

CHIPPEWA COUNTY

LAND CONSERVATION & FOREST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2022

CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302

4:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Ken Schmitt	Chippewa County	District 3 (Chair)	Present	
Charles Bomar	Chippewa County	District 12 (Vice-Chair)	Present	
James Flater	Chippewa County	District 1	Present	
David Bischel	Chippewa County	District 4	Present	
Jason Bergeron	Chippewa County	District 7	Present	
Matthew Peterson	Chippewa County	District 10	Absent	
James Pingel	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	

The Chair noted that all supervisors were present except Supervisor Peterson, who had called earlier to say he could not make the meeting.

Agency staff present at times throughout the meeting were R. Scholz (Co. Administrator), D. Hutchison and J. Vander Loop (DNR), J. Gregory, M. Hansen, K. Klingberg, L. Schweikert, and J. Schemenauer - Recorder (LCFM).

Members of the public present were P. Popple and B. Zimmerman.

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

D. Hutchison (DNR) introduced J. Vander Loop, the DNR Forestry Technician working out of the Jim Falls Ranger Station.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Discussion was held to change the 9/21/22 regular meeting date to 9/14/22 at 4:30 p.m.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda with the amended next meeting date of 9/14/22: Bomar/Bischel. Motion carried by voice vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Charles Bomar, District 12 (Vice-Chair)
SECONDER:	David Bischel, District 4
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Peterson

1. Approve the Agenda

2. Approve the Minutes

Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee - Regular Meeting - Jul 20, 2022 4:30 PM

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Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee - Special Meeting - Jul 26, 2022 8:00 AM

3. Schedule Next Meeting Date - Amended to September 14, 2022

5. REPORTS

1. Status of Lake Wissota Stewardship Project - J. Gregory

J. Gregory presented an oral report. The report was supported by the following materials:

1. Graphs and text summarizing the water quality data of Lake Wissota and Little Lake Wissota, at various locations around the lakes, from approximately 2000 to the present (LCFM - Distributed 8/11/22 - copy on file & attached).
2. Map titled: LWSP Volunteer Monitoring Sites, (LCFM 8/17/22 - copy on file & attached). The map shows the location of sites where LWSP volunteers monitor water clarity and turbidity.

There was general discussion regarding the collection of water samples, water quality data, and water clarity.

2. Producer-Led Watershed Update - L. Schweikert

L. Schweikert presented an oral report. She reported that a meeting was held on 7/28/22 to gauge interest in starting a farmer-led watershed council.

The meeting was attended by several area farmers and they indicated that others were interested in participating in the group. B. Panzer offered to be the lead for the group and is planning on setting up another meeting in the future.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Cover Crop Cost Sharing Policy - L. Schweikert

L. Schweikert presented an oral report. The report was supported by the following materials:

1. Document titled: Chippewa County Cover Crop Cost Sharing Guidance, (LCFM 8/16/22 - Distributed 8/16/22 - copy on file & attached). The document provides guidance for the cover crop cost sharing project and a proposed timeline.
2. Form titled: Chippewa County Resource Management Grant Program, Cost-Share Application, (LCFM 8/16/22 - Distributed 8/16/22 - copy on file & attached). The form is an application for the cover crop cost sharing project.

There was general discussion. Discussion focused on:

1. Guidance criteria.
2. Implementation of the cover crop project and data to be collected.

There was general Committee agreement regarding the proposed cover crop cost sharing guidance. The policy for this project will be presented to the Committee at the September LCFM meeting.

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2. Authorize Deer Fly Chase Mountain Bike Race Permit in County Forest - M. Hansen

M. Hansen presented an oral report. The report was supported by the following material:

1. Agreement titled: Chippewa County Forest Special Event Permit and Agreement, (LCFM - Distributed 8/11/22 - copy on file & attached). The agreement grants the Friends of Hickory Ridge exclusive use of the Dog Island Warming House and certain segments of the Chippewa County Forest property trail network to conduct a mountain bike race.
2. Map titled: Attachment A - Tentative Route, likely to change before final race authorization, (Distributed 8/11/22 - copy on file & attached). The map shows the tentative route of the race.

Motion to approve (the Deer Fly Chase Mountain Bike Race Permit): Flater/Bomar. Motion carried by voice vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Flater, District 1
SECONDER:	Charles Bomar, District 12 (Vice-Chair)
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Peterson

3. Phoenix Orion Leary Memorial Bench - Hickory Ridge Mountain Bike Trail - M. Hansen

M. Hansen presented an oral report. The report was supported by a map showing the Hickory Ridge Trails in the Chippewa County Forest and the proposed location of a memorial bench for P. Leary.

Motion to accept the memorial bench request: Flater/Bergeron. Motion carried by voice vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Flater, District 1
SECONDER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Peterson

4. The LCFM Committee will go into closed session pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e) for the purposes of "deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session" (Consider real estate transaction for parcel in T32N, R5W, Section 28) - M. Hansen

Motion that the LCFM Committee will go into closed session pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e) for the purposes of "deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session" (Consider real estate transaction for parcel in T32N, R5W, Section 28), with the LCFM Committee, L. Schweikert, M. Hansen, R. Scholz, and J. Schemenauer in closed session attendance: Bergeron/Bomar. Roll call vote: J. Pingel - Aye, C. Bomar - Aye, J. Bergeron - Aye, J. Flater - Aye, D. Bischel - Aye, and K. Schmitt - Aye. Motion carried.

The Committee went into closed session at 5:31 p.m.

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Motion to go into open session: Bergeron/Flater. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Committee went into open session at 5:51 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Charles Bomar, District 12 (Vice-Chair)
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Peterson

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

M. Hansen indicated that he will be reporting to the Committee in the future regarding an update to the Chippewa County Outdoor Recreation Plan.

8. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn: Flater/Bomar. Motion carried by voice vote at 5:54 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Flater, District 1
SECONDER:	Charles Bomar, District 12 (Vice-Chair)
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Peterson

CHIPPEWA COUNTY

LAND CONSERVATION & FOREST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

JULY 20, 2022

CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM 302

4:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Ken Schmitt	Chippewa County	District 3 (Chair)	Late	4:31 PM
Charles Bomar	Chippewa County	District 12 (Vice-Chair)	Present	
James Flater	Chippewa County	District 1	Absent	
David Bischel	Chippewa County	District 4	Present	
Jason Bergeron	Chippewa County	District 7	Present	
Matthew Peterson	Chippewa County	District 10	Absent	
James Pingel	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	

Vice-Chair Bomar called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Chair Schmitt arrived at the meeting at 4:31 p.m.

Department staff present at times throughout the meeting were R. Scholz (Co. Administrator), K. Clow, M. Hansen, K. Klingberg, J. Puig, and J. Schemenauer - Recorder (LCFM) and agency staff C. Alberg and J. Hartung (USDA-APHIS).

County Board Chair D. Gullickson was present.

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO BE HEARD

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	David Bischel, District 4
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Flater, Peterson

1. Approve the Agenda
2. Approve the Minutes
3. Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee - Regular Meeting - Jun 15, 2022 4:30 PM
4. Schedule Next Meeting Date - August 17, 2022

Land Conservation & Forest Management Committee

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Regular Meeting

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5. REPORTS

1. Review Transfer of Wildlife Damage & Claims Abatement Program from UWEX to LCFM - C. Alberg & J. Hartung (USDA)
C. Alberg (USDA-APHIS Assistant District Supervisor) introduced himself and J. Hartung (USDA-APHIS field technician).

C. Alberg presented an oral report. The report was supported by the following materials:

1. Fact sheet titled: Wisconsin's Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program, What Farmers Need to Know, (DNR 12/2013 - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached).
2. Table titled: Wisconsin Wildlife Damage, Abatement and Claims Program, USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services - Wildlife Damage Program Update, Chippewa County, 2022 - YTD Program Enrollee Summary, (USDA - APHIS - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached).

There was general discussion. Discussion focused on the program and process for approving claims.

2. Review of 2022 Non-Metallic Mine Audit - K. Clow
K. Clow presented an oral report. The report summarized the results of a WI DNR audit for Chippewa County's non-metallic mining program, conducted May 11-12, 2022.

There was limited discussion.

3. Review of 2016 Groundwater Study - K. Klingberg
K. Klingberg presented an oral report. The report was supported by several slides regarding nitrate testing information, from the Power Point report titled: 2016 Chippewa County Groundwater Quality Inventory, (UWSP 2016 - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached).

There was limited discussion.

4. Review Limits on Chippewa County Stewardship & Special Conservation Funds - M. Hansen
M. Hansen gave an oral report on the Chippewa County Stewardship and Special Conservation Funds and fund limits.

There was general discussion. Discussion focused on the proposed carbon credit program and funding allocations.

5. Timber Sale Alteration #1356 - Wagon Trail Oak - M. Hansen
M. Hansen presented an oral report. The report was supported by a map titled: Sale #1356 - 6 acres of Ash Logs added to the sale, (LCFM - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached). The map shows the additional 6 acres added to Sale #1356, which will allow harvesting of swamp ash during unfrozen conditions with the use of cable skidders.

There was limited discussion.

6. Overview of Scheduled County Tour - M. Hansen
M. Hansen presented an oral report. The report was supported by a tour schedule titled: 2022 Chippewa County LCFM Tour, (LCFM - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached). The schedule outlines the route and sites to be visited on the LCFM tour, scheduled 7/26/22.

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6. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Permit for Access Through County Forest Land; Fischer Parcel, T32N, R7W, Sec. 26 - M. Hansen
M. Hansen presented an oral report. The report was supported by the following materials:

1. Agreement titled: Fischer Access Permit Agreement, (LCFM - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached). The agreement outlines the terms to be granted to T. Fischer for the purpose of obtaining access to and from the Fischer land across county-owned land for a period of 15 years.
2. Map titled: Exhibit A - Fischer Access Permit Agreement, (LCFM - Distributed 7/14/22 - copy on file & attached). The map shows the location of the access for the Fischer permit.

Motion to approve the access agreement (as presented): Bomar/Bischel. Motion carried by voice vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Charles Bomar, District 12 (Vice-Chair)
SECONDER:	David Bischel, District 4
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Flater, Peterson

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

The Chair noted that if the supervisors would like anything added to the next agenda, to contact him.

8. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn: Bergeron/Bischel. Motion carried by voice vote at 6:00 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	David Bischel, District 4
AYES:	Schmitt, Bomar, Bischel, Bergeron, Pingel
ABSENT:	Flater, Peterson

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CHIPPEWA COUNTY
LAND CONSERVATION & FOREST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING

JULY 26, 2022

OFF SITE

8:00 AM

THE MEETING WILL COMMENCE AND END IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE CHIPPEWA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 711 N. BRIDGE STREET, CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI 54729.

No business will be conducted or action taken. A quorum of the County Board may potentially be present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Bomar called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Ken Schmitt	Chippewa County	District 3 (Chair)	Absent	
Charles Bomar	Chippewa County	District 12 (Vice-Chair)	Present	
James Flater	Chippewa County	District 1	Present	
David Bischel	Chippewa County	District 4	Present	
Jason Bergeron	Chippewa County	District 7	Present	
Matthew Peterson	Chippewa County	District 10	Present	
James Pingel	Chippewa County	Citizen Rep	Present	

Agency staff present at times throughout the tour were D. Hutchison (DNR), K. Clow, A. Gilles, J. Gregory, M. Hansen, K. Klingberg, J. Larson, L. Schweikert, T. Shutter, R. Yohnk, and J. Schemenauer - Recorder (LCFM).

Members of the public present at times throughout the tour were C. Laufenberg and K. and S. Culver.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER: David Bischel, District 4
AYES: Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Peterson, Pingel
ABSENT: Schmitt

1. Approve the Agenda

4. REPORTS

1. 8:00-8:30 - Registration/Board Bus
The Committee departed from the Courthouse at approximately 8:30 a.m.
2. 8:30-12:00 - View Industrial Sand Mines and Manure Storage Facility

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The Committee viewed the following sites:

1. EOG Resources - SS mine site.
2. Preferred Sands mine site.
3. S. Culver waste storage facility and transfer.
4. Superior Silica Sands mine site.
3. 12:00-1:00 - Lunch at David R. Obey Ice Age Interpretive Center
The Committee toured the David R. Obey Ice Age Interpretative Center and had lunch.
4. 1:00-3:15 - Tour Chippewa County Forest & View Planned Ice Age Trail Corridor
The Committee toured the Chippewa County Forest and viewed an active timber sale site, the Hickory Ridge Trailhead, and the proposed Ice Age Trail Corridor through Chippewa County.
5. 3:15-4:30 - View Agricultural Practices & Return to Courthouse
The Committee viewed various agricultural practices in the eastern part of Chippewa County (Steinke, Siverling).

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

7. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn: Bergeron/Peterson. Motion carried by voice vote at 4:07 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jason Bergeron, District 7
SECONDER:	Matthew Peterson, District 10
AYES:	Bomar, Flater, Bischel, Bergeron, Peterson, Pingel
ABSENT:	Schmitt

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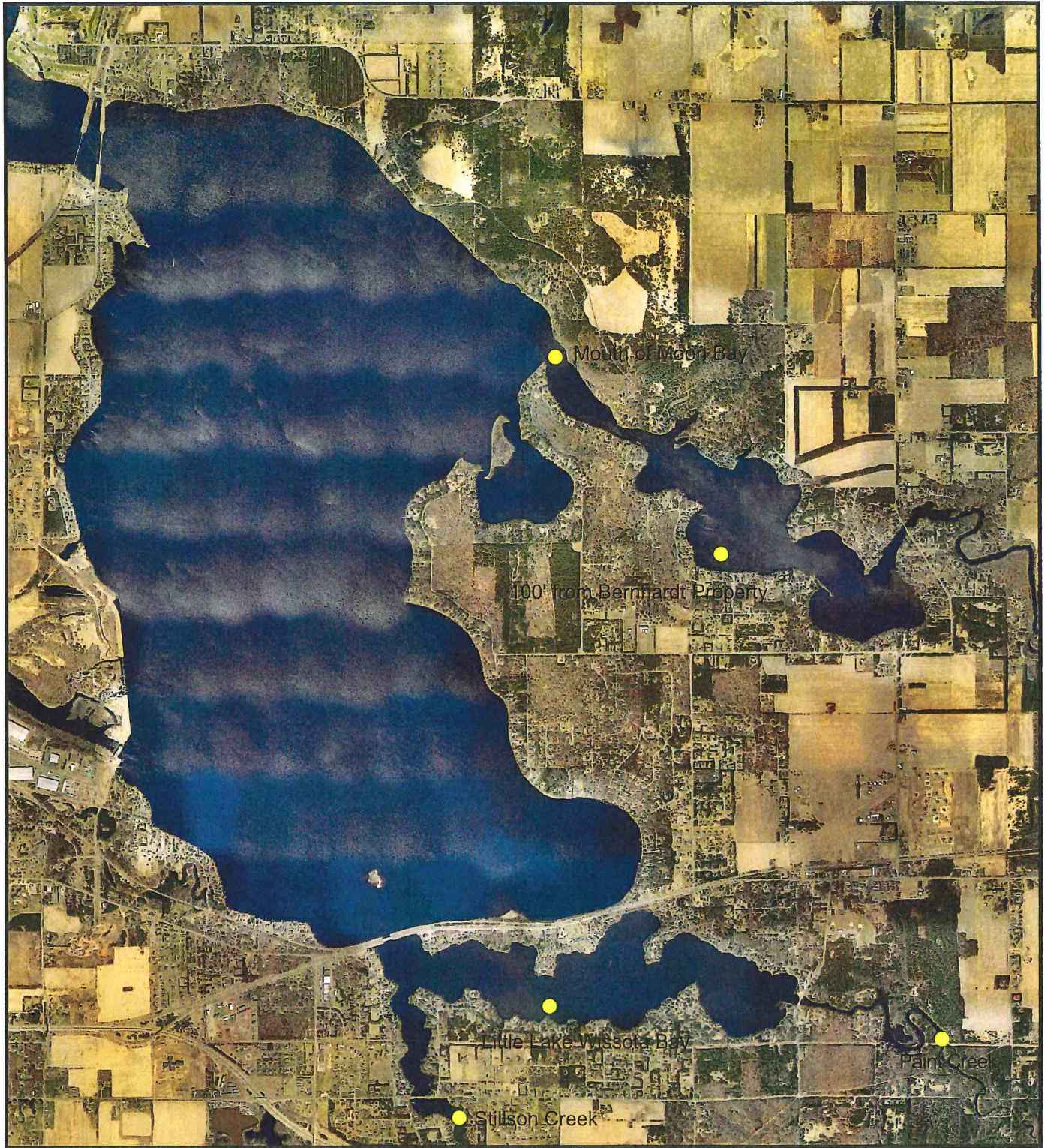


**STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION
STATUS OF LAKE WISSOTA STEWARDSHIP PROJECT**

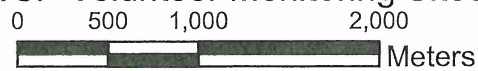
5.1

Jackson Gregory, LCFM Resource Technician LTE, has compiled monitoring data for the Lake Wissota Watershed. This data ranges from 2001-2022 and was collected by the Citizen Lake Monitoring Network (CLMN). Parameters monitored were Secchi Disk, Total Phosphorus & Trophic State Index (TSI).

This agenda item will provide an update on the data collected.



LWSP Volunteer Monitoring Sites

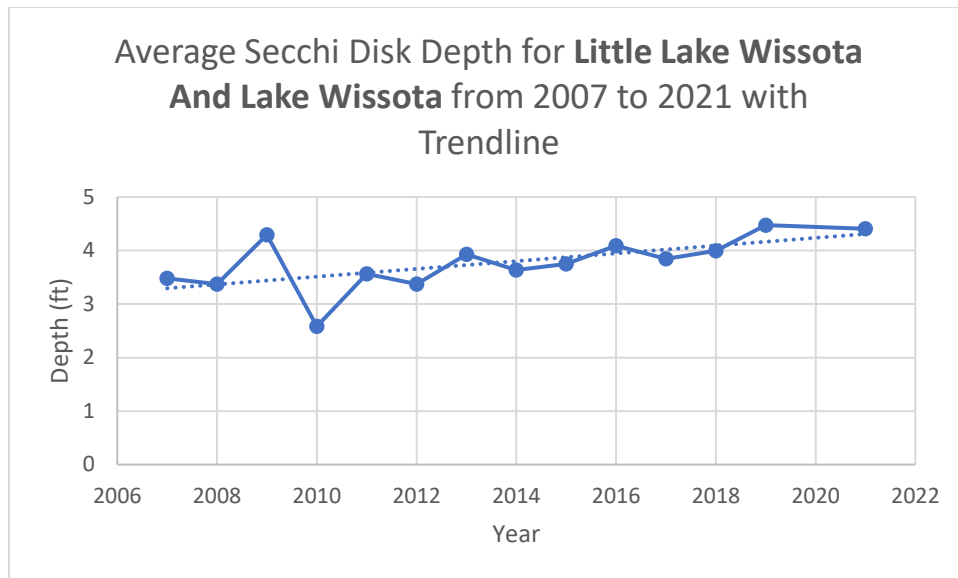


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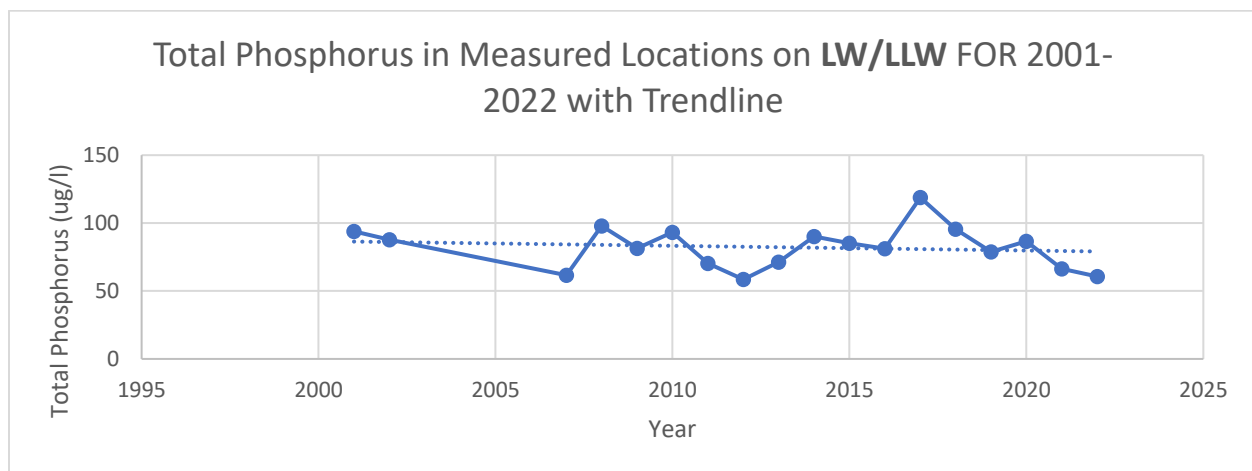
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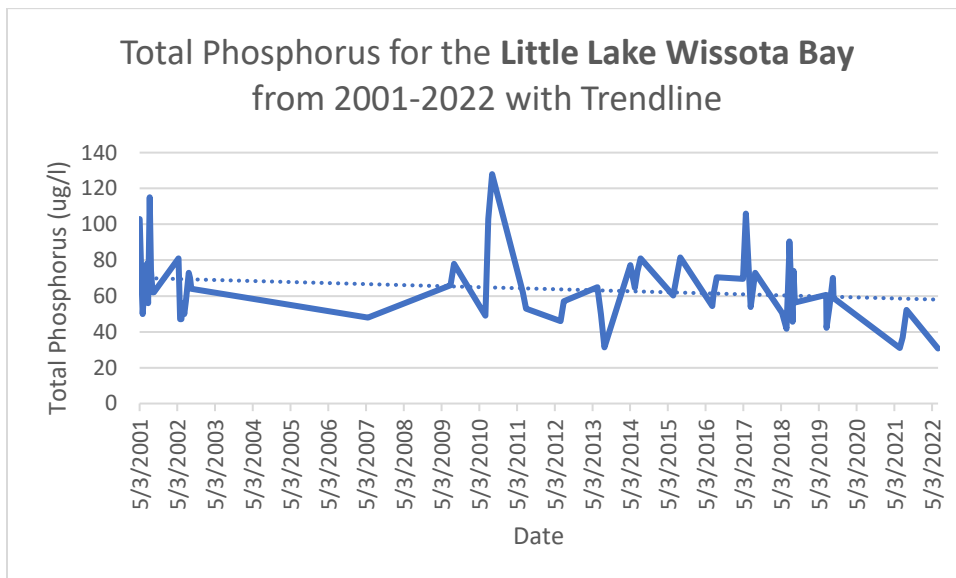
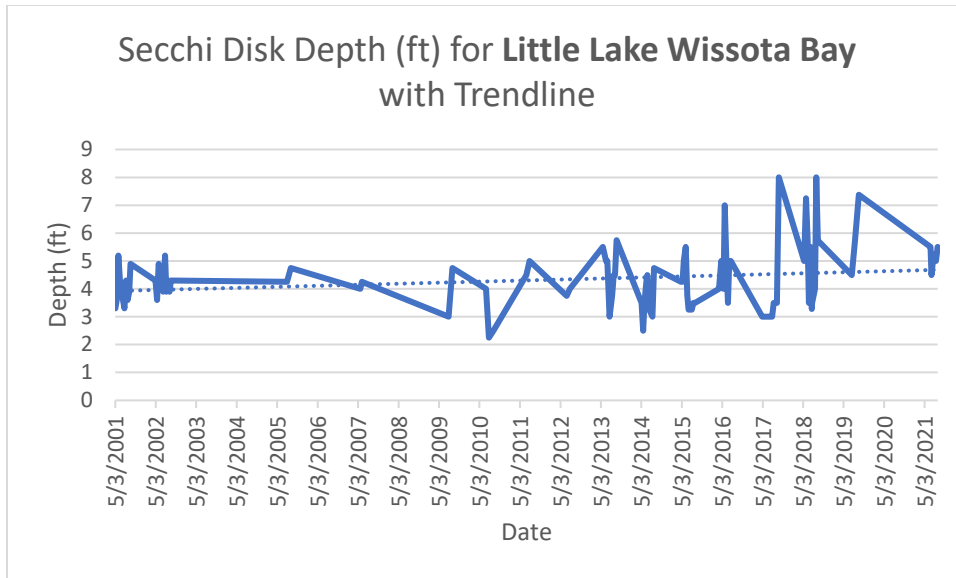


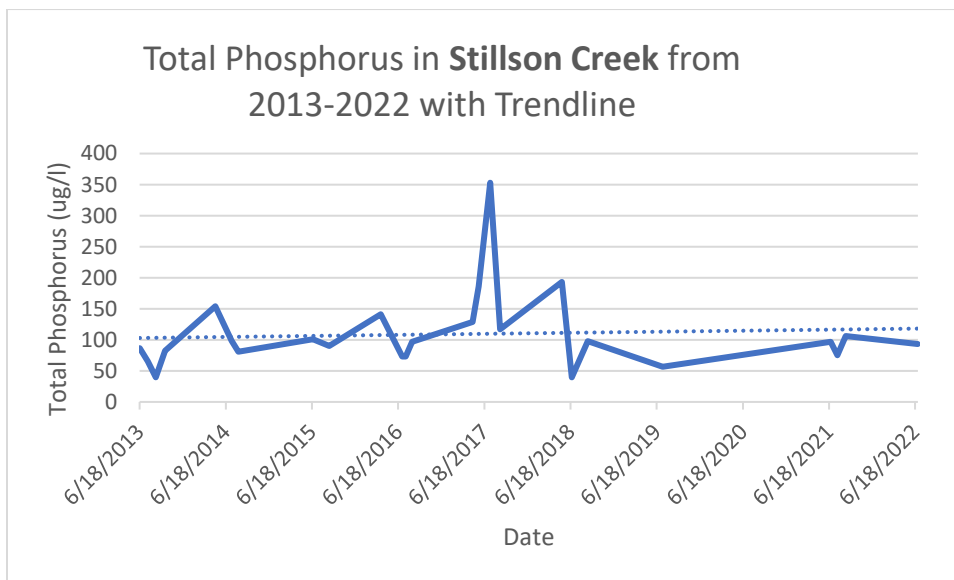
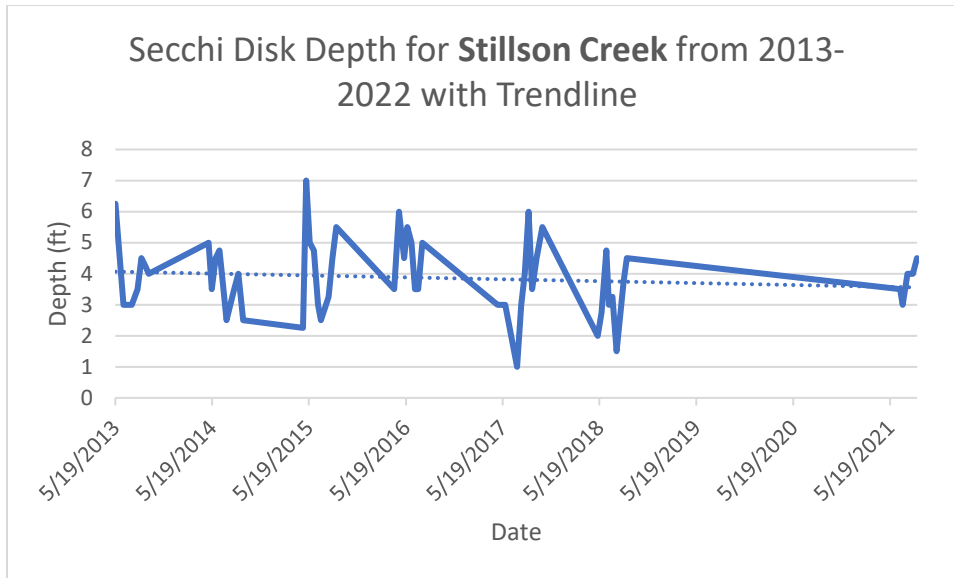


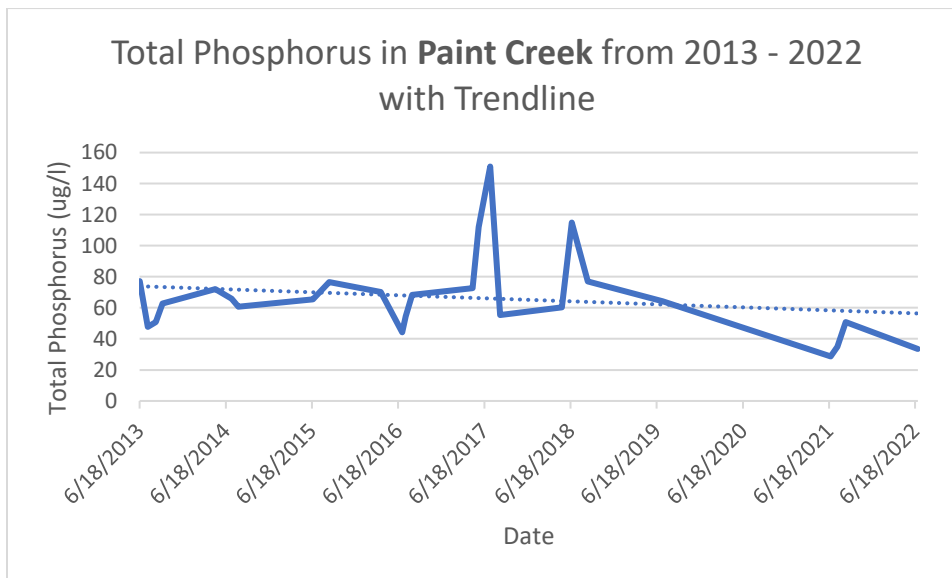
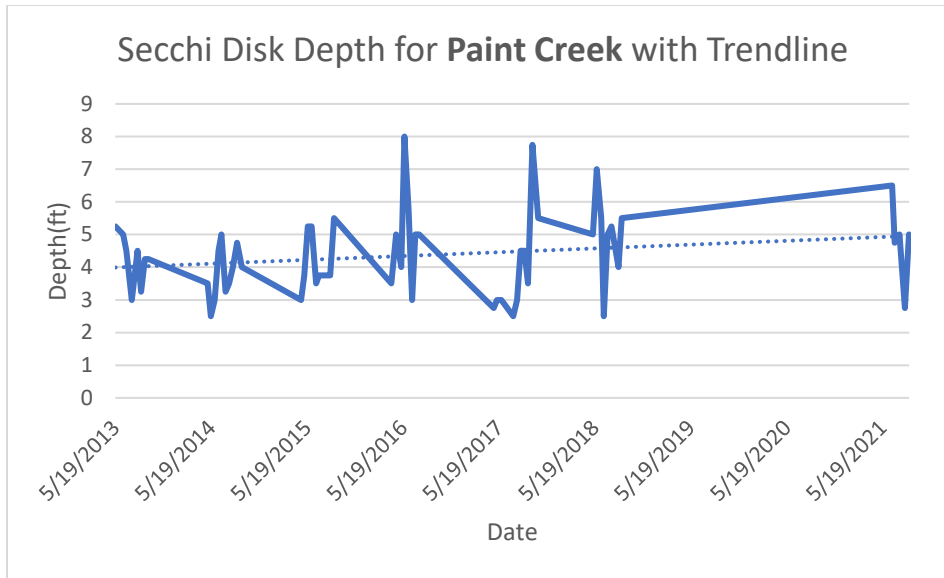
A Secchi disk is a tool used to measure water turbidity and clarity. It is a round disk which is divided into four alternating quadrants, two of which are white and two of which are black. The measurements in this document were taken as the disk was submerged deeper and deeper beneath Lake Wissota and Little Lake Wissota's surface and once the Secchi disk was no longer visible, the depth was taken. Simply put, the higher the value for Secchi disk depth, the clearer the water.

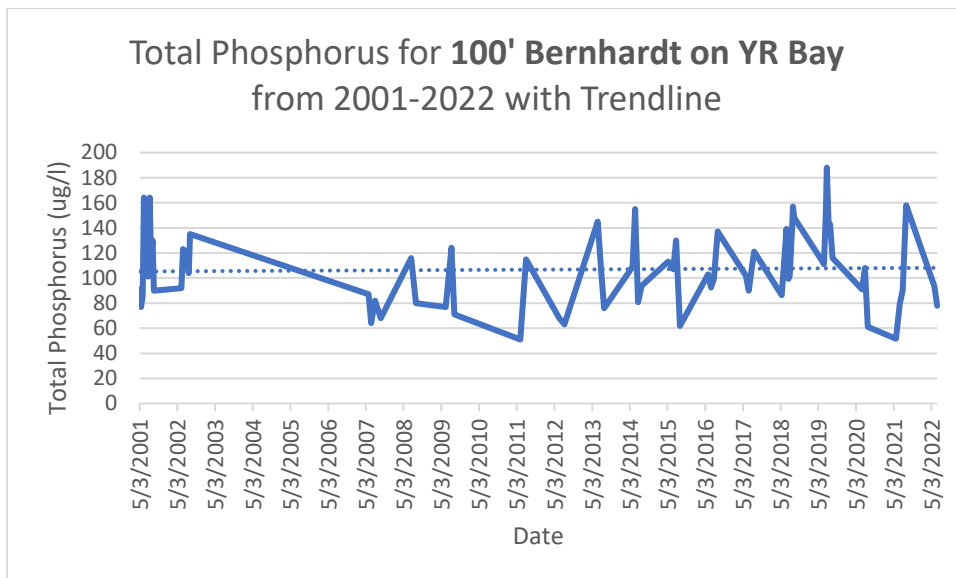
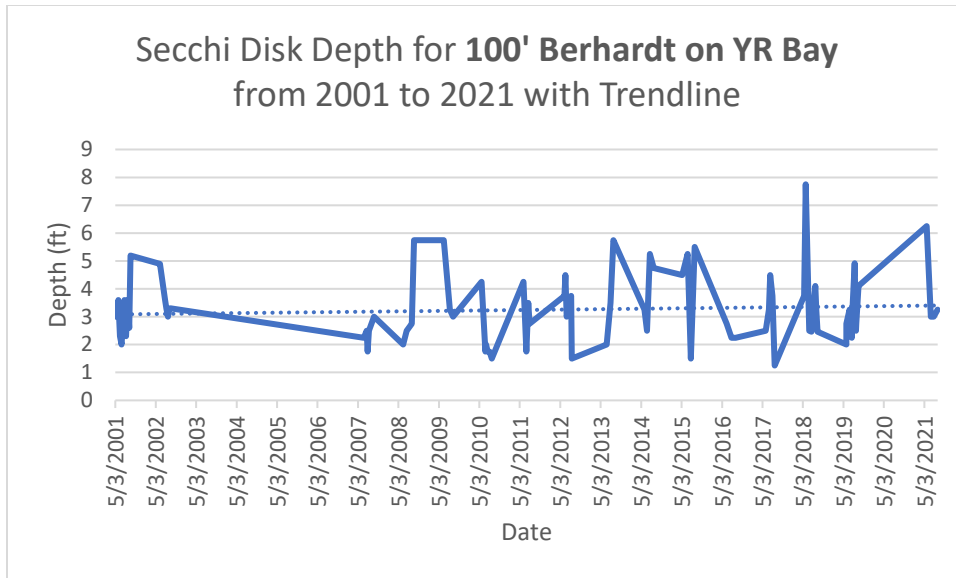


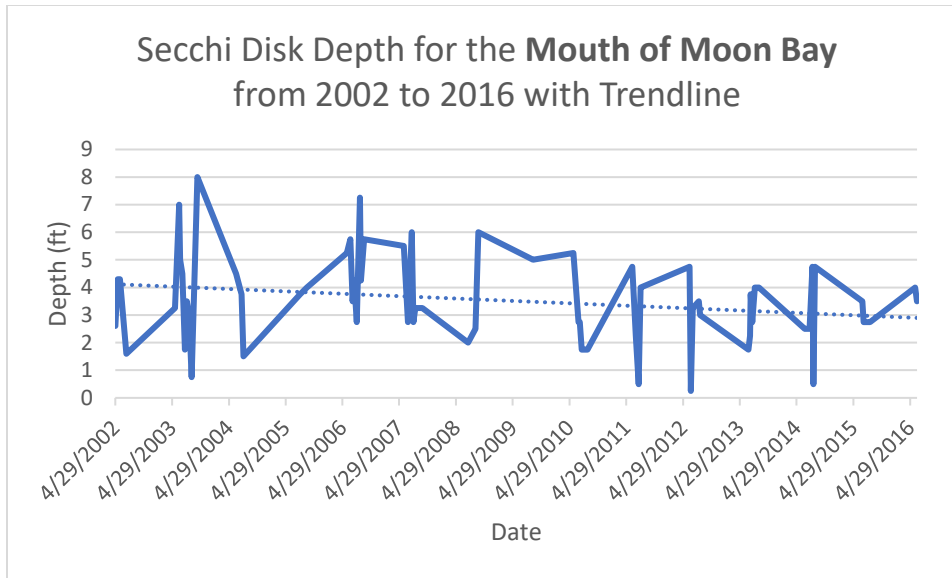
Total Phosphorus is the combination of both particulate, and dissolved phosphorus. Dissolved phosphorus is that which can be taken up and utilized by plants. Levels of dissolved phosphorus vary significantly on a daily basis as plants continually remove it from the water system and utilize it for growth. Particulate phosphorus is the phosphorus which has already been taken up by either a plant or animal and can be found suspended in the water in the form of some organic matter. Using Total Phosphorus rather than particulate or dissolved phosphorus gives us a better idea as to exactly how much phosphorus is already in Little Lake Wissota and Lake Wissota.



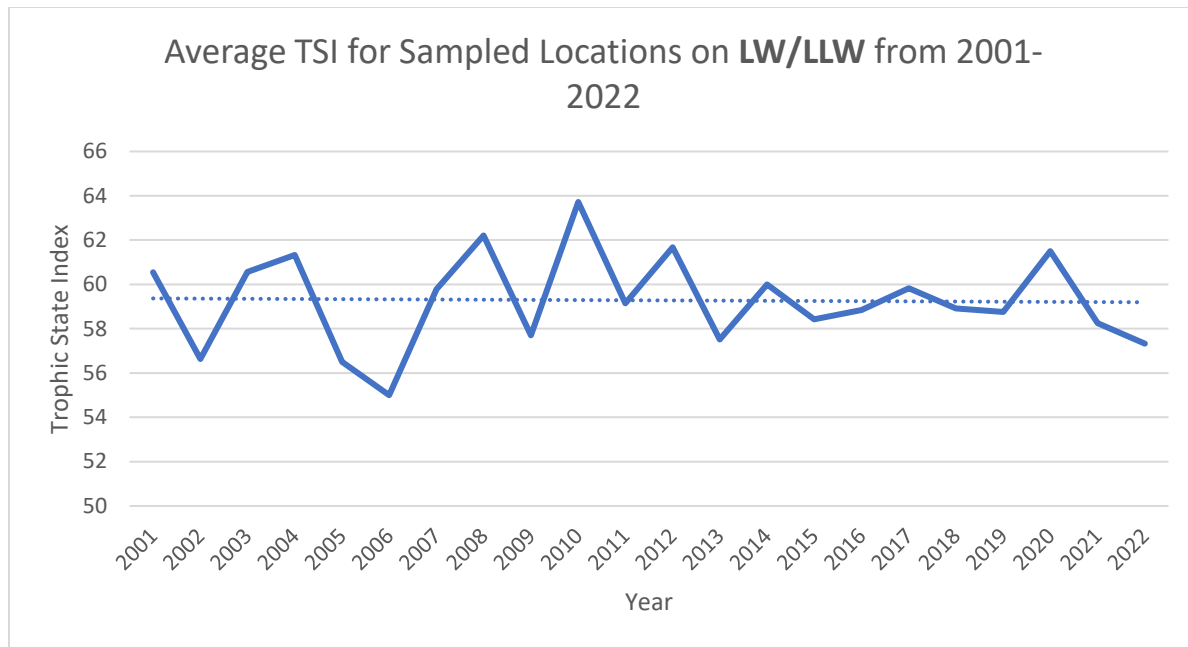








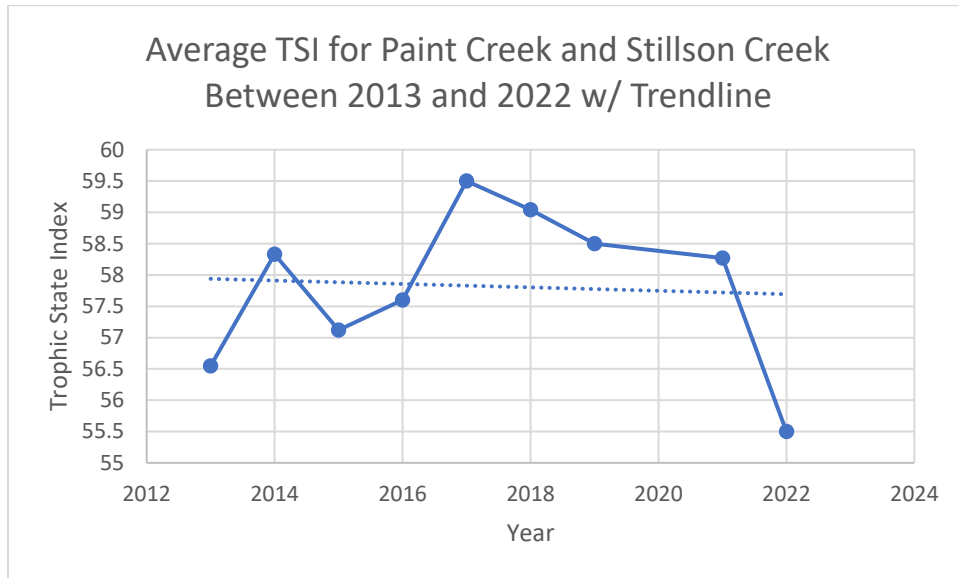
Total Phosphorus data for the Mouth of Moon Bay was missing for many years and would likely give misrepresentative figures. So, no graph was created and Moon Bay was excluded in the graph displaying average Total Phosphorus.



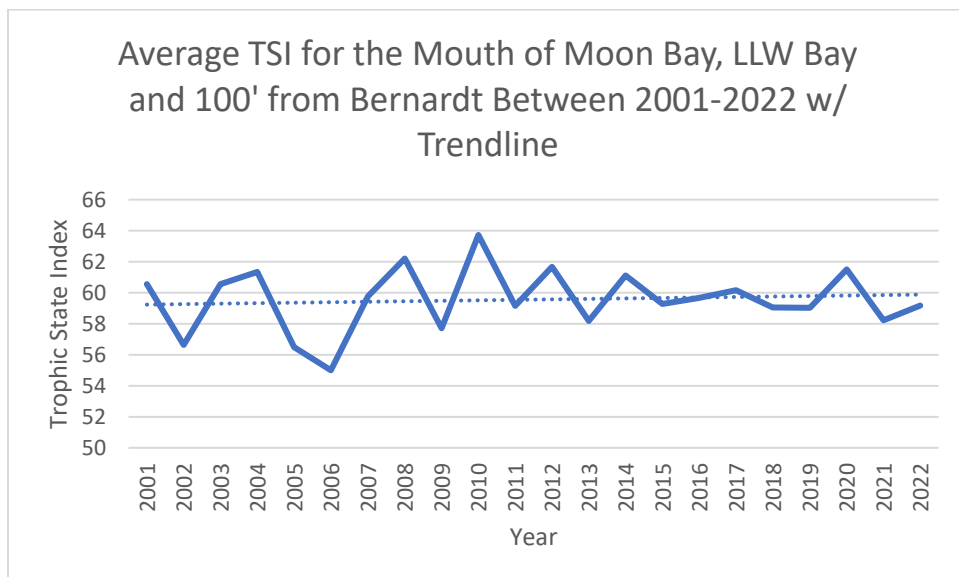
The Trophic State Index (TSI) is a means of measuring the biological productivity of a given body of water. The nutrient content of the water is, generally, a good determinant of TSI. So, for the graph above, Total Phosphorus (TP) was one of the factors used to calculate the TSI of Lake Wissota and Little Lake Wissota. Additionally, Secchi disk depth and chlorophyll were also used to calculate the Trophic State Index and the three values were averaged.

Water bodies with a TSI of 0-29 are minimally productive and are ideal for drinking water and water sports. A TSI of 30-45 is indicative of a moderately productive body of water. These lakes, ponds, streams, etc. generally support a good amount of biodiversity. On few occasions, did Little Lake and Lake Wissota test this low. The vast majority of data collected points to Little Lake Wissota and Lake Wissota having a TSI of 46-70. The average for all the sampled data was a TSI of 59.26. Water bodies with a TSI of 46-70 can support significant biodiversity and are sufficiently productive. A TSI of 71-100 indicates an overabundance of nutrients and will support the highest level of biodiversity.

Below, the average TSI graph has been divided into two separate graphs. One displays the average TSI for Stillson Creek and Paint Creek from 2013 to 2022, with data missing from 2020. There is significant variation in the yearly data but it is trending downward.



The other graph displays the average TSI for the Mouth of Moon Bay, Little Lake Wissota Bay and 100 feet from the Bernhardt Property from 2001 to 2022. Though the trendline does indicate that TSI is increasing, the variation from year to year is significantly decreasing. Also, the effects of decreasing nutrients entering the rivers and streams which feed Lake Wissota and Little Lake Wissota will take longer to materialize in these locations compared to Stillson Creek and Paint Creek as the nutrients persist in the sediments and organisms of the lake.





STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION PRODUCER-LED WATERSHED UPDATE

5.2

On 7/28/22, a meeting was held at Wisconsin Farmer's Union's Kamp Kenwood to gauge interest in starting a farmer-led watershed council in Chippewa County.

The meeting provided information to farmers in our region on how to be conservation leaders and earn incentives for good practices.

This agenda item will provide an update to the Committee on the 7/28/22 meeting and the current status of the group.



STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION COVER CROP COST SHARING POLICY

6.1

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 is a \$1.9 trillion Economic Stimulus Package that was signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021. This Act appropriates direct payments to state, local, territorial and tribal governments. The payments allocated for counties are based on populations of all counties across the nation. The Land Conservation & Forest Management Department requested the use of \$500,000 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for the purpose of Nitrogen Remediation.

On 6/15/22, a proposed plan was presented for committee consideration with a Dept. recommendation for committee approval. The LCFM Committee approved the proposal to be added to the ARPA plan and include for ARPA funding.

On 7/5/22, the Executive Committee reviewed and amended the proposal to approve \$250,000 funding for 2022 and wait and approve \$250,000 funding in 2023 after a report has been brought back to the County Board on what has been completed up to that point.

On 7/12/22, the County Board of Supervisors approved the proposal, as amended.

This agenda item will provide an update to the Committee on the status of the LCFM ARPA nitrate project and cover crop cost sharing policy.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY COVER CROP

COST SHARING Guidance — Revised 8/16/2022

6.1.a

- Producers must have a signed contract by the Land Conservation & Forest Management Department **prior** to the cover crop being planted
- Criteria used in ranking
 - 100 ac maximum (will reassess if funds are available)
 - Years of commitment (1-4)
 - Whole Farm Assessment
 - % fields with nitrogen sensitive soils
 - [Groundwater Nitrogen Targeted Areas of Wisconsin \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com)
 - Existing participation in a cover crop program
 - Date application received in office
- 1st round of applications will be ranked September 1st, 2022 allocating the \$250,000. If there is remaining money, a second round will be allocated
 - Priority and Rates for applicants
 - High Priority – 100% of funding depending on applications
 - \$70/Acre/Year x 4 Years = \$280/Acre Up-front payment
 - 4 Year Commitment
 - Whole Farm Assessment
 - Schedule for Compliance
 - Low Priority – If funds available after high priority allocation
 - \$30/Acre
 - 1 -4 Year Commitment
 - No Farm Assessment
 - Eligibility for applicants already participating in cover crop program
 - Would increase cost share up to \$70/ac if:
 - Agree to 4 years of cover crop &
 - Whole Farm Assessment &
 - Schedule for Compliance
 - All approved applicants will receive
 - Baseline/follow up nitrogen water test
 - Baseline/follow up soil health test
- Whole Farm Plan entails:
 - NR 151 Statewide Performance Standard Review
 - Farmstead
 - Crop Field
 - Pasture
 - Schedule of Compliance Developed
- Field(s) must be seeded by October 15 in any calendar year
- Cost-sharing payment will be issued following verification by the LCFM Dept that cover crop is growing and walk over completed if applicable.

Attachment: Cover Crop Cost Sharing Guidance (7265 : Cover Crop Cost Sharing Policy)

ARPA Cover Crop Timeline

6.1.a

1. 8/19/2022 - Mail Cover Crop Outreach Letter
2. 8/23/2022 – Landowners start receiving letters
3. 8/31/2022 – Application Deadline
4. 9/9/2022 – Ranking
5. 9/16/2022 – Contract Developed
6. 10/1/2022 – Baseline Samples Collected for Groundwater/Soil Health metrics
7. 10/15/2022 – Seeding Deadline
8. 11/15/2022 – Field verify seed germination
9. 12/1/2022 –Whole Farm Plan Assessment
10. 12/15/2022 - Process Cost Share Reimbursement
11. 2/15/2023 – Whole farm plan assessments completed with reports
12. 3/15/2023 – Meet with landowner to discuss schedule for compliance
13. 4/15/2023 – Apply for Small Scale Targeted Runoff Management Grants as needed for compliance
14. 5/15/2023 – Conduct follow up soil health tests
15. 6/1/2023 – If funding is available - 2023 Cover Crop Outreach Letter w/ aerial & conventional application options
16. 6/30/2023 – Application deadline
17. 7/15/2023 – Ranking
18. 7/31/2023 – Contract Developed
19. 8/15/2023 – Aerial applications begin
20. 9/15/2023 – Conventional applications begin
21. 10/1/2023 - Baseline samples collected for 2023 Applicants
22. 10/15/2023 – Seeding Deadline
23. 11/15/2023 – Field verify seed germination
24. 12/1/2023 –Whole Farm Plan Assessment
25. 12/15/2023 - Process Cost Share Reimbursement
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Attachment: Cover Crop Cost Sharing Guidance (7265 : Cover Crop Cost Sharing Policy)

Chippewa COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM Cost-Share Application

Section 92.14, Wis. Stats.

For use to document request for cost-share assistance related to LWRM Plan implementation.
Eligibility determined by LCFM

COST SHARE PROGRAM: ☐ ARPA ☐ SWRM ☐ MDV

CHECK THAT WHICH APPLIES: LANDOWNER ☒ GRANT RECIPIENT ☐

GENERAL INFORMATION

APPLICANT AND SPOUSE NAME AND ADDRESS:

PHONE NUMBER:

TOWNSHIP:	DATCP WATERSHED CODE:	Estimated Cost: \$ _____	Actual Cost: \$ _____
LEGAL DESCRIPTION (1/4, 1/4, SECTION, T/R & Parcel Id Number)	ARPA Cost Share Requested: \$ _____ %	SWRM Cost Share Requested: \$ _____ %	
	_____ Cost Share Requested: \$ _____ %	Landowner Share: \$ _____ %	

PRACTICE TO BE INSTALLED (Include units, depth, diameter, animal numbers, acres, etc. Attach aerial photo showing location):

Tons of Soil Loss/Year (If Applicable):

REQUEST FOR COST SHARE GRANT

I wish to apply for a cost-share grant from the Chippewa County Land Cons. & Forest Mgmt. (LCFM) Dept. I understand that the purpose of this grant is to improve water quality through implementation of accepted conservation practices. I also understand that this determination does not obligate me to participate in the program nor does it obligate the Chippewa County LCFM. to provide cost sharing to me.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE (landowner):

X

DATE:

X

APPLICANT SIGNATURE (grant recipient, if applicable):

DATE:

DETERMINATION OF APPROVAL (OFFICE USE ONLY)

This applicant is tentatively approved for the above amount requested until _____, _____.

SIGNATURE OF COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE:

TITLE:

DATE:

Director

The LCFM approves payment in the amount of \$ _____

SIGNATURE OF COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE:

TITLE:

DATE:

Director

8/16/22

Attachment: 111 General County Cost Sharing Application (7265 : Cover Crop Cost Sharing Policy)



**STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION
AUTHORIZE DEER FLY CHASE MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE PERMIT IN
COUNTY FOREST**

6.2

Under Section 925, the Chippewa County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan states: "Any event in the County Forest which is advertised to the public, for which a fee is charged or is otherwise organized as an event, requires a permit or authorization by the Committee."

This permit is to allow the use of the recreational trail network within the Chippewa County Forest to conduct a mountain bike racing event. It also defines the responsibilities and expectations of each party.

The Deer Fly Chase Mountain Bike Race has been conducted in the County Forest since 2011.

This agenda item will be used to present the permit for Committee consideration.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY FOREST SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AND AGREEMENT

This Chippewa County Forest Special Event Permit (the “Permit”) and Chippewa County Forest Special Event Agreement (the “Agreement”) (collectively, the “Permit and Agreement”) is granted to and made and entered into by and between Chippewa County, Wisconsin, through the Chippewa County Department of Land Conservation and Forest Management (the “County”) and Friends of Hickory Ridge Trails (the “Permittee”), subject to following terms and conditions:

1. **Purpose.**

The purpose of this Permit and Agreement is to grant the Permittee exclusive use of the Dog Island Warming House and certain segments of the Chippewa County Forest property (the “Property”) trail networks to conduct a Mountain Bike race (the “Special Event”) as identified, described and depicted in Attachment A to this Permit and Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2. **Special Event Date.**

The Special Event shall start at 7:00 am October 1, 2022, and end at 8:00 am October 2, 2022, upon which time the Permit shall expire.

3. **Special Event Permit Fee.**

There shall no permit fee charged for the Special Event.

4. **Items and Structures.**

- A. The Permittee may place portable tent structures, tables for food and first aid, flagging and route signs, temporary barriers (i.e. caution tape, ribbon, lathe, etc.) and a PA system on the Property.
- B. The Permittee shall maintain an inventory of all deployed signage and temporary barriers and like material that is used for the race. Said inventory should include the location where material is deployed and an identification system that allows the Permittee, to confirm posting and removal with the County by 8:00 pm on October 2, 2022.
- C. No other items or structures shall be placed on the Property without the prior, written approval of the County.

5. **Concessions.**

- A. “Concession” for the purposes of the Permit shall include the selling or giving away of goods or services.
- B. The Permittee shall be solely responsible for complying with all applicable ordinances, laws and regulations and obtaining any applicable permits with regard to any concessions that may be offered at the Special Event.

6. **Hazards, Maintenance, Trash and Recyclables.**

- A. The Permittee shall inspect the Property before the event and shall remove, eliminate or correct any unsafe or dangerous conditions or hazard. The Permittee shall maintain the area in a safe condition for the duration of the Special Event.

- B. No cutting or trimming of trees shall be performed without prior approval of the Department.
- C. No fire(s) shall be started without prior approval of the Department; if prior approval is granted, solely in grills and fire-rings provided by the Department.
- D. The Permittee shall be solely responsible for any and all clean-up of the Property, including, but not limited to, legal disposal of trash, recyclables and refuse and removal of all items and structures under Section 4. No litter shall be left on the Property by the Permittee, any Special Event participant or spectator.

7. **Compliance with Applicable Laws.**

The Permittee of the Special Event shall become familiar with, and shall at all times comply with and observe all local, state and federal laws, ordinances, rules and regulations which in any manner affect the conduct the Permittee and its employees, officers, directors and agents with regard to the Special Event.

8. **Control of Performance.**

The Permittee shall have sole control of the method, hours worked and time and manner of any performance under this permit other than as specifically provided herein. The County takes no responsibility for supervision or direction of the performance of the Permittee to be performed by the Permittee or the Permittee's employees, officers, directors and agents. The County will exercise no control over the selection and dismissal or of the Permittee's employees, officers, directors and agents.

9. **Non-Discrimination.**

The Permittee shall not discriminate against any employee, participant or applicant for employment in the Special Event because of age, race, color, sex, religion, disability, physical condition, developmental disability as defined in s. 51.01(5), Wis. Stats., sexual orientation or national origin.

10. **Indemnification.**

The Permittee shall indemnify the County and its employees, officers, officials and agents against all claims, damages, costs and expenses including liability costs and attorney's fees arising either from the management of the Special Event or from any breach or default on the part of the Permittee in the performance of this Permit and Agreement, or from any negligence of the Permittee in the Special Event.

11. **Insurance.**

- A. The Permittee shall purchase liability insurance to be effective the dates of the Special Event and listing the County, its employees, officers, officials and agents as additional insureds in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 single limit per occurrence including \$1,000,000.00 for bodily injury, including death, and \$25,000.00 property damage.
- B. The Permittee shall furnish the County with a copy of the insurance policy or certificate of insurance no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Special Event. This permit is conditioned upon the County's approval of the insurance policy. The Permittee will immediately notify the County both verbally and in writing of any action by the insurer to cancel the insurance policy.

12. Mandatory Contacts.

The Permittee shall notify the following entities/user groups/individuals with specific details and course map of the Special Event no later than September 20, 2021:

- A. Recreation Deputy Craig Fleischhacker
Chippewa County Sheriff's Department
Email: cfleischhacker@co.chippewa.wi.us
Phone: (715) 726-7701 Ext. 2275
- B. Jeanne Fox, Treasurer
Chippewa Valley Trail Riders
Email: jeannefox227@gmail.com
Phone: (715) 577-6737
- C. Jim Jarabek, Chairman
Town of Sampson
Email: jsjrmj70@citizens-tel.net
Phone: (715) 967-2557

13. Notices.

Any notice required or permitted hereunder shall be given by personal delivery upon an authorized representative of a party hereto; or if mailed by United States registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or if deposited cost paid with a nationally recognized, reputable overnight courier, properly addressed as follows, or by electronic mail:

If to Permittee: Friends of Hickory Ridge Trails
Attn: Noah Michaelson
24541 137th Street
New Auburn, WI 54757
Email: noahmichaelsen@hotmail.com

If to County: Department of Land Conservation & Forest Management
Attn: Matt Hansen
711 N. Bridge Street, Room 011
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
Email: mhansen@co.chippewa.wi.us

14. Assignability.

Neither this Permit and Agreement nor any right or duty in whole or in part by the Permittee under this Permit and Agreement may be assigned, delegated or subcontracted without the prior written consent of the County.

15. **Entire Permit and Agreement.**

This Permit and Agreement, together with the requirements herein and referenced parts and attachments, shall constitute the entire Permit and Agreement and any previous communication or permit and agreement pertaining to this Permit and Agreement are hereby superseded.

16. **No Waiver.**

No failure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy hereunder on the part of the County or Permittee shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. No express waiver shall affect any event or default other than the event or default specified in such waiver, and any such waiver, to be effective, must be in writing and shall be operative only for the time and to the extent expressly provided by the County or Permittee therein. A waiver of any covenant, term or condition contained herein shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same covenant, term or condition.

17. **Termination and Modification.**

The County may terminate or modify the conditions of this Permit and Agreement at any time, except that modifications relating to time extensions must be made by an amendment to this Permit and Agreement or other written documentation, signed by the Permittee and the County at least thirty (30) days prior to the ending date of this Permit and Agreement.

18. **Non-Compliance.**

The County may consider Permittee's failure to comply with the conditions of this Permit and Agreement as adequate justification to deny any future special event applications submitted by the Permittee or its sponsoring organization.

19. **Choice of Law.**

This Permit and Agreement shall be governed by and construed, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

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[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS ON NEXT PAGE]

SIGNATURE PAGE

The Permittee and the County having read and understood the entirety of this Agreement, consisting of five (5) typewritten pages and Attachment A, hereby affix their duly authorized signatures.

For County, BY:

Randy Scholz	Date
Title: County Administrator	

Matt Hansen	Date
Title: County Forest Administrator	

For Permittee, BY:

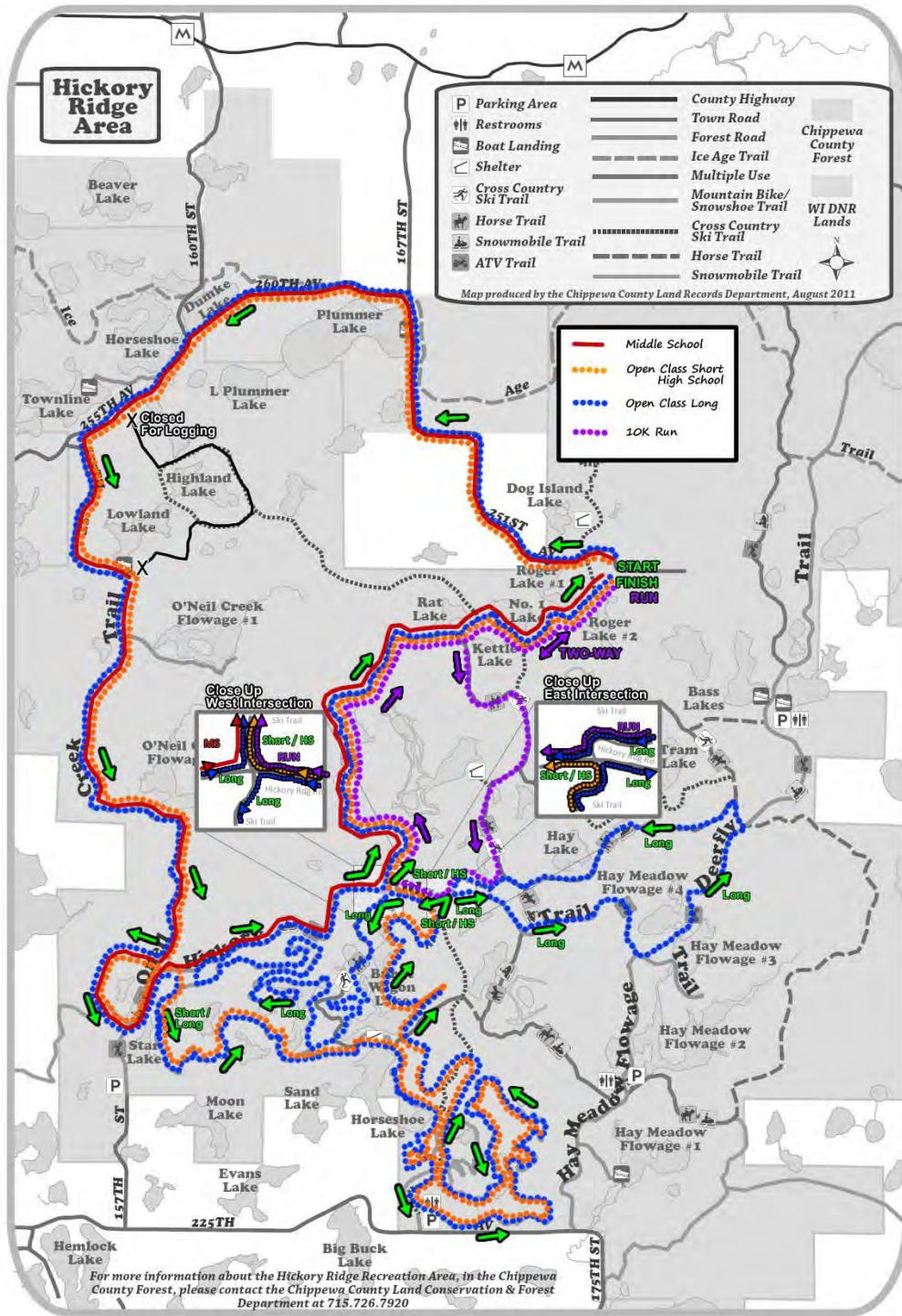
Noah Michaelson	Date
Title: Race Organizer	

Adam Rogge	Date
Title: President	

Attachment: Deer Fly Chase Permit Agreement 2022 (7174 : Authorize Deer Fly Chase Mountain Bike Race Permit in County Forest)

Attachment A

Tentative route, likely to change before final race authorization





STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION
PHOENIX ORION LEARY MEMORIAL BENCH - HICKORY RIDGE
MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

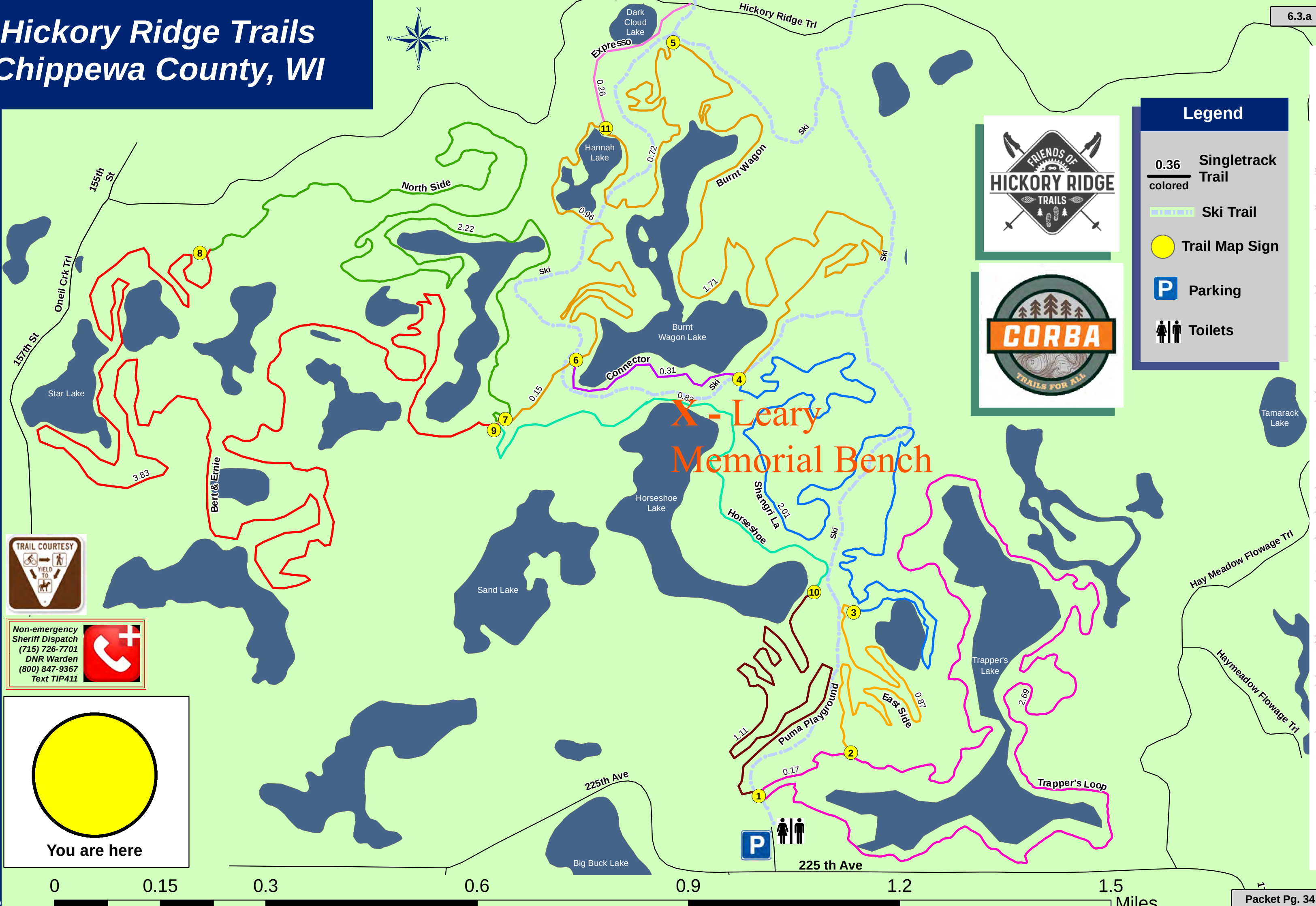
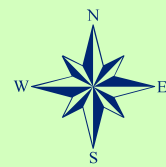
6.3

Phoenix Leary passed away unexpectedly in his sleep on April 27, 2022, a week before his 21st birthday. Phoenix was an accomplished cyclist and enjoyed many years riding the Hickory Ridge Trail System.

This agenda item will be used to present the proposed bench location and details for Committee consideration.

Hickory Ridge Trails

Chippewa County, WI



Legend

0.36 colored

Singletrack Trail

Ski Trail

Trail Map Sign

Parking

Toilets



Non-emergency
Sheriff Dispatch
(715) 726-7701
DNR Warden
(800) 847-9367
Text TIP411

You are here

Attachment: Hickory Ridge Leary (7257 : Phoenix Orion Leary Memorial Bench - Hickory Ridge Mountain Bike Trail)

6.3.a

**STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION**

THE LCFM COMMITTEE WILL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WI STATUTES 19.85(1)(E) FOR THE PURPOSES OF "DELIBERATING OR NEGOTIATING THE PURCHASING OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTING OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS, WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION" (CONSIDER REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION FOR PARCEL IN T32N, R5W, SECTION 28).

The LCFM Committee will go into closed session pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(e) for the purposes of "deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session" (Consider real estate transaction for parcel in T32N, R5W, Section 28).