

GREEN LAKE COUNTY Land Conservation Department

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Land Conservation Committee Meeting Notice

Date: March 10, 2022 Time: 9:00 AM
County Board Room #0902, Green Lake County Government Center
571 County Rd A, Green Lake WI

AGENDA

Committee Members

Robert Schweder - Chair Bill Boutwell - Vice-Chair Katie Mehn Patricia Garro Steve Draeger – FSA Member

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of the February 10, 2022 Minutes
- 5. Public Comments
- 6. Federal Agency Appearances
- 7. Monthly Staff Report & Upcoming Projects
- 8. Lake and River Report
- 9. 2021 Annual Report Review
- 10. LCC Member Nomination
- 11. LCD Staffing Update
- 12. Farmland Preservation Update
- 13. No-Till Drill Lease
- 14. DATCP/County Cost-Share Contracts
- 15. Arbor Day Celebration
- 16. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Date: April 14, 2022 at 9:00 AM
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
- 17. Adjourn

This meeting will be conducted through in person attendance or audio/visual communication. Remote access can be obtained through the following link:

Topic: Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee Meeting Time: Mar 10, 2022 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office.

All line items are subject to any and all action by this committee, unless noted.

Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or audio assistance should contact the Land Conservation Office at 294-4051 not later than Noon on the day preceding the meeting.



LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE February 10, 2022 - MINUTES

The meeting of the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee was called to order by Robert Schweder, Chairman, at 9:08AM on February 10, 2022 in the County Board Room #0902 of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Robert Schweder Katie Mehn

Patti Garro Bill Boutwell

Steve Draeger, FSA Member

Excused:

Staff Present: Paul Gunderson

Ken Bates

Heidi Weishaar

Others Present: Harley Reabe Maddy Pfaff Charles Lovell

MINUTES

Motion/second (Mehn/Bates) to approve and file the November 11, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

FEDERAL AGENCY APPEARANCES

None

FSA MEMBER DISCUSSION

The committee was updated that Steve Draeger will remain the current FSA representative. Per chapter 92.06 of the State Statutes, the LCC may appoint up to two (2) members who are not members of the county board. The LCC will pursue an additional member that can represent the farming community in the event of the FSA representative being unable to attend.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE - 2021 CLAIMS

Maddy Pfaff, Wildlife Specialist, gave an update on the animal activity around the county and asked for approval of the 2021 damage claims.

Motion/second (Bates/Mehn) to approve 2021 claims in the amount of \$ 51,407.94 . Motion carried.

NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTION – JOCELYN PAUSMA

Jocelyn was born and raised in the Fox Lake area on her parents' dairy farm, where she continues to help, and also serves in the National Guard. Jocelyn looks forward to working with the farmers and landowners in Green Lake County.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

Written report was reviewed.

LAKE AND RIVER REPORT

Written report was reviewed.

FARMLAND PRESERVATION UPDATE

The letters for the required Annual Certification and Nutrient Management Plan will be mailed out to the 266 landowners participating in the FPP Program.

2021 DEER DONATION UPDATE

13 deer were collected through the program. The meat was processed at LeRoy's Meats in Fox Lake and 350 pounds were donated to the Green Lake County Food Pantry.

NO-TILL DRILL LEASE

Green Lake County and GLA are working on the lease agreement.

DATCP/COUNTY COST-SHARE CONTRACTS

WALLACE, SWANKE, PATRICK LAPER TRUST, HUCKLEBERRY HIDEOUT, THORP

Motion/second (Mehn/Bates) to approve cost-share contracts. Motion carried.

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

After two years of no events due to Covid, we have reserved April 29th with the Green Lake Conference Center to resume our Annual Arbor Day Breakfast. Invitations and advertisement will be sent out soon.

POSTER CONTEST

Gunderson informed the committee of the contest winners and collages of the posters were shown.

COMMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: WI Land+ Water Annual Conference March 2-4, 2022
- Future Meeting Date: March 10, 2022 at 9:00 AM
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:09 AM ...

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Weishaar Recorder

Land Conservation Committee March 10, 2022 Monthly Staff Report

February 2022 Projects

- 1. Inspect open erosion control permits and review new permit applications for erosion control and storm-water management.
- 2. Attend committee meetings and site visits to assist in getting the boat washing station approved for installation at Dodge Memorial park.
- 3. Begin design work for a reception tank, waste transfer system and manure storage facility in the Town of Kingston.
- 4. Update all Certicates of Compliance with changes to tax parcels and mail out to landowners.
- 5. Create field maps and crop rotation documentation to accompany upcoming 2022 Farmland Preservation Program field checks.
- 6. Assist Farmland Preservation Program landowners in updating yearly postcards as they contacted our office.
- 7. Pick up all Christmas trees that were donated for fish habitat and store at county highway grounds.
- 8. Survey shoreland zoning building site for the zoning department and create setback maps to show distances to numerous areas of interest.
- 7. Update/Review NMP's submitted 21 landowners
- 8. Attend Land & Lake Feld Day Meeting
- 9. Assist Drainage Board with District 5 project

March Project Focus

- 1. Continue to monitor existing erosion control permits, and review and issue new erosion control and storm-water management permits for applicants.
- 2. Continue to work on design for reception tank, waste transfer system and waste storage facility in the Town of Kingston.
- 3. Begin getting necessary permits, bids, and estimated timelines for installation of the boat washing station at Dodge Memorial park.
- 4. Install grassed waterway and subsurface drains in the Town of Manchester if weather permits.
- 5. Conduct FPP spot checks throughout the county as weather permits.

Lake and River Report

<u>Puckaway</u> – Monthly meeting with Breakwater design/construction team to review 2022 construction plans are funding sources. Permits have been submitted for expanded project for 2022, permit notice has been submitted to newspaper for publication.

<u>Twin Lakes</u> – Water monitoring report has been submitted to DNR for review.

Spring Lake – No updates.

Little Green – No updates.

<u>Green Lake</u> — Met with Green Lake Team to discuss plans and projects for 2022. Attended watershed farmer group meeting with Lake Team.

Grand Lake – Met with association members to review grant status and workplans for 2022 season.

92.06 Land conservation committees.

- (1) CREATION; MEMBERSHIP.
- (a) Creation. Each county board shall create a land conservation committee.
- **(b)** *Membership*.
- 1. The county board shall appoint to the land conservation committee at least 2 persons who are members of the committee on agriculture and extension education created under s. 59.56 (3) (b).
- 2. The county board shall appoint to the land conservation committee a person who is the chairperson of the county farm service agency committee created under 16 USC 590h (b) or other county farm service agency committee member designated by the chairperson of the county farm service agency committee.
- **3.** The county board may appoint to the land conservation committee any number of members who are also members of the county board.
- **4.** The county board may appoint to the land conservation committee up to 2 members who are not members of the county board.
- **(c)** *Terms*. Each member of the land conservation committee shall serve for a term of 2 years or until a successor is appointed, whichever is longer.
- (d) *Reimbursement*. Each member of the land conservation committee shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses and shall be paid the same per diem as members of other county board committees.
- **(e)** *Programs and responsibilities.* The county board may assign other programs and responsibilities to the land conservation committee.
- (2) DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES. The county board shall designate a representative of each county committee with responsibilities related to natural resource management to serve as an adviser to the land conservation committee. The county board shall designate, at a minimum, representatives from any county zoning or land use, forestry, parks and solid waste committees. In addition, the land conservation committee may invite any state, federal or local agency with which the county or committee has a memorandum of understanding to designate a representative to advise the land conservation committee.
- **(4)** PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. The committee shall actively solicit public participation in the planning and evaluation of soil and water conservation programs.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Chapter 92 of the Wisconsin Statutes governs the Land Conservation Department. The Land Conservation Department provides engineering, technical design and conservation planning to landowners to help control soil erosion and protect water quality. The Land Conservation Department is under the supervision of the Land Conservation Committee. The mission statement of the Land Conservation Department is, "Our highest responsibility is to protect and enhance land and water resources that will sustain current and future generations."

Note: Where appropriate, comparison values from 2020 are indicated in (parenthesis).

Staff

Paul Gunderson, County Conservationist Heidi Weishaar, Administrative Assistant Jocelyn Pausma, Soil Conservationist I Jordan Dornfeld, Soil Conservationist I Derek Kavanaugh, Soil Conservationist II Todd Morris, Soil Conservationist III



DATCP Grant Funding Received

The department received a \$156,938 (\$159,436) grant from the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) for departmental operations and program management.

Invasive Species Control and Education



In 2021, the LCD assisted Anna Cisar, the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Coordinator (Golden Sands Resource Conservation & Development Council) and collaborated on several projects. These projects ranged from conducting AIS early detection monitoring across Green Lake County to the planning of boat washing stations.

COVID-19 impacted many people last year, and Golden Sands' AIS work was one of them. Namely, our annual purple loosestrife biocontrol program had to be cancelled. However, Cisar did work with volunteers in the County to raise and release beetles, and the Green Lake Sanitary District continued their program around Big Green Lake.

With Anna Cisar transitioning to a different career, she spent her limited time working to ensure the boat wash station project was a success. Cisar had been diligently working with a committee in Green Lake Co to have a boat wash station installed on Green Lake. On October 19th, 2021, the resolution unanimously passed the county board. Anna worked with Jennifer Fjelsted at the GLA to submit a grant application to DNR to help fund the boat wash. The grant was awarded by DNR. Planning for the boat wash station installation will begin in early 2022, with its completion and use at Dodge Memorial by the summer of 2022. Golden Sands and GLA have already communicated about the potential need to hire boat wash staff. Hamerla will be part of the boat wash training and orientation when the station is up and running.

Outreach was done through the state's Clean Boats, Clean Waters program. The Green Lake Association received a grant to have paid staff on both of the County landings. Watercraft Inspectors completed 444 (221) hours at Dodge Memorial and Sunset boat launches, contacting 3,293 (3,380) boaters.

Hamerla and Cisar developed the Lake Monitoring and Protection Network (LMPN) agreements for the new/current AIS project. Hamerla met with Derek Kavanaugh to discuss planning for Twin Lakes for 2022. Moving forward with the new LMPN funding, Green Lake is part of Golden Sands' Regional AIS program. Chris Hamerla will be the main point of contact for AIS in Green Lake County.

County Lakes



Green Lake – The Green Lake planning team consisting of Green Lake County Land Conservation Department, DNR, Green Lake Association, Green Lake Sanitary District, City of Green Lake, City of Ripon, Fond du Lac County, and several community members worked on updating the long-term lake strategy, originally authored in 2011 with annual updates. The goal of the plan is to set objectives, and determine pollutant source loading, so that major sources can be addressed effectively. County K Marsh carp removal and restoration project continued with the installation of a floating turbidity barrier in 2020. Several carp exclusion plots were installed throughout the project area and monitored during the summer. Stream surveys and water monitoring was conducted on Dakin Creek to determine its suitability for restoring a resident trout population, in addition to improve water quality, and reducing pollutant discharge. A River Protection Grant (\$50,000) was received in March 2019 for the replacement of the roadway culvert at the

intersection of Dakin Creek and Skunk Hollow Road, which was installed in the Fall of 2020. Brook trout were stocked by the DNR hatchery in the fall of 2020. A Lake Protection Grant (\$200,000) was received in March 2019 to fund additional best management practice installation.

Lake Puckaway – The 5-year comprehensive lake management plan (2017) is currently being implemented. Several new initiatives are scheduled to be implemented, such as an adaptive water level management plan, dam reconstruction, and breakwater enhancements. Reconstruction of the Princeton Dam was completed in the spring of 2020. The reconstruction project consists of removal of the seasonal wooden flashboard, and replacement with a permanent concrete sill at the same elevation as the top of the flashboards (16.5 inches) on top of the existing dam structure. The lock gates were replaced to provide more functionality, and fish ladder was installed on the north side of the dam. A \$200,000 grant was received for phase 1 of the dredgebank / breakwater restoration construction. Planning meetings occurred throughout 2020, and a final approved plan and permits were completed. Matching funds for the grant application are being provided by Ducks Unlimited (NAWCA) and the Lake Puckaway Protection and Rehabilitation District. Engineering and design services are being provided by Green Lake County Land Conservation Department with final approval being provided by Ducks Unlimited professional engineers. Construction on the breakwater was delayed from winter of 2020 due to poor ice conditions and rescheduled for open water construction in the summer of 2021. The grant will fund the construction of the first of 4 phases of breakwater. The first phase is estimated to be 2000 feet in length.

Twin Lakes - The Land Conservation Department is working with watershed landowners to implement best managements practices identified in the Lake Management Plan. Native plant populations are thriving, and suppressing AIS in some of its historical range, although there has been a spatial increase in the Eurasian Watermilfoil population throughout Big Twin Lake. Continued monitoring will determine if future action is required to control the population. The infestation of Curly Leaf Pondweed and is primarily restricted to Little Twin Lake; however, there is continued evidence that fragments of the plants are being carried by boat traffic through the channel connecting the lakes. Results of the monitoring are being reviewed by the WDNR lakes state team for complete analysis and recommended actions.

Spring Lake (Green Lake Township) – A comprehensive Lake Management Plan was completed 2018, which will guide future management actions. The Land Conservation Department is working with watershed landowners to implement best managements practices identified in the Lake Management Plan.

Grand Lake –The Lake Association is continuing water monitoring, and fundraising campaigns in order to fully implement the Lake Management Plan completed in 2017. Green Lake County submitted a Lake Planning Grant Application on behalf of the Association for conducting dye tests for spring of 2020 in preparation for future chemical treatment of invasive species in 2022-2024.

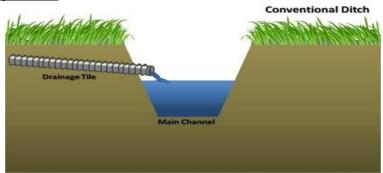
Little Green Lake - A long-term comprehensive Lake Management Plan was completed and approved in December 2018. A lake planning team comprised of lake property owners, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and Green Lake County developed the plan over the course of 2018.

Several planned projects include continued water quality monitoring, installing watershed erosion practices, monitoring and adaptive management of the destratification system, mechanical harvesting of nuisance aquatic plants to maintain access, conduct chemical treatments to control invasive plants, establish an AIS prevention program, and conduct periodic aquatic plant surveys to track plant populations.

The district has is working with the DNR to study the potential application of alum (aluminum sulfate) to the lake in order to bind Phosphorus and reduce algal blooms within the lake.

Green Lake County is collaborating with the Lake District to design and implement best management practices within the watershed to reduce runoff to the lake.

Green Lake County Drainage Board



District 1 – Inspection completed by Mr. Gneiser. He spoke with Steve Smits, Double S Dairy on ditch. There is a lot of brush in corridor. Mr. Smits will discuss the ditch with neighbors to see if they want any maintenance on the ditch. If maintenance is wanted, they will contact the drainage board.

District 2 – Inspection completed by Mr. Foust. Looks good, there is water standing in ditch. Mr. Foust feels the board should see if Mr. Eckert wants to extend ditch to east of district.

District 3 – Inspection completed by Mr. Foust. There is a culvert replacement taking place on the ditch by district landowner. There are buckthorn and box elder trees along the west end of ditch. These should be removed and stumps treated with herbicide.

District 4 – No inspection completed.

District 5 – Inspection completed by Mr. Sobieski. Received complaint from James Trochinski that the culvert that was installed along Hwy E is failing. Upon inspection of his property, there was signs of tile blowouts in road ditch. The highway department is scheduled to replace the asphalt on Hwy E in 2022 and would be willing to replace the tile for district. They estimated their cost to be \$4000.00 to do this. Mr. Foust also looked at site and spoke with another contractor that estimated the cost to be around \$18,000.00. Mr. Sobieski also spoke with landowners west of district boundary to see if they were interested in extending tile to in front of properties. Mr. Featherston wanted nothing to do with it, Mr. Chappa stated that water used to flow to west.

Mr. Petit commented on the tile. He stated that the tile is not necessary for his property. The road ditch handles the surface water flow and his property and neighbors, Mr. Steger, receive no benefit from the tile. Mr. Petit feels that the tile should stop at his east property line. Mr. Petit also stated that his neighbor has the entire road ditch filled in with a culvert underneath. Mr. Petit feels that this ditch should be dug out and a road ditch installed. Mr. Petit would like to withdraw from district. Mr. Sobieski advised Mr. Petit to get a petition to withdraw from the district so the board can act on the petition.

Seneca-Warren – Inspection completed by Mr. Sobieski. There is some brush, willow and boxelder, on the ditch banks that should be removed. Pertraszak Excavating has a mower that mounts on backhoe that would work to mow down. Stumps would need to be treated to prevent regrowth. There is approximately 1' – 2' of sediment in bottom of ditch from junction with lateral A, station 146+37, to the culvert on Zietlow's property, station 309+94. Zietlow culvert is about 1.5' higher that planned bottom. If want to dig to specification upstream this culvert would need to be lowered. At South Rd. the west culvert has sediment sitting in it and not flowing. Mr. Sobieski recommended that both sides be cleaned out, this may cause flow to scour out culvert and clean it out. The sediment in culvert is also a concern brought up by Mr. Alf who owns the land along the ditch is this area. Mr. Sobieski also stated that the ditch flow is not obstructed by having sediment in the culvert. The water level is the same on both sides of culvert. On the upper end of the ditch from station 444+88, Hwy EE culvert to station 466+61, end, Mr. Souder would like to clean the ditch at no charge to the district. Board stated that this would be allowed.

Land & Water Resource Management Plan Implementation (DATCP)

In 2021, \$100,552 (\$65,909) in state DATCP cost sharing was paid to 15 (16) participants to implement various Best Management Practices (BMPs). Cost-share rates for these programs range from 50%-70% depending on the practice. Conservation practices installed/implemented under these programs in 2020 were:



Practice	Total Units
Barnyard Runoff Control System	1 no.
Diversion	1,814 ft.
Grade Stabilization Structure	3 no.
Grassed Waterway	4,285 ft.
Nutrient Management	687 ac.
Rock Lined Waterway	500 ft.
Sinkhole Treatment	1 no.
Streambank Protection	85 Feet
Subsurface Drain	390 ft.
Waste Storage Facility	1 no.
Well Decommissioning	2 no.

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

Approximately \$632,457 (\$132,037) was paid to landowners who installed/implemented practices in 2021. Cost sharing for this program ranges from 50%-90% depending on the practice. Conservation practices installed/implemented in 2021 were as follows:



Practice	Total Units
Brush Management	29.3 Acres
Conservation Cover	5 Acres
Cover Crops	657 Acres
Critical Area Planting	0.9 Acres
Fencing	6,886 Feet
Forest Mgmt Plan	1 Number
Grass Waterway	4,413 Feet
Heavy Use Area Protection	70,244 Sq. Ft.
Livestock Pipeline	2,565 Feet
Obstruction Removal	0.8 Acres
Prescribed Grazing	145 Acres
No Till – Residue Mgmt	243 Acres
Stream Crossing	1 Number
Streambank Protection	60 Feet
Waste Facility Closure	2 Number
Waste Storage Facility	2 Number
Waste Transfer	1 Number
Watering Facility	1 Number

Wildlife Damage Program

The Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program is a program where, through local county implementation, farmers receive assistance with wildlife damage prevention and compensation for crops lost. This program is fully state funded with funds coming from a \$1 surcharge on hunting licenses.

2021 crop year deer damage claims of approximately \$51,408 (\$94,436) was appraised for seven (eight) farmers. Twelve (Thirteen) farmers received abatement assistance. Shooting permits were issued to farmers where over \$1,000 of deer damage occurred or was likely to occur with a total of 145 (162) total deer harvested. USDA Animal, Plant, Health, and Inspection Service – Wildlife Services (USDA-APHIS-WS) handles day to day administration and field management with the Land Conservation Department having overall administrative and financial management. All staff and Land Conservation Committee time spent on this program is reimbursed 100% from the DNR.

In 2021, Green Lake County participated in the Deer Donation Program. This is the first year in which there was a specific drop off site established in the County. A total of 13 deer were donated to supply the Green Lake County food pantry with 350 pounds of processed venison.

Farmland Preservation Program

This program's purpose is to preserve agricultural land and open space by promoting sustainable land use planning and development. A major component of the program requires landowners to comply with soil and water conservation standards adopted by the Land Conservation Committee. Participants are eligible to claim a \$7.50 per acre income tax credit. 266 (261) landowners received \$390,451 (\$391,939) in state tax credits.

Green Lake County has also established its first Ag Enterprise Area (AEA) within the County. The AEA consist of contiguous agricultural in and around the St. Marie Township that promote the same standards as the Farmland Preservation Program (FPP). The difference between the two is that the AEA is established in an unzoned township with income tax credits of \$5.00 per acre verses the FPP which is established in a zoned township with income tax credits of \$7.50 per acre.

Clean Sweep

On August 13, 2021, 278 (335) residents participated in a one-day hazardous waste chemical collection. The collection netted approximately 18,192 (16,617) total pounds of hazardous waste. Also collected were 240 (355) gallons of waste oil, 105 (445) gallons of anti-freeze, and 3,520 (2,265) fluorescent light bulbs. A list of disposal options for items not collected at the clean sweep was distributed as needed.

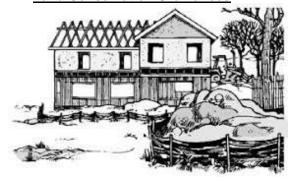
In our sixth year of Electronic Waste Collection, we contracted Resource Solutions to collect our electronic waste. We collected 21,279 (20,555) pounds of electronic waste and saved approximately \$4,500 annually by switching to their company.



In addition, 10.48 (11.59) tons of tires were collected for a minimal fee. Liberty Tire Recycling were contracted with to pick up and recycle the tires.

\$10,000 (\$10,000) in revenue toward this event was received from Waste Management and \$13,697 (\$12,300) in revenue was received from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection. Total cost of the event was \$39,028 (\$38,051) with the Green Lake County cost after all revenues and expenses of \$10,888 (\$12,564).

Land Conservation Ordinances



Construction Site Erosion Control and Storm Water Management Ordinance - In 2021, 11 (14) Construction site erosion control and storm water management permits were issued, generating \$2,750 (\$2,426) of revenue.

Animal Waste Management Ordinance – In 2021, 3 (2) Animal waste storage facility permit was issued, generating \$1,400 (\$1,500) of revenue.

Conservation Education Efforts

The annual Conservation and Environmental Awareness Poster Contest for county students in grades K-12 was held in January with 63 (104) poster entries received. Cash prizes were awarded to 15 students in various contest divisions. The award-winning students were not recognized during the April County Board of Supervisors meeting due to COVID-19. Award winning posters were also not displayed at the Green Lake County Fair due to the fair cancellation from COVID-19.

The 2020 Arbor Day Breakfast celebration was cancelled due to COVID-19. We are certainly looking forward to the next opportunity to meet in person to enjoy this great festivity.

A field day at Avalon Farm was held on August 21th, 2021. Topics included cover crops, soil health, grazing and various best management practices. Various agencies cooperated to make the field day a great success for the 149 participants that attended.



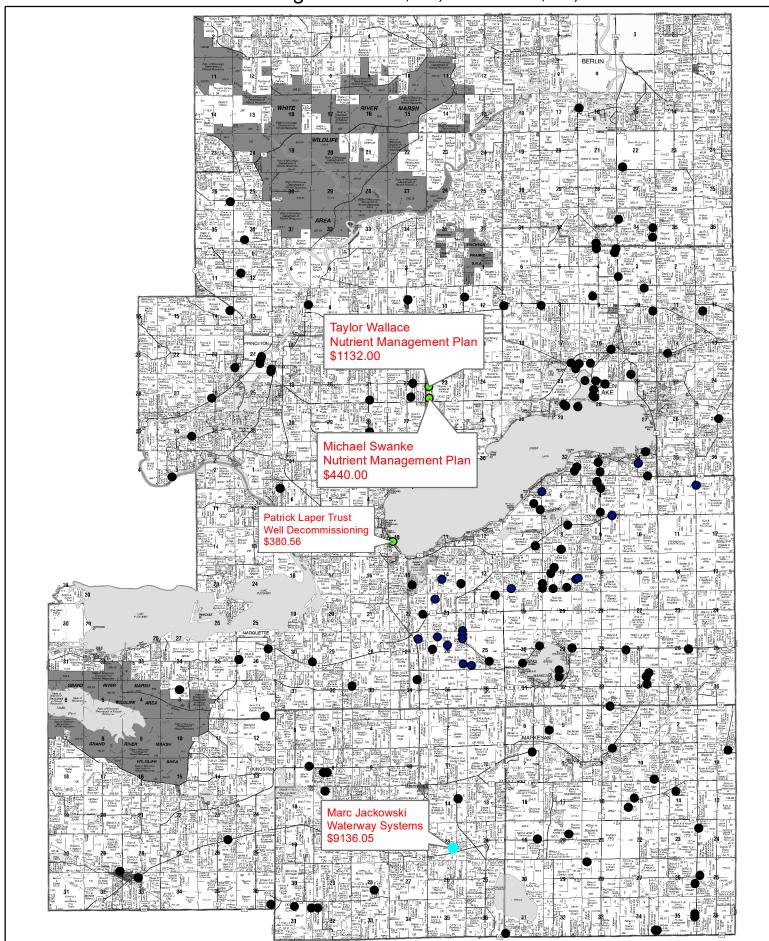
Respectfully submitted,

Paul D Gunderson

Director of Land Conservation Department

2022 LWRMP Cost Share Contracts as of 03/10/2022 Total Cost Sharing Available \$49,500 BMP/\$30,000 NMP







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Committee Members: Robert Schweder-Chairman • Patricia Garro-Vice-Chair Katie Mehn • Bill Boutwell • Steve Draeger-FSA Member

March 7, 2022

TO: Our Arbor Day Friends

WHAT: Arbor Day Breakfast

\$14.00 per person for EARLY BIRD registration available now until April 15th

\$16.00 per person April 16th – April 26th

WHEN: Thursday, April 28, 2022 - 8 A.M. Buffet Style Breakfast catered by Crossroads Market

WHERE: The American Legion Hall

518 Water Street Green Lake, WI 54941

Please join us for Green Lake County's Arbor Day Celebration!

The guest speaker this year is Thomas Shultz, artist/illustrator for over 40 years, with a degree in wildlife ecology. Tom's presentation is titled "*Invaders in our Forests*" wherein he will talk about the challenges that invasive, non-native species pose for us, including the role that birds play in the process.

To register, contact the Green Lake County Land Conservation Department. We are located in The Government Center at 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941 or call us at 920-294-4051. Make checks payable to: <u>Green Lake County</u>.

Please note, in order to receive the \$14.00 price, you MUST be registered with our office by April 15^{th} . All other registrations from April $18^{th} - 26^{th}$ will be charged at the \$16.00 rate.

Each participant will receive a tree seedling and be eligible for a door prize. This observance is sponsored by the Green Lake County Land Conservation Committee.

We look forward to seeing you!

Sincerely,

The Land Conservation Committee