

## DOCUMENTATION OF OBSERVED WETLAND DISTURBANCE

We need your help; please join our *W3 Wisconsin Wetland Watch* effort. Our objective is to document both legal and illegal wetland destruction and to help record and publicize the wetland losses. We need to bring this outrage to public attention!

Wisconsin counties, cities and villages are required to establish shoreland-wetland zoning districts which protect all wetlands, or portions of wetlands, that are 5 acres in area or larger and lie within 1000 feet of a navigable water way or within 300 feet of a floodplain of a navigable river or stream. Any drainage, dredging, filling or flooding of a protected wetland is generally prohibited by law.

Name of Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_\*

Legal Description of Property\*: County: \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Contact the Register of Deeds in county where the wetland is located to obtain this information

Date of your observation: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you observe the obstruction of a navigable waterway? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (Describe below) No \_\_\_\_\_  
(Wis. Stats. Ch. 30-31 require a permit for a structure or activity that would obstruct or divert a navigable waterway, e.g. shoreline modification (riprap, seawalls), dams, bridges, stream straightening, piers, grading, dredging, enclosures)

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Are there local zoning ordinances that apply to this property? \* Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (Describe below) No \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Contact the county or city zoning authority with jurisdiction over the property for this information.

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### **Your field observations of the alleged wetland disturbance. Please attach photos if available.**

Did you observe any of the following (Check all that apply)

Drainage \_\_\_ Dredging \_\_\_ Filling \_\_\_ Flooding \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Describe what you observed below)

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What is your best estimate of the acreage of the wetland in question \_\_\_\_\_.

Estimate the acreage portion of the wetland area impacted by the disturbance \_\_\_\_\_.

What is the name of the river or stream closest to the wetland \_\_\_\_\_

What is the approximate distance (in miles or feet) between river/stream and wetland \_\_\_\_\_