



AGENDA
Land Conservation Committee
October 13, 2016 at 5:00 PM
HHS Building Room #1001
303 W. Chapel St.
Dodgeville, WI 53533
BUDGET POTENTIALLY 2 HOURS FOR MEETING

**Iowa
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Wisconsin**

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Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.

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| 1 | Call to Order. |
| 2 | Roll Call. |
| 3 | Approve the agenda for this October 13, 2016 meeting. |
| 4 | Approve the minutes of the August 11th, 2016 meeting. |
| 5 | Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the Committee. No action will be taken. |
| 6 | APHIS Items. |
| 7 | SW Badger RC&D Update. |
| 8 | NRCS Update. |
| 9 | Farmland Preservation Report. |
| 10 | NMP & LWRM Report. |
| 11 | Tree Planting Plan for 2017. |
| 12 | WCA Dams Resolution and TP #15 Update. |
| 13 | 2017 Workload Items. |
| 14 | LCD Grants Update. |
| 15 | DNR Rivers Grant Resolution & Application. |
| 16 | LCD Fees Resolution & Review. |
| 17 | 2016 CREP Sign Up Report. |
| 18 | Revised 2017 LCD Budget. |
| 19 | LCD Staffing. |
| 20 | Other Business. |
| 21 | Motion to Set the Next Meeting Date and Adjourn. |

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**UNAPPROVED MINUTES
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, August 11th, 2016 – 5:00 P.M.
Blackhawk Lake Shelter
Highland, WI 53543**

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Meeting was called to order by Chair, Bob Bunker at 5:00 P.M.

Roll Call, Approval of this Agenda and Approval of the Minutes of June 9th, 2016.

Members present: Bob Bunker, Roger Dax, Greg Parman, Dan Nankee, Dave Gollon, Carol Anderson and Rod Anding. Members absent: Dave Ladd. Others present: Larry Bierke, John Meyers, Andy Walsh, Debi Finkelmeyer, Rob Hemling and Lorraine Anding. Sup. Parman made a motion move item #5 to be addressed after item #7 and to approve the agenda of the August 11th, 2016 meeting. Sup. Nankee seconded the motion. Motion carried. Motion by Sup. Anderson to approve the minutes of the June 9th, 2016 meeting. Dax seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New LCC Member.

Dax made a motion to accept Rod Anding as the new member at-large. Sup. Parman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NRCS Update.

Andy Walsh reported that they obligated over \$60,000.00 on almost 1,200 acres in Iowa County during the Cover Crop signup. August 1st was the Local Workgroup Meeting. All priorities will remain the same as in 2016 and are consistent with the County LWRM Plan. September 2nd is the deadline to sign up for EQIP cost-share for 2017 batching period.

Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken.

Sup. Gollon commented about the 2017 Budget and would like to add additional items to focus on in 2017 under department objectives and goals. Sup. Nankee inquired about the phone system and LCD no longer being on the same system as the feds. Andy Walsh commented due to having separate leases that the phone systems cannot be combined.

Farmland Preservation Program Update.

Rob Hemling presented Len Olson's report to the committee. He asked the committee to approve 2 Notice of Non-Compliance requests. 1 for Eric Birschbach due to zoning requirements and Kramer Farms LLC with a written request to drop out of FPP and not being compliant. Dax made a motion to approve the Notice of Non-Compliance forms. Sup. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LWRM Cost-Share Update.

Rob Hemling presented the report to the committee and asked for approval of 8 new NMP contracts and 1 new LWRM (stream crossing) contract since the last LCC meeting. Sup. Parman made a motion to approve the new contracts. Dax seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2017 LCD Budget.

Rob Hemling presented the proposed 2017 budget to the committee with a 4.6% increase. Sup. Gollon made a motion to adjust the budget to reflect in the Department Activities, Goals and Objectives to expand conservation programs, expand the grant monies and complete the projects in a timely manner. Sup. Parman seconded the motion. Motion carried. The committee challenged the LCD to look at the budget again and get the number to a 2.5% increase with the focus being on the revenue side.

Cobb-Highland BHL Commission Annual Report.

Dan Welsh, Blackhawk Lake Manager presented the report to the committee. He stated that the 2015 audit was complete and that no material misstatements or issues were found and that the financial records fairly represented the financial position of Blackhawk Lake. He also stated that the shower building has

been completed, park attendance for 2016 is up slightly, and an equipment replacement plan guides decisions. Sup. Parman made a motion to accept the report. Sup. Gollon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business.

Jim McCaulley left a letter for the committee thanking them for allowing him to be on vacation.

Motion to Set the Next Meeting Date and Adjourn.

The next meeting will be on Thursday October 13th, 2016 at 5:00 P.M. at the Health & Human Services building. Sup. Parman made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Dax seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AGENDA NOTES

Call the Meeting to Order Call to Order

Roll Call Action

Approval of Agenda for this October 13th, 2016 meeting Action

Approval of the Minutes of August 11th, 2016 meeting Action

Report from Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the Committee Public Comment

Open discussion.

APHIS Items (Dave Tarrell) Action

Set 2016 crop prices and approve 2017 budget.

SW Badger RC&D Report (Robert Bauer) FYI/Action

Update on Grazing Broker program and Annual Report (see enclosed).

NRCS (Andy Walsh) FYI

Andy Walsh to provide an update.

Farmland Preservation Report (Len Olson) Action

Update on conservation compliance progress, self-certification mailing, ownership entity & fee, etc (see enclosed).

NMP & LWRM Report (Rob Hemling) Action

Update on contracting, projects and approval of contracts since last meeting (see enclosed).

Tree Planting for 2017 FYI/Action

See enclosed information.

WCA Dams Resolution and TP #15 Update FYI/Action

Dams Ownership Options Resolution was passed at the WCA Conference. Iowa County received a recorded Affidavit (see enclosed) recorded at the Register of Deeds that DNR owns TP #15.

2017 Workload Items FYI/Action

See enclosed information.

LCD Grants Update FYI

See enclosed information.

DNR Rivers Grant Resolutions & Application Action

See mailing & preparation to match \$2,500.00 from 2017 budget.

LCD Fees Resolution & Review FYI/Action

See enclosed resolution.

2016 CREP Sign-Up Report FYI

See enclosed information.

Revised 2017 LCD Budget FYI/Action

See enclosed information.

LCD Staffing FYI/Action

Other Business FYI

Motion to Set the Next Meeting Date and Adjournment Time Action



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2015-2016 Annual Report to Iowa County

Southwest Badger RC&D works hard to bring State, Federal and private grant dollars into Iowa County to address natural resource concerns. We are pleased to provide this annual report of activities that were accomplished as a result of your support and our grant funded awards in 2015-2016.

Grazing Plan Technical Assistance

- Brokered grazing agreements for 145 acres prescribed grazing; and 21 acres of oak savanna protected from grazing in Iowa County.
- Provided technical grazing assistance to 11 landowners for 493 acres in Iowa County.
- Awarded NRCS Cooperative Agreement to provide Grazing Plans to landowners in the region through 2018.
- Enrolled 4 mentors and 2 beginning livestock farmers (in Iowa County) in the Mentorship Program for Future Livestock Farmers. Over the next year they will work one-on-one with a mentor in their field of interest, receive individual business planning support, and receive help to find land to rent for well-managed grazing.
- Applied for NFWF funding to assist landowners in Iowa County to increase monarch and pollinator habitat (pending).
- Planning a "Field Day on Pasture Soil Health" on October 11, 2016 in Dodgeville with UW Extension and Grassworks, Inc. to demonstrate pasture renovation, soil quality measurement, and grazing of cover crops.
- Held a workshop titled "Frost Seeding Clover Results" on August 9, 2016 in Hollandale in partnership with UW Extension, Peak Forage Products, LLC, and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. 20 people attended.
- Provided "Contract grazing" workshop at Reedsburg MATC on January 26, 2016. Taught rental rate calculations, contract tips, and producer panel discussion.
- Held "Grass-fed beef success" workshop in Mineral Point in partnership with The Pasture Project and the Wisconsin Grass-Fed Beef Cooperative on February 29, 2016. Taught adaptive stock density grazing, opportunities for marketing grass-fed beef, and provided orientation and training for mentorship participants. 70 people attended.
- Held "In Her Boots: Beginning livestock and grazing for women farmers" in Blanchardville in partnership with the Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service (MOSES) and Wisconsin Farmers Union on June 3, 2016. Workshop and farm tour featured land access, breed selection, ergonomics, and financial assistance. 35 people attended.
- Held "Field day to identify grassland birds in a managed grazing system" in Highland in partnership with the Madison Audubon Society and UW Madison on June 18, 2016. Lecture and pasture walk featured presentations on grassland bird ecology and financial assistance to setup land for grazing. 42 people attended.

Forestry Assistance

- Provided assistance on managing trees on Iowa County Fairgrounds property
- Available to work with communities on forestry concerns including Ash Borer management, tree planting plans, developing ordinances and applying for Tree City USA status.
- Available to provide assistance and funding to landowners for Oak Tree Management in conjunction with the Aldo Leopold Foundation and WI Env. Education Board. Assisted one landowner in Iowa County.

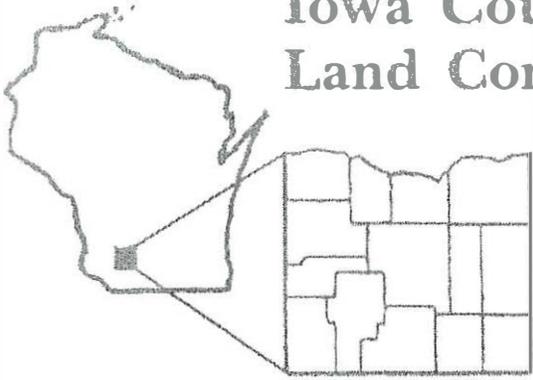
Invasive Species Assistance

- Awarded DNR Grant to meet & educate boaters & anglers at Boat landings at Blackhawk Lake and Governor Dodge and providing \$3000 in funding to local Kiwanis for assistance.
- Awarded DNR Grant to educate the public and professionals on how to avoid invasive species spread. Also stakeholder efforts prioritized on the Pecatonica River for invasive species intervention.
- Assisted with Iowa County Youth Conservation Day.
- Met with Police/Sheriff Departments re: enforcement of AIS,
- Trained Road Crews re: SMART MOWING, and Bait Shops to educate them about AIS prevention/rules.
- Known AIS present, updated with 2016 sampling information.

Species	Grant	Green	Iowa	Lafayette
Zebra Mussel(Wi. River)	●		●	
Eurasian Water Milfoil	●	●	●	
Curly Leaf Pondweed	●	●	●	●
Bighead Carp (Miss. R.)	●		●	
Silver Carp (Miss. R.)	●			
Japanese Knotweed	●	●	●	●
Japanese Hops	●		●	●
Purple Loosestrife	●	●	●	●
Yellow Flag Iris				
Water Lettuce				
Faucet Snail(Great lakes/Miss R.)	●			
Grass Carp (Miss. R.)	●		●	
Chinese Mystery Snail			●	
Rusty Crayfish	●	●	●	●
Banded Mystery Snail				
Phragmites		●		
Flowering Rush(Miss. R.)	●			

Iowa County Land Conservation Department

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DODGEVILLE, WI 53533
PHONE: (608) 930-9891



DATE: October 6, 2016
TO: Iowa County Land Conservation Committee
RE: Farmland Preservation Program (FPP) Update

1. September 27, 2016 Mailing:

- Final mailing reminder to approximately 100 FPP participants that do not have a nutrient management plan (NMP) on file with the Land Conservation Department.
- Most participants have made arrangements for soil sampling and development of an NMP but we have been in contact with a few that still need to contact a crop consultant or Gene Schriefer. Fall soil sampling is the last opportunity.
- December 30, 2016 deadline date.

2. September 27, 2016 E-Mail:

- Communication with crop consultants and Gene Schriefer regarding mailing reminder sent to FPP participants that are not yet in full compliance. Reminder to contact us if consultants will have difficulty in meeting the deadline.

3. Planning for October 30, 2016 FPP Participant Annual 2016 Self Certification Form Mailing:

- Mailing packet to include a cover letter, directions, a four page self certification form for each legal entity owned (approximately 725 legal entities on file), and a billing invoice of \$20 for each self certification form. Certificates of Compliance with unique numbers for each legal entity will be included in the mailing to those that are in full compliance with the standards (approximately 625 legal entities).

4. Discussion Item regarding the \$20 Filing Fee for each Self Certification form:

- Wisconsin Department of Revenue Farmland preservation credit FC-A form requires a separate schedule for each farm (legal entity). Now a separate Certificate of Compliance with unique number is required for each farm (legal entity).
- Example one: Joe and Bonnie Smith own land in their name, Joe Smith owns land in his name, they own Smith Dairy Farm LLC, and they also own Smith Grain Farm LLC. Historically, in our records they would be Joe and Bonnie Smith and there would be one \$20 filing fee. With the new requirements we would combine the compliance documents for the Joe and Bonnie Smith property with the Joe Smith property because it is marital property. We would issue separate compliance documents for each of the Smith Dairy and the Smith Grain. They would end up with a \$20 filing fee for each of three Self Certification forms.
- Example two: Joe and Bonnie Smith own land in their name, Joe owns land under his name, Bonnie owns land under her name, there is the Bonnie Smith Revocable Trust, there is the Joe Smith Revocable Trust, and there is the Joe and Bonnie Smith Joint Revocable Trust. We would combine the three entities that are marital property, but leave the three trusts separate. They would end up with a \$20 filing fee for each of the three legal entities.

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- Example three: Joe Smith owns land in his name, owns land in the Joe and Bonnie Smith Revocable Trust and he owns some farmland with his brother. We would have compliance documents for three legal entities and they would end up with a \$20 filing fee for each.
- Option to combine Self Certifications: In example two, we do not know who is involved with each of the trusts but if they provide documentation of only marital property by providing a Wisconsin Department of Revenue FC-A form showing they file one schedule for one farm, a Self Certification could be combined. One filing fee of \$20. **In any of the examples, if the participant disputes the number of Self Certification forms, they can provide documentation on the number of separate farm schedules that they include in their tax credit request (FC-A form).**

Note: Again, it is very important that each Certificate of Compliance is accurate for proper filing with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue.

5. Goal of Growing FPP Participant Numbers:

- FPP tax credit is a good way to encourage Iowa County landowners to follow and implement conservation standards.
- Conduct mailings to landowners that do not participate but have a NMP prepared by the land operator.
- Conduct mailings to select landowners that were participants prior to 2010 when conservation standards were initiated.
- Work with Gene Schriefer (UW-EX) to do outreach to landowners to educate producers and landowners about FPP opportunities.

BONDABLE								
				Allocation	\$32,500.00			
Grant Recipient	Contract Number	Practice	Estimated Amount	Grant @ 70%	Actual Amount Paid	Iowa Co Check Date Sent	DACTP reimburse date rec'vd.	Presented and Approved LCC
Finkelmeyer Farms LLC	LW-16-01	Spring Development	\$8,047.00	\$5,632.90	\$5,838.68	8/17/2016		4/14/2016
Greg Tonkin	LW-16-02	Spring Development	\$5,756.00	\$4,029.20				4/14/2016
Dan Nankee	LW-16-03	Bank Stabilization	\$4,000.00	\$2,800.00				4/14/2016
McNett Trust	LW-16-04	Spring Development	\$5,713.00	\$3,999.10				6/9/2016
Josh Farrell	LW-16-05	CCC Repair		\$0.00				6/9/2016
Phil Leavenworth	LW-16-06	Stream Crossing	\$2,224.00	\$1,556.80				6/9/2016
Jenson, Justin	LW-16-07	Well Decommission	\$2,121.00	\$1,484.70	\$1,484.70			6/9/2016
Jordon Johnson	LW-16-08	Stream Crossing	\$4,700.00	\$3,290.00				8/11/2016
Dennis & Elizabeth Hasburgh	LW-16-09	Well Decommission	\$2,346.86	\$1,642.80	\$1,858.16	9/6/2016	9/21/2016	
Keith & Sharon Hutter	LW-16-10	Well Decommission	\$250.00	\$175.00				
Mike Yager	LW-16-11	Storage	\$8,571.43	\$6,000.00				
Billy & Jessica Bahr	LW-16-12	Well Decommission	\$1,300.00	\$910.00				
				\$31,520.50				
Total				\$979.50				

2016 Nutrient Management Cost Share

			Total Allocation		\$55,000.00		
Grant Recipient	Contract Number	Acres	Committed Amount	Actual Amount Paid	Iowa Co check date sent	DATCP reimburse date rec'vd	Presented and Approved
Joyce Berning	NM-16-01	107	\$856.00	\$856.00	9/27/2016	9/29/2016	4/14/2016
Joe Hendrickson	NM-16-02	43	\$344.00				4/14/2016
Paul & Elaine Schwartz (Oakdale Farms L	NM-16-03	270	\$2,160.00				4/14/2016
Patricia Walter	NM-16-04	220	\$1,760.00				4/14/2016
Mike & Amy Robinson	NM-16-05	120	\$960.00				4/14/2016
Oakdale Farms	NM-16-06	950	\$7,600.00				4/14/2016
Charles K Mueller Trust	NM-16-07	146	\$1,168.00				4/14/2016
Jon Mueller	NM-16-08	400.19	\$3,201.52				4/14/2016
Carden Farm Partnership	NM-16-09		\$0.00				4/14/2016
David & Dale Grzenia	NM-16-10	60	\$480.00	\$472.00	8/3/2016	8/19/2016	4/14/2016
Ronald & Rebecca Gottschall	NM-16-11	162.4	\$1,299.20	\$1,299.20	6/17/2016	6/30/2016	4/14/2016
Cole & Sarah Carley	NM-16-12						4/14/2016
David & Roxanne Carley (Cole Carley)	NM-16-13						4/14/2016
Theodore & Karen Fritch	NM-16-14	158	\$1,264.00	\$1,197.60	8/17/2016		4/14/2016
Swenson Trust	NM-16-15	210	\$1,680.00				4/14/2016
Ryan & Candy Temperly	NM-16-16	48	\$384.00	\$384.00	4/25/2016	6/13/2016	4/14/2016
James Goldthrope	NM-16-17	300	\$2,400.00				4/14/2016
Buckingham, Joyce (Bob & Nancy)	NM-16-18	80	\$640.00				4/14/2016
John Ley	NM-16-19	40	\$320.00				6/9/2016
Belvie & Nazarena Delkamp	NM-16-20	77	\$616.00	\$848.00		8/19/2016	6/9/2016
Wayne Zoha	NM-16-21	63.29	\$506.32	\$496.00	8/24/2016	9/21/2016	6/9/2016

William Baker	NM-16-22	44	\$352.00				6/9/2016
TJCMW Trust	NM-16-23	146	\$1,168.00	\$1,137.92	10/6/2016		6/9/2016
Mary Janice Carey (Larry Steffes)	NM-16-24	210	\$1,680.00	\$1,624.00			6/9/2016
Nick Steffes (Larry Steffes)	NM-16-25	72	\$576.00				6/9/2016
Ricky Beerkircher	NM-16-26	98	\$784.00	\$768.00	9/27/2016	9/29/2016	6/9/2016
Brad Walter	NM-16-27	216	\$1,728.00				6/9/2016
Clarence Pittz	NM-16-28	318.51	\$2,548.08	\$2,512.00			6/9/2016
Zandairy Partnership LLC (Gerald Zander)	NM-16-29	368	\$2,944.00				6/9/2016
Robert Bomkamp	NM-16-30	93	\$744.00				6/9/2016
Sandra Peterson	NM-16-31	114.81	\$918.48				6/9/2016
Gregory & Mary Beirne (Sandra Peterson)	NM-16-32	55	\$440.00				6/9/2016
Dennis & Susan Welsh	NM-16-33	240	\$1,920.00				8/11/2016
Welsh's Farm LLC	NM-16-34	436	\$3,488.00				8/11/2016
Dick & Kim Cates	NM-16-35	230	\$1,840.00				8/11/2016
Terry Erickson	NM-16-36	210	\$1,680.00				8/11/2016
Harry Hellen (Zandairy Partnership LLC)	NM-16-37	89	\$712.00				8/11/2016
Juliet & Cynthia Reynolds(Justin Doyle)	NM-16-38	222	\$1,776.00				8/11/2016
Juliet & Michael Reynolds(Justin Doyle)	NM-16-39	40	\$320.00				8/11/2016
Bernice Goldthorpe (James & Laura Goldt)	NM-16-40	45	\$360.00				8/11/2016
Rockin M Land Company LLC (Jon Muelle)	NM-16-41	55.76	\$446.08				4/14/2016
Brad Gundlach	NM-16-42	117	\$936.00				
			\$54,999.68	\$11,594.72			
			Uncommitted Dollars		\$0.32		

Sites for County Tree Plantings in 2017

-Boat Landings @ Lone Rock and Hwy 14 Bridges.... Est. 20

-County Quarry Site North and East sides.... Est. 100-150

-County Hiway Shop in Mifflin.... Est. 20-40 (Wind break type)

-County Farm --Wetland area north of pond, low areas north of CH, boundary of Bloomfield buildings, and maybe corners and low areas of pastureland.... Est. 300

(Airport Farm is not interested in trees)

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RECORDED

Dodgeville WI 53533

September 19, 2016 9:20 AM

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Iowa County Register of Deeds

Iowa County, Wisconsin

FEES:\$30.00

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RE: A dam commonly known as "Cox Hollow #2 " or "Twin Parks #15", located on Mill Creek, in the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, in Section 1, Township 6 North, Range 3 East, Town of Dodgeville, Iowa County, State of Wisconsin..

Richard Henneger, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says:

1. That he is an adult and is currently the Real Estate Attorney for the Department of Natural Resources' Bureau of Legal Services (hereinafter referred to as the "Department") located at 101 South Webster Street, Madison, Wisconsin.
2. That he is familiar with the Department's real estate and dam files which include documents relating to the acquisition and development of the Cox Hollow #2 Dam as a (a)flood control structure under the Twin Parks Watershed Flood Protection Project (Public Law 566) and (b) Governor Dodge State Park recreational lake.
3. Based on these records, he has determined that the Department is the owner of record for the Cox Hollow #2 Dam and has directed the Dam Safety Program database and files to recognize this determination.
4. That this affidavit is given for the purpose of establishing the Department's ownership of the Cox Hollow #2 Dam

Recording Area

Return: Department of Natural Resources
Division of Forestry
P.O. Box 7921
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

Parcel Identification Number (PIN):

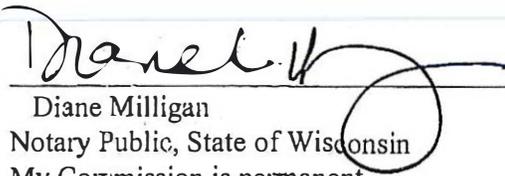
Dated this 31st day of August, 2016


Richard Henneger

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
DANE COUNTY)

Personally came before me this 31st day of August, 2016, the above named Richard Henneger, State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that she executed and delivered the same as for the act and deed of said Department of Natural Resources.

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Diane Milligan
Notary Public, State of Wisconsin
My Commission is permanent

This document was drafted by:
Attorney Richard Henneger
State Bar # 1014448
State of Wisconsin
Department of Natural Resources

LCD Workload Items for 2017

- * FPP Items.....Do 150 Farm Reviews, go enrollment by 10 new landowners.
- * LWRM and NMP Contract and complete cost share projects and extensions per funds from DATCP.
- * Plan to do 50-60 CREP Contract re-newels and 50-60 new CREP contracts.
- * Inspect all dams and do repairs of plaster on Trout Creek and OC#9R.
- * Continue to offer Wildlife Damage.
- * Follow-up on the DNR Rivers Grant on Trout Creek and Birch Lake Effort. Jan-June. Potentially, prepare for a DNR Dam Removal Grant.
- * Order 500 trees and plan to do the County Lands plantings in April.
- * Initiate the LCD Fees in 2017.
- * Work with TNC on a Smith-Conley & Trout Creek "Planner-Marketer".
- * Request more LWRM Grant Funds
- * Investigate the RCPP Grant.
- * Other items..... -End Barneveld and County Operational Agreement. Continue to have the Cobb-Highland (BHL) Commission Operational Agreement. Work with PDZ and UW-Ex Offices to serve landowners on Manure Storage and Nutrient Management. Items that may arise.

LCD Grants/Funding Request Update

10/5/2016

-Extra LWRM 2016 Bond Funds from other counties...Sept. 2016

-More LWRM 2017 Bond Funds from DATCP..Aug. 2016

-Application for DNR Rivers Grant for TP#7...Dec. 2016

-Preparing the application for a RCPP Grant...May 2017.

-Letter of Support to Meudt-Mill-Trout Creek Effort...Aug. 2016

-Grazing Broker Effort- Landowner Practice Funding...Jan. 2017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES RIVER PROTECTION PLANNING GRANT

WHEREAS, Iowa County is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purposes of exploring the feasibility, effects, and potential costs of removing Iowa County's TP#7 Dam on Trout Creek; and

WHEREAS, the applicant attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, a grant agreement is requested to carry out the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Iowa County will meet the financial obligations necessary to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorizes and empowers the following officials or employees to submit the following documents to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance that may be available:

Task	Title of Authorized Representative	Email Address and Phone Number (if alternative is used)
Sign and submit a grant application	Iowa County Land Conservationist	Jim.McCaulley@iowacounty.org 1124 Professional Drive, Suite #500 Dodgeville, WI 53533 Phone: (608) 930-9891
Enter into an agreement with the DNR	Iowa County Land Conservationist	Jim.McCaulley@iowacounty.org 1124 Professional Drive, Suite #500 Dodgeville, WI 53533 Phone: (608) 930-9891
Submit quarterly and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement, as appropriate	Iowa County Land Conservationist	Jim.McCaulley@iowacounty.org 1124 Professional Drive, Suite #500 Dodgeville, WI 53533 Phone: (608) 930-9891
Submit reimbursement request(s) to the DNR no later than the date specified in the grant agreement	Iowa County Land Conservationist	Jim.McCaulley@iowacounty.org 1124 Professional Drive, Suite #500 Dodgeville, WI 53533 Phone: (608) 930-9891
Sign and submit any other documents required for purposes of the grant application	Iowa County Land Conservationist	Jim.McCaulley@iowacounty.org 1124 Professional Drive, Suite #500 Dodgeville, WI 53533 Phone: (608) 930-9891

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Iowa County will comply with all local, state and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share agreement.

Resolution drafted by Iowa County Corporation Counsel and respectfully submitted to the Executive Committee at the request of the Land Conservation Department.

Adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this ____ day of September, 2016.

Fees Effect on LCD 2017 Budget

****If fees generate \$8,500 revenue the LCD 2017 Budget will be -2.3%

****If fees generate \$11,000 revenue the LCD 2017 Budget will be -3.9%

Other items related to the LCD Levy:

- * LCD Projected Return on Investment (ROI) for 2016 est. \$10.61 to \$1

- * The potential purchase of a truck for the LCD though the C.I.P. Budget wasn't necessary because of a change in NRCS policy at new location. It was because the County Hiway Department sold the vehicles we used to "rent" for the summer farm visit work. Which was a true example of inter-department cooperation /collaboration which was efficient use of County resources.

Resolution No. 7-0916

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY
THE IOWA COUNTY LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Land Conservation Department provides a number of services for the benefit of citizens of Iowa County, including but not limited to: tree planter rental, assistance in obtaining DNR-related permits, soil and siting assistance for manure storage facilities, assistance in the investigation and protective removal of endangered species, and processing of Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (“CREP”) contracts; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. § 92.07(13) authorizes county land conservation committees to require payment of money in exchange for the provision of such services; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to periodically establish or increase user fees to recoup all or a portion of the costs of providing such services; and

WHEREAS, establishing or increasing user-specific fees allocates service costs primarily to those receiving the benefit of the services, thereby limiting the impact of the cost of providing such services on the tax levy as a whole; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors that Iowa County adopts the following fees for services provided by the Iowa County Land Conservation Department:

1. The fee for rental use of Iowa County’s tree planter shall be increased from \$3.00 per 1,000 trees planted to \$6.00 per 1,000 trees planted.
2. There shall be a new Landowner DNR Permitting Assistance Fee of \$100.00 per application.
3. There shall be a new Landowner Manure Storage Soils/Siting Assistance Fee of \$200.00 for facilities housing up to 100 cows plus an additional fee of \$1.00 for every cow in excess of 100.
4. There shall be a new Landowner Threatened and Endangered Species Investigation and Removal Fee of \$100.00 per day plus mileage at then-current Iowa County mileage reimbursement rates for Iowa County Land and Water Resource Management (“LWRM”) projects. This fee shall be \$200.00 per day plus mileage at then-current Iowa County mileage reimbursement rates for United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”) projects and for projects outside of Iowa County.
5. There shall be a new Landowner Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (“CREP”) Contract Processing Fee of 10% of the CREP Incentive Payment up to a maximum of \$250.00 on 15-year CREP contracts and up to a maximum of \$500.00 on perpetual CREP easements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above fees shall take effect on January 1, 2017, and from that date forward shall be clearly posted on the Iowa County website and at the Iowa County Land Conservation Department.

Resolution drafted by Iowa County Corporation Counsel and respectfully submitted to the Executive Committee.

Adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors this 20th day of September, 2016.

STATE OF WISCONSIN }
COUNTY, IOWA } I. Gregory T. Klusendorf
do hereby certify that
the above is a true and correct copy of the original
now on file in the office of the County Clerk and that it was
adopted by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors
on this date

Date 9/29/16
(Seal)

Craig Klusendorf
() County Clerk

Spring 2016 CREP Signup Summary

See CREP Contacting Report (Interest was strong)

Evaluation of the Enhancements to Signup.....

- \$182,152 for DATCP
- 25 Contracts (22 different landowners)
- \$7,286 Ave. Contract (\$8,279 ave. to different landowner)
- 24.4 Ac. per Contract

If the CREP Fee was in place @ 10% up to \$250 max. *

-Revenues would have been: \$5,404 (16 @\$250 max. and 9 @\$156)

or only 2.9% of the \$182,152.

*In working with the Finance Dept it is estimate our per CREP Contract Costs are between \$200 and \$250.

Name	Date	Agreement #	Acres	Payment Amt.	Notes
Andrew Leuthold	8/4/2016	3697	4.41	\$264.60	
Annette Perkins	2/17/2016	3775	24.12	\$8,719.38	
Arlene Theobald	9/8/2016		35.66	\$12,891.09	
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Arthur Whitford	2/12/2016	3779	12.82	\$3,343.71	
Benson Allen Trust	2/22/2016	3795	14.16	\$4,146.47	
David Price	3/29/2016	3804	8.72	\$2,140.80	
Delehanty Family Trust	8/5/2016		7.56	\$2,663.38	
Donald & Joan Bruner	8/5/2016		8.43	\$505.80	
Forest View Farm	3/28/2016	3805	48.25	\$17,011.02	
Masters Properties LLC	1/21/2016	3799	26.11	\$8,539.14	
Mat Masters	1/21/2016	3764	25.27	\$8,205.67	
Oakdale Farms Limited Ptn	1/22/2016		5.09	\$1,514.02	
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Patrick McGraw	1/21/2016	3763	98.76	\$31,537.52	
Ralph Proctor	2/11/2016	3781	4.15	\$1,428.95	
Reichling Family Farms	12/23/2015		7.18	\$2,099.29	
Rickie Anderson	8/9/2016		3.61	\$1,285.63	
Robin Gilbertson	2/15/2016	3794	21.69	\$7,485.00	
Shawn Helgeson	1/22/2016		17.19	\$4,887.29	
Shawn McGraw	2/15/2016	3776	6.03	\$1,954.81	
Survey Road Investments	1/21/2016	3765	32.77	\$9,133.49	
Thomas & James McGraw	2/22/2016	3774	51.4	\$17,508.64	
Thomas & Rebecca McGraw	2/24/2016	3778	79.16	\$22,187.76	
Thomas & Rebecca McGraw	2/24/2016	3777	5.16	\$1,809.92	
			585.49	\$182,152.86	

REVISED LCD REVENUE for additional LCD fees adopted at the 9/20/16 County Board meeting

Revenue Budget Worksheet

	Actual Dollars		Budget Information			
	<u>6/30/2016</u>	<u>Projected 12/31/16 Actual</u>	<u>REVISED - 2016 Budget</u>	<u>2016 ADOPTED</u>	<u>2017 DEPARTMENT REQUEST</u>	<u>REVISED 2017 DEPARTMENT REQUEST</u>
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT						
DATCP GRANT						
100.84.43585.00000.000						
DATCP AGREEMENT	-	102,744.00	102,000.00	102,000.00	104,000.00	100,500.00
FARMLAND PRES LATE FILING						
100.84.43586.00000.000						
FARMLAND PRES LATE FILING F	625.00	625.00	500.00	500.00	625.00	625.00
WILDLIFE ABATEMENT GRANT						
100.84.43587.00000.000						
WILDLIFE ADM REIMBURSEMENT	4,355.49	26,514.00	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00
LAND & WATER RESOURCE MGMT						
100.84.43591.00000.000						
LAND & WATER RESRCE MGMT P	3,028.32	42,000.00	32,500.00	32,500.00	62,500.00	62,500.00
SEG/NUTRIENT MGMT PLNG FUNDS						
100.84.43599.00000.000						
SEG/NUTRIENT MGMT PLNG FUN	6,877.60	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
100.84.44429.00000.000						
Manure Storage Soils/Siting Fee						400.00
MANURE STORAGE PIT PERMT FEE						
100.84.44430.00000.000						
MANURE STORAGE PIT PERMT FEE	400.00	800.00	-			800.00
FARMLAND PRES SELF CERT FEE						
100.84.44431.00000.000						
FARMLAND PRES SELF CERT FE	1,300.00	12,200.00	12,740.00	12,740.00	13,500.00	13,500.00
100.84.44432.00000.000						

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LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT Landowner DNR Permitting Assistance Fee						400.00
100.84.44433.00000.000 Threatened/Endangered species Investigation & Removal Fee						400.00
100.84.44434.00000.000 CREP Contract Processing Fee						7,199.00
SEED SALES 100.84.46821.00000.000 SEED SALES	-	16.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
RENTAL INCOME-TREE PLANTER 100.84.48201.00000.000 TREE PLANTER RENTAL	-	170.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	200.00
RENTAL INCOME-TREE PLANTER						
CREP PROGRAM BUYOUT PAYMENT 100.84.48602.00000.000 CREP PROGRAM BUYOUT PAYMENT	186.44	186.00	-			
CONFERENCE-TRAINING FEES 100.84.48620.00000.000 CONFERENCE-TRAINING FEES	1,671.00	1,671.00	-			
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT Total Revenue	18,443.85	231,926.00	211,970.00	211,970.00	223,855.00	229,654.00
				increase in revenue		5,799.00

REVISED for 2017 health insurance adopted at the 9/20/16 County Board meeting

Expenditure Budget Worksheet

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT	Actual Dollars				Budget Information			2017 Revised Budget REQUEST
	12/31/2014	12/31/2015	6/30/2016	Projected 12/31/16 Actual	REVISED - 2016 Budget	2016 ADOPTED	2017 DEPARTMENT REQUEST	
FORESTRY-TREE PLANTER								
100.84.56125.00000.242								
EQUIPMENT REPAIR	-	-	-	-	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
100.84.56125.00000.340								
TREE PLANTER SUPPLIES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FORESTRY-TREE PLANTER Total	-	-	-	-	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
LAND CONSERVATION DEPT.								
100.84.56130.00000.110								
SALARIES	141,203.60	150,421.76	70,097.36	158,290.00	158,290.00	158,290.00	161,850.00	161,850.00
100.84.56130.00000.115								
OVERTIME	12.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
100.84.56130.00000.151								
SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE	10,415.63	11,259.50	5,149.07	12,109.00	12,109.00	12,109.00	12,382.00	12,382.00
100.84.56130.00000.152								
RETIREMENT-PAID BY EMPLOYE	8,332.38	8,613.34	3,944.75	10,448.00	10,448.00	10,448.00	11,006.00	11,006.00
100.84.56130.00000.154								
HEALTH & DENTAL INSURANCE	27,712.80	26,587.28	15,385.38	30,771.00	30,771.00	30,771.00	30,771.00	30,931.00
100.84.56130.00000.155								
LIFE INSURANCE	70.44	72.17	38.41	74.00	74.00	74.00	94.00	94.00
100.84.56130.00000.156								
WORKERS COMP BENEFIT	2,547.96	2,607.52	1,645.06	2,686.00	2,686.00	2,686.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
100.84.56130.00000.159								
SEC 125 FEE PD BY EMPLOYER	52.00	63.00	51.00	51.00	-	-	-	-
100.84.56130.00000.203								
							Module for farmland preservation software	
SOFTWARE EXPENSE	-	-	10,000.00	13,812.00	15,000.00	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
100.84.56130.00000.212								
LEGAL EXPENSES-LABOR RELAT	345.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
100.84.56130.00000.225								
TELEPHONE	392.81	329.40	149.70	300.00	-	-	300.00	300.00
100.84.56130.00000.246								
MOVING COSTS-RELOCATE OFFI	-	1,921.46	-	-	-	-	-	-
100.84.56130.00000.311								
POSTAGE	736.68	1,052.26	279.30	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
100.84.56130.00000.313								
RECRUITMENT-ADS & TESTING	117.08	107.42	-	-	-	-	-	-

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LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT								
100.84.56130.00000.317								
COPIER FEES/CHARGES	52.55	388.45	-		400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
100.84.56130.00000.319								
OFFICE SUPPLIES	922.76	2,246.42	561.37	700.00	700.00	700.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
100.84.56130.00000.323								
NEWLETTER	-	-	-		31.00	31.00	30.00	30.00
100.84.56130.00000.324								
DUES	2,825.00	1,975.00	-	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
100.84.56130.00000.325								
TRAINING AND EDUCATION	146.25	4,231.10	2,534.18	2,534.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
100.84.56130.00000.331								
RENT OF HWY VEHICLE & FUEL	1,665.14	1,227.41	-	200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
100.84.56130.00000.332								
TRAVEL/MILEAGE	1,352.29	1,377.08	838.77	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
100.84.56130.00000.335								
TAXABLE MEALS	66.84	91.59	43.33	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
100.84.56130.00000.340								
SUPPLIES	602.62	571.60	90.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
100.84.56130.00000.349								
SEED PURCHASES	-	-	-		50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
100.84.56130.00000.511								
LIAB & PROPERTY INSURANCE	1,021.55	663.43	871.15	871.00	800.00	800.00	900.00	900.00
100.84.56130.00000.532								
RENT EXPENSE	9,000.00	10,671.80	6,414.00	12,830.00	12,830.00	12,830.00	12,830.00	12,830.00
100.84.56130.00000.733								
AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS	265.00	265.00	-	50.00	2,070.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
100.84.56130.00000.805								
CAPITAL OUTLAY > \$5000	-	-	-		4,450.11			
LAND CONSERVATION DEPT. TOTAL	209,859.20	226,743.99	118,092.83	249,426.00	257,209.11	235,739.00	243,263.00	243,423.00
WATERSHED PROGRAM-DAMS								
100.84.56155.00000.340								
WATERSHED PROG DAMS	2,308.52	504.14	-	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
100.84.56155.00000.805								
CAPITAL OUTLAY > \$5000	-	-	30,200.00	30,200.00	30,200.00			
WATERSHED PROGRAM-DAMS -Total	2,308.52	504.14	30,200.00	31,200.00	32,200.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00

includes a tablet @ \$500

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LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT								
FSA/LCC MEMBER EXPENSES								
100.84.56165.00000.110								
FSA/LCC MEMBER WAGES	180.00	150.00	30.00	210.00	210.00	210.00	210.00	210.00
100.84.56165.00000.151								
SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE	13.78	11.48	2.30	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
100.84.56165.00000.156								
WORKERS COMP BENEFIT	0.41	0.34	0.07		-			
100.84.56165.00000.332								
MILEAGE	117.04	54.64	10.27	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
FSA/LCC MEMBER EXPENSES TOTALS	311.23	216.46	42.64	335.00	335.00	335.00	335.00	335.00
LCC COST SHARE PROJECTS								
100.84.56176.00000.792								
BONDABLE COST SHARE PROJEC	53,801.53	18,237.91	4,000.00	20,000.00	32,500.00	32,500.00	62,500.00	62,500.00
100.84.56176.00000.793								
NUTRIENT MANAGMENT EXPENSE	25,014.64	51,180.32	5,905.92	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
LCC COST SHARE PROJECTS TOTALS	78,816.17	69,418.23	9,905.92	65,000.00	77,500.00	77,500.00	86,500.00	86,500.00
WILDLIFE CLMS/ABATEMENT								
100.84.56180.00000.340								
WILDLIFE ABATEMENT EXPENSE	15,978.96	26,514.80	4,355.49	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00
WILDLIFE CLMS/ABATEMENT TOTAL	15,978.96	26,514.80	4,355.49	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00	18,980.00
LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT TOTAL EXPENDITURE INFORMATION	307,274.08	323,397.62	162,596.88	364,941.00	386,324.11	334,654.00	352,178.00	352,338.00
Land Conservation - Total Revenue except Tax Levy						211,970.00	223,855.00	229,654.00
Tax Levy for Land Conservation						122,684.00	128,323.00	122,684.00
% of Increase from Prior Year							4.60%	0.00%



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Jim McCaulley – Iowa County



A resident of Iowa County for 29 1/2 years, Jim has been involved in the Legislative Committee and CREP Implementation. The former Mayor of Dodgeville, Iowa County's largest town, for 20 years. Jim knows the ins-and-outs of what he calls "God's County".

What previous experiences/education prepared you for your position as a County Conservationist?

Business/Economics Degree from UW-P, 10 years of active dairy and crop farming in adult life (besides the years growing up on the home farm with 10 brothers and sisters), 24 years as a public official in local Dodgeville government (20yrs as Mayor), and 35 years on the Iowa County Conservation Congress.

What does the future of Wisconsin conservation look like?

Challenged! Especially as it is related to our water resource utilization and protection.

How would you improve the state of conservation in Wisconsin?

Stronger and more effective environmental protection laws. Stronger and more effective support for local conservation delivery efforts.

What is your county's most valuable natural resource?

WATER!

What is one interesting fact about your county that few people may know?

It's diversity... we have dairy, beef, hogs, chickens, corn, soybeans, hay, vegetables (14sq. miles of center pivot irrigation), trees, fish, wind, and recreation... 3 state parks, a county park, a bike trail, a water way and that's only the northern ¼ of the County!

What is your favorite outdoor activity in your county?

Keeping our farms going with my kids and grandkids and deer hunting.

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The Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WI Land+Water) is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit, membership organization that supports the efforts of Conservation Committee (LCC) supervisors and 350 conservation staff in 72 county Land Conservation Department (LCD) offices. We provide training, conservation standards, promote youth education, issue grants, build partnerships, and provide advocacy for our members.