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## Department grant programs

The DNR administers many grant programs. Grants are monetary awards that do not have to be paid back.

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## Conservation/Wildlife

### Acquisition of Development Rights (Stewardship)

**Eligibility & purpose:** Helps to buy development rights (easements) for the protection of natural, agricultural or forestry values that would enhance nature-based outdoor recreation. Applicants compete for funds on a statewide basis. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

### Citizen-based Monitoring Partnership Program

**Eligibility & purpose:** To expand citizen and volunteer participation in natural resource monitoring by providing funding and assistance with high priority projects. Qualifying topics include monitoring of aquatic and terrestrial species, natural communities and environmental components such as water, soil and air.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$4,999

**Contact:** Eva Lewandowski, 608-264-6057

**Deadline:** request for proposals in the spring

### County Conservation Aids

**Eligibility & purpose:** To provide counties and WI tribes with financial assistance to enhance fish and wildlife programs.

**Maximum grant amount:** Allocated per county

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Your DNR regional community service specialist [PDF]

**County Good Neighbor Authority Program**

**Eligibility & purpose:** The focus of the GNA Program is to assist in implementation of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF) Forest Plan. To participate in the County GNA Program, a county must have: established and enrolled lands as county forests under ss. 28.10 and 28.11, Wis. Stats.; a forester on staff, as defined by s. NR 1.21(2)(e), Wis. Admin. Code; and entered into a GNA Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the DNR prior to signing a County GNA Program contract.

**Contact:** Joe Schwantes, 608-264-9217

**Deadline:** application materials may be submitted at any time during the year

**Hunter Recruitment, Development, Training and Education Grant Program**

**Eligibility & purpose:** The primary purpose of the Hunter Recruitment, Development, Training and Education grant program is to provide cost sharing grants to local clubs, organizations, communities, governments, Wisconsin Tribes, colleges, universities and technical schools to ensure the education, training and development of safe and ethical hunters and mentors with preference towards applicants focusing on adults, females and families.

**Maximum grant amount:** Up to \$10,000 per award

**Match requirement:** 25 percent

**Contact:** Keith Warnke, 608-576-5243

**Deadline:** June 2, 2014

**Landowner Incentive Program**

**Eligibility & purpose:** To help private landowners create and manage habitat for species that are rare or declining by providing management advice, assistance with management plans and cost-share funding to individuals and organizations proposing projects on private lands throughout Wisconsin.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$2,500 - \$25,000

**Match requirement:** 25 percent minimum

**Contact:** Dawn Hinebaugh, 608-266-5243

**Natural Areas (Stewardship)**

**Eligibility & purpose:** Stewardship Natural Area grants compliment the State Natural Areas (SNA) Program, which are dedicated to the preservation of Wisconsin's native landscapes. Lands purchased with Natural Area funds must be within an existing SNA boundary or meet the criteria for inclusion in the SNA program. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

**Shooting Range Grant Program**

**Eligibility & purpose:** Counties, cities, villages, townships, other governmental agencies or units, clubs or organizations, businesses or corporations and educational institutions can apply for assistance in outdoor shooting range construction, including: backstops and berms, target holders, shooting benches, baffles, protective fencing, signs, trenches, gun racks, platforms, restrooms and other items considered essential for the project by the department. Indoor ranges may be eligible as well, including classroom, storage and restroom facilities.

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Keith Warnke, 608-576-5243

**Stamp Funds - Wild Turkey, Pheasant and Waterfowl**

**Eligibility & purpose:** To provide funding to support the development, maintenance, preservation, restoration and maintenance of each species and its associated habitat in Wisconsin. All non-profit conservation organizations and units of government are eligible to apply.

**Maximum grant amount:** None. Funding is allotted in two-year cycles. On average, the following amount is available during each biennium: Wild Turkey = \$1.5 million; Pheasant = \$300,000; Waterfowl = \$700,000.

**Match requirement:** 50% match required for equipment purchases using Pheasant Stamp. Otherwise, match is not required but is strongly recommended.

**Contact:**

- Wild Turkey and Pheasant Stamp: Mark Witecha (upland wildlife ecologist), 608-261-8458; or Jacquelyn Christopher (assistant upland wildlife ecologist), 608-261-8458
- Waterfowl Stamp: Jason Fleener (wetland habitat specialist), 608-266-7408; or Eddie Shea (assistant wetland habitat specialist), 608-261-0775

**Deadline:** Check website for next application deadline.

**Streambank Protection (Stewardship)**

**Eligibility & purpose:** The Streambank Protection Program protects water quality and fish habitat in Wisconsin by establishing buffers along high-priority waterways. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

**Summer Tribal Youth Program**

**Eligibility & purpose:** The department may, in partnership with any of the federally recognized American Indian tribes or bands domiciled in this state, establish a summer program that provides members of the tribe or band who are 13 to 19 years of age with an opportunity to work on projects related to the conservation of natural resources. The department may not provide funding that exceeds 50 percent of the eligible program costs. The tribe or band shall be responsible for the remainder of those costs.

**Maximum grant amount:** Total available \$250,000 annually for all grants

**Match requirement:** 50%

**Contact:** Karen Blodgett, 715-836-6574

**Deadline:** Applications must be postmarked by February 15 each year

**Urban Wildlife Damage Abatement and Control (UWDAC) Grants**

**Eligibility & purpose:** Any town, city, village, county, or WI Tribe in an urban area may apply to help urban areas develop wildlife plans, implement specific damage abatement and/or control measures for white-tailed deer and/or Canada geese.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$5,000 per grant; \$25,000 available annually for all grants

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Kari Beetham, 608-264-9207

**Deadline:** October 1 through December 1 each year

**Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program**

**Eligibility & purpose:** Counties may apply for funds to abate damage and partially compensate commercial agricultural producers for damages from white-tailed deer, black bear, turkey, Canada geese, and/or elk.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$10,000

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Brad Koele, 715-356-5211 x234

**Deadline:** Check website for next application deadline.

**Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust in Lieu Fee Mitigation Program (WWCT)**

**Eligibility & purpose:** Land trusts, conservation groups, government organizations, or Wisconsin landowners may apply for a WWCT grant to preserve, enhance, and restore wetland resources in Wisconsin. The WWCT is an in-lieu fee wetland mitigation program that utilizes revenue generated from the sale of wetland mitigation credits to fund wetland restoration projects.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies - see webpage

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Josh Brown, ILF Program Coordinator

**Deadline:** April 28, 2017

## **Forestry**

**County Forest Acquisition (Stewardship)**

**Eligibility & purpose:** To expand nature-based recreational opportunities by adding to lands in the county forest system. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Doug Brown, 715-452-2188, ext. 1263

**County Forest Acreage Share Payments**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Towns in counties that have lands enrolled in the County Forest Law are eligible to receive payments from the DNR. Towns receive annual \$.30 per acre payments based on their acreage enrolled under the County Forest Law. No application is necessary. Towns with qualifying acreage receive the payments automatically in the spring of each year and the Town determines how the payments are to be used.

**Maximum Award:** \$.30 per acre for acreage enrolled in the County Forest Law

**Match:** None

**Contact:** Doug Brown, 715-452-2188, ext. 1263

**County Forest Administration**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Any county employing a professional forester in the capacity of county forest administrator or assistant county forest administrator can receive up to 50 percent of its employee's

annual salary and fringe benefit costs. In addition, funding is available for up to 50 percent of the dues to a non-profit organization that provides counsel to the county forest administrator and that serves as an organizational liaison for DNR.

**Maximum Award:** No grant maximum. The dues portion is capped at \$50,000 statewide.

**Match:** None

**Contact:** Doug Brown, 715-452-2188, ext. 1263

**Deadline:** Applications must be submitted by January 31 of each year.

#### County Forest Sustainable Grant

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties with lands enrolled in the County Forest Law are eligible to apply for grants to be used for special, short term or unanticipated projects that promote sustainable forestry. Projects cannot include land acquisition, surveying, paying of permanent staff or upgrades to existing computer software or hardware.

**Award amounts:** Minimum - \$1,000; Maximum - 25 percent of available funding (\$61,500 based on FY12 funding).

**Match:** None

**Contact:** Doug Brown, 715-452-2188, ext. 1263

**Deadline:** Applications are accepted on August 15 and December 1

#### County Forest Wildlife Habitat Grant

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Funds are available to finance county forest wildlife habitat management with emphasis on forest wildlife habitat improvement, inventories and wildlife education. Funding is available at \$.05/acre for counties that have lands in the county forest program.

**Maximum grant:** \$.05/acre of land entered into the County Forest program.

**Match required:** None

**Contact:** Doug Brown, 715-452-2188, ext. 1263

#### County Good Neighbor Authority Program

**Eligibility & purpose:** The focus of the GNA Program is to assist in implementation of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF) Forest Plan. To participate in the County GNA Program, a county must have: established and enrolled lands as county forests under ss. 28.10 and 28.11, Wis. Stats.; a forester on staff, as defined by s. NR 1.21(2)(e), Wis. Admin. Code; and entered into a GNA Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the DNR prior to signing a County GNA Program contract.

**Contact:** Doug Brown, 715-452-2188, ext. 1263

**Deadline:** application materials may be submitted at any time during the year

#### Forest Fire Protection (FFP)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** To expand the use of local fire departments to augment and strengthen the DNR's overall initial attack fire suppression capabilities by providing grant funds for personal protective equipment (PPE), training, prevention, tools/equipment, communication equipment, dry hydrants and vehicles. Eligible Wisconsin fire departments are those that have an executed forest-fire suppression agreement with the DNR; eligible Wisconsin county/area fire associations are those with a majority of the fire department members serving organized forest fire control area designated by

DNR.

**Contact:** Sandy Chancellor, 608-266-1967

**Deadline:** July 1 of each year

#### Gypsy Moth Suppression Program

**Eligibility & Purpose:** To reduce outbreaks of the gypsy moth species populations below the level at which they can cause heavy defoliation. Landowners may request their county participate in the voluntary Gypsy Moth Suppression Program. Counties may apply for grants to fund their participation in the program, provided they have designated a local coordinator. Tribal, federal and state lands apply through their county's program. The suppression program consists of an aerial insecticide treatment. Landowners within the proposed block that object to treatment may have their property excluded from the spray block.

**Maximum grant amount:** Expenses directly relevant to the suppression program, aerial spray and administrative costs will be cost-shared based on the amount of funding received from the US Forest Service.

**Match requirement:** Privately owned lands under 500 acres per owner may be cost-shared up to 50 percent. Privately owned lands of over 500 acres per owner may be cost-shared up to 33 percent. Publicly owned lands may be cost shared up to 25 percent.

**Contact:** Kathleen Hanson, 608-266-9426

**Deadline/funding cycle:** Applications are due December 1. Expense worksheets are due January 7 and July 15. Log sheets, payments for total cost of aerial spray and telephone contacts are due April 1.

#### Urban Forestry Grant & Urban Forestry Catastrophic Grants

**Eligibility & Purpose:** To fund projects that improve a community's capacity to manage its trees and projects that help conserve, protect, expand or improve the urban forest resource. The grants are intended to support new projects, not to subsidize current, ongoing operations or replace existing funds. Catastrophic grants are available following a catastrophic storm event for which the governor has declared a state of emergency.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$5,000 for start-up grants; \$25,000 for regular grants; \$50,000 for catastrophic storm grants.

**Match requirement:** 50 percent for start-up and regular grants; 100 percent for catastrophic storm grants

**Contact:** See Urban Forestry Grant page

**Deadline:** Check website for next application deadline.

#### Weed Management Area - Private Forest Grant Program (WMA-PFGP)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Local governments and Weed Management Groups interested in good stewardship of natural resources and meeting specific requirements may apply for grants to address invasive plants, both by dealing directly with the invasives and by providing education, information and outreach to others. Cost sharing of 75% is provided for eligible costs. See grant webpage for special applicant requirements.

**Maximum grant amount:** Maximum cost-share amount established by DNR each year; consult grant webpage.

**Match requirement:** 25 percent cost share



**Contact:** Jeff Soellner, 608-267-7152

**Deadline/funding cycle:** Applications due: April 1, Awards granted: July 1

**Wisconsin Forest Landowner Grant Program (WFLGP)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** To assist private landowners in protecting and enhancing their forested lands, prairies and waters. The program allows qualified landowners to be reimbursed up to 50 percent of the eligible cost of eligible practices. Private landowners in Wisconsin are eligible for WFLGP funding if they own at least 10 contiguous acres of non-industrial private forest but not more than 500 acres within Wisconsin.

**Maximum grant amount:** Maximum cost shares earned set by the state - currently \$10,000/year.

**Match requirement:** 50 percent cost share

**Contact:** Jeff Soellner (608-267-7152)

**Deadline/funding cycle:** August 1, November 1, February 1, May 1

**Motorized**

Grant programs in this category cover grant programs related to ATVs, UTVs, boats and boating facilities, snowmobiles and public and private fleets.

**ATV Enhancement**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Annual funding to a non-profit organization that promotes the safe and wise use of ATVs and UTVs, ATV/UTV riding and ATV/UTV education.

**Maximum funding amount:** \$297,000

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Gary Eddy, 608-267-7455

**Deadline/funding cycle:** Bi-annually beginning July 1 of each year

**ATV Patrols**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Issued to Wisconsin county sheriff departments that participate in ATV enforcement efforts.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$495,000, shared with all participating patrols.

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Julie Fitzgerald, 608-266-2142

**Deadline:** May 31st of each year

**ATV Trails**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Issued to counties, towns, cities, villages and tribes to acquire, insure, develop and maintain ATV trails, areas and routes.

**Maximum grant amount:** None

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Cathy Burrow, 608-267-0494 or Your regional Community Service Specialist

**Deadline:** Applications are due April 15

**Boat Patrol Grants**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Issued to Wisconsin counties and municipalities that participate in boating enforcement efforts.

**Grant range:** \$1.2 million - \$1.4 million, shared with all participating patrols up to 75 percent reimbursement.

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Roy Zellmer, 608-264-8970

**Deadlines:** Various

**Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) Program**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** **Tier 1** for smaller projects that add transient boating infrastructure to the area. **Tier 2** for larger projects and are competitively judged at the national level.

**Grant range:** Tier 1 - up to \$100,000 per state; Tier 2 - varies depending on national competition and other factors. Awarded projects are fully funded as long as funds are available.

**Match requirement:** 25 percent

**Contact:** Heidi Nelson, 608-266-5687

**Deadlines:** June 1 through September

**Clean Diesel Grant Program**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** To help reduce diesel emissions from both public and private vehicle fleets across the state.

**Contact:** Peter McMullen, 414-263-8751

**Deadline:** Check webpage for next application deadline.

**Clean Vessel Act (CVA)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** A nationwide competitive federal grant program that provides funding to states as part of an effort to clean up the nation's waterways. The CVA encourages states to subcontract with private marinas/businesses as well as local units of government to construct projects.

**Contact:** Your DNR regional community service specialist

**Deadline:** Applications are accepted at any time.

**Motorized Stewardship Grants**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties, towns, cities, villages and WI tribes are eligible to request funding for new bridges on existing funded trails, major bridge reconstruction/rehabilitation & rehabilitation of funded trails.

**Match requirement:** 20 percent local share

**Contact:** Cathy Burrow, 608-267-0494 or Your regional Community Service Specialist

**Deadline:** April 15 each year

**Recreational Boating Facilities**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties, towns, cities, villages, WI tribes, sanitary districts, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts and qualified lake associations for recreational boating

facility projects.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies

**Match requirement:** 50 percent or greater

**Contact:** Bobbi Winebar, 920-662-5175

**Deadline:** Check website for next application deadline.

#### Snowmobile Patrols

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Wisconsin county sheriff departments that participate in snowmobile enforcement efforts.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$396,000, shared with all participating patrols.

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Julie Fitzgerald, 608-266-2142

**Deadline:** May 31 each year

#### Snowmobile Trail Aids

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties and WI tribes may apply for funding to provide a statewide system of well-signed and well-groomed snowmobile trails for public use and enjoyment.

**Maximum grant amount:** None

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Cathy Burrow, 608-267-0494 or Your regional Community Service Specialist

**Deadline:** April 15 each year

#### Sport Fish Restoration (SFR)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties, towns, cities, villages, tribes, sanitary districts, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, and qualified lake associations may apply for grants to construct fishing piers and motorboat access projects.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies

**Match requirement:** Usually 50%

**Contact:** Your DNR regional community service specialist

**Deadline:** February 1 each year

#### Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) Trails

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties, towns, cities, villages and tribes can apply for funds for maintenance of UTV trails, minor development, gates and signing. This is a companion program to ATV Trail Aids.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies

**Match requirement:** Varies

**Contact:** Cathy Burrow, 608-267-0494 or Your regional Community Service Specialist

**Deadline:** April 15 each year

### **Recreation**

#### Acquisition & Development of Local Parks (Stewardship)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Helps to buy land or easements and develop or renovate local park and recreation area facilities for nature-based outdoor recreation purposes (e.g., trails, fishing access and park support facilities). Applicants compete for funds on a regional basis. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

**Friends of State Lands (Stewardship)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Grants from this program help improve facilities, build new recreation projects and restore habitat on state properties. This grant program is part of Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

**Habitat Area (Stewardship)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Protects and restores important wildlife habitat in Wisconsin in order to expand opportunities for wildlife-based recreation such as hunting, trapping, hiking, bird watching, fishing, nature appreciation and wildlife viewing. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

**Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) - Nationally Competitive Program**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** A nationally competitive federal program that will create or reinvigorate parks and other outdoor recreation spaces in areas delineated by the Census Bureau as comprising densely settled territory that contains 50,000 or more people. The State of Wisconsin will be able to submit two applications to compete for the available funding.

**Available funding:** \$3 million nationwide. Each state may submit 2 applications for consideration.

**Maximum amount per project proposal:** \$500,000

**Minimum amount per project proposal:** \$250,000

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Jennifer Gihring, 608-264-6138

**Deadline:** Check website for next application deadline (application included with Stewardship Local Assistance application booklet)

**Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) - State Program**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** This Federal program encourages creation and interpretation of high-quality outdoor recreational opportunities. Funds received by the DNR for this program are split between DNR projects and grants to local governments for outdoor recreation activities. Grants cover 50 percent of eligible project costs.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Jennifer Gihring, 608-264-6138

**Deadline:** May 1 each year (application included with Stewardship Local Assistance application booklet)

**Recreational Trail Program (RTP)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Counties, towns, cities, villages, WI Tribes, and incorporated organizations may apply for grant funding for development and maintenance of recreational trails and trail-related

facilities for both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail uses. Funds from this program may be used in conjunction with the state snowmobile or ATV programs and Stewardship development projects.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$45,000 (\$200,000 every third calendar year)

**Match requirement:** 50 percent

**Contact:** Bobbi Winebar, 920-662-5175

**Deadline:** May 1 each year (application included with Stewardship Local Assistance application booklet)

#### State Trails (Stewardship)

**Eligibility & purpose:** Applications for grants under this subprogram must be for properties identified as part of the State Trail system. It is possible for sponsors to nominate additional trails for state trail designation. The Streambank Protection Program protects water quality and fish habitat in Wisconsin by establishing buffers along high-priority waterways. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

#### Urban Green Space (Stewardship)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** These grants help buy land or easements in urban areas to preserve the scenic and ecological values of natural open spaces for nature-based outdoor recreation, including non-commercial gardening. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

#### Urban Rivers (Stewardship)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** These grants help buy land on rivers flowing through urban or urbanizing areas to preserve or restore the scenic and environmental values of riverways for nature-based outdoor recreation. This grant program is part of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program

## Recycling

#### Basic Recycling Grant to Responsible Units

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Recycling Responsible Units (cities, towns, villages, counties, tribes or solid waste management system) with a DNR-approved Effective Recycling Program may apply for funding to offset costs of residential recycling and yard waste programs. Applicants may also qualify for the Recycling Consolidation Grant.

**Maximum grant amount:** None; statutory formula is used to calculate grant award.

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Kari Beetham, 608-264-9207

**Deadline:** Applications are submitted from July through October 1 each year for the upcoming grant year.

#### Recycling Consolidation Grant

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Grant assistance available to Recycling Responsible Units with DNR-approved Effective Recycling Programs. Successful applicants will receive these funds at the same time as Basic Recycling grants.

**Maximum grant amount:** Statewide funding is limited to \$1,000,000; awards are provided on a per capita basis.

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Kari Beetham, 608-264-9207

**Deadline:** Applications are submitted from July through October 1 each year for the upcoming grant year.

## Remediation

### Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund

**Eligibility & Purpose:** A reimbursement program for dry cleaners for the investigation and cleanup costs of dry cleaning facilities.

**Contact:** Sandy Chancellor, 608-266-1967

**Deadline:** Closed to new applicants.

### Ready for Reuse Hazardous Substance Grants

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cleanup of hazardous substance contamination at brownfields.

**Contact:** Gena Larson, 608-261-5404

**Deadline:** Applications accepted year round, as long as funding is available.

### Ready for Reuse Petroleum Grants

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cleanup of petroleum contamination at brownfields.

**Contact:** Gena Larson, 608-261-5404

**Deadline:** Applications accepted year round, as long as funding is available.

### Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WAM)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Local government, WI Tribes or other eligible tribal entity under 40 CFR 31.3, and eligible private entities may apply for funding to assess brownfields sites resulting from closed or closing industrial plants that are acting as impediments to economic redevelopment. Funds are awarded through Contractor Services awards.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies

**Match requirement:** Varies

**Contact:** Tom Coogan, 608-267-7560

**Deadline:** Applications accepted year round, as long as funding is available.

## Water

Grant programs in this category cover lakes, rivers, dams, wells and other water-related grant programs.

### Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention and Control Grants (now Surface Water Grants)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Issued to counties, cities, towns, villages, WI Tribes, other local governmental units as defined in s. 66.0131(1)(a), Wis Stats., Public Inland Lake Protection & Rehabilitation Districts, Town sanitary districts, Qualified lake associations, Qualified river management organizations, Qualified school districts (not for Lake Protection Grants), Private and public colleges, universities and technical schools, Qualified nonprofit conservation organizations, Qualified nonprofit organizations, State and federal natural resource agencies, and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) licensed hydroelectric corporations to prevent and control the spread of aquatic invasive species in the waters of the state.

**Maximum grant amount:** Education, Prevention and Planning projects = \$150,000; Established Population Control projects = \$200,000; Early Detection and Response projects = \$20,000; Research and Development = annual funding limit of \$500,000; Maintenance and Containment = permit fee reimbursement

**Match Requirement:** 25 percent

**Contact:** DNR Regional Lake Coordinator or Kathleen Hanson, 608-266-9426

**Deadlines:** AIS Education, Prevention and Planning - December 10; Established Population Control - February 1; Research and Development - year-round; Early Detection and Response - year-round; Maintenance and Containment - year-round

#### Dam Municipal Grant Program

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cost-sharing for any county, city, village, town, Tribe, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district (lake district) to improve the dam safety. Eligible projects include dam maintenance, repair, modification, or abandonment and removal. Private dam owners are not eligible to apply.

**Contact:** Kari Beetham, 608-264-9207

**Deadline:** Check website for next application deadline

#### Dam Removal Grant Program

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Any county, city, village, town, Tribe, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, or person who owns the dam may apply. Other entities may apply as the authorized representative of the actual dam owner if the dam owner is willing to allow their dam to be removed. Dam removal grant funds cover costs directly related to planning for the actual removal, implementing the dam removal and the restoration of the impoundment.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$50,000

**Match requirement:** 100 percent

**Contact:** Kari Beetham, 608-264-9207

**Deadline:** Applications may be submitted on a continual basis

#### Lake Classification and Lake Protection Grants (now Surface Water Grants)

**Eligibility & Purpose:** To help develop and implement local land and water management programs that are targeted to specific classes of lakes in response to various development and recreational use pressures. Lake Protection Grants improve or protect the quality of water in lakes or the quality of natural ecosystems, implement protection activities for the lakes based on their classification and implement the recommendations of a lake management plan.

**Maximum grant amount:** Classification = \$50,000; Protection = \$200,000

**Match Requirement:** 25 percent

**Contact:** DNR Regional Lake Coordinator or Kathleen Hanson, 608-266-9426

**Deadlines:** Lake Classification and Ordinance Development - December 10 each year; Lake Protection - February 1 each year

**Lake Management Planning - Large and Small Scale Lakes (now Surface Water Grants)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cost-sharing for qualifying local governments and WI tribes to collect and analyze information needed to protect and restore lakes and their watersheds.

**Maximum grant amount:** Small scale projects = \$3,000; Large scale projects = \$25,000

**Match Requirement:** 33 percent

**Contact:** DNR Regional Lake Coordinator or Kathleen Hanson, 608-266-9426

**Deadline:** December 10 each year

**Municipal Flood Control Grants**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cities, villages, towns, WI Tribes, and metropolitan sewerage districts may apply for grant funding to acquire land, remove structures, floodproof structures, administrative support, and other related activities.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies; no more than 20 percent of total grant established by State Budget

**Match requirement:** 30 percent

**Contact:** Jeff Soellner 608-267-7152

**Deadline:** March 15 of even-numbered years

**Notice of Intent/Discharge Cost-Share Grants**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cost-share funding grants to governmental units working with owners and operators of livestock operations to meet pollution control requirements imposed by the DNR.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies

**Match requirement:** Varies

**Contact:** Aaron Larson, 608-267-9385

**Deadline:** Applications are generally accepted mid-April, mid-June, and mid-August. Check webpage for details.

**River Protection Planning & River Protection Management Grants (now Surface Water Grants)**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** River Protection Planning grants are available for: formation of a qualified river management organization or in strengthening an existing organization; protection or improvement of rivers and their ecosystems; river improvement education projects; assessments and plan development. River Protection Management grants are available for: fee simple or conservation easement acquisition; local ordinance development; installation of nonpoint source pollution control practices and river restoration activities; and education, planning and design activities necessary for completion of a management project.

**Maximum grant amount:** Planning = \$10,000; Management = \$50,000

**Match requirement:** 25 percent

**Contact:** DNR Regional River Coordinator or Kathleen Hanson, 608-266-9426

**Deadlines:** River Protection Planning - December 10 each year; River Protection Management - February 1 each year



**Targeted Runoff Management Grants**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cities, villages, towns, counties, regional planning commissions, tribal governments, and special purpose lake, sewerage and sanitary districts may apply for grants to reimburse costs for agriculture or urban nonpoint source pollution control in targeted, critical geographic areas with surface water or groundwater quality concerns.

**Maximum grant amount:** Large-scale = \$1 million; small-scale = \$150,000

**Match requirement:** 30 percent

**Contact:** Aaron Larson, 608-267-9385

**Deadlines:** April 15 each year

**Urban Nonpoint Source & Storm Water Management Grants**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Cities, villages, towns, counties, regional planning commissions, WI Tribes, and special purpose lake, sewage, or sanitary districts may apply for planning or construction projects controlling urban nonpoint source and storm water runoff pollution. Applicants must have either jurisdiction over the project area or be required to control storm water discharge with an inter-governmental agreement between the municipality and the Department of Natural Resources.

**Maximum grant amount:** Construction: \$150,000. Additional \$50,000 may be requested for property acquisition.

**Match requirement:** Planning: 50 percent

**Contacts:** Aaron Larson, 608-267-9385

**Deadlines:** April 15 of even-numbered years for Construction projects; April 15 of odd-numbered years for Planning projects.

**Well Abandonment**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Financial assistance for individuals to properly abandon unused private wells. Unused wells are a direct line for contamination into clean ground water.

**Maximum grant amount:** 75 percent of eligible expenses

**Match requirement:** 25 percent

**Contacts:** Randell Clark (608-267-7895), Deb Lyons-Roehl (608-267-9350), or Sara deBruijn (Madison 608-266-5742 or Milwaukee 414-263-8704)

**Deadlines:** Applications may be submitted at any time.

**Well Compensation**

**Eligibility & Purpose:** Landowners (and other eligible applicants) can apply for financial assistance for replacing, reconstructing or treating contaminated private water supplies that serve a residence or are for watering livestock.

**Maximum grant amount:** \$9,000, award amount with a hardship option possible based on income

**Match requirement:** Minimum of \$250 with 25 percent usually

**Contacts:** Randell Clark (608-267-7895), Deb Lyons-Roehl (608-267-9350), or Sara deBruijn (Madison 608-266-5742 or Milwaukee 414-263-8704)

**Deadlines:** Applications may be submitted at any time.

**Wisconsin Wetland Conservation Trust in Lieu Fee Mitigation Program (WWCT)**

**Eligibility & purpose:** Land trusts, conservation groups, government organizations, or Wisconsin landowners may apply for a WWCT grant to preserve, enhance, and restore wetland resources in Wisconsin. The WWCT is an in-lieu fee wetland mitigation program that utilizes revenue generated from the sale of wetland mitigation credits to fund wetland restoration projects.

**Maximum grant amount:** Varies - see webpage

**Match requirement:** None

**Contact:** Josh Brown, ILF Program Coordinator

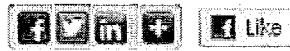
**Deadline:** April 28, 2017

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## Welcome our newest Commissioner, Thomas Romdenne

Representing Kewaunee County as the county's appointed representative to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission, is Tom Romdenne. As resident of the City of Algoma, he held the position of City Administrator for many years. Tom currently serves on the County Board.

## Funding Available to Help Communities Plant Trees



The Bay-Lake RPC is excited to announce available funding under the [2019 WI RPCs & DNR Great Lakes Basin Tree Planting Grant Program](#). This program is a partnership with the Wisconsin DNR, East Central Wisconsin RPC,

Northwest Wisconsin RPC, and Southeastern Wisconsin RPC. This funding opportunity is aimed at helping communities, counties, and tribes plant trees to reduce runoff and mitigate Emerald Ash Borer impacts. The funding has been made available through two FY2018 U.S. Forest



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Service Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) grants received by the Bay-Lake RPC.

Eligible applicants include Wisconsin cities, villages, towns, counties, and tribal governments in the Great Lakes Basin. Approximately \$120,000 will be available in this 2019 grant round to fund projects ranging in cost from \$1,000 to \$20,000.

**Applications are due on September 10, 2018 by 4PM.** For additional information, and to apply, visit our website. [www.baylakerpc.org/tree-grants](http://www.baylakerpc.org/tree-grants).

For more information on this study, please contact [Angela Kowalzek-Adrians](#).

## Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update

With the summer in full swing, Commission staff have been busy out on the trails! The data being collected with GoPro and GPS units will be used in an online interactive story map.

In addition to the trail inventory, staff continue to promote the [crowdsourcing survey](#) by attending walking and biking events within the region, such as bike to school day, Titletown Bike Tour, and the BayCare Clinic Century Bayshore to Lakeshore.

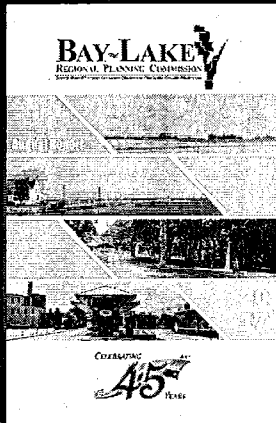
The [crowdsourcing survey](#) is a platform for the public to provide comments on the current regional trail network and future expansion. The survey will be open for public feedback through August.

For more information on the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, please contact [Brandon Robinson](#).



## Kewaunee County Invasive Species Project Update

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EMSI Request Form



The Bay-Lake RPC has collected inventory data on the locations of invasive Phragmites, Japanese knotweed, and Wild parsnip in Kewaunee County through a roadway inventory, and input received through the [Kewaunee County Invasive Species online app](#).

A public informational meeting on the project was held in Luxemburg on May 23, 2018. A request for qualifications was released at the end of June to assist in the hiring of a contractor to treat the target invasives in the county. Treatments will take place in late August through September this year, and again in 2019. A permit request has been submitted to the DNR for the herbicide treatments.

[Landowner permission forms](#) have been mailed to owners of parcels where a target invasive species has been found. Additionally, a permission form has been mailed to all riverfront landowners as the rivers will be a primary target area for invasives management.

For more information on this study, please contact [Angela Kowalzek-Adrians](#).

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## Upcoming Events/Meetings

July 25 @ 1 pm

Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees Joint Meeting,  
Sheboygan

July 27 @ 10 am

Executive Committee meeting, Green Bay

August 9 @ 11:30 am

[Wisconsin Rural Partners Small Community Forum](#), Egg Harbor

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## Available Grant Opportunities



The following is a list of upcoming grant opportunities and their due dates. Please contact the [Commission](#) if you have a project idea, or need assistance with preparing or administering a grant, or if you are interested in partnering with the Commission on a project.

- [Broadband expansion grants](#) (multiple), July 16, 2018
- [People for Bikes Community Grants](#), July 23, 2018
- [2018 National Coastal Resilience Fund](#), August 7, 2018
- [Our Town Grant](#), August 9, 2018
- [2019 Wisconsin RPCs and DNR Great Lakes Basin Tree Planting Grant Program](#), September 10, 2018
- [ATC Community Planting Program](#), September 30, 2018
- [ATC Pollinator Planting Program](#), September 30, 2018
- [2019 DNR Urban Forestry Grant](#), October 1, 2018
- Ongoing grant opportunities:

<a href="#">American Honda Foundation</a>	<a href="#">BayCare Clinic Foundation</a>
<a href="#">Ben &amp; Jerry's Foundation</a>	<a href="#">Charles Stuart Mott Foundation</a>
<a href="#">Cornell Douglas Foundation</a>	<a href="#">CN Stronger Communities Fund</a>
<a href="#">Costco Wholesale Grant</a>	<a href="#">Doris Duke Charitable Foundation</a>
<a href="#">The Captain Planet Foundation</a>	<a href="#">Environmental Research &amp; Education Foundation</a>
<a href="#">Gannett Foundation</a>	<a href="#">Georgia-Pacific Foundation</a>
<a href="#">Green Bay Packers Foundation</a>	<a href="#">International Paper</a>
<a href="#">Kinder Morgan Foundation</a>	<a href="#">Kodak American Greenways Grant</a>
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<a href="#">US Soccer Foundation Grant</a>	<a href="#">Waste Management Grant</a>
<a href="#">Wisconsin DNR Recreational Boating Facilities Grants</a>	<a href="#">Wisconsin Humanities Council Grant</a>
<a href="#">Wisconsin Tourism Grant</a>	

*Please contact Angela Kowalzek-Adrians for any links that are not working properly. Thank you!*



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