Jefferson County Land & Water Conservation Committee Agenda "Working Together to Protect & Enhance the Environment"

Jefferson County Courthouse ~ 311 S Center Ave, County Board Room - C2063 ~ Jefferson, WI 53549

Wednesday, March 19, 2025 @ 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 289 228 497 56 - Passcode: Rz6ja7JK

Committee Members: Meg Turville-Heitz (Chair), Matt Foelker (Vice-Chair) (UW), Margaret Burlingham (PACE), Walt Christensen, Elizabeth Hafften (UW), Cassie Richardson, and Scott Schultz (Ag)

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)
- 3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law
- 4. Review of the Agenda
- 5. Approval of the February 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- 6. Public Comment (members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)
- 7. Communications
 - Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) Report
- 8. Discussion on Departmental Updates
- 9. Discussion on Watertown Waterways Improvement Program Maureen McBroom, Stormwater Project Manager, City of Watertown
- 10. Discussion and Possible Action on the WI Land+Water Advocacy Toolkit and Advocating for State Budget Priorities: https://wisconsinlandwater.org/members-hub/advocacy-toolkit
- 11. Discussion on Groundwater Study Presentation and Educational Events
- 12. Discussion on Spill from a Manure Storage in the Town of Cold Spring
- 13. Discussion on Southern Area Association Tour
- 14. Discussion and Possible Action on Fourth Grade Farm Tour, May 7th at Kutz Dairy
- 15. Discussion on Producer-Led Groups: Jefferson County Soil Builders & Rock River Regenerative Graziers
- 16. Discussion and Possible Action on Notices of Noncompliance Farmland Preservation Program (FPP)
- 17. Discussion and Possible Action on Cancellation of Notices of Noncompliance FPP
- 18. Discussion and Possible Action on Purchase of Agriculture Conservation Easement (PACE) Applications & Baseline Documentation
- 19. Review of the Monthly Financial Report
- 20. Discussion on Items for the Next Agenda
 - Next Scheduled Meeting April 16, 2025 @ 8:30am in Room TBD
- 21. Adjournment

A quorum of any Jefferson County Committee, Board, Commission, or other body, including the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, may be present at this meeting.

Individuals requiring special accommodation for attendance at this meeting should contact the County Administrator 24 hours prior to the meeting at (920) 674-7101 so appropriate arrangements can be made.

Land & Water Conservation Committee Minutes February 19, 2025

1. Call to Order:

The monthly meeting was called to order by Meg Turville-Heitz at 8:30am. Committee Members Meg Turville-Heitz (Chair), Matt Foelker (UW) (Vice-Chair), Margaret Burlingham (PACE), Walt Christensen, Cassie Richardson (via Zoom), and Scott Schultz (Ag), were present. Also in attendance were Patricia Cicero, Director, Land & Water Conservation Department (LWCD); Kim Liakopoulos, LWCD; Dave Hoffman, LWCD; Sam Peterson, LWCD; Joe Strupp, LWCD; Michael Luckey, Interim County Administrator (via Zoom); Danielle Thompson, County Corporation Counsel; Merica Xiong and Zachary Thayer, Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) (via Zoom). Elizabeth Hafften (UW) was absent.

• Others in Attendance: Dean Weichmann, Jefferson County Soil Builders, Mary Dougherty, Bayfield County Board (via Phone), Anita Martin, Sue Marx

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum):

A quorum was established.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law:

It was determined that the committee was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

4. Review of the February Agenda:

The February agenda was reviewed by the committee members. No changes were proposed.

5. Approval of the December 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes:

Burlingham requested a correction of the minutes (Item #7 Communications) to read American Farmland Trust, not American Family Trust. Foelker made a motion to approve the December 18, 2024 meeting minutes as corrected, Christensen seconded. Motion passed 6/0.

6. Public Comment:

There were no comments.

7. Communications:

- Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection January & February 2025 Reports
- Governor Evers Agriculture Budget Proposal

8. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report:

Xoing and Thayer discussed the large reduction in the NRCS workforce and funding due to the new administration. Xoing spoke to the committee about the impact this will have on Jefferson County residents and NRCS programs.

9. Discussion on Departmental Updates:

Turville-Heitz and Cicero attended the Southern Area Association meeting. Cicero attended a planning meeting for the 25th Anniversary of Korth Park, a Town of Oakland meeting on the Enbridge oil spill, strategic plan meetings, and gave a presentation to North Central WI Stormwater Coalition with the City of Watertown on the water quality trade program. Colton Hutchinson viewed permanent piers constructed on Rock Lake in 2024 with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and assisted Lake Ripley Management District on an erosion study of the inlet stream. Dave Hoffman and Hutchinson put together a presentation on the study of the wetlands adjacent to Rock, Marsh and Mud Lakes and presented it to Lake Mills City Council February 18th. Another wetland presentation for the public with be February 24th, 6:00pm at the Lake Mills Community Center/City Hall. Strupp and Peterson conducted Nutrient Management Plan classes for farmers writing their own plans.

10. Discussion and Possible Action on Five Year Review of Land and Water Resources Management Plan: Cicero outlined the review of the Land and Water Resource Management Plan and answered committee questions. The plan review will be presented to the State Land and Water Conservation Board April 1st.

11. Discussion on Spill from a Manure Storage in the Town of Cold Spring:

A manure spill was reported and is being investigated. Strupp and Peterson are working with the DNR and the landowner. LWCD sent the landowner a letter requesting information on a repair that was implemented. The landowner is cooperative.

12. Discussion on Groundwater Education Plans:

Cicero and Hutchinson are working with the Health Department on groundwater outreach. Cicero will prepare a press release for Groundwater Awareness Week, March 9th - 15th. Cicero will submit an article to Rock River Coalition print newsletter regarding the groundwater study and online dashboard. April 7th (time TBD) at UW-Extension Jefferson County, a UW Steven's Point researcher will give a presentation on the groundwater study results. The event will also include: handouts, nitrate screening, well water testing kits, and information on free arsenic sampling for those who reside in the Towns of Ixonia and Watertown. April 7th the Health Department will be promoting nitrate screening during National Public Health Week. April 26th at the Jefferson High School Sustain Jefferson Earth Day event, LWCD will offer groundwater education and nitrate screening. May 17th at the Humane Society of Jefferson County's Furry 5k, county staff will offer groundwater education and nitrate screening. In June (date TBD) the Health Department open house will include groundwater education and nitrate screening. July 9th - 11th at the Jefferson County Fair, county staff will provide groundwater education and nitrate screening.

- **13. Discussion and Possible Action on Holding Future Meetings in the County Board Room:**Due to the limited space available in C1021, Turville-Heitz would like to see if the County Board room will work better for the monthly meetings. The March 19th meeting will take place in the County Board room.
- **14. Discussion on Producer-Led Groups: Jefferson County Soil Builders (JCSB) & Rock River Regenerative Graziers (R3G):** JCSB and R3G had meetings in January to discuss event planning and 2025 cost share. JCSB has submitted their Annual Report to DATCP. Peterson and Weichmann will attend a soil builders event in Plover February 25th.
- **15.** Discussion and Possible Action on Notices of Noncompliance Farmland Preservation Program (FPP): There were no notices.
- **16.** Discussion and Possible Action on Cancellation of Notices of Noncompliance FPP: There were no cancellations.
- 17. Discussion and Possible Action on Purchase of Agriculture Conservation Easement (PACE) Applications & Baseline Documentation: Dave Hoffman is pursuing a title commitment for the Rollefson easement.
- 18. Discussion on Ideas for Southern Area Association Tour:

After receiving input from staff and the committee, LWCD staff will narrow down the list of possible tour locations and reach out to see if the locations would be available for the tour.

19. Review of the Monthly Financial Report:

The most recent statement of revenues and expenditures was distributed.

20. Discussion on Items for the Next Agenda:

Possible agenda items include: Southern Area Tour, 4th Grade Farm Tour

• Next Scheduled Meeting: March 19, 2025 at 8:30am in Room C2063

21. Adjournment:

Foelker made a motion to adjourn at 9:30am, Burlingham seconded. Motion passed 6/0.

Kim Liakopoulos ~ Administrative Specialist I ~ LWCD



March 2025

Soil and Water Resources Management (SWRM) Grants

- Reimbursement requests for 2024 SWRM funds were due February 15, 2025. This includes SWRM cost-share, staffing, NMFE, and cooperator grants.
- The 2026 SWRM Grant Application is available on the <u>SWRM webpage</u>. Applications are due April 15, 2025.
- **NEW FORMS REQUIRED!** Many of the SWRM forms have been updated with new content and new numbers. Please refer to <u>Section 3 of the SWRM Grant Resources</u> webpage to access these forms.
- **SWRM Master Contract NOTICE** The SWRM master contracts will be updated this year. These five-year contracts will require an authorized county signature this spring. IF THE COUNTY CONSERVATIONIST IS NOT AN AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY FOR THE COUNTY, please contact Kim or Hailey with the correct name and email address. This master contract will update the 2017 master contract and will be updated every five years. In the intervening years, you will need to acknowledge approval of the Schedule of Awards as in past years.

Nutrient Management News

- A NEW Nutrient Management Farmer Education (NMFE) self-paced course is now available! The
 Nutrient and Pest Management Team at UW-Extension has built an updated NMFE course through UW
 Canvas. For more information on how to obtain access to the Canvas course, click here: Nutrient Management Farmer Education Grants.
- **NEW** Nutrient Management Farmer Education curriculum materials can be found here: <u>Nutrient Management Farmer Education Curriculum Crops and Soils</u>.
- The 2026 Nutrient Management Farmer Education Grant application period is open January 31-April 15.
 Request for Applications and the application can be found on the NMFE webpage here: Nutrient Management Farmer Education Grants. Please direct any questions to Andrea Topper at Andrea. Topper@wisconsin.gov.
- <u>2025 Virtual Nutrient Management Training for Farmers</u> This training provides both the basics of nutrient management and an introduction to SnapPlus. The same training will be offered on two dates. Participants only need to attend one training date to be certified as an eligible farmer plan writer.
 - O Dates: March 14. Times: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 - o Register here

• Counties that would like some assistance on Nutrient Management Quality Assurance Reviews should email Cody Calkins at cody.calkins@wisconsin.gov. We are looking at providing assistance this year to at least three counties.

Conservation Engineering

- Engineering Reserve Fund: DATCP will once again be offering funds in 2025 for projects that address a resource concern. Projects that address a farm discharge will be prioritized, but other conservation practices that address nutrients and/or soil erosion will be considered as well. If you have a project that needs funds, or needs additional funding to complete, watch for more information coming soon from your DATCP area engineering contact. Deadline to submit applications is Friday, March 28.
- If you are considering funding a composting facility with SWRM funds, please see the <u>Compost Facility</u> <u>Flowchart</u> to see what qualifies. The flowchart is found on the SWRM Resources Policies and Procedures webpage found <u>here</u> in Section 2.13.

Land and Water Conservation Board-LWRM Plans

- On March 4, 2025, the LWCB Advisory Committee on Research convened on Teams.
- At the April 1, 2025 LWCB meeting, Marathon and Jefferson counties will be presenting LWRM plan five-year reviews to the board. Lafayette County will present a plan revision.

DATCP Drainage Program

- The DATCP Drainage Program is developing the Winter 2025 quarterly newsletter. The intent of the newsletter will be to highlight successes and challenges facing drainage districts and County Drainage Boards throughout the State. The newsletter is part of the Department's overall effort to improve the effectiveness and efficiencies for all stakeholders involved with Wisconsin Drainage Law. The Department is seeking input for the quarterly newsletter. If you have a project or information that you would like to highlight, please send your ideas to Barton T. Chapman, P.E., Drainage Program Manager at Barton.Chapman@Wisconsin.gov.
- The Wisconsin Association of Drainage Boards (WADB), in cooperation with DATCP, will be holding regional educational outreach meetings throughout the state in 2025. Meeting logistics will be shared as they become available.
- All activities within drainage districts are managed and administered by a county drainage board. Contact information can be found on the Drainage Program website or by contacting Barton T. Chapman, Drainage Program Manager, at Barton.Chapman@Wisconsin.gov.

Agricultural Impact Statement (AIS) Program

- The AIS program published AIS 4623 for the Emerald Substation Project in St. Croix County.
- You can find more information about the AIS program at <u>agimpact.wi.gov</u>. You can also contact <u>DATCPAgImpactStatements@wisconsin.gov</u> with questions regarding any active AIS statement or the AIS program.

Farmland Preservation (FP) Program and Agricultural Enterprise Areas (AEA)

- For information about the AEA petition process, including application materials, visit the <u>Petitioning for AEA Designation webpage</u>. Please contact Wednesday Coye at <u>wednesday.coye@wisconsin.gov</u> with any questions you have about the AEA program.
- The DATCP Home Farmland Preservation Tax Credits webpage has been updated with additional

information to help landowners and tax preparers choose the correct tax schedule when filing for an FP tax credit. If you receive any questions from landowners or tax preparers regarding questions related to tax credit claims or tax credit denials, please contact Wednesday Coye at wednesday.coye@wisconsin.gov. Landowners who have received a denial letter have a limited amount of time to file an appeal with Department of Revenue; timely action is critical.

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP)

- <u>Farm Bill Extended to 9/30/2025</u>: On December 21, 2024, the federal government passed another extension of the 2018 Farm Bill on that runs until September 30, 2025. DATCP is waiting to hear from our FSA partners for details when CREP will be opened again for enrollment. Hopeful it will be in early 2025. DATCP will provide updates as soon as we receive more details.
- <u>Submit Outstanding Items to DATCP for Completion:</u> If you submitted a request to DATCP for processing but were contacted by State CREP staff requesting additional items for processing, please submit those items as soon as possible. Also, continue to submit any CREP agreements from last year that DATCP has not year received.

Soil Health Program

- In 2025, we will work on completing module 4 of the online Soil Health Training focusing on applying soil health principles in Wisconsin cropping systems. Stay tuned for opportunities to be involved in this training.
 - As we implement these practices, we know that this work is improving soil health. This can
 further be demonstrated using <u>NRCS Soil Health Assessment Techniques</u>. Stay tuned in 2025 for
 more on this initiative.
- Reminder that the new online Soil Health curriculum is live and available on our <u>soilhealthtraining.wi.gov</u> website. The purpose of this curriculum is to develop a common definition and understanding of Soil Health and develop some guideposts of how to implement soil health systems on Wisconsin Farms. Modules 1-3 establish a common language of Soil Health in Wisconsin agriculture.
- The ATCP 50 office hours touch on how the soil health principles can guide our conservation planning by looking at the whole farm with systems approach. Review the ATCP 50 update below for the recorded ATCP 50 office hours.
- A new soil health module has been added to the NMFE curriculum if you are looking for resources on soil health.

For questions regarding these trainings or the Soil Health Program, contact Randy Zogbaum at randalll.zogbaum@wisconsin.gov.

Cover Crop Insurance Rebate Program – Apply Now!

• Program application was available from December 2, 2024 to January 28, 2025 and received over 224,000 acres to review for premium rebate eligibility on a first come first served basis. Thanks for helping to spread the word about this opportunity to your farm operators. Eligible producers will see a rebate credit on their spring crop insurance premium billing statement.

Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program (NOPP)

• Cycle 3 of the NOPP grants closed on January 17, 2025. The NOPP team will be reviewed and scored by the NOPP Review Team. Awards should be announced in late February.

Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant (PLWPG) Program

• 2025 was the most competitive year yet for the Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grant. We received applications from 49 producer-led groups, for a total funding request of over \$1.6 million. With a

program budget of \$1 million, the grants review committee had to make extremely difficult decisions. Priorities were to fund new viable groups while also providing the highest level of funding merited to as many existing groups as possible.

ATCP 50 Update

- ATCP 50 updates went into effect June 1, 2024. Final rule language can be reviewed on the Wisconsin Legislature's website. The Bureau has rule information on our website. This fall, DATCP hosted ATCP 50 Office Hours related to non-structural practice updates. Each Office Hour included a technical primer of the practice, a short discussion of the soil health benefits and applicable SWRM cost-share requirements. All office hours were recorded and available for future viewing here. If you have any questions, email datcplandwater@wisconsin.gov.
- **NEW PRACTICE INTRODUCTION:** Conservation Cover (ATCP 50.663). This SEG-funded conservation practice allows for the establishment and maintenance of permanent vegetative cover in an agricultural setting to reduce erosion, improve water quality, and better soil health. Available for lands covered with a nutrient management plan. It requires the county to commit to 10-year minimum planning and monitoring period for this practice. SWRM cost-share will cover the initial installation and the creation of the monitoring plan.

RATES **PAYMENT**

Practice	One Time Installation Rate (\$/ac.)	Annual Payment Rate (\$/ac.)	Estimated Practice Lifespan* (Years)	Contract Period	Comments
Harvestable Vegetated Filter Strips	225 Upfront	400 Annually	10+	10	• Width of Buffers/Filters is 30' min. and 150' max.
Vegetated Filter Strips (Introduce or Native Species)	225 Upfront	400 Annually	10+	10	 Potential for larger widths so long as it provides additional P-reduction. Additional funding for native species may be available.
Grassed Waterways	All installation one time	All installation expenses paid, one time payment	10+	10	
Roof Runoff Structures	All installation one time	All installation expenses paid, one time payment	Min. of 15	10	
Other Accepted Practices	If other phosph	orus reducing prac	ctices can be utiliz guideline	n be utilized, LWCD will wo guidelines and conditions.	If other phosphorus reducing practices can be utilized, LWCD will work with the City of Watertown to establish guidelines and conditions.

Proper maintenance and management will provide longer lasting functioning practices that will outlive the contract period

effort between the City of quality in South Central Wisconsin Coalition,















website:



QUESTIONS?

Watertown Waterways Improvement Program Contact:

For more information on water quality trading and the City of Watertown **Waterways Improvement Program** please visit the Rock River Coalition

www.rockrivercoalition.org/watertownwaterways-improvement-program/

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THE CITY OF WATERTOWN

WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Landowner incentives for conservation practices that improve local water quality





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The City of Watertown is implementing water quality trading as an innovative way to achieve clean water goals and reduce the amount of phosphorus entering local waterways. Water quality trading gives municipalities the ability to partner with area landowners on implementing conservation practices that will achieve pollutant reductions.

Watertown's water quality trading will be facilitated by the *Watertown Waterways Improvement Program (WWIP)*, a partnership between Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department (LWCD), Rock River Coalition and the City of Watertown. This program will involve area landowners with the goal of reducing phosphorus in a way that is more effective and less expensive than the City working individually.

To help meet water quality requirements, the City of Watertown will reimburse private landowners for implementing voluntary conservation practices through WWIP. These conservation practices will

help decrease the amount of phosphorus runoff and improve water quality in the watershed at large. Eligible landowners who participate in this program will sign 10-year contracts, will be paid a fixed rate upon installation, and in some cases will receive annual payments for the length of the contract (see rates on back page).

Landowner Benefits:

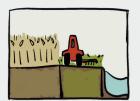
- Receive economic incentives offered through the City of Watertown.
- · Reduce soil erosion on your property.
- Improve your local water quality.
- Improve your farm's sustainability.



CONSERVATION PRACTICES

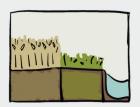
Examples include:

HARVESTABLE VEGETATED FILTER STRIPS



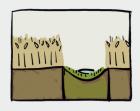
Strip of vegetation along the edge of a cropped field and/or adjacent to a waterway. The strips can be harvested as forage throughout the growing season.

VEGETATED FILTER STRIPS



Strips of vegetation (native species optional) along the edge of a cropped field and/or adjacent to a waterway that reduce suspended solids and contaminants.

GRASSED WATERWAYS



Graded channels with vegetation suitable to transport surface water to a less erodible site, which allows fields to shed water and reduces further erosion.

Additional practices:

- · Roof runoff structures
- Other acceptable best management practices may be eligible.

PARTICIPATION PROCESS

- 1. **Site Visit:** The landowner and LWCD meet and determine which conservation practice(s) works best for the land and landowner.
- **2. Design of Practice:** LWCD prepares a proposed conservation practice plan.
- **3. Modeling & Paperwork:** LWCD models phosphorus reduction based on the proposed plan.
- **4. Practice Approval:** The City of Watertown approves the conservation practice plan for funding.
- **5. Contracting:** The landowner signs a conservation practice contract.
- **6. Practice Installation:** The landowner or contractor installs the conservation practice (with oversight by LWCD if applicable).
- **7. Practice Certification & Payment:**Once installed, LWCD visits the property to certify practice. The City of Watertown pays the landowner the contracted initial payment.
- **8. Recording of Practice:** The City of Watertown records the conservation practice on the property deed.
- **9. Annual Visits:** LWCD conducts yearly site visits. If applicable, the City of Watertown pays the landowner an annual payment.
- **10. Termination:** Upon completion of contract, the City of Watertown files termination of agreement on property deed (unless the contract is renewed).

Groundwater Study Results Presentation

April 7, 2025 UW Extension: 864 Collins Road, Jefferson

5:30 pm - Educational Handouts and Nitrate Screening

6:00 pm - Presentation Kevin Masarik, UW-Stevens Point Patricia Cicero & Elizabeth McGeary, Jefferson County

Learn about:

- o groundwater basics
- well construction
- o test results including human health implications
- how to sample your private well
- o improving your drinking water quality

Towns of Ixonia & Watertown Residents:

Obtain a free arsenic analysis of your private well water via: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/wellwater-arsenicJC

You can get your private well water screened for nitrates!

Samples should be collected within 24 hours of being screened and the following procedure should be used:

- use a clean glass or plastic bottle/jar
- take sample from the main drinking water source
- run the faucet for 5-10 minutes on cold at full flow before collecting a sample
- do not touch the bottle/jar to the faucet

Groundwater Study Report and Interactive Dashboard of Results:

https://www.jeffersoncountywi.gov, search "groundwater"

Questions? Patricia at 920-674-7121 or patriciac@jeffersoncountywi.gov



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Date: March 11, 2025

Contact: Patricia Cicero, Director, Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department,

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Public Meeting on Jefferson County Groundwater Quality Study

The Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department, in collaboration with the Health Department and Planning and Zoning Department, worked with the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point Center for Watershed Science and Education on a groundwater study for Jefferson County. The study involved collecting data on a variety of important well water concerns to better understand the quality of the groundwater throughout the County and use the results to educate landowners about their drinking water.

Specific wells were chosen to represent the variety of Jefferson County soils, geology, land use, and other factors that can influence water quality. There were 828 samples collected and analyzed for the following constituents: nitrate-nitrogen, chloride, pH, hardness, conductivity, alkalinity, arsenic, lead, copper, calcium, magnesium, sodium, potassium, sulfate, phosphorus, zinc, iron, and manganese. Some tests are important to health (arsenic, nitrate, and manganese), while others indicate if there will be scale, taste, color, or odor issues.

Jefferson County is hosting a presentation on the groundwater study results on Monday, April 7 at the UW-Extension building, 864 Collins Road, Jefferson. The presentation on the study results will start at 6:00 pm and will be given by Kevin Masarik, Director of the Center for Watershed Science and Education. Attendees will learn about groundwater basics, well construction, test results (including those with human health implications), groundwater quality in Jefferson County, and improving your water quality. Jefferson County staff will also be on hand to explain the next steps related to education and outreach on groundwater issues.

Doors will open at 5:30 pm so that the public can obtain educational handouts and information on well water testing. At the event, citizens can also have their private well water screened for nitrate. To take advantage of this screening, samples should be collected within 24 hours of being screened and the following procedure should be used: use a clean glass or plastic bottle/jar, take sample from the main drinking water source, run the faucet for 5-10 minutes on cold at full flow before collecting a sample, do not touch the bottle/jar to the faucet.

Arsenic is naturally occurring in the soil and bedrock of some groundwater systems. Long-term exposure to arsenic in drinking water of greater than 0.01 mg/l can increase the likelihood of

certain cancers. Seven percent of the wells that were tested in this study exceeded the health standard. Wells in two towns – Ixonia and Watertown – had higher arsenic levels than the Jefferson County average, though averages for both towns were still below the health standard: 0.0084 mg/l in the Town of Ixonia and 0.0078 mg/l in the Town of Watertown. Given these results, citizens who reside in the Towns of Ixonia and Watertown can sign up for free arsenic testing of their private wells. Citizens in those towns should complete the following survey to have a staff from the Jefferson County Health Department contact you: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/wellwater-arsenicJC. Those contacted by the Health Department will either pick up their free arsenic tests at the April 7th presentation or at the Health Department offices.

The final report of the groundwater study, link to an interactive online dashboard of results, and other information on the groundwater study can be obtained by visiting Jefferson County's website (https://www.jeffersoncountywi.gov/) and entering "groundwater" into the search box in the upper right corner. For more information on the groundwater study, please contact Patricia Cicero, Director of the Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department, at 920-674-7121 or patriciac@jeffersoncountywi.gov.

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Nitrate Screening of Private Wells in Jefferson County

Citizens of Jefferson County can have their private well water screened for nitrate. After the screening, staff will inform the citizens if a lab analysis of their drinking water is recommended.

Steps for Collecting Water Sample

- samples should be collected within 24 hours of being screened
- use a clean glass or plastic bottle/jar
- take sample from the main drinking water source
- run the faucet for 5-10 minutes on cold at full flow before collecting a sample
- do not touch the bottle/jar to the faucet.

Nitrate Screening Opportunities

Monday – Friday, 8 am – 4:30 pm

- Land and Water Conservation Department, 311 S Center Ave., Jefferson
- Health Department, 1541 Annex Road, Jefferson

April 7 – 5:30 pm – 8 pm

- Groundwater Study Results Presentation
- Nitrate screening, educational handouts, kits for sending water samples to a lab, presentation on the results of the Jefferson County groundwater study
- UW-Extension, 864 Collins Road, Jefferson

April 26 – 9 am – 1 pm

- Earth Day Fair
- Jefferson High School gymnasium, 700 W Milwaukee St., Jefferson

May 17 - 9 am - 12 pm

- Humane Society of Jefferson County Furry 5K
- Jefferson County Fair Park, 503 N Jackson Ave., Jefferson

<u>June 7 – 10 am – 1 pm</u>

- Jefferson County Health Department Open House
- 1541 Annex Road, Jefferson

July 9-11 – times to be confirmed

- Jefferson County Fair
- 503 N Jackson Ave., Jefferson



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ACCOUNTS FOR: 100 General Fund	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
12401 Land Conservation							
12401 411100 General Property Taxes 12401 421001 24407 State Aid 12401 421001 24410 State Aid 12401 421001 24410 State Aid 12401 432099 Other Permits 12401 451020 Other Fees 12401 451020 Other Fees 12401 457031 24100 Admission Revenue 12401 458005 Ag & Hortic Supply Revenue 12401 458009 Livestock Siting App Review F 12401 458013 Farmland Cert Fee 12401 472007 24410 Municipal Other Charges 12401 472337 24409 Municipal Grant Revenue 12401 480102 24100 Misc Reimbursement 12401 511110 Salary-Permanent Regular 12401 511210 Wages-Regular 12401 511210 Wages-Overtime 12401 511240 24410 Wages-Temporary 12401 511240 24410 Wages-Temporary 12401 512141 Social Security 12401 512142 Retirement (Employer) 12401 512144 Health Insurance 12401 512151 HSA Contribution 12401 512153 HRA Contribution 12401 512153 HRA Contribution 12401 531301 Office Equipment 12401 531301 Office Equipment 12401 531301 Office Equipment 12401 531311 Postage & Box Rent 12401 531312 24409 Postage & Box Rent 12401 531312 24409 Office Supplies 12401 531313 24409 Printing & Duplicating 12401 531313 24409 Printing & Duplicating 12401 531313 Small Items Of Equipment	-100 -1,500 -23,970 -1,800 -15,000 -1,500 106,919 346,441	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	-388,487 -198,798 -13,003 -5,900 -15,000 -280 -1,150 -8,500 -1,500 -1,500 -1,500 -1,500 -1,500 375 32,156 31,139 66,841 54 6,150 5,448 1,500 1,250 400 50 400 350 250	-32,373.90 -00 -11,703.02 -1,462.50 -00 -160.00 -00 -4,906.00 -4,906.00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -00 -3,255.00 -00 -00 -00 -00 -00 -00 -00 -00 -00	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	-356,112.91 -198,798.00 -1,300.34 -4,437.50 -150.00 -280.00 -1,150.00 -3,594.00 -1,500.00 -1,236.06 -250.00 -250.00 -250.00 -250.00 -1,236.00 -250.00 -250.00	8.3% .0% 90.0% 24.8% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% 8.3% 8.6% .0% .0% .0% 8.7% 8.4% 10.9% .0% .0% .0% .0% .1.2% .0% .0% .0%



ACCOUNTS FOR: 100 General Fund	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
12401 531324 Membership Dues 12401 531326 Advertising 12401 531341 Agricultural & Hortic Suppli 12401 531343 24100 Food 12401 531348 Educational Supplies 12401 531351 Gas/Diesel 12401 532325 Registration 12401 532332 Mileage 12401 532332 Mileage 12401 532335 Meals 12401 532336 Lodging 12401 532336 Other Travel & Tolls 12401 533236 Wireless Internet 12401 535242 Maintain Machinery & Equip 12401 535249 Other Supplies 12401 535349 Other Supplies 12401 535349 24410 Other Supplies 12401 571004 IP Telephony Allocation 12401 571009 MIS PC Group Allocation 12401 571000 MIS Systems Grp Alloc(ISIS) 12401 571020 Fleet Allocation 12401 571020 Fleet Allocation 12401 571020 24409 Fleet Allocation	2,045 200 6,550 1,150 50 1,450 1,900 20 260 1,176 20 325 1,025 550 250 60 80 765 263 21,414 5,126 2,500 280 4,628	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2,045 200 6,550 1,150 1,450 1,900 20 260 1,176 20 325 1,025 550 60 80 765 263 21,414 5,126 2,500 280 4,628	1,799.05 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 1,131.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .44.25 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .0	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	245.95 200.00 6,550.00 1,150.00 50.00 1,450.00 769.00 20.00 260.00 1,176.00 20.00 325.00 940.58 523.81 250.00 15.75 80.00 765.00 263.00 21,414.00 5,126.00 2,500.00 4,627.62	88.0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0% .0%
12402 Wildlife Crop Damage 12402 421001 State Aid 12402 529299 Purchase Care & Services	-20,000 20,000	0	-20,000 20,000	.00 3,573.71	.00	-20,000.00 16,426.29	.0% 17.9%
12404 Local Cost Share Program 12404 421001 24403 State Aid 12404 472337 24404 Municipal Grant Revenue 12404 529299 24403 Purchase Care & Service 12404 529299 24404 Purchase Care & Service 12404 594950 24404 Operating Reserve 12404 699700 24404 Resv Applied Operating	-11,000 -60,000 11,000 60,000 79,832 -79,832	0 0 0 0 0	-11,000 -60,000 11,000 60,000 79,832 -79,832	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00	-11,000.00 -60,000.00 11,000.00 60,000.00 79,831.88 -79,831.88	. 0% . 0% . 0% . 0% . 0%
12405 DATCP Cost Share 12405 421003 State Aid GPR	-12,000	0	-12,000	.00	.00	-12,000.00	. 0%



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ACCOUNTS FOR: 100 General Fund	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
12405 421004 State Aid Bonded 12405 593701 Cost Share Payment 12405 594950 24405 Operating Reserve 12405 699700 24405 Resv Applied Operating	-29,500 41,500 2,800 -2,800	0 0 0 0	-29,500 41,500 2,800 -2,800	.00 .00 .00	.00 .00 .00	-29,500.00 41,500.00 2,800.00 -2,800.00	. 0% . 0% . 0% . 0%
12406 Non-Metallic Mining 12406 411100 General Property Taxes 12406 432004 Non-Metallic Permit Fee 12406 432005 Non-Metallic Annual Fee 12406 474175 Highway Billed 12406 531311 Postage & Box Rent 12406 531312 Office Supplies 12406 531351 Gas/Diesel 12406 532325 Registration 12406 532335 Meals 12406 532336 Lodging	15,564 -900 -13,040 -2,410 50 80 350 40 196	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	15,564 -900 -13,040 -2,410 70 50 80 350 40 196	1,297.00 .00 .00 .00 19.70 .00 .00 175.00 .00	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	14,267.00 -900.00 -13,040.00 -2,410.00 50.30 50.00 80.00 175.00 40.00 196.00	8.3% .0% .0% .0% .0% 28.1% .0% .0% .0% .0%
12407 Farmland Easement 12407 424001 Federal Grants 12407 458003 Farmland Easement Fee 12407 481001 Interest & Dividends 12407 531311 Postage & Box Rent 12407 531312 Office Supplies 12407 531313 Printing & Duplicating 12407 594816 Capital Conserve Easement 12407 594950 Operating Reserve 12407 699800 Resv Applied Capital	-150,000 -750 -6,000 20 30 279,000 384,289 -506,609	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	-150,000 -750 -6,000 20 20 30 279,000 384,289 -506,609	.00 .00 -755.42 .78 .00 .00 .00	.00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00 .00	-150,000.00 -750.00 -5,244.58 19.22 20.00 30.00 279,000.00 384,288.67 -506,608.67	.0% .0% 12.6% 3.9% .0% .0% .0%
12408 County Farm 12408 411100 General Property Taxes 12408 529170 Grounds Keeping Charges 12408 535249 Sundry Repair 12409 Farm Drainage Board	-2,737 737 2,000	0 0 0	-2,737 737 2,000	-228.06 .00 .00	.00 .00 .00	-2,508.62 736.68 2,000.00	8 . 3% . 0% . 0%
12409 411100 General Property Taxes	-10,000	0	-10,000	-833.33	.00	-9,166.67	8.3%



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ACCOUNTS FOR: 100 General Fund	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE PCT BUDGET USED	
12400 514151 Day Diam	4 450		4 450	00	00	4 450 00 0	0/
12409 514151 Per Diem 12409 521212 Legal	4,450 1,300	0	4,450 1,300	. 00 . 00	.00 .00	4,450.00 .00 1,300.00 .00	
12409 531312 Office Supplies	200	Ö	200	.00	.00	200.00 .0	
12409 531313 Printing & Duplicating	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00 .0	%
12409 531324 Membership Dues	100	0	100	100.00	.00	.00 100.0	%
12409 531349 Other Operating Expenses	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00 .0	%
12409 532325 Registration	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00 .0	
12409 532332 Mileage	2,150	0	2,150	.00	.00	2,150.00 .0	
12409 591513 Drainage Board Insurance	1,500	0	1,500	1,385.00	.00	115.00 92.3	%



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	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
GRAND TOTAL	0	0	0	3 985 89	00	-3 985 89	0%