



WSN Network News

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News on issues of common interest to Wisconsin's sporting, conservation, and environmental communities.

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Register by Wednesday for WSN conference!

Visit these WSN web resources to learn about and register for the WSN annual conference Feb. 6-7 at UW-Stevens Point:

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WSN 2004 Annual Conference Feb. 6-7, 2004

University Center, UW-Stevens Point, Stevens Point, WI



Michael Furtman keynote speaker at conference

Ducks Unlimited and Trout Unlimited have each given Michael Furtman their top awards for outdoor writing. Michael sees the value in sporting, conservation, and environmental groups working together for their increased effectiveness. His nationwide reporting gives him a unique perspective on the current state of conservation and the environment. Hear Michael at both our Friday forum and the Saturday conference.

Tribal thank-you

Join a ceremony with Gov. Doyle honoring the Mole Lake Chippewa and the Forest County Potawatomi for their heroic purchase of the Crandon Mine.



Presidential candidate visits?

We have invited all the major party presidential candidates to speak. Who might drop by just days before the WI primary?



Friday forum looks at environmental rollbacks

Our Friday night forum addresses the growing trend toward environmental and conservation rollbacks and retrenchments in conservation and the environment at the state and federal levels. Panelists include *George Meyer* of the WI Wildlife Federation, *Steve Hiniker* of 1000 Friends of Wisconsin, *Melissa Scanlan* of Midwest Environmental Advocates, and writer *Michael Furtman*.

Recently added to forum line-up: WI Sec. of State *Doug La Follette*.

SOUL of Wisconsin has recently acquired about one acre of land in the Town of Midway, directly in the path of the proposed Arrowhead to Weston Transmission Line. SOUL, Inc., has a branch group in the Duluth area, known as SOUL of Midway. This is a long-standing relationship between the two states in regards to the transmission line, as both are more than ever invested in the struggle to stop this project.

SOUL's concerns not only relate to an environmentally favorable look at low voltage upgrades, local generation, coupled with both electrical efficiency and renewable resources. SOUL contends that this project will set both states on a course that will lead to an entrapment for ratepayers, as they are forced to fund bulk power transferring projects through their states, but will provide no immediate benefits for the local customers. This is certainly the case in Minnesota with the Arrowhead-Weston Project.

"We are awaiting utility contact to inform SOUL that our land is being sought for a right-of-way," stated Tom Kreager, President of SOUL. "While we

SOURCE: Tom Kreager, SOUL, (715) 693-3143,

Radio station profiles couple affected by A-W line

Nick Vander Puy from the Superior Broadcast Network recently ai

Utilities say they, not FERC, should set reliability policies

A Jan. 9 story by Reuters reports, "Utilities should take the lead in setting electricity grid reliability standards rather than the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the industry's main lobbying group said on Friday. FERC Chairman Pat Wood this week said the agency is preparing to unveil new rules that would require utilities to disclose when they violate voluntary rules set by the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), an industry group."

SOURCE: Reuters Limited.

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**DNR Independence & Public
Intervenor Office Restoration**

WSN issue chair: Caryl Terrell, Sierra Club —
John Muir Chapter, cterrell@execpc.com

Gerald O'Brien succeeds Solberg as NRB chair

Trygve Solberg resigned Tuesday as Natural Resources Board chair. He will be succeeded by Gerald O'Brien. According to a story in the Stevens Point *Daily Journal*, "News of O'Brien's appointment delighted Mike Dombeck, who serves as a pioneer professor at the Global Environmental Management Education Center at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and is the former director of the Bureau of Land Management and former chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service. Dombeck is confident O'Brien will do an outstanding job leading the Natural Resources Board."

SOURCES: Stevens Point *Daily Journal* and Associated Press.

Fair Motorboat Gas Revenue Allocation

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**Farm Manure Management &
Polluted Runoff Enforcement**

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AG suing Vobora Farms over Mill Creek manure violations

Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager has announced that the Department of Justice has filed an environmental enforcement lawsuit against Vobora Farms, LLC, 10270 North Road, Auburndale, WI, for discharges of manure to tributaries of Mill Creek in Wood County. According to the complaint, which was filed at the request of the Department of Natural Resources, during the time periods between March 9 through 22, April 5 through 12, and on April 17, 2003, Vobora violated

its operational permit by allowing approximately 100,000 to 200,000 gallons of manure to enter an unnamed tributary to Mill Creek, which flows through its property.

SOURCE: Brian J. Rieselman, WI Attorney General's office, RieselmanBJ@DOJ.STATE.WI.US.

Forest Fragmentation

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Jump River citizens keep AVSs from forest lands

Some of you know that the Friends of the Jump River worked with local residents and elected officials to get 8,000 acres of Jump River watershed set aside as a restricted access area for wheeled vehicles.

SOURCE: Logan Edinger, Edinger@centurytel.net.

Wisconsin forest movie and poster release Feb. 4 in Ashland

Come and learn what makes our Chequamegon National Forest one of the top 10 most endangered national forests by viewing a new movie entitled *Vital Signs* Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute at Northland College, 1411 Ellis Ave., Ashland, WI. Following the movie there will be a question-answer session with Habit Education Center President Ricardo Jomarron, Former Director of Greenpeace's Wisconsin office. For more information, visit <http://www.hecenter.org/>.

SOURCE: Ricardo Jomarron, ricjom@sbcglobal.net.

Tongass policy said to be spark for Republican revolt against Bush

A Jan. 28 story in *USA Today* entitled *Conservative sportsmen turn against Bush* reports, "Little surprise that conservation-oriented groups such as the National Resource Defense Council, Greenpeace, and the Alaska Rainforest Campaign are up in arms. They point out that the U.S. Forest Service's new [Tongass] logging plan targets 2.5 million acres of wilderness and contains more than half of the forest's remaining huge, old-growth trees — the very places on which the Tongass' abundant fish and wildlife most depend. But a powerful rumble of discontent is growing from what seems, at first glance, an unlikely source. Just weeks before the exemption was declared, Dale Bosworth, chief of the Forest Service, received a petition from the Northern Sportsmen Network of Juneau, Alaska. It was signed by 470 gun clubs from across the USA, 40 of them based in President Bush's home state of Texas."

"What's happening now on public lands is forcing sportsmen to organize," adds Chris Wood, vice president for conservation at Trout Unlimited. "Never before have our interests been as at risk as

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they are now.’ His group boasts close to 150,000 members, fewer than 30% of whom say they are Democrats.”

SOURCE: *USA Today*.

Mercury Reduction

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Mercury legislator press conference Feb. 4

On Wednesday, February 4, the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators will be holding press conferences in Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, and Ohio to highlight the need for joint action among these neighboring states to address mercury pollution in the region. The press conference in Wisconsin will be held at 9 a.m., in the Assembly Parlor on the second floor, west wing, of the State Capitol. If the assembly is in session that day, the location will be in room 228 Northwest. The agenda for the press conference will be established tomorrow, and I would like to send out the first press advisory this Friday, with another to follow next Tuesday, February 3. As of this writing, the following State Representatives and NCEL members will be at the press conference: Sondy Pope-Roberts, Mark Miller, Spencer Black, and myself.

If you or a representative of your organization would like to attend the press conference, please call my office at (608) 266-7056. Please indicate if you would also like to speak at the press conference or if you would like to have your organization’s name listed in the press advisories.

SOURCE: Rep. Joe Plouff, State Capitol, PO Box 8953, Madison, WI 53708-8953 (888) 529-0029 Joe@RepPlouff.com.

Madison ordinance calls for mercury lighting take-backs

The City of Madison has unanimously adopted an ordinance to require retailers of fluorescent lamps and mercury thermostats to offer to take these products — after they are used — back from their customers for recycling. According to a local study, thermostats and fluorescent lamps are two of the largest sources of mercury in products, along with dental mercury. Retailers have 90 days to submit a plan to implement this ordinance to the City recycling coordinator. The ordinance was signed by the Mayor on January 9th and published on January 23rd.

SOURCE: John Reindl, Reindl@co.dane.wi.us.

Vermont’s mercury labeling law to have effects nationwide

The Jan. 3 Barre-Montpelier *Times Argus* at <http://timesargus.nybor.com/Local/Story/76835.html> reports “Vermont’s Mercury Labeling law, 10 VSA 6621(d), enacted in 1998,

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requires manufacturers to label products that contain mercury, such as light bulbs and thermometers, in order to inform consumers of mercury content and proper disposal. The law is expected to require labeling nationwide because manufacturers cannot separate Vermont-bound products containing mercury from those bound for other states. The law was designed to protect Vermont residents from the harmful effects of mercury and to encourage recycling of mercury-containing products, which are banned from state landfills. Mercury-containing products will be labeled with Hg, the chemical symbol for mercury. Manufacturers say that complying with the law, which requires labeling on all lamps manufactured after Nov. 30, 2003, is costing them millions of dollars.

SOURCE: SERC Wildlines Report, Jan. 12, 2004.

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Gov. Doyle to present thank-you awards to tribes Feb. 6

A highlight of the Wisconsin Stewardship Network's annual conference will be a ceremony in which Governor Jim Doyle presents two specially commissioned statues to the Wisconsin Indian tribes that purchased — and then immediately abandoned — the controversial Crandon Mine last November. Doyle will present the awards Friday night at the University Center at UW-Stevens Point on behalf of the State of Wisconsin and organizations, businesses, and individuals across the state. Receiving the awards will be Sandra Rachal, chair of the Mole Lake Sokaogon Chippewa, and Gus Frank, chair of the Forest County Potawatomi.

The statue awards are being created by Minnesota Native American artist **Jeff Savage**. The statues will have added significance in that they will incorporate pieces of the original core samples drilled over 25 years ago by the proposed mine's first owner, EXXON. Those core samples verified that the Crandon site was worth developing, but now they will be used in objects symbolizing the mine's final chapter.

Groups, individuals can show appreciation to tribes through statue contribution

The WSN is offering individuals and businesses the opportunity to join in this special thank-you to the tribes. Those who contribute toward the purchase of the statues will have their names engraved in three places — on the bases of both statues and on a tile in the Mole Lake tribe's new administration building now under construction. Businesses and individuals wishing to have their names on the statues to show their appreciation to the tribes should send their contribution to the Wisconsin Stewardship Network, Inc., Attn: tribal awards, 122 State St. Ste. 510, Madison, WI 53703. Call (608) 268-1218 for further details. Contributions are tax deductible and will be accepted through Feb. 28.

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Wolf Watershed Educational Project to meet Feb. 21

The next meeting of the Wolf Watershed Educational Project will be on Saturday, February 21, in White Lake from 10-3. It will be at Buettner's Wild Wolf Inn on Highway 55 in Langlade County,

just north of the border with the Menominee Nation. On the agenda will be raising funds for the Wolf River Protection Fund to help Mole Lake complete its half of the Crandon mine site pur-

a mining company seeking to use cyanide in its gold mines,

SOURCE: Wolf Watershed Educational Project, c/o Midwest Treaty Network; Box 1045, Eau Claire WI 54702 (715) 833-8552/882-4800 mtn@igc.org mtn@igc.org. Mining forces in Montana try to reverse state's cyanide ban To p.1

The Montana *Missoulian* on Jan. 16 reported, "The Montana Mining Association and other industry groups are conducting polls and focus groups to determine public attitudes toward mining and the 1998 bill which banned the use of cyanide in new mines statewide in that citizen' challenge. In 1997, passed by 2002, argued in 2004, judge ruled that I-137 did not violate the constitutional rights of Canyon Resources, be compensated for the loss of its project. Canyon Resources has been appealing the decision to the Montana Supreme Court ever since. The mining industry announced plans last winter to gather signatures to place a repeal of the ban on the 2004 ballot, but anti-mining groups are confident that the industry will be unable to convince voters that the use of cyanide in mining is any safer than when the ban passed.

SOURCE: SERC *Wildlines Report*, Jan. 26, 2004.

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Hassett message gives insight into Jobs Bill aftermath To p.1

An internal letter to WDNR employees from Sec. Scott Hassett offers insight into how the WDNR plans to proceed now that the Job Creation Act of 2003 is law. The memo reads:

"At 11:45 a.m. today, Governor Jim Doyle is signing the Job Creation Act of 2003 into law. I know you are very interested in this new law and what it means for protecting our state's natural resources. There has been much speculation about it in the news media. I want to give you an overview of my assessment of the legislation, based on my discussions with the governor and the public statements of legislative leadership.

The Job Creation Act of 2003, which was adopted with a strong bipartisan majority in the legislature, streamlines and modifies permitting processes under Chapter 30, the section of Wisconsin



WDNR clean air rollbacks rumored

In the shadows of the Job Creation Bill the DNR has been working with industry to craft what maybe the most significant rollback of the state's clean air protections since we started doing something about air pollution. Despite an express promise by Scott Hassett that the State would adopt strong New Source Review rules that would not increase air pollution, the DNR's own analysis shows that air pollution would increase dramatically if the proposed rules are adopted.

You are probably all familiar with the Bush Administration's attack on one of the most important cornerstones of the Clean Air Act — the New Source Review provisions which require new and modified sources of air pollution to install modern pollution controls. To date there have been two separate rounds of federal rulemakings that together decimate the NSR program — a stringent requirement that applies to the nation's existing 17,000 power plants, incinerators, refineries, and other major sources of air pollution.

To the credit of both Doyle and Lautenschlager, Wisconsin has filed suit along with a dozen other states to stop these rollbacks. The first rule was finalized on New Year's Eve 2001 and the second was finalized this summer.

Some states like California have notified the USEPA that they are refusing to change their rules because the Clean Air Act prohibits states from relaxing existing requirements (see sections 110(l) and 193). This is what Wisconsin should have done. Instead, the Doyle DNR is moving faster than any other state in the Midwest to weaken its NSR rules to effectively mirror the Bush rollbacks. The DNR has promised that its changes won't increase pollution. This is patently false. The DNR conducted a review of all the NSR permits it issued in 2002 and compared the results of existing rules and new rules — the result: the DNR estimates that under the USEPA rules those 24 projects the result would have been an additional 990 nitrogen oxides, 992 tons of PM-10 and 809 tons of VOC every year (the proposed DNR rules allegedly attempt to ameliorate some of the worst aspects of the USEPA rules, but according to DNR staff, they still expect a substantial amount of new pollution under the proposed rules). Each year the DNR processes between 20 and 30 NSR permits — so each year we can expect air pollution to increase by this amount. This DNR analysis is at <http://www.dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/air/hot/taskforce/NSRcaatf.pdf>.

SOURCE: Bruce Nilles, Senior Midwest Representative, Sierra Club, 200 N. Michigan Ave., Ste 505 Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 251.1511 bruce.nilles@sierraclub.org.

New Jersey rules aim to improve water and reduce flooding

New Jersey announced new regulations on stormwater runoff that environmentalists said would create one of the strongest impediments to urban sprawl anywhere in the nation. The regulations will prohibit most new construction within 300 feet of rivers, streams and reservoirs, and are intended to reduce flooding and protect and improve the state's drinking water supply. "No other state has required statewide 300-foot buffers around its high-quality waters. They will prove to be a critical tool in our fight against sprawl." The 300-foot buffer could prevent development of as much as 300,000 acres in the state along an estimated 6,000 miles of rivers and streams.

SOURCE: WDNR "Basin Briefs," 1-14-04.

Western farmers turn to water instead of crops

Farmers on the high plains of southeastern Colorado are selling water, which once produced melons, to the Denver suburb of Aurora. “The best dollar for the asset right now is the water,” says Ron Aschermann, a 60-year-old farmer whose family has been farming for 119 years. Aschermann barely eked out a living raising melons, cucumbers, tomatoes, or other crops on his 300-acre farm. But selling water will earn him more than \$1.2 million. The same thing is happening across the West as the nation’s fastest-growing region shifts more water from farms to thirsty cities. Billions of gallons changed hands last year in eight Western states, and even more will flow in years to come. California recently approved a 75-year shift of water from desert farms to San Diego, the biggest transfer of its kind in U.S. history.” (from *AZWaterNews* issue 205)

SOURCE: WDNR “Basin Briefs,” 1-14-04.

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DNR asks public to check before starting streamside projects

The Job Creation Act of 2003, enacted last week by lawmakers, will change permitting processes for some projects that affect Wisconsin lakes and rivers, but state habitat protection officials recommend that people check with the DNR to determine how permitting requirements for their 2004 projects may have changed before proceeding with any work.

“People shouldn’t rely on media accounts for their answers, but know for sure before going ahead,” says Mike Staggs, director of the DNR Bureau of Fisheries Management and Habitat Protection. “Some permit exemptions allowed under the new law will take effect immediately the day after publication in the state newspaper of record (*Wisconsin State Journal*). Other changes will not take effect until the Natural Resources Board adopts new administrative rules, which will take several months.”

SOURCE: WDNR.

Rasmussen new DNR watershed management director

A veteran state employee critical in Wisconsin’s successful efforts to create comprehensive rules to prevent polluted runoff from entering Wisconsin waters has been promoted to lead state water protection programs. Russell Rasmussen, 51, started work Monday as director of the Department of Natural Resources’ Bureau of Watershed Management. The bureau has 110 employees and is responsible for managing activities that influence water quality and land uses that affect public health and safety, including preventing and regulating water pollution from industries, municipal sewage treatment facilities, construction sites, farms and urban areas. Previously, Rasmussen led the runoff management section within the bureau, which focused on preventing animal waste and stormwater from entering Wisconsin lakes and streams. Rasmussen succeeds Al Shea, who became administrator of the DNR Air and Waste Division.

SOURCE: Russell Rasmussen, WDNR, (608) 267-7651

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Comments sought on EPA sewage blending rules

You are encouraged to sign on to a comment letter opposing the EPA's proposed sewage "blending" guidance. Respond by Friday, February 6, by contacting Josh Klein at (202) 289-2421, jklein@nrdc.org. In November 2003 EPA released a draft guidance that would allow Sewage Treatment Plants (POTWs) to routinely discharge inadequately treated sewage into waterways during rain events. Blending is the deliberate bypass of sewage around secondary (biological) treatment. Largely untreated sewage is mixed or "blended" with fully treated sewage prior to discharge. This practice poses serious public health and environmental risks. Bacteria from sewage is a leading cause of beach closings. Inadequately treated sewage also contains other pathogens that transmit waterborne disease, such as Giardia, Cryptosporidium, and the Hepatitis A virus. Public health agencies and drinking water providers have raised concerns with this proposed guidance. Please add your voices to theirs! This comment letter will be submitted to the EPA docket on February 9.

SOURCE: Clean Water Network, jklein@nrdc.org.

BFI landfill hearing set for Feb 4

The WDNR will hold a public hearing on the remaining issues of controversy concerning the BFI landfill in Sarona. Plan to attend and support the case to educate the public and make the DNR more accountable to the environmental consequences of the landfill expansion. BFI wants to expand its current 65-acre landfill by 72-acres, making it the largest landfill in Wisconsin. The hearing will be:

Elliott building
County Board room
110 4th Avenue
Shell Lake

NRCS holding listening session on the Conservation Security Program

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will hold a public listening session to gain feedback on the proposed rules for the new Conservation Security Program (CSP) in Madison on February 26, at 1 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center at 706 John Nolen Drive, off Hwy 12/18 in Madison. NRCS Chief Bruce Knight will head up the panel for the Wisconsin session, one of 10 to be held around the country.

Authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill, CSP is a voluntary conservation program that supports ongoing conservation stewardship of working agricultural lands. The program is designed to reward the best conservation stewards in targeted watersheds. The CSP proposed rule was published in

the Federal Register on January 2; comments are due by March 2, 2004. The proposed rule, summary, fact sheets and additional information on the program can be found at www.nrcs.usda.gov.

SOURCE: Renae E. Anderson USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, 8030 Excelsior Drive Madison, WI 53717 renae.anderson@wi.usda.gov.

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Bradley and Roy present “Discovering a Sense of Place”

WSN members are invited to join a special gathering of environmental and community leaders as we share in the opportunity to participate in a discussion about sense of place. Nina Leopold Bradley and Dick Roy, co-founder of the Northwest Earth Institute, will present “Discovering a Sense of Place” Thursday Feb. 19 at 7:30. The event will take place at the UW-Arboretum Visitor Center (1207 Seminole Highway). This gathering will be an opportunity for community and environmental leader to create the foundation for strengthening community involvement in environmental issues. Nina Leopold Bradley is a nationally recognized storyteller of her experiences growing up at the “Shack”, the famous symbol of the land ethic, with a family that lived with a sense-of-place. Her compelling experiences of learning the importance of community and the land ethic through her father, Aldo Leopold, are an inspiration to many who listen to her sense of place talks. Dick Roy has become a crusader in the struggle to preserve local community identity. Mr. Roy is the Co-Founder and Executive Director of The Northwest Earth Institute (NWEI), a non-profit organization in Portland, OR.

NWEI has developed five discussion courses, including “Discovering a Sense of Place,” that have been taken by over 50,000 individuals in 400 communities. The courses have helped organizations across the country strengthen community involvement and empower their members to create better places to live and healthier environments.

SOURCE: Bryant Moroder, Director, Sustain Dane (608) 819-0689, www.SustainDane.org bryant@sustain-dane.org.

Lautenschlager starting “Public Integrity Unit”

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A new Public Integrity Unit is being created by Wisconsin Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager. The unit will investigate and prosecute public officials who violate laws concerning elections, open government, and ethics. The new unit will also handle open meeting and public records complaints. Freedom of information and the public’s right to know became political issues following several government scandals, including the Milwaukee County pension payout plan and the Legislative Caucus exposé, in which five state legislators were charged with illegal fund-raising.

ing tactics. Lautenschlager recently spoke about the unit to The Association for Women in Communications in Madison.

SOURCE: WSN.

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WSN Member Groups
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Aldo Leopold Audubon Society
Aldo Leopold Foundation
Anishinaabe Nijiji/ Protect the Earth
Badger Fly Fishers, Inc.
Brown County Conservation Alliance
Central WI Chapter of SOUL
Central Wisconsin Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Citizens for a Scenic Wisconsin
Citizens for Safe Water Around Badger
Clean Wisconsin
Concerned Citizens of Newport
Coulee Region Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Door County Environmental Council
EarthWINS
Environmentally Concerned Citizens of Lakeland
Areas (ECCOLA)
Families and Friends for Social Responsibility

Fox Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Frank Hornberg Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Friends of the Jump River
Friends of Milwaukee's River
Green Bay Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen
Green Bay Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Groundwater Guardians
Habitat Education Center
Harry & Laura Nohr Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Inland Sea Society
Izaak Walton League of America - WI Division
John Muir Chapter of the Sierra Club
Lake Superior Alliance
Lake Superior Greens
Lakeshore Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Madison Audubon Society
Menomonee Valley Partners
Midwest Environmental Advocates
Mining Impact Coalition of WI, Inc.
Neighbors Standing United
Northern Thunder
Pheasants Forever - Sugar River Valley Chapter
Plover River Alliance

Random Lake Association
River Alliance of Wisconsin
Save Our Unique Lands
Shaw-Paca Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Smallmouth Alliance Southern WI Chapter
SOUL of Kennan/Catawba
SOUL of Lake Superior
SOUL of Rusk County
SOUL of Sawyer County
Southern Wisconsin Chapter of Trout Unlimited
The Muskellunge Club of WI
Twin Lakes Conservancy
Waterkeepers of Wisconsin
WI Association of Lakes
WI Conservation Voters Institute
Wisconsin Deer Hunters Association
WI Public Interest Research Group (WISPARG)
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WI Wetlands Association
Winnebago Audubon Society

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Wisconsin Association of Lakes, Wisconsin State B.A.S.S. Federation, and Wisconsin Trout Unlimited, plus individuals who serve as at-large members.

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