas & Donna Kriskovich	A	\$285.74	\$285.74	
Ashland	2023-LWRM-06	Timothy & Rebecca Mika	A	\$1,403.48	\$1,403.48	
Barron	23BC028	Marie L Marshall	B	\$5,285.70	\$5,285.70	
Barron	23BC036	Lone Pine Hills LLC	B	\$9,198.00	\$9,198.00	
Bayfield	BCLW-02-23	Jason & Deborah Akl-Dryer Akl	B	\$7,981.00	\$7,981.00	
Brown	LWP-320	Kevin J VanPay Living Trust	B	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	
Brown	LWP-321	Douglas G & Darrell F Haen	B	\$3,723.00	\$3,723.00	
Brown	LWP-325	Scott L Pagenkopf	B	\$8,680.00	\$8,411.50	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Buffalo	2023-03	Rick Kujak	B	\$13,160.30	\$13,160.30	
Buffalo	2023-04	Jeff & Betty Lou Imler	B	\$9,050.00	\$9,050.00	
Buffalo	2023-05	Bill Toonen	B	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.00	
Buffalo	2023-06	Bill Toonen	B	\$17,460.00	\$17,460.00	
Burnett	2023-08	Richard A & Kerrie Erickson	A	\$12,666.50	\$12,666.50	
Burnett	2023-09	Ringa Lea Farm Inc	A	\$4,659.00	\$4,659.00	
Calumet	2023-3	Josh & Rebecca Bartlein	A	\$8,330.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Calumet	2023-5	Daniel Schoenick	A	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	
Calumet	2023-6	AAK Holdings III LLC	A	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	
Chippewa	SWRM23-01	Eric J & Stephanie Goettl	A	\$5,830.00	\$5,830.00	
Chippewa	SWRM23-10	Prill Farms LLC	B	\$21,676.00	\$21,676.00	
Chippewa	SWRM23-11	Bradley & Diane Schindler	A	\$6,559.00	\$6,559.00	
Clark	2023-10	Michael P Norks	C	\$1,978.89	\$1,978.88	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Columbia	LW-01-23	David & Sharon, John W Prochnow & Tamminga	B	\$44,940.00	\$44,940.00	
Columbia	LW-02-23	Douglas & Wendy Attoe	B	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	
Columbia	LW-07-23	D&E Sadoski Farms LLC	A	\$9,800.00	\$9,800.00	
Crawford	SWRM-03-2023	Christopher & Marguerite Carstens Revocable Living Trust	B	\$1,540.00	\$1,540.00	
Crawford	SWRM-06-2023	Hammell Land LLC	A	\$6,503.00	\$6,503.00	
Crawford	SWRM-07-2023	Mark & Kati Wanek-Forsythe Forsythe	A	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	
Crawford	SWRM-09-2023	Crawford County	C	\$13,500.00	\$6,421.66	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Crawford	SWRM-10-2023	Jacob & Jessica McCullick	B	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	

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Crawford	SWRM-13-2023	Jones Trust	C	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	
Crawford	SWRM-14-2023	Wildlife Acres LLC	C	\$5,880.00	\$5,880.00	
Crawford	SWRM-15-2023	Chad, Amy, Grant Jelinek	C	\$6,440.00	\$6,440.00	
Dane	2023LCD039	Grace Acres Real Estate LLC	B	\$11,491.80	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Dane	2023LCD069	Steel Horse LLC	B	\$11,091.01	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Dane	2023LCD098	John L & Kattia Y Eichorst & Jimenez	B	\$612.50	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Dane	2023LCD107	Deforest Area School District	B	\$5,198.49	\$4,680.11	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Dodge	LWR-2023-004	Terry J & Mary Neuman	A	\$7,350.00	\$7,350.00	
Dodge	LWR-2023-005	Jacob W & Lauren E Schulz	A	\$9,450.74	\$9,450.74	
Dodge	LWR-2023-006	Darlene Gaska	A	\$4,285.28	\$4,285.28	
Dodge	LWR-2023-007	Gilbert Moldenhauer & Sons Inc	A	\$5,425.00	\$5,424.64	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Door	LW-23-01	Adrian J & Kay A Schmidt Revocable Trust	C	\$11,250.00	\$11,250.00	
Door	LW-23-04	Guy Overbeck	A	\$16,100.00	\$16,100.00	
Douglas	2023-04-LWRM	Anita M Olson	A	\$5,525.00	\$5,525.00	
Douglas	2023-05-LWRM	Randy J & Mary E Olson	A	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	
Douglas	2023-06-LWRM	John A & Tracey B Carey	A	\$2,575.00	\$2,575.00	
Douglas	2023-07-LWRM	Solon Springs School District	A	\$30,000.00	\$8,605.62	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Douglas	2023-08-LWRM	Roger W & Peggy S Martin	A	\$3,050.00	\$3,050.00	
Dunn	LWRP-2023-6	Randy J Schluesner	B	\$10,500.00	\$4,096.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Dunn	LWRP-2023-7	Allen B & Linda I Bradford	B	\$7,000.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Eau Claire	BD-23-02	Glenn & Jennifer Glenz	A	\$10,150.00	\$10,150.00	
Eau Claire	BD-23-03	Loren & Karla Gorell	A	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	
Eau Claire	BD-23-04	Timothy & Rebecca Hager	A	\$11,293.33	\$11,293.33	
Eau Claire	BD-23-05	Carl & Jean Knudtson	A	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	
Eau Claire	BD-23-06	Town of Lincoln	A	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	
Eau Claire	BD-23-07	Huntsinger Farms Inc	A	\$15,000.00	\$454.67	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Eau Claire	BD-23-08	Eric & Andrea L Wehling	A	\$12,000.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Eau Claire	BD-23-09	Nick & Samantha Henchen	A	\$13,324.50	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Fond du Lac	717-2023	Scott J & Heather L Keller	B	\$4,578.70	\$4,578.70	
Fond du Lac	718-2023A	Glen & Judy Rising	B	\$910.00	\$910.00	
Forest	2023-01	Mary B Sullivan	A	\$16,291.75	\$16,291.75	
Green	23-100	Jeffrey Anderson	A	\$18,805.60	\$18,805.60	
Green Lake	2023-06	Michael P & Sarah A Swanke	C	\$17,500.00	\$15,050.18	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Green Lake	2023-07	Orrin O & Josephine A Luedke Living Trust	C	\$1,660.00	\$1,660.00	

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Iowa	LW 23-10	C R Bishop & Sons Inc	B	\$959.00	\$959.00	
Iowa	LW 23-12	Dale W Fitzsimons Living Trust	C	\$3,710.00	\$3,710.00	
Iowa	LW 23-14	Thomas & Stacey Zdeblick & Brickson	B	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	
Iowa	LW 23-15	Dennis, Lynn, Larry, Marsha, Susan Phillips, Phillips Living Trust, Phillips, Squire, Phillips Living Trust	B	\$927.50	\$927.50	
Iowa	LW 23-16	Thomas & Lori Plum Baumberger	B	\$455.00	\$455.00	
Iowa	LW 23-17	Thomas & James Tuschen	C	\$3,880.63	\$3,880.63	
Iowa	LW 23-18	Kenneth & Theresa Rue Family Trust	B	\$4,004.00	\$4,004.00	
Iowa	LW 23-19	The Farm at Mounds Creek LLC	C	\$2,100.00	\$634.85	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Iowa	LW 23-20	Steven Strutt	A	\$367.00	\$367.00	
Iowa	LW 23-21	Jeremie & Ellen Favre & Geisler	A	\$3,990.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Iron	2023-01-LWRM	Town of Sherman	C	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	
Iron	2023-02-LWRM	Town of Anderson	C	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	
Iron	2023-03-LWRM	Town of Kimball	C	\$9,325.75	\$9,325.75	
Iron	2023-04-LWRM	Iron County Forestry Department	C	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	
Jackson	2023-316	Jackson County	C	\$14,000.00	\$2,142.25	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Jackson	2023-317	Eleanor A Johnson Survivors Trust	B	\$10,500.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Jackson	2023-318	Lynn R & Barbara A Sedelbauer Trust	B	\$16,100.00	\$16,100.00	
Jackson	2023-319	Francis H & Charlotte A Rosenbaum Family Trust	C	\$8,720.00	\$8,720.00	
Jackson	2023-320	Robert A Carpenter	C	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	
Jackson	2023-321	William P & Rita A Hartung	C	\$5,250.00	\$5,250.00	
Jackson	2023-322	Amber M & Timothy F Radatz	C	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	
Jackson	2023-323	Donald & Jacqueline Hoffman Trust	C	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	
Kewaunee	23-363	Philip S Staats	B	\$15,572.20	\$15,572.20	
Kewaunee	23-364	Steven & Susan Martin	B	\$2,618.00	\$2,618.00	
Kewaunee	23-366	John & Joyce Hruska	B	\$18,140.50	\$18,140.50	
Kewaunee	23-368	Thomas & Patrick Stoller	B	\$18,516.00	\$18,516.00	
La Crosse	SWRM 23-07	Koss Properties LLC	A	\$3,508.17	\$3,508.17	
Lafayette	SWRM-23-03	Schilling Brothers Land LLC	B	\$812.00	\$812.00	
Lafayette	SWRM-23-06	Kyle & Rachel Banigan	A	\$16,771.10	\$16,771.10	
Lafayette	SWRM-23-07	Scott J & Tara L Glendenning Living Trust	B	\$1,242.50	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Lafayette	SWRM-23-08	Clark A & Diane M Scott Revocable Trust	B	\$1,015.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Lafayette	SWRM-23-09	Doreen & Randal Athnos & Larson	B	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	
Lafayette	SWRM-23-10	Jacob P & Sara B Franzen	A	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	

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Lafayette	SWRM-23-11	Ronald J Houtakker	A	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	
Lafayette	SWRM-23-12	Jacob Francis	B	\$2,894.32	\$2,894.32	
Lincoln	2023-02	David L & Morgan L Hennes	B	\$8,428.50	\$8,428.50	
Lincoln	2023-03	Jason J & Jennifer L Lemmer	B	\$3,662.50	\$3,662.50	
Lincoln	2023-04	Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company	B	\$29,909.00	\$29,909.00	
Manitowoc	23-838	Anthony & Paula Kiel	A	\$5,771.84	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Manitowoc	23-854	Scott Ruthmansdorfer	A	\$24,123.75	\$24,123.75	
Manitowoc	23-855	Clyde & Cindy Satori	A	\$580.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Manitowoc	23-939	Steven & Kristine Lenzner Revoc Liv Trust	A	\$6,720.00	\$2,233.40	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Marathon	2023-01	Mark & Susan Franseen	A	\$1,718.15	\$1,718.15	
Marathon	2023-07	Michael A & Gina N Redetzke	A	\$14,948.86	\$14,948.86	
Marathon	2023-15	Luke J & Megan L, Edward S & Mary K Seliger & Nowicki	A	\$2,055.90	\$2,055.90	
Marathon	2023-18	Jason S & Jocelyn T Cavadinl	A	\$14,320.80	\$14,320.80	
Marathon	2023-19	Kenneth A & Jean G Block	A	\$5,997.60	\$5,997.60	
Marinette	LWP-41	Donald G., Steven, Michael, & Jeff Voeks/Voeks Trust	A	\$19,586.00	\$19,586.00	
Marquette	25-23	Thomas Lyon	C	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	
Marquette	26-23	Brett & Tammie Schehr	C	\$5,616.46	\$5,616.46	
Monroe	B-11-2023	Central Express Inc	B	\$8,092.50	\$8,092.50	
Monroe	B-13-2023	Andy & Jacob Troyer	A	\$14,675.00	\$14,675.00	
Monroe	B-6-2023	Scott R & Doreen M Dahl	A	\$13,077.74	\$5,134.88	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Monroe	B-7-2023	Jay & Andrea Witt	A	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	
Monroe	B-9-2023	Daniel & Wendy Murphy	A	\$5,250.00	\$5,250.00	
Oneida	2023-01	Thomas & Patricia Fronek	A	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	
Oneida	2023-02	Peter & Rosemary Held	A	\$10,000.00	\$8,997.15	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Oneida	2023-03	Randy & Jenny Marnocha	A	\$10,000.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Ozaukee	2023-03	Judy Eibs	B	\$16,215.00	\$16,215.00	
Ozaukee	2023-05	Musbach Holdings LLC	B	\$15,750.00	\$15,750.00	
Ozaukee	2023-11	Lakeshore Farms LLC	B	\$4,921.05	\$4,921.05	
Ozaukee	2023-12	Pleasant View Dairy	A	\$4,718.06	\$4,718.05	Request did not equal contract amount.
Pepin	587-LWRM-23	Bethany Ash	B	\$1,190.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Pepin	588-LWRM-23	Lost Creek LLC	B	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	
Pepin	591-LWRM-23	Michael Wright	B	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	
Pepin	592-LWRM-23	David Anibas	B	\$1,861.40	\$1,777.40	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Pepin	594-LWRM-23	Jerry Buchholtz	B	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.

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Pepin	595-LWRM-23	Seifert Farms LLC	B	\$2,500.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Pierce	09LWRM2023	Edwin & Cheryl Fernholz Rev Trust	B	\$11,060.00	\$11,060.00	
Pierce	12LWRM2023	Bergsens Family Farms	B	\$14,588.00	\$14,137.32	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Polk	LWRD-23-198	Joseph & Julie Berends	B	\$5,435.00	\$5,435.00	
Polk	LWRD-23-199	Stone Farms of Clayton LLC	C	\$13,261.00	\$13,261.00	
Polk	LWRD-23-200	Bone Lake Acres LLC	C	\$17,988.25	\$17,988.25	
Polk	LWRD-23-201	Town of Clayton	B	\$3,122.75	\$1,303.64	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-08	Jason J Disher	A	\$18,305.00	\$16,260.79	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-09	Barbara P Flynn	A	\$5,081.65	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-10	Sand County Properties LLC	A	\$5,220.25	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-11	Benedict J Sankey Jr	A	\$6,239.80	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-12	Aaron J & Caitlin M Yenter	A	\$2,520.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-13	Todd A Kawski	A	\$8,400.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Portage	23-14	K&J Farmland LLC	A	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Price	LW-23-04	Brian & Tammy Haubert	A	\$5,111.47	\$5,111.47	
Price	LW-23-06	Jody & Debra Lebal	A	\$3,780.00	\$3,780.00	
Price	LW-23-07	Scott & Deanna Hilgart	A	\$3,239.25	\$3,239.25	
Price	LW-23-08	Lance & Jennifer Meier	B	\$2,384.56	\$2,384.56	
Racine	LWRM 404	Troy A Wemmert	B	\$7,700.00	\$7,700.00	
Racine	LWRM 428	Julian R Popp	A	\$13,076.38	\$7,229.38	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Richland	10-23	Dennis & Margie Dosch	B	\$11,088.00	\$11,088.00	
Richland	9-23	Lee & Karen Olson	B	\$3,579.10	\$3,579.10	
Rock	LR-022.23	Gary D Funk	B	\$7,710.50	\$7,710.50	
Rock	LR-023.23	Vander Veen LLC	C	\$2,590.00	\$2,590.00	
Rock	LR-027.23	Meadowdale Farms Inc	A	\$15,483.01	\$15,460.62	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Saint Croix	56-23-483A	Dave & Lorelei Swanepool	A	\$9,800.00	\$9,800.00	
Saint Croix	56-23-497	David Ovar	B	\$5,250.00	\$5,250.00	
Saint Croix	56-23-499B	Bob Swenson	B	\$7,700.00	\$7,700.00	
Saint Croix	56-23-501	Abe Miller	B	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	
Saint Croix	56-23-502	Our Family LLP	B	\$1,716.76	\$1,716.76	
Sauk	LW-23-02	Lawrence & Candice Vitalo	B	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	
Sauk	LW-23-03	Josh & Heather Zagorski	B	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	
Sauk	LW-23-07	Roy & Cora Bontrager	B	\$4,823.00	\$4,823.00	
Sauk	LW-23-10	Walchs' Bays LLC	B	\$12,000.00	\$11,403.57	Request exceeded current year allocation.

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Sawyer	LW-23-01	Amy J & James Clancy	A	\$5,670.00	\$5,670.00	
Sawyer	LW-23-02	David A. Carland Trust	A	\$5,190.00	\$5,190.00	
Sawyer	LW-23-03	Robert D. Lofgren	A	\$14,390.00	\$14,390.00	
Sawyer	LW-23-04	Steven S & Carol C Broback	A	\$3,750.00	\$3,750.00	
Shawano	59-23-02	Steven R Sponenburg	B	\$4,375.00	\$4,375.00	
Shawano	59-23-03	Steven J Onesti	B	\$13,846.00	\$13,846.00	
Shawano	59-23-05	TLF Properties LLC	A	\$14,447.75	\$14,447.75	
Sheboygan	323	Andrew Kissel	B	\$2,262.13	\$2,262.13	
Taylor	LWP-23-13	Whitney & Aurora Rinehart	B	\$8,930.25	\$8,930.25	
Taylor	LWP-23-14	Jeremy & Jenny Voda	A	\$5,600.00	\$5,600.00	
Taylor	LWP-23-15	Brandon & Philomena Probst	B	\$21,188.21	\$20,635.52	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Trempealeau	9467	Kurtis & Jessie Ristey	A	\$6,982.50	\$6,982.50	
Trempealeau	9468	Randy & Mary Tollefson	A	\$16,593.08	\$16,593.08	
Trempealeau	9472	Roger A & Susan M Byom	A	\$7,424.63	\$7,424.63	
Vernon	2023-02	Ruth A. Lepke	A	\$11,706.45	\$11,706.45	
Vernon	2023-07	Klinkner Dairy LLC	A	\$11,867.62	\$11,867.62	
Vernon	2023-08	Lyle & Priscilla Anderson	A	\$461.30	\$461.30	
Vernon	2023-09	Coon Valley Conservation Club	A	\$14,448.00	\$14,448.00	
Vernon	2023-10	Justin & Darci Daniels	A	\$10,546.34	\$10,546.34	
Vilas	2023-02	Eagle Waters Resort Condominiums	B	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	
Vilas	2023-03	Timothy A & Stacey L Schmidt	B	\$13,150.00	\$13,150.00	
Vilas	2023-05	Wayne E Bernahl Trust	C	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	
Walworth	LW23-04	Holt Brothers, Inc	B	\$8,750.00	\$636.65	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Walworth	LW23-06	Nel-Farm, Inc	B	\$12,600.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Walworth	LW23-07	Jacobsville, LLC	B	\$7,000.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Washburn	66-23-03	Veronica Neal	A	\$3,499.95	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Washington	LWRM-23-1	Ihlenfeld Farms LLC	A	\$126,000.00	\$124,006.80	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Waukesha	2023-08	Kathleen & Frank Miner	A	\$900.00	\$900.00	
Waukesha	2023-09	Martin & September Schubilske	A	\$900.00	\$900.00	
Waukesha	2023-10	J Kennert/Crown Development LLC	A	\$900.00	\$900.00	
Waukesha	2023-13	Colts Neck LLC - Nancy Jablonski	A	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	
Waukesha	2023-14	Tony Wilcenski & Linda Nader	A	\$13,185.00	\$13,185.00	
Waushara	70-23-7	Cory & Clare Biely	B	\$10,120.19	\$10,120.19	
Winnebago	LW 23-03	James & Krista Luedtke	A	\$4,375.00	\$4,375.00	

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Winnebago	LW 23-04	Jeffrey Mueller	A	\$16,450.00	\$9,766.93	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Wood	23-LWRM-01	Randy A Schill	A	\$8,346.50	\$8,346.50	
Wood	23-LWRM-16	Gregory Palo	B	\$150.00	\$150.00	
Wood	23-LWRM-29	Luke Keuffer	A	\$15,218.70	\$15,218.70	
Wood	23-LWRM-30	Sonia Lewis	B	\$15,223.37	\$358.24	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Count:	205		Totals:	\$1,825,543.79	\$1,522,201.35	

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County	CSA #	Name	Reason*	Request	Recommended Approval Amount	Explanation of Difference between Request and Recommended Approval Amount
Buffalo	S-2023-01-NM	Jeffery A & Jan M Hayden	C	\$7,200.00	\$7,200.00	
Burnett	2023-10	Fairview Dairy Farms Inc	A	\$12,240.00	\$12,240.00	
Calumet	NM 23-03	Matthew & Trudi Lavey	A	\$14,604.00	\$14,604.00	
Calumet	NM 23-04	Lavey Dairy Farms LLC	A	\$2,856.00	\$592.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Calumet	NM 23-05	Matt Lavey Farms Inc	A	\$5,732.00	\$5,732.00	
Calumet	NM 23-06	Charles & Ellen Schneider	A	\$1,908.00	\$1,908.00	
Calumet	NM 23-07	Nicholas Leitner	A	\$1,588.00	\$1,588.00	
Calumet	NM 23-08	Michael & Sheryl Leitner	A	\$924.00	\$924.00	
Calumet	NM 23-09	David Leitner	A	\$652.00	\$652.00	
Calumet	NM 23-10	Gerald & Cari Sabel	A	\$652.00	\$652.00	
Columbia	CC-03-23	David & Sharon Prochnow	A	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
Columbia	CC-11-23	Daniel A & Michael J Benish	A	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Columbia	CC-12-23	Foss Family Trust	A	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Columbia	CC-13-23	David & Jeri Bartnik & Dobson	A	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	Project completed by 12/31. No extension required.
Columbia	LW-05-23	Gregory & Timothy Ebert	B	\$37,800.00	\$37,800.00	
Columbia	LW-06-23	Roger & Tamara Weiland	A	\$58,415.00	\$58,415.00	
Columbia	NMP-02-23	Marie & Donna Libke & Kurtz	A	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Columbia	NMP-14-23	Collin & Nicole, Lori G & Lester C Rayome	A	\$1,760.00	\$1,760.00	
Columbia	NMP-15-23	Thomas & Judith Piske	A	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
Columbia	NMP-16-23	Richard & Carolyn Fischer	A	\$3,520.00	\$3,520.00	
Columbia	NMP-18-23	Weisensel Living Trust	A	\$7,920.00	\$7,920.00	
Columbia	NMP-19-23	Dennis G & Diann K Jones Revocable Living Trust	A	\$3,920.00	\$3,920.00	
Columbia	NMP-20-23	Schoepp Farms LLC	A	\$7,200.00	\$7,200.00	
Columbia	NMP-21-23	Springvale Link LLC	A	\$13,200.00	\$13,200.00	
Columbia	NMP-22-23	Scott & Kimberly Link Revocable Trust	A	\$4,360.00	\$3,820.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Dane	2023LCD015	Grace Acres Real Estate LLC	B	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	
Dane	2023LCD035	Matthew D & Tracy L Jesse	B	\$3,868.00	\$3,868.00	
Dunn	SEG-2023-02	William Geise	B	\$3,440.00	\$3,440.00	
Dunn	SEG-2023-03	Lawrence & Sherrie Schlough	B	\$13,800.00	\$7,616.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Dunn	SEG-2023-04	Ralph S & Lori K Charbonneau	B	\$3,720.00	\$3,720.00	
Fond du Lac	719-2023	Matthew R & Trudi E Lavey	B	\$5,776.00	\$5,776.00	

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Fond du Lac	720-2023	Lavey Dairy Farm LLC	B	\$920.00	\$920.00	
Green Lake	2023-NM-10	Larry J & Christine J Braaksma Lifetime Revocable Trust	C	\$4,116.00	\$260.55	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Green Lake	2023-NM-11	Dale D Lohrey	C	\$3,760.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Green Lake	2023-NM-12	Marcella J Lohrey Survivors Trust	C	\$5,480.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Iowa	NM 23-03	Thomas Rock	B	\$9,237.76	\$9,237.76	
Iowa	NM 23-07	Daniel Buening	B	\$2,749.60	\$2,749.60	
Iowa	NM 23-11	Dennis Fingerson	B	\$891.80	\$891.80	
Iowa	NM 23-12	Kerry & Cheryl Kelly & Heimerl	B	\$3,511.20	\$3,108.34	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Langlade	2023-15-AG	Maly Properties LLC	C	\$11,436.00	\$10,630.00	Request did not equal contract amount.
Lincoln	2023-05	Jerome J, Monica A & Andrew R, Jean M & Joseph G, Mary Jo & Greg A, Andrew J & Nicole M, Judith M & Edward M Schoone Life Estate, Chase, Martens, Johnson, Schoone, Coppock	A	\$7,821.00	\$7,821.00	
Lincoln	2023-06	Jerome J, Jean M & Joseph G, Mary Jo & Greg A, Judith M & Edward M Schoone Life Est, Martens, Johnson, Coppock	A	\$252.00	\$252.00	
Lincoln	2023-07	Thomas L & Linda M Daigle	A	\$2,523.00	\$2,523.00	
Manitowoc	23-930	Ronald Wallander	A	\$20,810.57	\$20,810.57	
Manitowoc	23-931	Brunmeier Dairy Farm Inc	A	\$7,080.42	\$7,080.42	
Manitowoc	23-933	Patrick & Leslie VanGroll	C	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	
Manitowoc	23-934	Triple P Inc	C	\$480.00	\$480.00	
Manitowoc	23-936	Robert Kortens	C	\$2,120.00	\$2,120.00	
Manitowoc	23-937	Erich W & Linda S Pitz Revoc Trust	C	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
Manitowoc	23-938	Terence & Paula Fox	C	\$2,300.00	\$1,638.56	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Manitowoc	23-941	Zachariah & Rachel Kenneke	C	\$140.00	\$140.00	
Marathon	2023-03-SEG	Ronald & Susan Balthazor	A	\$5,132.00	\$5,132.00	
Marathon	2023-05-SEG	Baumann Dairy Farms LLC	A	\$4,600.00	\$4,600.00	
Marathon	2023-08-SEG	Shawn & Vernon & Marlene Bahr	A	\$7,600.00	\$7,600.00	
Marathon	2023-16-SEG	Kevin & Barbara Embacher & Spinzig	A	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	
Marathon	2023-17-SEG	Gropp Farms Inc	A	\$39,582.00	\$36,725.30	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Marinette	CC 23-1	Allen & Mary Noll	A	\$3,116.00	\$3,116.00	
Marinette	CC 23-13	MJZ Real Estate LLC	A	\$575.00	\$575.00	
Marinette	CC-23-2	Jeff & Mary Ann Townsend	A	\$1,056.50	\$1,056.50	
Marinette	CC-23-5	Nicholas Gajeski	A	\$345.75	\$345.75	
Marinette	NM 23-5	John Darga Trst & Judy Darga Trst	C	\$1.00	\$1.00	
Marquette	11-23	Paul Dahlke	C	\$40.00	\$40.00	
Monroe	S-10-2023	David W Huntzicker Rev Trst	C	\$4,520.00	\$4,520.00	

2024 SOIL AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GRANT PROJECT EXTENSIONS

Monroe	S-11-2023	Witt Living Trust	C	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Monroe	S-1-2023	Norm Kowitz	C	\$1,680.00	\$1,680.00	
Monroe	S-12-2023	Peaceful Valley Dairy LLC	C	\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00	
Monroe	S-13-2023	Dean P Fish Rev Trst	C	\$2,080.00	\$2,080.00	
Monroe	S-2-2023	William & Lisa Preuss	C	\$8,960.00	\$8,960.00	
Monroe	S-4-2023	James & Tamara Swagal	C	\$1,080.00	\$1,080.00	
Monroe	S-5-2023	Kathleen Sullivan	C	\$1,920.00	\$1,920.00	
Monroe	S-6-2023	Jeffrey J Mihalek Irrev Trst	C	\$1,040.00	\$1,040.00	
Monroe	S-7-2023	Tyrone & Barbara Johnson	C	\$9,680.00	\$9,680.00	
Monroe	S-8-2023	Howard H Hanson Rev Trst	C	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
Monroe	S-9-2023	Brian & Steve Schmitz	C	\$7,520.00	\$7,520.00	
Outagamie	2023-122	Clifford & Beverly Reis	A	\$4,153.60	\$4,153.60	
Outagamie	2023-123	Ralph Zibell	A	\$7,308.00	\$7,308.00	
Outagamie	2023-124	Ralph & Lois Zibell	A	\$6,863.95	\$6,863.95	
Ozaukee	2023-03	Judy Eibs	B	\$3,785.00	\$3,785.00	
Ozaukee	2023-1s	John & Judith Kertscher	A	\$1,196.80	\$1,168.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Ozaukee	2023-4s	Gasser Farms Real Estate LLC	C	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	
Pepin	582-SEG-23	Angela & Paul Bocksell	B	\$13,660.40	\$13,660.40	
Pepin	583-SEG-23	Angela & Paul Bocksell	B	\$2,027.20	\$2,027.20	
Pierce	10LWRM2023	O'Connell Farms	B	\$3,397.20	\$3,397.20	
Pierce	11LWRM2023	Marzolf Properties of Wisconsin LLC	B	\$271.20	\$271.20	
Racine	LWRM 422	Steven B Ament Revocable Trust	B	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	
Racine	LWRM 423	Richard & Carol Paap	B	\$1,720.00	\$1,720.00	
Racine	LWRM 424	Edwin Banderowicz	B	\$11,200.00	\$11,200.00	
Racine	LWRM 425	Kevin Schmitt Trust	B	\$8,640.00	\$8,640.00	
Racine	LWRM 429	Richard L & Kay M Scott Rev Trust	B	\$13,600.00	\$13,600.00	
Racine	LWRM 432	Brian R & Renee M Schaal	B	\$1,440.00	\$1,440.00	
Richland	7-23	Manning Farms LLC	A	\$9,987.00	\$9,987.00	
Rock	LR-026.23	Philip & Carol O'Leary Trust	C	\$4,556.00	\$1.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Rock	LR-028.23	Glacier Edge Dairy LLC	C	\$952.00	\$952.00	
Rock	LR-029.23	Glacier Edge Properties LLC	C	\$39,764.80	\$13,258.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Saint Croix	56-23-500	O Connell Farms	B	\$38,760.00	\$38,760.00	
Taylor	NMP-23-01	John & Jean Brost	A	\$4,212.00	\$4,212.00	
Taylor	NMP-23-04	Gordon & Michelle Roffers	A	\$15,932.00	\$15,108.50	Request exceeded current year allocation.

2024 SOIL AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GRANT PROJECT EXTENSIONS

Trempealeau	9473	Brian & Sara J Maliszewski	C	\$19,520.00	\$19,520.00	
Vernon	2023-52	Nancilee (Glenn &) Sina	A	\$340.45	\$340.45	
Vernon	2023-66	John & Julie Mislivecek	A	\$811.87	\$811.87	
Vernon	2023-69	Larry Gilbertson	A	\$3,299.92	\$3,299.92	
Vernon	2023-70	Crystal Anderson	A	\$2,357.08	\$2,357.08	
Vernon	2023-74	Jason & Maria Hellwig	A	\$1,099.97	\$1,099.97	
Vernon	2023-77	Kerry & Linda Hall Trust	A	\$6,442.73	\$6,442.73	
Vernon	2023-78	David & Susan Humfeld	A	\$2,121.38	\$2,121.38	
Vernon	2023-79	Christopher & Jill Krause	A	\$1,335.68	\$1,335.68	
Vernon	2023-80	David Krause	A	\$1,230.92	\$1,230.92	
Vernon	2023-82	Goede Acres LLC	A	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
Vernon	2023-83	Romance Valley Retreat LLC	A	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
Vilas	2023-04	Karl Jennrich & Mary Rassmussen Jennrich	C	\$1,776.00	\$1,776.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-10	Chad & Kayla Gillian	A	\$1,920.00	\$1,920.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-11	Kyle Bath Living Trust	A	\$1,560.00	\$1,144.00	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Washington	LWRM-23-3	Michael Kannenberg & Barbara Lieder	A	\$352.00	\$352.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-4	Beverly J Kannenberg Rev Trust Eugene H Kannenberg Rev Trust	A	\$1,276.00	\$1,276.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-6	Hillrise Farm LLC	A	\$3,160.00	\$3,160.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-7	Ryan Theusch	A	\$2,720.00	\$2,720.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-8	ER Properties LLC	A	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	
Washington	LWRM-23-9	Charles & Marianne Bindrich	A	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	
Waupaca	LW-23-41	Robert E & Janice M Jawort	C	\$15,696.00	\$15,696.00	
Waupaca	LW-23-42	Dean H & Robert E Jawort	C	\$5,160.00	\$5,160.00	
Waupaca	LW-23-43	Lynn E & Betty J Jepson	C	\$4,456.00	\$4,456.00	
Waupaca	LW-23-44	Lynn E & Betty J Jepson Revocable Trust	C	\$17,080.00	\$8,702.35	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Waushara	70-23-7	Cory & Clare Biely	B	\$200.00	\$200.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-02	Richard R Grundy	C	\$10,428.00	\$10,428.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-03	Rick Grundy Real Estate	C	\$3,057.20	\$3,057.20	
Winnebago	SEG 23-05	Halder Fam Irrev Tst	C	\$1,290.00	\$1,290.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-06	Matthew R & Vanessa R Mathison	C	\$534.40	\$534.40	
Winnebago	SEG 23-07	Gregory S Kallas	C	\$2,479.60	\$2,479.60	
Winnebago	SEG 23-08	Elizabeth M Leader Rev Tst	C	\$2,348.80	\$2,348.80	
Winnebago	SEG 23-09	John F & Lori Meyerhofer Tst	C	\$1,594.00	\$1,594.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-10	Bruce Jay & Debra Fuller	C	\$281.60	\$281.60	

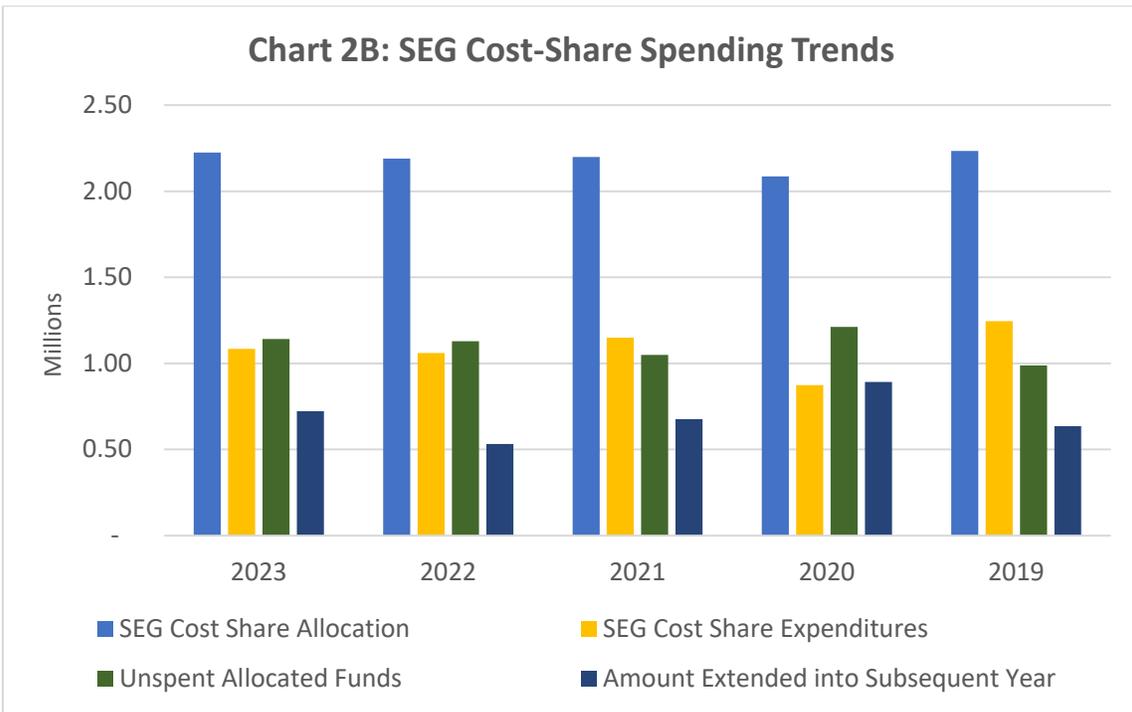
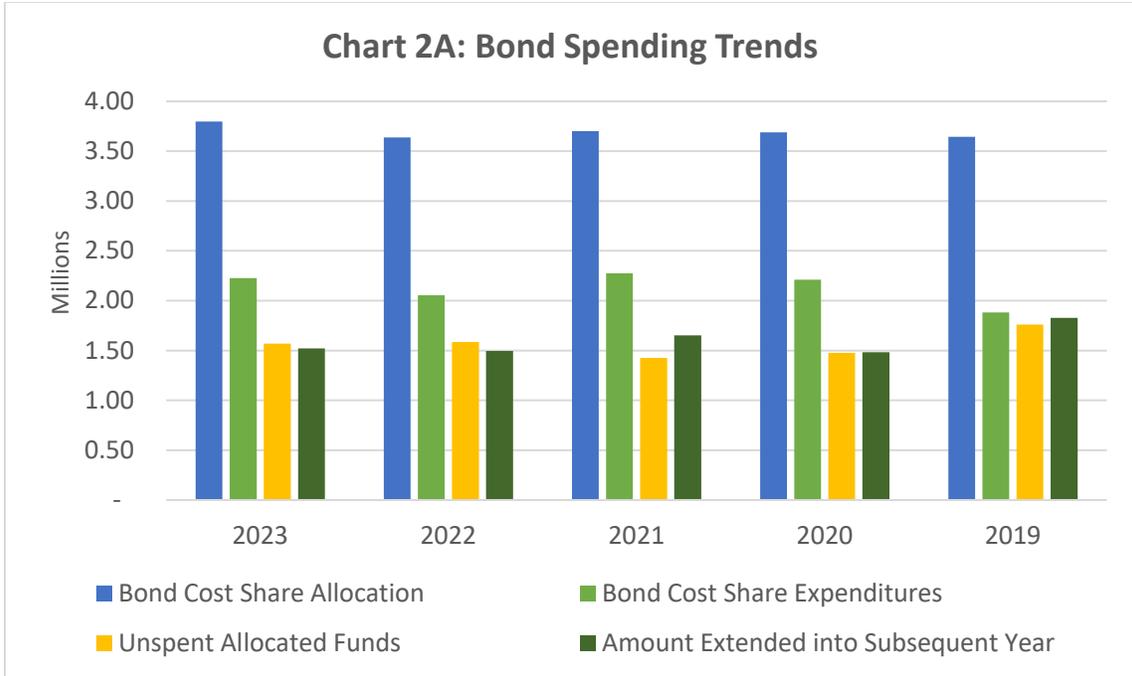
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Winnebago	SEG 23-11	Laura A Zink	C	\$235.60	\$235.60	
Winnebago	SEG 23-12	Joann Meyerhofer	C	\$2,470.00	\$2,470.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-13	Daniel A Nofke	C	\$824.00	\$824.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-14	Edward Race	C	\$11,284.80	\$11,284.80	
Winnebago	SEG 23-15	John Race	C	\$2,310.00	\$2,310.00	
Winnebago	SEG 23-16	Marvin J & Carol L Settele	C	\$1,146.80	\$1,146.80	
Winnebago	SEG 23-17	Richard J & Harriet A Brotske	C	\$3,430.40	\$3,430.40	
Winnebago	SEG 23-18	Ryan Kallas	C	\$221.20	\$221.20	
Winnebago	SEG 23-20	Jeffrey L & Carrie M Schmude	C	\$347.20	\$347.20	
Winnebago	SEG-23-01	William & Angela Hansen	C	\$5,936.00	\$5,936.00	
Wood	23-LWRM-13	Jeffrey Eastling	A	\$248.00	\$248.00	
Wood	23-LWRM-14	Kurt Eastling	A	\$2,116.00	\$2,116.00	
Wood	23-LWRM-15	Wendell Eastling	A	\$420.00	\$420.00	
Wood	23-LWRM-33	Raymond Fait Joint Revocable Trust	A	\$46,124.00	\$5,753.85	Request exceeded current year allocation.
Count:	145		Totals:	\$835,333.35	\$722,697.00	
Total Count:	350		Grand Totals:	\$2,660,877.14	\$2,244,898.35	

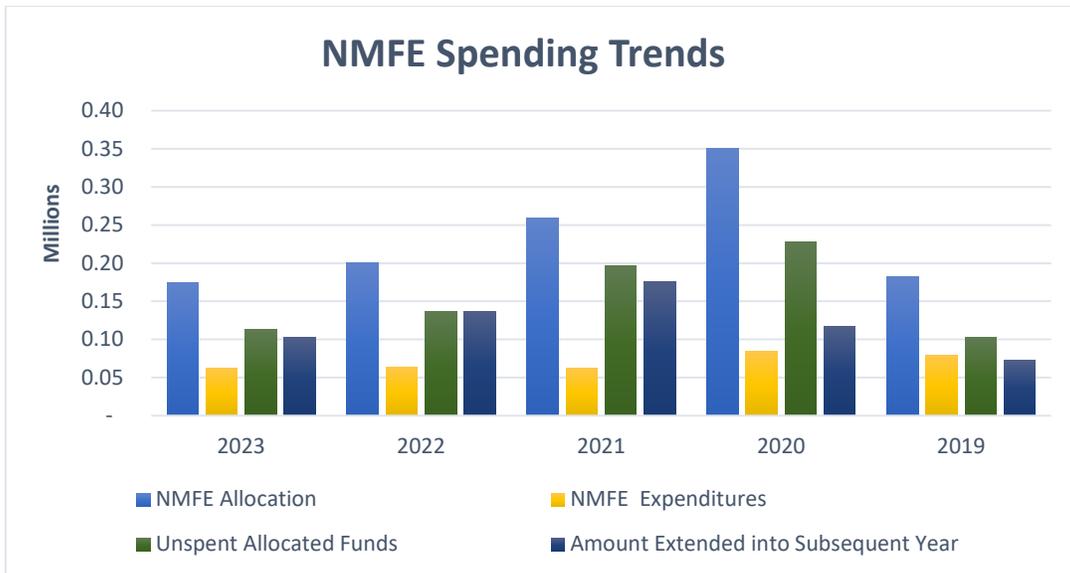
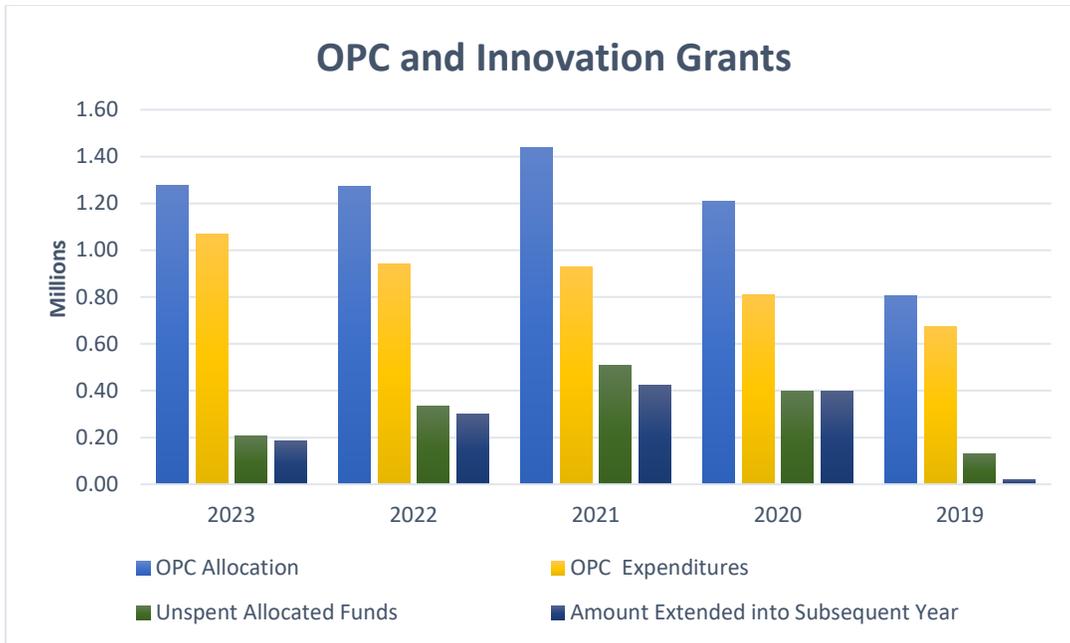
*Key Explaining Reasons for Extension Requests

- A. Unfavorable weather conditions
- B. Unavailability of contractors
- C. Extenuating circumstances

2023 SWRM Spending Charts



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2023 DATCP TRANSFERS AND AWARDS FROM DATCP RESERVE

Inter-County BOND Fund Transfers					
Transferring County	Receiving County	Amount	Date Received	Date Approved	Days to approve
Eau Claire	Rusk	9,900	10/04/2023	10/05/2023	2
Kenosha	Racine	9,000	11/14/2023	11/15/2023	2
Milwaukee	Racine	15,000	11/14/2023	11/15/2023	2
Jefferson	Washington	17,000	11/16/2023	11/16/2023	1
Juneau	Jackson	8,440	11/17/2023	11/17/2023	1
Barron	Chippewa	5,000	11/21/2023	11/22/2023	2
Jefferson	Racine	17,339	11/27/2023	11/29/2023	3
Dodge	Jackson	9,407	11/27/2023	11/29/2023	3
Barron	Kewaunee	38,516	11/28/2023	11/29/2023	2
Door	Marinette	19,400	11/30/2023	12/06/2023	6
Langlade	Jackson	20,000	11/30/2023	12/06/2023	6
11 BOND Transfers Totaling:		169,002		Average Days:	2.7

Inter-County SEG Fund Transfers					
Transferring County	Receiving County	Amount	Date Received	Date Approved	Days to approve
Forest	Lincoln	2,400	03/29/2023	04/04/2023	6
Rusk	St Croix	20,000	04/17/2023	04/17/2023	1
Clark	St Croix	15,250	06/22/2023	06/29/2023	7
Sauk	Dane	30,000	06/27/2023	06/28/2023	1
Clark	St Croix (2)	3,350	07/05/2023	07/05/2023	1
Marathon	Langlade	394	08/01/2023	08/01/2023	1
Shawano	Langlade	5,500	08/09/2023	08/09/2023	1
Marathon	Langlade (2)	13,977	08/11/2023	08/11/2023	1
Buffalo	Lincoln	10,596	10/13/2023	10/13/2023	1
Sawyer	Langlade	8,000	10/17/2023	10/19/2023	3
Pepin	Langlade	2,349	10/23/2023	10/27/2023	5
Jefferson	Dane	12,000	10/23/2023	10/27/2023	5
Door	Manitowoc	30,000	10/31/2023	11/1/2023	1
Waushara	Vilas	1,776	11/15/2023	11/15/2023	1
Ozaukee	Washington	3,772	11/16/2023	11/16/2023	1
Clark	St Croix (3)	21,000	11/16/2023	11/17/2023	2
Racine	Milwaukee	1,416	11/22/2023	11/22/2023	1
Sauk	St Croix	17,760	11/30/2023	12/6/2023	6
Sheboygan	Rock	9,151	12/07/2023	12/07/2023	1
19 SEG Transfers Totaling:		208,691		Average Days:	2.4

DATCP Re-Allocation of Bond Funds from the Reserve of \$250,000				
Receiving County	Requested Amount	Date Received	Date Approved	Days to Approve
Iowa	138,555	9/20/2023	10/03/2023	13
Washington	95,230	11/16/2023	11/16/2023	1
Ozaukee	16,215	12/22/2023	2/13/2024	22
Total	250,000			

Table A Adjusted: 2023 DATCP Allocations

STAFFING AND COST-SHARE ALLOCATIONS

County	DATCP Staffing & Support Allocation	LWRM Plan Implementation		Total DATCP Allocation	County	DATCP Staffing & Support Allocation	LWRM Plan Implementation Allocation		Total DATCP Allocation
		Bond Cost-Sharing	SEG Cost-Sharing				Bond Cost-Sharing	SEG Cost-Sharing	
Adams	148,693	43,000	65,000	256,693	Marathon	183,559	70,000	80,629	334,188
Ashland	142,842	50,000	40,000	232,842	Marinette	165,620	74,400	60,000	300,020
Barron	163,647	14,484	10,000	188,131	Marquette	169,939	43,000	65,000	277,939
Bayfield	141,926	50,000	8,000	199,926	Menominee	95,087	20,000		115,087
Brown	182,710	48,000	20,000	250,710	Milwaukee	76,554	0	1,416	77,970
Buffalo	126,351	60,000	9,404	195,755	Monroe	156,919	59,000	50,000	265,919
Burnett	122,659	33,000	20,000	175,659	Oconto	170,230	48,000		218,230
Calumet	197,782	40,000	30,000	267,782	Oneida	129,010	39,000		168,010
Chippewa	202,731	70,000	70,000	342,731	Outagamie	219,102	55,000	65,000	339,102
Clark	161,889	64,500	35,400	261,789	Ozaukee	178,612	69,715	21,228	269,555
Columbia	146,920	68,000	75,000	289,920	Pepin	104,565	39,000	37,651	181,216
Crawford	137,818	55,000	8,000	200,818	Pierce	168,208	60,000	20,000	248,208
Dane	247,461	65,000	117,000	429,461	Polk	161,239	50,000		211,239
Dodge	176,702	43,593	20,000	240,295	Portage	181,735	59,000		240,735
Door	178,571	30,600	0	209,171	Price	103,314	43,000		146,314
Douglas	134,888	30,000	5,000	169,888	Racine	189,031	99,839	88,584	377,454
Dunn	191,041	56,000	20,000	267,041	Richland	122,273	55,000	20,000	197,273
Eau Claire	177,773	37,100	65,000	279,873	Rock	171,739	65,000	84,151	320,890
Florence	76,554	34,000		110,554	Rusk	115,573	52,900	20,000	188,473
Fond du Lac	186,197	40,000	20,000	246,197	Saint Croix	181,352	51,000	112,360	344,712
Forest	115,787	20,000	12,600	148,387	Sauk	182,261	66,500	12,240	261,001
Grant	129,865	70,000		199,865	Sawyer	112,855	29,000	0	141,855
Green	166,475	71,500	20,000	257,975	Shawano	157,137	44,000	14,500	215,637
Green Lake	191,649	50,000	30,000	271,649	Sheboygan	170,106	55,000	5,849	230,955
Iowa	159,612	183,555	40,000	383,167	Taylor	148,312	65,241	40,000	253,553
Iron	133,256	44,000	100	177,356	Trempealeau	126,524	66,500	30,000	223,024
Jackson	159,655	101,347	0	261,002	Vernon	154,494	66,500	75,000	295,994
Jefferson	184,269	661	0	184,930	Vilas	143,107	33,000	1,776	177,883
Juneau	155,020	35,560	20,000	210,580	Walworth	189,764	55,000	20,000	264,764
Kenosha	148,997	25,000	5,000	178,997	Washburn	131,070	43,000	6,000	180,070
Kewaunee	190,786	86,516	6,000	283,302	Washington	152,223	149,230	13,772	315,225
LaCrosse	181,602	45,000	20,000	246,602	Waukesha	208,933	33,000		241,933
Lafayette	118,478	63,000		181,478	Waupaca	165,542	63,500	80,000	309,042
Langlade	102,999	9,000	42,220	154,219	Waushara	180,627	43,000	23,224	246,851
Lincoln	98,257	42,000	13,996	154,253	Winnebago	185,481	42,000	70,000	297,481
Manitowoc	170,194	55,000	105,000	330,194	Wood	175,847	54,000	54,000	283,847
					Reserve		0		0
					Sub-Totals	\$11,280,000	\$3,795,741	\$2,125,100	\$17,200,841

PROJECT COOPERATOR ALLOCATIONS

UW-CALS	580,000	Nutrient Management Farmer Education	174,982
WI Land + Water (WLWCA)	241,610	Innovation Grants	324,059
Standard Oversight Council (SOC)	40,000		
Conservation Observation Day	3,500		
UW-GNHS	37,699		
UW Ext - Cons. Training	30,699		
UW-SFAL	17,351		
PROGRAM ALLOCATION TOTALS		Sub-Total Cooperator Allocation	\$1,449,900
TOTAL	\$11,280,000	\$3,795,741	\$2,125,100
			\$18,650,741

Received Bond Transfer
 Received SEG Transfer

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM _____ **State of Wisconsin**

DATE: March 20, 2024

TO: Land and Water Conservation Board Members and Advisors

FROM: Lisa K. Trumble, DATCP *Lisa K. Trumble*
Resource Management Section,
Bureau of Land and Water Resources

SUBJECT: Five Year Review of the *Barron County Land and Water Resource Management Plan*

Recommended Action: This is an action item. The LWCB should determine whether the county has met the LWCB's criteria for a five-year review of a LWRM plan approved for ten years. If the LWCB makes a formal determination that the county has failed to meet these criteria, DATCP will automatically modify its order to terminate approval of the county's plan effective December of this year.

Summary: The Barron County land and water resource management plan has been approved through December 31, 2029, contingent on a five-year review conducted prior to December 31, 2024. In advance of the five-year review, Barron County has completed a DATCP approved form designed to implement the LWCB's reference document dated October 27, 2021, and the criteria for conducting a five-year review. The county has provided written answers to four questions regarding past and future implementation, has provided the required work planning documents, and has appropriately involved the Land Conservation Committee.

Materials Provided:

- Completed Five Year Review Form
- 2023 Annual Workplan with Accomplishments
- 2024 Annual Workplan

Presenter: Tyler Gruetzmacher, County Conservationist, Barron County SWCD
Randall Cook, Land Conservation Committee Chair



Land and Water Conservation Board
County Land and Water Resource Management Plan
Five Year Review of LWRM Plans

County: Barron

Implementation Covering Past Five Years and Future Directions

Answer these four questions in writing (not to exceed 4 pages)

- 1. Provide a representative number of accomplishments that can be directly traced to activities identified in multiple work plans. For each accomplishment, explain how the planning process helped the county achieve its outcome, including planning adjustments that helped better target county activities.**

Farmland Preservation Program: Since Jan. 1, 2020, we have gained 24 new FPP participants adding a total of 3,973 acres. Staff continues to monitor the annual compliance of all 193 participants, equaling a total of 45,788 acres. Utilization of nutrient management plans for cost savings/increased yields and the importance of owner/operator communication have recently been emphasized in order to foster participation and understanding of program goals.

The addition of a Lakes and Invasive Species Specialist position was identified as a goal in the plan. In 2023 the Barron County Board of Supervisors voted to include the position in the 2024 budget. Recruitment for the position will begin in spring 2024.

Barron County has partnered with the USDA-NRCS for closure of animal waste storage facilities. Construction of earthen manure storage facilities was quite popular (210 installed) from the mid 1970s to 1983 during an era of comparatively lax engineering standards. With the attrition in the dairy industry, the number of idle manure storage facilities on the landscape would far exceed our DATCP SWRM annual funding to properly close them. Partnering with NRCS, where the county provides the outreach and technical support and NRCS the funding, has resulted in the closure of a total of 156 facilities to date with 37 since 2020 and 12 pending for 2024.

Groundwater study: Barron County contracted with the Groundwater Center at UWSP to conduct a drinking water study in 2022 and 2023. Approximately 800 samples were taken by citizens and submitted for testing. Chippewa and Dunn Counties also have done testing through UWSP which allowed for integration of the studies into a regional compilation. Our collective data was presented at the Red Cedar Basin Conference and a public meeting in Barron on March 14, 2024.

Demonstration Farm Creation: Barron County owns a 12-acre parcel of cropland, and it became available for a demonstration site in 2021. It is located on sandy outwash soils in the center of

the county and has been converted to a 3 crop no-till rotation. Staff will track the changes in a variety of soil health parameters which will be shared with the farming community.

Multi-Discharge Variance: Our department has been coordinating this with local WWTPs for 3 years, using the funds to plant grass headlands. Serious erosion on headlands has been identified and targeted for conservation practices, in many cases when the rest of the field is in good condition. One goal or objective of the program is to reduce phosphorus runoff. Over the last 3 years approximately 1100 lbs of phosphorus reductions have been calculated across the county from the headlands that have been established to grass so far.

Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Program: The reclamation of nonmetallic mine sites helps reduce nonpoint pollution of surface water, groundwater, and wetlands. Over the past 4 years Barron County has evaluated 369 acres of partially reclaimed mine sites and 142 acres of final reclaimed sites. All reclamation plans and activities are required to meet the uniform standards of NR135 Wisconsin Administrative Code and the Barron County Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Ordinance. These uniform standards are consistent with the goals and objectives described in the Barron County Land & Water Resource Management Plan.

- 2. Identify any areas where the county was unable to make desired progress in implementing activities identified in multiple work plans. For each area identified, explain the work plan adjustments that were made to refocus planned activities. If no areas are identified, explain how the county was able to make progress in all the areas planned.**

Areas of sandy outwash soils with the potential to impact groundwater have not yet been addressed. County staff are planning to use results from the recent groundwater study to expand our work in this area, specifically Nutrient Management Planning. Traditionally, our department has not had much contact with the landowners in these areas due to minimal livestock operations and limited slope/HEL; these are mainly flat croplands without erosion, barnyard, or manure storage issues. Targeted Nutrient Management Planning to reduce infiltration to groundwater can be initiated with the new groundwater data. Also related to the outwash plain are large internally drained areas that have increased potential for leaching of nutrients.

- 3. Describe how the county's work plans implement its priority farm strategy and the effectiveness of county actions implementing agricultural performance standards and conservation practices on farms. In particular, the county should describe outreach, farm inventories, and additional funds that were pursued to implement its strategy.**

Farmland Preservation Program planned acreage continues to increase, providing planning coverage and ensuring compliance with standards. Staff is always available to explain the benefits of planning and attends numerous public events for outreach as well as education. The increased tax credit is expected to increase the interest in the program.

NRCS funds used for storage closure: Letters were sent to landowners with idle manure storage facilities describing the County Ordinance requirements and the technical process of closure, encouraging them to sign up with the NRCS for EQIP cost incentives. We have been using this process since 2012, and it has become more and more popular. We have closed 37 facilities since 2020, 35 with EQIP funds. In total, we have closed 156. The EQIP cost incentive is

generally greater than the 70% DATCP rate, and the funding pool is larger than the State of Wisconsin's. We have 12 facilities pending for closure in 2024 in this program.

Barron County has provided \$20,000 for 20+ years to encourage implementation of conservation practices. Originally these funds were used as incentive for no-till planting. More recently, funding has been utilized for cover crops. The county offers simple, one year agreements to plant cover crops on up to 40 acres at \$25/acre, and these have worked well to entice operators and owners to try cover crops.

Inventories of barnyard areas and manure storage facilities have been completed, and barnyard feeding areas have been delineated utilizing orthophotography, which is updated every 3 years with new photos being taken this spring. The number and type of cattle is estimated, and this information is input into BARNY to determine the potential for runoff. High runoff areas are then targeted for conservation practice outreach. The conversion from dairy to beef has resulted in the creation of feeding areas with runoff concerns.

4. Provide representative examples that show changes in direction for work planning in the upcoming five years, with specific examples provided showing adjustments in planned activities in the county's most recent work plan.

The results of the groundwater study will be coming out this year. This will be used for informational campaigns outlining the importance of Nutrient Management Planning.

The addition of a Lakes and Invasive Species position will allow for additional efforts in these areas. A variety of potential conservation benefits will be explored as new programs and ideas evolve beyond an initial position description. This staff member will not only bring focus to these areas but also work to identify any additional objectives that may not currently be planned.

The industrial sand mining work has changed direction from new reclamation plan applications and review process to overseeing reclamation activities on existing permitted sites. It is anticipated that as more reclamation of these sites occurs it will be important to make sure the reclamation work is consistent with the approved reclamation plan and permit. It is further anticipated that more work will be done to review modifications to existing reclamation plans and permits.

Annual Work Plans

Attach both of the following:

- a. The most current annual work prepared by the county.
- b. The work plan for the previous year that includes a column that identifies the progress in implementing the planned activities for that year.

Board Review Process

The goal of the review is not to fail counties. The board recognizes the dynamic nature of the planning process. Board members are interested in how counties tackle priorities over time and how they respond to changing conditions in pursuing their priorities. The board will evaluate a county's planning and implementation based on how well the county balances and prioritizes the

following: agricultural performance standards, other state priorities (impaired waters, FPP checks), and local priorities. When needed, the Board will provide constructive support to counties to improve the quality of their planning. Counties have the option to prepare a brief presentation to illustrate their successes and future priorities.

Land Conservation Committee Notification

The LCC was provided a completed copy of these questions (including attachments) on:

Signature of Authorized Representative:  Date: 3-21-2024
(e.g. County Conservationist, LCC chair)

Send completed questionnaire and attachments to:

Lisa.Trumble@wi.gov

BARRON COUNTY 2023 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES

Table 1: Planned activities and performance measures by category

CATEGORY (goal and objective from LWRMP plan can be added in each category)	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS If applicable identify focus areas, e.g. HUC 12 watershed code (examples of types of “planned activities” in italics)	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS (examples in italics)	ACCOMPLISHMENTS	
<i>CROPLAND</i>	<p>Cropland, soil health and/or nutrient management</p>	<p>*Using Barron County funds (\$20,000), cost share 800 acres of cover crops, targeting individuals with limited experience and new techniques</p>	<p>Acres of Cover Crop cost shared Goal of 800</p>	<p>756 acres cost shared</p>
<p>*Administer the Farmland Preservation Program, conducting 50 Status Reviews on current participants Issue Conservation Compliance Certificates (FPP and NR151) for new locations.</p>		<p>Number of Status Reviews completed Goal of 50</p>	<p>60 inspections done for a combination of FPP and NR 151 compliance.</p>	
<p>*For Nutrient Management Planning, using the SEG funds for 1000 acres of new plans.</p>		<p>Number of Certificates of Compliance issued Goal of 15 Acres on these farms</p>	<p>1 new COC issued - 128 acres 24 updated COC - 10,377 acres</p>	
<p>*Using the MDV program, implement a Headland & Buffer planting program</p>		<p>Nutrient Management Planning acres cost shared Goal of 1000ac</p>	<p>We did not have persons interested in the SEG funds. Transferred them to another County.</p>	
<p>*Using the MDV program, implement a Headland & Buffer planting program</p>		<p>Acres of headland and buffer plantings – Goal of 50 acres</p>	<p>42 acres of headlands and buffers installed</p>	
<p>*Work one on one and in small groups of farmers to assist them in writing their own nutrient management plans.</p>		<p>Goal of 45 individual training sessions Nutrient Management Planning acres assisted – Goal of 10,000 ac</p>	<p>50 sessions for a total of 12,000 acres of planning assistance</p>	
<p>*We will use SNAP Plus to run the Soil Erosion Transect Survey.</p>			<p>Conducted the survey</p>	
<p>*Install 6,000 feet (6 acres) of grassed waterway</p>	<p>Feet and Acres of Grassed Waterways installed. Goal of 6 acres</p>	<p>6400’ installed 6 acres in area</p>		

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	*Demonstration Farm	Soil Health Tests In field demonstration days Goal of 2 Soil Health Workshop with UW Goal of 1	Performed Haney test and traditional tests on 1 acre grid 1 field day Partnered with UW Soils on a workshop at our Demo Plot 20 participants
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LIVESTOCK

Livestock	Work with 3 landowners to correct livestock runoff prohibitions using Clean Water Diversions, fencing and roof runoff outlets. Review waste storage designs for permitting under Barron County Manure Storage Ordinance. Inspections of existing manure storage facilities (5) Inspections of barnyard areas for compliance with NR151 Manure storage facility closures	Number of projects completed – Goal of 3 Pounds of P reduced using BARNY Number of reviews Number of inspections – Goal of 5 Number of inspections – Goal of 5 Number of closures – Goal of 12	1 completed Site was a calf hutch location that doesn't work with BARNY. It was a significant soil loss area 3 2 3 15 closed
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WATER QUALITY

Water quality/quantity (other than activities already listed in other categories)	Groundwater Quality Study – Year 2 of 2	Number of samples – Goal of 450 Host a groundwater education meeting	350 samples collected in 2023 total samples of 723 Hosted meeting March 20, 2024 Presented to 2 other groups as well
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FORESTRY

Forestry	None		
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LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES

INVASIVE

Invasive species	Continue program of cutting and spraying, purple loosestrife, Japanese Knotweed, garlic mustard, and other invasive species, focusing on early infestations.	Number of control efforts Sites treated	5 sites treated for Japanese knotweed. Coordinated buckthorn control at UW campus
	Use the GLEDN App for mapping of sites in the county.	Sites recorded by staff	2
	Raising bio-control beetles for Purple Loosestrife and assisting Lake Associations in their efforts	Release sites	Released beetles at 2 sites
	Inspect 40 boat landings for signage	Number of landings inspected	Inventoried 8 sites
	Display at the County Fair		5 days of interacting with the public at our Conservation Building

WILDLIFE

Wildlife-Wetlands-Habitat (other than forestry or invasive species)	Conduct annual tree sale	Number of trees sold - Goal of 19,000 trees	17,500 trees sold
	Rental of County Tree Planters	Number of trees planted	37,000 trees planted

URBAN

Urban issues	None		
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WATERSHED

BARRON COUNTY 2023 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES

Watershed strategies	Participate in Red Cedar Basin Partnership	6 meetings annually	Continued to participate in the Red Cedar Partnership. This group oversees the TMDL
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OTHER

Other	Review of Reclamation Plans	80 annual reviews	80 reviews
	Number of Reclamation Plan Reviews:	Plan amendments goal of 3	2 plan amendments
	Issue Reclamation Permits:		
	Monitor active mining operations site visits: Annual Survey of Active mining areas:	100 site visits	100 site visits

Table 2: Planned activity related to permits and ordinances

Permits and Ordinances	Plans/application reviews anticipated	Permits issued
Feedlot permits	NA	
Manure storage construction and transfer systems	3	3
Manure storage closure	5	15
Livestock facility siting	0	0
Nonmetallic/frac sand mining	2	2
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA	
Shoreland zoning	NA	
Wetlands and waterways (Ch. 30)	NA	
Other		

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Table 3: Planned inspections

Inspections	Number of inspections planned
Total Farm Inspections	60
For FPP	60
For NR 151	60
Animal waste ordinance	10
Livestock facility siting	2
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA
Nonmetallic mining	100

Table 4: Planned outreach and education activities

Activity	Number
Tours	1
Field days	2
Trainings/workshops	45
School-age programs (camps, field days, classroom)	6 th Grade tour Poster Contest Speaking Contest
Newsletters	
Social media posts	25
News release/story	5

Table 5: Staff Hours and Expected Costs (staff can be combined or listed individually)

Staff/Support	Hours	Costs
County Conservationist/Technician (95%)	1976	\$107,118.67
Conservation Planner	2080	\$107,118.67
Conservation Specialist	2080	\$100,813.40
Administrative Assistant (50%)	1040	\$39,012.75
Director – Department Head (33.3%)	684.4	\$49,177.80
Cost Sharing (can be combined)		
DATCP SWRM Bonding	N/A	\$56,000 + \$37,954.57 (2022 carryover)
DATCP SEG for NMP	N/A	\$10,000
MDV	N/A	\$31,190
Barron County Conservation Funds		\$20,000

**BARRON COUNTY 2024 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

Table 1: Planned activities and performance measures by category

CATEGORY (goal and objective from LWRM plan can be added in each category)	PLANNED ACTIVITIES WITH BENCHMARKS If applicable identify focus areas, e.g. HUC 12 watershed code (examples of types of “planned activities” in italics)	PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS (examples in italics)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Cropland</i> 		
<p>Cropland, soil health and/or nutrient management</p>	<p>*Using Barron County funds (\$20,000), cost share 800 acres of cover crops, targeting individuals with limited experience and new techniques</p> <p>*Administer the Farmland Preservation Program, conducting 50 Status Reviews on current participants Issue Conservation Compliance Certificates (FPP and NR151) for new locations.</p> <p>*For Nutrient Management Planning, using the SEG funds for 250 acres of new plans.</p> <p>*Using the MDV program, implement a Headland & Buffer planting program</p> <p>*Work one on one and in small groups of farmers to assist them in writing their own nutrient management plans.</p> <p>*We will use SNAP Plus to run the Soil Erosion Transect Survey.</p> <p>*Install 12,000 feet (12 acres) of grassed waterway</p> <p>*Demonstration Farm</p>	<p>Acres of Cover Crop cost shared Goal of 800</p> <p>Number of Status Reviews completed Goal of 60 -Acres on these farms</p> <p>Number of Certificates of Compliance issued Goal of 5 new Acres on these farms</p> <p>Nutrient Management Planning acres cost shared Goal of 250 ac</p> <p>Acres of headland and buffer plantings – Goal of 35 acres</p> <p>Goal of 45 individual training sessions Nutrient Management Planning acres assisted – Goal of 10,000 ac</p> <p>Feet and Acres of Grassed Waterways installed. Goal of 12 acres</p> <p>Soil Health Tests In field demonstration days Goal of 2</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Livestock</i> 		
<p>Livestock</p>	<p>Work with 3 landowners to correct livestock runoff prohibitions using Clean Water Diversions, fencing and roof runoff outlets.</p> <p>Review waste storage designs for permitting under the Barron County Manure Storage Ordinance.</p>	<p>Number of projects completed – Goal of 3</p> <p>Pounds of P reduced using BARNY</p> <p>Number of reviews</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Water quality</i> 		
Water quality/quantity (other than activities already listed in other categories)	Inspections of existing manure storage facilities (5) Inspections of barnyard areas for compliance with NR151 Manure storage facility closures Perform 3 lake wide photo surveys of shorelines Develop 10 lakeshore mitigation plans Evaluate 10 Barron County owned lakeshore properties including boat landings for runoff concerns. Coordinate with UWSP on final Groundwater Study analysis.	Number of inspections – Goal of 5 Number of inspections – Goal of 5 Number of closures – Goal of 10 Number of surveys Number of plans Number of Evaluations Host 2 informational sessions and distribute to public.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Forestry</i> 		
Forestry	NA	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Invasive</i> 		
Invasive species	Continue program of cutting and spraying, purple loosestrife, Japanese Knotweed, garlic mustard, and other invasive species, focusing on early infestations. Use the GLEDN App for mapping of sites in the county. Raising bio-control beetles for Purple Loosestrife and assisting Lake Associations in their efforts Inspect 40 boat landings for signage Display at the County Fair Clean Boats Clean Waters training Citizen Lake Monitoring Network training	Number of control efforts Sites treated Sites recorded by staff Release sites Number of landings inspected One training – 10 participants One training - 10 participants
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Wildlife</i> 		
Wildlife-Wetlands-Habitat (other than forestry or invasive species)	Conduct annual tree sale Rental of County Tree Planters	Number of trees sold - Goal of 19,000 trees Number of trees planted
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Urban</i> 		
Urban issues	None	

**BARRON COUNTY 2024 ANNUAL WORK PLAN
LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

- *Watershed*

Watershed strategies	Participate in the Red Cedar Basin Partnership	6 meetings annually
	Staples Lake District Watershed project	Work with 2 landowners to correct runoff concerns.

- *Other*

Other	Review of Non-metallic Mining Reclamation Plans: Number of Reclamation Plan Reviews: Issue Reclamation Permits: Monitor active mining operations site visits: Annual Survey of Active mining areas:	80 annual reviews Plan amendments goal of 3 100 site visits

Table 2: Planned activity related to permits and ordinances

Permits and Ordinances	Plans/application reviews anticipated	Permits anticipated to be issued
Feedlot permits	NA	
Manure storage construction and transfer systems	1	
Manure storage closure	8	10
Livestock facility siting	1	1
Nonmetallic/frac sand mining	2	2
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA	
Shoreland zoning	NA	
Wetlands and waterways (Ch. 30)	NA	
Other		

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LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES**

Table 3: Planned inspections

Inspections	Number of inspections planned
Total Farm Inspections	60
For FPP	60
For NR 151	60
Animal waste ordinance	10
Livestock facility siting	1
Stormwater and construction site erosion control	NA
Nonmetallic mining	100

Table 4: Planned outreach and education activities

Activity	Number
Tours	0
Field days	2
Trainings/workshops	45
School-age programs (camps, field days, classroom)	6 th Grade Tour Poster Contest Speaking Contest
Newsletters	0
Social media posts	25
News release/story	5

Table 5: Staff Hours and Expected Costs (staff can be combined or listed individually)

Staff/Support	Hours	Costs
County Conservationist/Technician (95%)	1976	\$107,395.60
Conservation Planner	2080	\$113,410.71
Conservation Specialist	2080	\$107,600.92
Lakeshore Specialist	1200	\$59,844
Administrative Assistant (50%)	1040	\$41,570.35
Director – Department Head (33.3%)	684.4	\$52,449.78
Cost Sharing (can be combined)		
DATCP SWRM Bonding	N/A	\$48,000 + 5285 carryover
DATCP SEG for NMP	N/A	\$10,000
MDV	N/A	\$26,250
Barron County Conservation Funds		\$20,000
USDA EQIP		Estimated \$300,000

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 2, 2024

TO: LWCB members and advisors

FROM: Ian Krauss, Farm Service Agency

SUBJECT: FSA Program Updates for April LWCB Meeting

- The deadline for 2024 DMC (Dairy Margin Coverage) elections end on April 29th
- Conservation Reserve Program
 - Continuous Signup 61
 - The FSA received the results of its first batch for Continuous Signup 61 where we had around 350 contracts accepted across 5,100 acres.
 - Two additional batching periods have been announced for Continuous Signup 61: March 18th to April 12th, and April 15th to May 10th.
 - As a reminder the batching process is being used this year to make sure the FSA remains under the 27 million acre statutory limit included in the 2018 Farm Bill.
 - Offers submitted to enroll into CREP do not need to be batched for approval.
 - General Signup 62
 - Ran from March 4th to March 29th in Wisconsin. Wisconsin had 70 offers submitted for just under 1,000 acres.
- Drought Monitor
 - The FSA continues to monitor the U.S. Drought Monitor to provide prompt outreach to counties eligible for Emergency Haying and Grazing, LFP, and ELAP.



Wisconsin Land+Water Conservation Association

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Date: 3/20/24
To: State Land and Water Conservation Board Members
From: Matt Krueger, WI Land+Water Executive Director
CC: Mark Cupp, Tim Anderson, Katy Smith, Stacy Tierman, Bob Micheel
Subject: Adjusting the Timing of WI Land+Water Election of LWCB Representatives

The WI Land+Water Board of Directors (BOD) voted at its March 6, 2024 meeting to move the 2024 election of WI Land+Water's three representatives to the state Land and Water Conservation Board (LWCB) to the latter part of this year. The specifics of this process will be determined by WI Land+Water and DATCP staff working together, with an eye toward [15.135\(4\)\(b\)2](#) Wis. Stats. and the bylaws of both the LWCB, and WI Land+Water.

At its July 18, 2024 meeting, the BOD will be approving a specific LWCB election process for the latter part of this year that ensures active participation from county land conservation committee (LCC) representatives elected by WI Land+Water and benefits the board. The BOD will ensure this is a lasting process by codifying any necessary changes to our bylaws at our annual meeting in March 2025.

The rationale for adjusting the timing of LWCB elections came down to three main issues with the existing process:

- 1) WI Land+Water has not had consistent and sustained representation in all of our LWCB seats. The most recent LWCB term has seen us represented by six different individuals for three seats, due to unsuccessful reelection campaigns and board resignations.
- 2) Over the past decade, our LWCB elections have taken place in March of even-numbered years, before county board elections occurred in April. This has created the potential for WI Land+Water to elect LCC members to the LWCB who cannot serve because they are not reelected to county board, and/or appointed to the LCC.
- 3) There is an 11-month delay between our LWCB members being elected (March) and their first LWCB meeting (February).

We are optimistic that the new LWCB election process and timing that will be approved this summer will constitute an improvement in all of the aforementioned areas.

2024 Wisconsin Agreements and Grants

As of February 24, 2024

State Agreement Opportunities:

Cooperative Conservation Agreements ([USDA-NRCS-WI-MULTI-24-NOFO0001329](#))

Emphasis

1. Build technical capacity to implement Farm Bill & NRCS conservation programs
 2. Establish Demonstration Farm Networks
 3. Urban Agriculture technical assistance
 4. Build technical capacity of NRCS and partner field conservation employees
 5. Build the capacity of local partners to develop and implement effective projects
 6. Achieve positive and measurable natural resources conservation outcomes
- 1 to 5 years in length
 - No match required
 - Eligible Entity Types:
 - City or township governments
 - County governments
 - For profit organizations other than small businesses
 - Independent school districts
 - Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
 - Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
 - Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education)
 - Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education)
 - Private institutions of higher education
 - Public and State-controlled institutions of higher education
 - Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
 - Small businesses
 - Special district governments
 - State governments
 - Deadline – April 15, 2024
 - NRCS State Contact: Ryan Gerlich, acting ASTC-Partnerships ryan.gerlich@usda.gov

2024 Wisconsin Agreements and Grants

As of February 24, 2024

Tribal Conservation Grants ([USDA-NRCS-WI-MULTI-24-NOFO0001351](#))

Emphasis

1. Increase tribal food sovereignty in Wisconsin
 2. Provide outreach to tribal producers and forest stewards to increase technical and programmatic conservation delivery.
- 1 to 5 years in length
 - No match required
 - Eligible Entity Types:
 - Native American Tribal Governments
 - Native American Tribal Organizations
 - Deadline – April 24, 2024
 - NRCS State Contact: Ryan Gerlich, acting ASTC-Partnerships ryan.gerlich@usda.gov

draft Wisconsin Urban Agriculture Grant (official title and announcement TBD) – we will share if/when this is available.

National Agreement Opportunities:

TBD

These are brief summary highlights. Go to the available www.grants.gov links above for full details.

NRCS Wisconsin

Quarterly Update

March 2024



Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

EQIP is the primary program available to farmers for farm and woodland conservation work, offering payments for over 90 basic conservation practices. Applications are accepted on a continuous, year-round basis. Applications received by November 3, 2023, are being evaluated and considered for potential funding in Fiscal Year 2024. Contact Melissa Bartz, melissa.bartz@usda.gov, for more information.

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)

CSP assists landowners who practice good stewardship on their land and are willing to take additional steps over the next five years to further enhance their stewardship efforts. Applications are accepted on a continuous year-round basis. Applications received by February 9, 2024, will be evaluated, and considered for funding in Fiscal Year 2024 for CSP Classic sign-up. Contact Melissa Bartz, melissa.bartz@usda.gov, for more information.

Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)

RCPP promotes coordination between NRCS and its partners to deliver conservation assistance to producers and landowners. NRCS assists producers through partnership agreements and through program contracts or easement agreements. Current active projects for water quality improvement are located within the Oconomowoc River, Milwaukee River, and Yahara River watersheds, Driftless Area to improve fish and wildlife habitat, stream, and riparian habitat, and select counties in Northern Wisconsin to improve Golden-winged and Kirtland's warblers' habitats and select areas of Southern Wisconsin to improve soil health and protect agriculturally productive farmland. Contact Melissa Bartz, melissa.bartz@usda.gov, for more information.

Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP)

ACEP focuses on restoring and protecting wetlands, conserving productive agricultural lands, and conserving grasslands. Landowners are compensated for enrolling their land in easements. Applications for the ACEP are taken on a continuous basis, and they are ranked and considered for funding one time a year. The application deadline for Fiscal Year 2024 was November 13, 2023. Wisconsin has 3 Agricultural Land Easement applications selected for funding through the Inflation Reduction Act and will be offering enrollment to 16 Wetland Reserve Easement applications including 12 under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative in addition to 4 applications selected for IRA funding this fiscal year. Contact Dave Gundlach, david.gundlach@usda.gov for more information.

NRCS Financial Programs Update

Program		FY22	FY23	FY24
Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)	Financial Assistance	\$33.3M	\$37.3M ^a	\$10.6M ^{ac}
	Contracts	1073	1,104 ^a	265 ^{ac}
Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)	Financial Assistance	\$15.5M	\$23.7 ^a	\$6.7M ^{ac}
	New Contracts	273	402 ^a	0 ^c
	Renewal Contracts	217	291	266
Agricultural Conservation Easement Program- Agricultural Land Easements (ACEP-ALE)	Financial Assistance	\$404,088	\$304,000	0 ^c
	Parcels	3	1	0 ^c
	Acres	260	288.5	0 ^c
Agricultural Conservation Easement Program- Wetland Reserve Easements	Financial Assistance	\$3.3M	\$4.1M	0 ^c
	Easements	5	9	0 ^c
	Acres	478	545	0 ^c
Emergency Watershed Protection Program- Floodplain Easements (EWPP-FPE)	Financial Assistance	\$1.05M	0	0 ^b
	Proposed Easements	4	0	0 ^b
	Proposed Acres	272	0	0 ^b
Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)	Financial Assistance	\$3.0M	\$1.88M	\$0 ^c
	Contracts	110	82	0
	Acres	2,712	4,736	0
	Easement Parcels	3	3	0
	Easement Acres	362.3	166.87	0
	Easement Financial	\$1.3M	\$538,599	\$0

^aIncludes initiatives and special funding.

^bInitiatives and special funding allocations have not been determined yet.

^cFunding decisions not yet complete for the fiscal year.

Wisconsin NRCS Helps Celebrate 10 Years of Locally Led Watershed Conservation

Farmers, conservation professionals and project partners gathered at Brickstead Dairy Farm in Greenleaf, Wisconsin, earlier this month to commemorate and celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the [Lower Fox Demonstration Farms Network](#). Funded through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative program, in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, Brown and Outagamie County Land and Water Conservation Departments, Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District (NEW Water), the Great Lakes Commission, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension, the project was designed to showcase and demonstrate the effectiveness of conservation practices on participating farms located in the Lower Fox River watershed.

[Click here to read more.](#)

Wisconsin NRCS Encourages Producers Within High-Priority Watersheds to ACT NOW

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), has announced they will begin utilizing the new Act Now policy, which offers additional flexibilities for eligible Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) applicants enrolled in the [Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative \(MRBI\)](#) and [National Water Quality Initiative \(NWQI\)](#). These NRCS initiatives were designed to help agricultural producers within high-priority watershed areas implement voluntary conservation practices to control nutrient runoff, improve water quality and wildlife habitat, and maintain agricultural productivity.

Through Act Now, Wisconsin NRCS can immediately preapprove all EQIP applications eligible through the MRBI and NWQI.

[Click here to read more.](#)

Wisconsin NRCS Offers Big Opportunity for Small-Scale Operations Through the Conservation Stewardship Program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is encouraging farmers, agricultural producers and forest landowners in Wisconsin to apply for the [Conservation Stewardship Program](#) (CSP) by Feb. 9, 2024, to be considered for funding in 2024. Currently, an unprecedented amount of funding is available through the Farm Bill and the [Inflation Reduction Act](#), which provides an additional \$19.5 billion in funding for CSP and other oversubscribed NRCS programs.

With the start of the new fiscal year, the minimum annual payment for CSP participants has been increased from \$1,500 to \$4,000. This increase aims to address challenges faced by small-scale, underserved, and urban agricultural producers, by making the program more equitable and financially beneficial for smaller operations.

[Click here to read more.](#)

A Family Tree Rooted in Soil Science

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Over 160 high school participants from 25 different National FFA Organization (FFA) teams across the state competed in this year's Wisconsin State FFA Land and Soil Evaluation Contest – roughly a 40 percent increase from the number of participants last year. Wisconsin [USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service](#) (NRCS) soil experts and staff joined the [Green County Land & Water Conservation Department](#) (LWCD), [Wisconsin Association of Agricultural Educators](#) (WAAE), Agribusiness Program staff, and many other sponsoring partners and volunteers to bring this year's contest to the [Blackhawk Technical College \(BTC\) Monroe Campus](#) for the first time.

Using a backhoe, four soil pits are dug to the depth of 45 inches in four different areas on the farm selected for the diversity of soil profile, degrees of erosion and slope, rooting depth and natural drainage. The participants are scored and ranked on the accuracy of their evaluation of the landscape's soil limitations, land capability, conservation practices for long-term land use and non-agricultural land use limitations. The top 5 winning teams receive commemorative plaques and the opportunity to compete at the [National Land & Range Judging Contest](#) held annually in Oklahoma, who hosted the first ever national contest in 1952.

[Click here to read more.](#)

Wisconsin NRCS and the Savanna Institute Partner to Create Agroforestry Demonstration Sites Across the State

The Savanna Institute and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced plans to develop a statewide agroforestry demonstration farm network in Wisconsin where farmers can see examples of how to integrate trees successfully on farms for conservation and for profit. The cooperative agreement with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will invest \$1.4 million into agroforestry demonstration and educational opportunities across Wisconsin in an effort to increase the number of landowners planting trees and other perennials on agricultural land.

Financing the cost of trees remains a significant barrier to adopting agroforestry. To address this, the Savanna Institute and WI NRCS also partner to provide Wisconsin farmers one-on-one technical assistance to plan, design, and fund the cost of trees. Savanna Institute's agroforestry demonstration farm network in Wisconsin will host public events, educational resources, and trainings for NRCS staff to help them better serve farmers with the technical assistance needed to integrate trees effectively into farm systems.

[Click here to read more.](#)



April 2024

Soil and Water Resources Management (SWRM) Grants

- The [2025 SWRM Application](#) is available on the SWRM webpage and is due April 15, 2024.
- Until proposed ATCP 50 receives approval from the governor, legislature, and is published, the new practices are not available for cost-share.

ATCP 50 Update

- ATCP 50 has moved out of the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules. This means it is one step closer to promulgation. A link to the webpage with all related documents is available [here](#).
- Look for opportunities to learn more about what will change in ATCP 50. The Bureau will be providing information through our website and through upcoming events over the coming months.

Nutrient Management News

- **NMFE Grant Application Period Open Through April 15:** Find the request for applications and the application online here: [DATCP Home Nutrient Management Farmer Education Grants](#). If you have questions, contact Andrea Topper at andrea.topper@wisconsin.gov or (608) 405-0235.
- **2025 NMFE Office Hour** is now available on the NMFE webpage, found here: [DATCP Home Nutrient Management Farmer Education Grants](#).
- Previous SnapPlus trainings can be found here: [DATCP Home Nutrient Management Trainings](#).
- Annual NM reporting: If you have any last-minute adjustments to acres/numbers for 2023, please email Cody Calkins at cody.calkins@wisconsin.gov so that we have the most accurate numbers.
- Keep an eye out for dates and locations for 2024 Nutrient Management regional meetings, which will be announced soon!

Land and Water Conservation Board-LWRM Plans

- Ashland, Barron, and Clark counties will be presenting five-year LWRM plan reviews to the LWCB at their April 2, 2024 meeting.
- Reminder: the 2024 annual workplans are due back April 15, 2024.

DATCP Drainage Program

- As a reminder, annual reports for 2023 were due in December. If you haven't already, please submit those reports to Barton T. Chapman, Drainage Program Manager, at Barton.Chapman@Wisconsin.gov.

Farmland Preservation Program and Agricultural Enterprise Areas (AEA)

- Counties that update or issue new CoCs for Tax Year 2023 should submit updates for their DOR Spreadsheet to DATCPWorkingLands@wisconsin.gov. Updates may be submitted as needed throughout the tax season.
 - **NEW:** Agreement holders with effective agreements signed prior to July 1, 2009 that have not been modified to meet current standards will be required to provide their agreement number when filing a claim on tax schedule FC.

If you have questions about the DOR spreadsheet or have questions with respect to any element of the FP Program, contact DATCPWorkingLands@wi.gov.

- The 2024 Agricultural Enterprise Area (AEA) petition cycle is in full swing. Petition materials for new designation and modification to existing AEAs are available on the [Petitioning for AEA Designation webpage](#). Petitions will be accepted until **August 2, 2024**. If you are planning on petitioning for an AEA this year, please contact Wednesday Coye at wednesday.coye@wisconsin.gov.
- On December 6, 2023, Governor Evers signed Assembly Bill 133, now Wisconsin Act 42, which makes changes to farmland preservation agreements minimum term lengths and increasing farmland preservation tax credits for all current participants. These changes went into effect on December 8, 2023 and will affect tax credit claims beginning tax year 2023. Check out the [Legislative Updates to the Farmland Preservation Program](#) handout for more information.

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)

- **File naming for submitting to the DATCP CREP SFTP site:** Please be sure to follow the file naming guidelines listed in the instructions when submitting enrollment materials to the secure website. DATCP receives agreements, transfers, buyouts, and cost share requests to this site and the naming protocol helps ensure your documents get to the correct location and are processed in a timely manner. Below are examples of the file naming:
 - Agreement Submittal:
[County]_[OwnerLastName][OwnerFirstName]_[New/Reenroll]_[Submittal YearMonthDate].pdf
Example: "Dane_JonesDan_New_2016mar28.pdf" or "Iowa_FoyTrust_Reenroll_2024apr22.pdf"
 - Cost Share Request:
[County]_[Agreement#]_[OwnerLastName][OwnerFirstName]_CostShare_[Submittal YearMonthDate].pdf
Example: Grant_3245_RolandTrust_CostShare_2024july07.pdf
 - Landowner Transfer:
[County]_[Agreement#]_[OwnerLastName][OwnerFirstName]_Transfer_[Submittal YearMonthDate].pdf
Example: Iowa_4284_NagelTrust_Transfer_2024june05.pdf
 - Buyout Request:
[County]_[Agreement#]_[OwnerLastName][OwnerFirstName]_Buyout_[Submittal YearMonthDate].pdf
Example: Sauk_3744_Weirich_Buyout_2024March20.pdf
- **CREP Easement Reminder Letters to Landowners:** DATCP is in the process of sending out reminder letters to landowners with perpetual CREP easements. The letters are being sent for easements that 1), had the FSA CRP1 expire in 2024; or 2), were last sent a reminder letter more than five years ago. The letters provide a reminder to the landowner that a CREP easement exists on the land, requires conservation cover to be

maintained, and that a CREP representative may visit the site. Included with the letter is a map showing the easement location as well as a copy of the WI CREP Perpetual Easement Provisions Guide. DATCP will provide notice to the LCDs and copies via email when the letters are sent to landowners in their county. Please contact Hailey Roessler at hailey.roessler@wisconsin.gov if you have questions.

- Virtual CREP 101 training is offered by DATCP to all CREP counties. The training is offered per LCD request and reviews program requirements, landowner engagement, agency partnership coordination, and county administrative processes. All local agency partners are invited to attend, and the training is valuable to both new and seasoned local CREP staff. Please contact Brian Loeffelholz at Brian.Loeffelholz@wisconsin.gov to set up a time for training in your county.

Agricultural Impact Statement (AIS) Program

- The AIS program published AIS 4559 for the [New Cylon 161 kV Substation in St. Croix County, WI](#). You can find more information about the AIS program at agimpact.wi.gov. You can also contact DATCPAgImpactStatements@wi.gov with questions regarding any active AIS statement or the AIS program.

Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant (PLWPG) Program

- Dani Heisler has been hired as the new PLWPG program manager. You can reach Dani at Dani.Heisler@Wisconsin.gov or at (608) 640-7270. Welcome, Dani!
- We have funding for groups to host regional winter workshops or spring field days in the range of \$500-\$1,500 per event through the Producer-Led Regional Network effort. Contact your regional coordinator or Randy Zogbaum at randall.zogbaum@wisconsin.gov for more information or if you have ideas for a shared, collaborative event to host with other groups in your region.

Soil Health Program

The new online Soil Health curriculum is now live and available on our soilhealthtraining.wi.gov website. The purpose of this curriculum is to develop a common definition and understanding of Soil Health and develop some guideposts of how to implement soil health systems on Wisconsin farms. The curriculum will assist in developing a common language of Soil Health in Wisconsin agriculture in modules 1-3 while module 4 focuses on applying soil health in Wisconsin cropping systems. The curriculum will incorporate both traditional and citizen science to demonstrate the mindset necessary to be successful as a soil health farmer. The primary audiences are LCD staff, other agriculture professionals in Wisconsin, and Wisconsin farmers, though community members may also be interested in the training.

The first objective is to discuss what soil health is (and isn't) by defining some basic vocabulary and concepts! The second objective is to demonstrate how soil health systems can be implemented on Wisconsin farms.

For questions regarding this training or the soil health program, contact Randy Zogbaum at randall.zogbaum@wisconsin.gov.

Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program (NOPP)

- Eighteen projects were selected for 2024 NOPP awards, totaling \$1,000,000.
- NOPP program staff would like to meet with any groups interested in learning more about on-farm research and how to put together your own research plan before the winter 2024 application cycle.

Cover Crop Insurance Rebate Program

- The 2023 cover crop insurance rebate program closed January 31, 2024. Program applications exceeded 160,000 acres. The enrollment information has been shared with USDA/Risk Management Agency for verification.
- DATCP will be reaching out to some applicants to clarify duplicate submissions or potential errors.

Legislation Updates

The 2023-2024 Legislative Session ended in mid-March.

DATE: April 2, 2024

TO: LWCB members and advisors

FROM: Jill Schoen, DNR

SUBJECT: DNR Update, February - March 2024, for April LWCB meeting

Staffing Updates

The Ag Nonpoint Source Implementation Coordinator position has been filled by Ben Uvaas. He comes to the position with almost a decade of experience working with larger farms in the department's CAFO program. If you'd like to extend a welcome through email, reach out at Benjamin.uvaas@wisconsin.gov.

Trent Thurston is a UW-Milwaukee intern who is assisting the DNR Storm Water Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) program this spring.

Two vacant CAFO positions (Southeast Region & South Central Region) will be filled this spring.

Storm Water Program Update

The storm water program is pleased to share that the "Post-Construction Storm Water Management Options for Ground-Mounted Solar Array Areas" has been published and is available on the department's website. The guidance document intends to provide examples for projects proposing to use native vegetation under and around ground-mounted solar panels to demonstrate compliance with post-construction storm water performance standards in Wis. Adm. Code. Considerations described in the document are supported by current scientific knowledge and established hydrological principles. Large-scale solar facilities present unique circumstances for storm water management. As construction of these large-scale solar facilities results in more than an acre of land disturbance, projects must obtain storm water permit coverage under s. NR 216.42 (1), Wis. Adm. Code. Projects that incorporate impervious surfaces as part of the overall development plan are required to meet post-construction storm water management requirements under Wis. Adm. Code. The department worked closely with solar developers, DNR engineers, and other stakeholders to develop a path forward for solar projects to meet the performance standards set by Wisconsin law.

NPS Grants Update

Applications and instructions for 2025 grants are available on our websites.

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/Aid/TargetedRunoff.html>

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/Aid/UrbanNonpoint.html>

Applications are due on April 15, 2024.

[NEW! Printable fact sheet on cost sharing cropping practices in Large-Scale TRM grants](#) This fact sheet can be found on the TRM website (see link above), under the Eligibility tab.

Surface Water Grant Program Update

The Surface Water Grant Program announced approximately \$6 million in grant funding to lake organizations, nonprofit organizations and municipal and county governments throughout Wisconsin (also see the [press release](#)). The priority funding list for FY24 surface water grants is posted to the [Wisconsin DNR's Surface Water Grant website](#).

Organizations who are interested in applying for a surface water grant this year and have not confirmed their organization's eligibility should contact the [DNR Environmental Grants Specialist](#) for their county. Organization eligibility is required for producer-led groups, lake associations, school districts and nonprofit conservation, surface water management and river management organizations and needs to be confirmed every 10 years.

The Lakes and Rivers Section Manager position has been filled! Michelle Nault was formerly the statewide lakes and reservoir ecologist and began her new role on February 25, 2024.