

AGENDA
CONSERVATION, EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, January 3, 2024

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse – Room 114

1. Call meeting to order
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. Public Comments (*brief comments/statement regarding committee business*)
4. Review Correspondence.
5. Consent Agenda.
 - a. Approve minutes of previous meetings
 - b. Approve bills
 - c. Receive staff activity reports
 - d. Receive committee reports
6. Review items, if any, pulled from Consent Agenda.
7. Risk and Injury Report
8. Land & Water Conservation Department
9. Private Sewage
10. Land Records
11. County Surveyor
12. Planning & Zoning
13. Economic Development
 - a. Consider release of REDI implementation funds to complete a Wood County housing survey.
 - b. Expansion Agreement with Savion
 - c. Discuss Wood County economic development priorities, definitions/incentives/partners/infrastructure, and how they will affect the 2024 County economic development grant application and process.
 - d. Final Report for REDI Roundtable
14. Extension
 - a. General Office update
 - b. Natural Resources Groundwater Educator update
 - c. Community Health Navigator position update
15. Requests for per diem for meeting attendants
16. Schedule next regular committee meeting
17. Agenda items for next meeting
18. Schedule any additional meetings if necessary
19. Adjourn

Join by phone

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Join by WebEx App or Web

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Meeting number (access code): 2499 900 5020
Meeting password: 010324

MINUTES
CONSERVATION, EDUCATION, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, December 6, 2023

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: Courthouse – Room 114

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Leichtnam, Dave LaFontaine, Laura Valenstein, Jake Hahn,
Tom Buttke, Carmen Good

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list

1. Chairman Leichtnam called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and declared a quorum present.
2. There was no public comment.
3. Motion by LaFontaine/Valenstein to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Motion by LaFontaine/Buttke to approve the vouchers, monthly department reports and committee reports. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Alliant Energy representative Ben Tanko presented a PowerPoint about a proposed wind turbine to be located on Wood County land in Marathon County, currently leased to the UW Board of Regents for the Experimental Station. He presented a possible timeline and basic lease language. Contact will be made with the Board of Regents on the proposal as well as the value of Wood County owning that land.
6. Wucherpennig reviewed the membership of the citizen member on the CEED Committee. Carmen Good has submitted her resignation and there is an ag producer interested in serving in the capacity. Motion by Leichtnam/Good to recommend Joe Behlen to the county board chair for appointment to the CEED Committee as an ag producer member. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Wucherpennig presented the rebid for one part of the Keuffer livestock watering system. Motion by Valenstein/Buttke to accept the low bid of \$12,941.00 as a basis for cost share dollars. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Wucherpennig presented the bid for the Lewis rip rap project. One bid was received from Kolo Trucking for \$34,759.00. Motion by Buttke/Hahn to approve this bid as a basis for cost share dollars. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Wucherpennig reported that they recently set crop prices for the Wildlife Damage Claims program using a variety of sources to develop the pricing.

10. County Surveyor, Kevin Boyer, presented his year-end report, highlighting the highway road right of way project that will be continuing, and making sure that all surveys comply with industry standards.
11. Grueneberg reported the total amount of \$5,647 left in unused funds in the Economic Development Grant funding, including the REDI grants. With the amount so low, he recommendation was to let this lapse into the general fund. Committee consensus was to agree with this recommendation.
12. Grueneberg reported that the Uniquely Wisconsin spots highlighting Wood County are out and will be shared broadly within the county and with our economic development partners to get the word out.
13. Solin provided an Extension office update:
 - a. The joint groundwater educator position has been posted and will close on December 8th with interviews scheduled after that.
 - b. There may be an opportunity to get a Rural Health educator using funds from a federal grant. More information will follow.
 - c. Space is a concern with Extension with the addition of a number of educators. Solin is working with Facilities Manager to develop solutions.
 - d. Working with IT to come up with a solution of poor cell phone coverage within the department.
14. Rombalski provided a 2023 Clean Sweep recap. The total number collected was down from previous years. Information on this clean sweep will be shared with the municipalities. There will be 2 Clean Sweeps in 2024. May 25th in Marshfield and September 7th in Wisconsin Rapids.
15. The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 3rd at 9:00 AM.
16. A recess was called at 10:43 AM and the committee reconvened at 10:50 AM. Good is excused.
17. Motion by Valenstein/LaFontaine to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats 19.85(1)(e) & (f) to consider allegations of violation of a user agreement by a contractor. Motion carried unanimously.
18. Motion by LaFontaine/Valenstein move into open session. Motion carried unanimously.
19. Motion by Valenstein/Buttke to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c), to conduct performance reviews of department heads they oversee. Motion carried unanimously.
20. Motion by Valenstein/LaFontaine to move into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

21. Chairman Leichtnam declared the meeting adjourned at 12:20 PM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Extension Wood County

For the period of: December 2023

For the range of vouchers: 30230149 - 30230167

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
30230149	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office & Kitchen Supplies	12/12/2023	\$162.00	P
30230150	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Publication	12/12/2023	\$11.49	P
30230151	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office Supplies	12/12/2023	\$31.98	P
30230152	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office Supplies	12/12/2023	\$138.99	P
30230153	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	Office & Postage Supplies	12/12/2023	\$48.31	P
30230154	UW MADISON ACCOUNTING SERVICES	4-H Online Software	12/12/2023	\$500.00	P
30230155	UW MADISON EXTENSION	Americorps Host Site Match	12/12/2023	\$3,750.00	P
30230156	US BANK	December Credit Card Bill	12/19/2023	\$736.74	
30230157	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	4H Program Supplies	12/19/2023	\$318.86	P
30230158	UW MADISON ACCOUNTING SERVICES	Area 7 Contracts - July-Dec	12/19/2023	\$143,783.53	P
30230159	UW MADISON EXTENSION	4H Fall Forum Registration Fee	12/19/2023	\$160.00	P
30230160	CARATTINI JACKIE	December Expenses	12/19/2023	\$259.68	P
30230161	CARBAJAL JASMINE	December Expenses	12/19/2023	\$238.42	P
30230162	CARBAJAL JASMINE	December Expenses - Juntos	12/19/2023	\$44.54	P
30230163	HUBER LAURA	November-December Expenses	12/19/2023	\$469.18	P
30230164	JAMES ANNA M	December Expenses	12/19/2023	\$120.52	P
30230165	ROMBALSKI KAYLA-ROSE	December Expenses	12/19/2023	\$180.26	P
30230166	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Ed Materials & Office Supplies	12/26/2023	\$303.96	
30230167	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office Supplies	12/26/2023	\$108.98	
Grand Total:				\$151,367.44	

Signatures

Committee Chair: _____

Committee Member: _____

Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Land & Water Conservation Dept

For the period of: December 2023 (1)

For the range of vouchers: 18230171 - 18230207

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
18230171	PEPLINSKI GLEN A	CS-Cover Crops, Nutrient Mgmt	12/01/2023	\$602.50	P
18230172	PEPLINSKI GLEN A	Mill Creek CS-Cover Crops	12/01/2023	\$1,852.50	P
18230173	RICHARDSON BARRY & GAYLE	CS Nutrient Mgmt/Cover Crops	12/01/2023	\$375.00	P
18230174	KOTTKE KEN	NMFE Class Reimbursement	12/06/2023	\$230.00	P
18230175	NIKOLAY SHANNON	NMFE Class Reimbursement	12/06/2023	\$980.00	P
18230176	SCHREIBER BART	NMFE Class Reimbursement	12/06/2023	\$926.00	P
18230177	UW - STEVENS POINT	Summer Internship - C. Sabers	12/13/2023	\$5,751.83	P
18230178	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office Supplies	12/12/2023	\$4.99	P
18230179	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office Supplies	12/10/2023	\$53.37	P
18230180	US BANK	Conference/Clothing Allowance	12/19/2023	\$199.99	P
18230181	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/20/2023	\$2,062.50	P
18230182	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/20/2023	\$1,280.00	P
18230183	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/20/2023	\$990.00	P
18230184	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/28/2023	\$1,370.00	P
18230185	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/28/2023	\$480.00	P
18230186	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/28/2023	\$625.00	P
18230187	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/20/2023	\$325.00	P
18230188	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crops	11/20/2023	\$1,080.00	P
18230189	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crop	11/20/2023	\$855.00	P
18230190	ALBERT DUSTIN	Cost Share - Cover Crop	11/20/2023	\$935.00	P
18230191	BENDER DEVIN	NMFE Reimbursement	12/27/2023	\$50.00	P
18230192	BULGRIN TYLER	Cost Share -Residue Management	12/27/2023	\$1,061.90	P
18230193	BULGRIN TYLER	Cost Share - Cover Crop	12/26/2023	\$377.50	P
18230194	EMBACHER KEVIN	Cost Share – Cover Crop	12/22/2023	\$1,149.20	P
18230195	FAIT RAYMOND F	Cost Share - Cover Crops	12/27/2023	\$7,475.00	P
18230196	FORST RANDY	NMFE Reimbursement	12/27/2023	\$50.00	P
18230197	HEEG KEVIN	Cost Share-Residue Management	12/11/2023	\$2,715.80	P
18230198	HEEG KEVIN	Cost Share-Residue Management	12/11/2023	\$3,934.95	P
18230199	HEEG KEVIN	Cost Share-Residue Management	12/11/2023	\$925.00	P
18230200	HEEG KEVIN	Cost Share-Residue Management	12/11/2023	\$444.00	P
18230201	GOTZ THOMAS	Cost Share-Cover Crops	12/21/2023	\$2,675.00	P
18230202	VITORT CRAIG & MELISSA	Cost Share - Cover Crops	12/20/2023	\$1,530.00	P
18230203	VITORT CRAIG & MELISSA	Cost Share - Cover Crops	12/18/2023	\$317.50	P
18230204	VITORT CRAIG & MELISSA	Cost Share - Cover Crops	12/17/2023	\$1,367.50	P
18230205	VITORT CRAIG & MELISSA	Cost Share - Cover Crops	12/18/2023	\$412.50	P
18230206	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office Supplies	12/26/2023	\$85.49	P
18230207	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	Office supplies	12/20/2023	\$358.63	P
Grand Total:				\$45,908.65	

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Committee Report

County of Wood

Report of claims for: Planning & Zoning

For the period of: January 2024

For the range of vouchers: 38230031 - 38230031 22230082 - 22230093

Voucher	Vendor Name	Nature of Claim	Doc Date	Amount	Paid
22230082	BOYER KEVIN	SU-Dec Contract Svcs	12/01/2023	\$833.00	P
22230083	SEPTIC GAL THE	PL-Prof Services Other	12/01/2023	\$3,100.00	P
22230084	AYRES ASSOCIATES INC (Eau Claire)	LR-Capital Outlay	11/29/2023	\$78,250.00	P
22230085	INDUSTRY SERVICES DIVISION	PS-Permit Fees	12/01/2023	\$1,100.00	P
22230086	LEDDEN PLUMBING	PS-Sanitary Permit Fees	12/01/2023	\$250.00	P
22230087	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	PS-Office Supplies	11/26/2023	\$194.71	P
22230088	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	PS-Office Supplies	11/30/2023	(\$72.99)	P
22230089	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	PS-Office Supplies	11/30/2023	\$79.59	P
22230090	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	PS-Prof Svcs/Postage	12/08/2023	(Voided)	P
22230091	OPPORTUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER	PS-Prof Svcs/Postage	12/08/2023	\$639.14	P
22230092	RAPIDS FORD LLC	PS-R/M Serv Other-Vehicles	12/13/2023	\$1,018.23	
22230093	US BANK	LR/ED/PS-Credit Card Charges	12/19/2023	\$832.01	
38230031	MARYANN LIPPERT CONSULTANT LLC	ED-REDI Funding BB	11/03/2023	\$1,080.00	P
Grand Total:				\$87,303.69	

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Extension Wood County staff led, delivered, planned or collaborated on all of the following activities:

4-H POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Laura Huber, 4-H Program Educator

Jasmine Carbajal, 4-H Associate Educator (Marathon & Wood Counties)

Malina Carattini, 4-H Americorps member

- A series of two virtual orientation meetings to help prepare youth (age 15-19) to travel for the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, GA. The meetings were designed to help youth lay the groundwork for success.
- An educational experience for teen 4-H members where they traveled to National 40H Congress in Atlanta to engage in service learning, networking, STEM activities, team building and leadership exercises. Participants learned new ideas and developed skills to help improve the 4-H experience in Wisconsin and build their level of engagement with the 4-H program.
- Promoted upcoming ChickQuest program, scheduled and met with schools. ChickQuest is a program that will bring science ALIVE as students learn all about eggs and chicken development. The coolest part? Students will have an incubator of chicken eggs right in their classroom!
- Worked with multiple counties to plan for upcoming events, including: Project Discovery Day, Winter Leadership Camp and Summer Camp.
- Coordination and overseeing of AmeriCorps member tasks.
- A hands-on community service opportunity where Wood County youth in 6th grade and older gathered to cook chicken pot pies and bake cookies for local families that have children in a local hospital. The goal of this activity was for the Wood County Teen Leaders to practice cooking and baking skills while giving back to the community.
- A hands-on educational activity at a local library where Wood County youth in Kindergarten and older learned about a popular Mexican game called La Lotería. The goal of this activity was for Wood County families to have a space to be creative together while learning and trying a new family game.
- An 8-week series called Tools to Thrive was offered to local English Language Learner middle school students at a Wood County school to learn about mental health topics, positive coping strategies, healthy eating, educational opportunities and games to help with connection and team building.





- A six lesson high school series was offered at a local Wood County church in Marshfield called Juntos. The goal of Juntos is to teach tools and resources to local Latinx youth, and their families, to help with their academic success and post-secondary options.
- The Wood County Teen Leaders for youth in 6th grade and older partnered with a local organization to help with a food drive at a holiday light show. The goal of this event was for teens to give back to their community while working as a team.



AGRICULTURE

Matt Lippert, Agriculture Educator

- A morning coffee meeting for farmers and agriculture professionals and the current farm bill status and programs available through FSA and NRCS. The program was to provide up to date information and education and to answer questions related to current farm programs.
- Plans for a dairy open house on a robotic dairy farm are being developed to address the high level of interest by dairy producers to embrace this cow management, production enhancing and labor saving technology.
- A pasture walk on an organic dairy farm was held for local dairy producers to learn about sustainable practices in pasture management and the management of pasture grazed dairy cows and replacements.
- Planning for a dairy goat field day to be held in the local Amish Community who are expanding in goat production capacity and who as new producers have many production and marketing related questions.
- A field study data collection in collaboration with Colorado State University to better understand the practices and challenges associated with transportation of pre-weaned dairy heifer, dairy bull, and beef x dairy calves from the source (dairy farms), hauler, and receiver (calf raiser). Results from this study will help dairy farmers, managers, haulers, calf raisers, and the dairy community in adopting practices and improving transportation welfare to improve farm business viability and food safety.
- Planning for development of factsheets/articles, longer publications, and videos on nutrition, genetics, & reproduction topics. The goal of this effort is to increase farmer, nutritionist, veterinarian, and other agribusiness professionals understanding of management of these topics to help improve farm sustainability and economic viability.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Kayla Rombalski, Community Development Educator

- A presentation on the REDI Activity Dashboard for the Marshfield Economic Development Board (EDB) where City of Marshfield representatives were given updates on REDI implementation. The outcome of this presentation was to be transparent and have a more informed group of City officials.
- An informational presentation to the Wood County Child Care Directors Networking Cohort on child care initiatives and activities where Directors were filled in on the efforts of the Wood County Child Care Task Force to explain the big picture funding efforts and goals of the Task Force. Through this presentation Directors were able to ask questions and learn more about the Child Care Task Force, and some of them signed up to join the group's efforts.
- Facilitation of monthly meetings of the Wood County REDI Roundtable, Housing Task Force, Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Steering Committee, and Digital Equity Steering Committee. The outcome of these meetings is to advance Wood County's economic development strategy.
- Ongoing compilation of data for a Wood County Economic Development annual report, including meeting attendance, implementation team rosters, outcome progress, and more. The purpose of this effort is to communicate the breadth of economic development efforts to key stakeholders in Wood County.

CRANBERRIES

Allison Jonjak, Cranberry Educator

- A Research Round Table was hosted which provided a forum for Wisconsin cranberry growers to connect directly with UW Madison researchers to present their top priorities for challenges and research needs. This Round Table discussion allows researchers to prepare work that will directly benefit growers.
- A Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program application was developed in conjunction with a cranberry grower, specifying an experimental design which will test the yield comparisons between usual practices, and a reduced nitrogen rate to see how effectively cranberry vines can uptake nitrogen which comes in incidentally with source water.
- A Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program application was developed in conjunction with a cranberry grower, specifying an experimental design which will test whether fall application of nutrients will be prioritized in the perennial vines for root development. The goal is to reduce winter damage due to low carbohydrate reserves, while reducing the amount of nutrients applied in a year.
- A Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program application was developed in conjunction with a cranberry grower, specifying an experimental design which will test whether applying smaller spoon-feeding doses of nitrogen during the fruit set period will result in more efficient uptake of nutrients. If this works, it would be possible to achieve higher yields while not increasing total nitrogen application amount.



- Cranberry fruitworm research designed to test additional modes of action to prevent resistance from developing in pest species, was evaluated and presented to trial sponsors. The information will be presented to cranberry growers on Jan 25.
- A Cranberry Virtual Brown Bag was delivered to cranberry growers featuring nationwide research. Growers were introduced to a grower-usable fireworm maturation model from Quebec, the production of cranberry statistics from New Jersey, as well as New Jersey's new cranberry breeding program direction under a new faculty member. This information will help growers protect themselves from fireworm, as well as inform future decisions about complementary statistics and breeding work to be performed at the University of Wisconsin.
- A pilot project was scoped out involving the creation of a for-farmer / for-grower decision tree providing at-a-glance information about the resilience of currently used pest-control measures to drought or extreme moisture conditions. This will allow growers to use only the most effective products for their specific location as weather patterns change.
- A presentation was delivered to the statewide Shriner's (a charitable organization) Fall Ceremonial educating them about the ecology of the cranberry, and the cranberry industry's economic importance to Wisconsin.
- A podcast was recorded with Field Notes, communicating the intricacies of cranberry nutrient management and agronomy to an audience of agronomists and farmers of neighboring crops.
- A Virtual Brown Bag was hosted which gave cranberry growers specific information on fuel quality, fuel testing, fuel storage, and fuel efficiency for emergency backup use. Because emergency backup generators are used rarely, safe storage that prevents fuel degradation reduces waste and improves farm security.
- Cranberry School, an annual in-person meeting hosting 500 cranberry growers to update them on new research outcomes is being planned for January 24 & 25, 2024.
- A meeting with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources was held in Manitowish Waters, familiarizing DNR's Natural Resources Board and staff with Wisconsin cranberry farming's ecology. Establishing an understanding of cranberry operations helps growers have more seamless interactions with the DNR when submitting nutrient management plans and permit applications.

FOODWISE

Hannah Wendels, FoodWise Nutrition Educator

Mallory McGivern, FoodWise Administrator

- A 5-week nutrition education series for fifth grade classrooms at Mead Elementary School, where students will learn about MyPlate, making healthy food and beverage choices, and about being physically active to help them to be healthier in school and at home.



- A 5-week nutrition education series for fifth grade classrooms at Grove Elementary School, where students will learn about MyPlate, making healthy food and beverage choices, and about being physically active to help them to be healthier in school and at home.
- A Healthy Living series for teens (grades 9-12) at the alternative high school (River Cities), where students learn basic life skills such as food preparation and cooking skills, budgeting and finance skills, and mindfulness activities to better prepare them for their future and living on their own.
- A 12-week series of strength training sessions (StrongBodies) in Wood County (Nekoosa), where older adults learn best practices and learn nutrition and health education. Participants engage in regular strength training exercises to improve strength, balance, and flexibility so they can stay healthy and socially connected.
- A partnership with ADRC, United Way, FOCUS Food Pantry, and the Housing Authority of Wisconsin Rapids that provides "Stockboxes for Seniors", a monthly food box service where low-income seniors can receive at least 10 pounds of pantry staples and nutritious foods. The goal of this partnership is to promote the boxes with community partners with the overall goal to improve food security,
- A booth at the Wood County Health Department's "Holiday Health Resource Fair" event to increase the community's knowledge of FoodWise and other Extension programs. Community members and partner organizations were introduced to hands-on activities and learned about future local programming.

Testimonial from a StrongBodies participant:

"I had recently moved to Rapids from the Madison area. The class provided a great opportunity to get acquainted & form new friendships. Hannah's warm personality and kindness added to this."

HORTICULTURE

Janell Wehr, Horticulture Educator

- Developing informal learning communities utilizing the Horticulture Program's social media for all Wisconsin gardeners, including underserved populations. The goal of this effort is to provide accurate, practical and up-to-date information to the public primarily through the topic hub in order to bolster educational outreach efforts in support of addressing the Horticulture Program objectives.
- Planning for the creation of a repository of existing horticultural resources in multiple languages for home/community gardeners of all abilities. The goal of this effort is to make this repository accessible on the Horticulture Topic Hub.
- A community of practice for horticulture educators where we explore strategies and resources to expand horticulture education and outreach to underrepresented audiences. The goal of participating in this group is to dig into ways we can locally continue to grow and enhance our horticulture programs to reach more diverse audiences.
- An in person horticulture course where Wood County residents and potential Master Gardener Trainees learn the fundamental principles of IPM based gardening to increase awareness and



knowledge of resources to address environmental contamination and pollution due to overuse of horticulture chemicals in urban and suburban environments.

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND RELATIONSHIPS

Jackie Carattini, Human Development and Relationships Educator

- A 6-session wellness series (WeCOPE) for adults where participants learned different strategies that support awareness of mind-body connection. The goal of this effort is to offer skills to decrease stress and increase positive emotions of participants.
- Monthly educational sessions and training (Adulting 101) for teens at River Cities Alternative High School. The goal of this effort is to empower teens to adopt healthier coping skills to handle stress and anxiety along with life skills such as budgeting, purchasing a car, tenant rights in WIs to help prepare and ease the transition into adult life and independent living.
- A Healthy Living series for teens (grades 9-12) at the alternative high school (River Cities), where students learn basic life skills such as food preparation and cooking skills, budgeting and finance skills, and mindfulness activities to better prepare them for their future and living on their own.
- Two online workshops ("Rent Smart" in the Wood County Jail) per month where participants gain knowledge and skills essential for a successful renting experience. This effort is designed to encourage safe and sober housing stability.
- An online program (Money Matters) for participants who want to improve their financial knowledge, where they complete 1-12 modules on different financial topics. The goal of the Money Matters modules is to increase participants' knowledge on topics such as credit scores and reports, making a spending plan, what to do when you can't pay your bills, and identifying financial strengths so that participants can apply these skills in the future.
- An online 6-session course for renters where participants learn how to find and apply for rental housing, understand their responsibilities as a renter, how to communicate effectively with their landlords, and manage housing expenses. Through this, homeless populations and those who have negative rental records are able to increase their ability to find and keep safe affordable housing, thereby increasing their stability and decreasing their reliance on public supports.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Anna James, Natural Resources Educator

- A survey of agencies and organizations that support farmer-led watershed groups in Wisconsin was conducted to better understand how these groups are functioning and the nature of support they receive from their partners. Results of the survey will be used to inform decisions about what types of support are most beneficial and most needed by the farmer-led groups.
- A social indicator survey to better understand agricultural producer's awareness, attitudes, constraints, capacity, and behavior towards water quality and conservation practices. Results from this survey will provide conservation practitioners and educators with important



information for planning, implementing, and evaluating conservation practices based on the needs of agricultural producers.

- A facilitated discussion with members of the Eau Pleine Partnership for Integrated Conservation, a producer-led watershed protection group, where participants discussed the group's strategic plan, logic model, and membership structure. Through this activity, the group was able to identify needs within their internal structure and current logic model.



Wood County, Wisconsin LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

Activities Report for Barb Peeters - December 2023

- Answered phones, replied to emails and processed incoming and outgoing LWCD mail.
- Completed LWCD payroll percentages and forwarded to Finance prior to Dec. 14 & Dec. 28 payrolls.
- Reviewed payroll reports and payroll registers.
- Processed payment for use of no-till drill (note: for use of no-till drill in mid-November).
- Responded to numerous customer inquiries regarding the tree/shrub/seeds sale.
- Attended December 6th CEED meeting via WebEx.
- Attended virtual meeting on December 6th regarding “SWRM Grants/DATCP Conservation Grants”.
- Assisted customers who came to the office to complete tree order forms/drop off order/payments.
- Completed November sales tax report and forwarded to Finance.
- Scheduled, attended and typed minutes for December 12th staff meeting.
- Attended Wood County Wellness Committee meeting on December 12th. Sent email update to LWCD staff with 2023 program wrap up and 2024 biometrics information.
- Ordered office supplies and processed invoice(s).
- Reviewed DATCP’s monthly report for December 2023.
- Typed bid summaries for well/solar project and rip rap project.
- Discovered errors on NMFE Flyer for 2024 class flyer created by NTC/MSTC and brought to attention of County Conservationist to be addressed (i.e. WR refresher class omitted & class fee)
- Processed Nutrient Management Plan Farmer Education class reimbursement payments.
- Typed cost-share contracts for well/water system project, rip rap project and nutrient management/cover crops.
- Processed document to send via certified mail per county ordinance and tracked delivery.
- Updated the *Non-Metallic Mining Reclamation Permit Application* form and updated on website.
- Updated tree spade rental form for 2024.
- Placed 2024 Nutrient Management Farmer Education Class flyer on LWCD website.
- Processed nine cost share reimbursements to landowners for nutrient management/cover crops.
- Completed 21 MDV cost-share reimbursements to landowners.
- Completed nine SWRM reimbursement requests totaling \$15,904.20 for cover crops, nutrient management and residue management and forwarded to DATCP for payment.
- Processed Nonmetallic Mining annual permit fees as received.
- Completed Mill Creek reimbursements to landowners for nutrient management/residue management and cover & green manure crop fields totaling \$9,430.00.
- Completed Mill Creek reimbursement request to DNR totaling \$9,430.00 for final reimbursement payment of 3-year grant ending 12/31/23. Unallocated balance of 3-year grant is \$197,753.87.
- Processed 37 tree, shrub and wildflower order forms and deposited payments (as received).
- Notarized 21 documents (20 cost share contracts and one document for county employee).
- Processed DATCP Extension Request to extend 2023 grant funds to 2024 for 8 projects totaling \$32,611.29 and submitted to DATCP prior to 12/31/23 deadline.
- Electronically submitted staff reports/packet materials to the County Clerk’s office for CEED packet.
- Organized County Board packet and electronically submitted to the County Clerk’s office.

Activities Report for Emily Salvinski

-December 2023-

- **Wednesday, December 6.** Worked on gathering in-kind contributions from staff that helped with NMFE grant. Checked field residue on multiple fields in NW Wood County.
- **Thursday, December 7.** Filed photos away from Wednesday's residue checks. Checked field residue on multiple fields we didn't get to on Wednesday in NW Wood County. Updated contracts.
- **Monday, December 11.** Filed photos away from Thursday's residue checks. Updated MDV shapefile with new information from field checks. Filled out NMFE extension request. Prepared second NMFE reimbursement request.
- **Tuesday, December 12.** Attended staff meeting. Worked contract paperwork for cover crop/nutrient management cost-share.
- **Wednesday, December 13.** Attended Farmers of Mill Creek event. Day included presentations and field time viewing cover crops.
- **Thursday, December 21.** Reviewed contract, gathered information for a future cover crop and nutrient management contract.
- **Wednesday, December 27.** Corrected field names in snap plus. Finished up contract. Edited and finished NMFE extension request. Completed checklist.

Activities Report for Kyle Andreae – December, 2023

- December 1 – Theil site visit, Manure complaint response
- December 4 – Manure complaint response, Lewis plan review
- December 5 – Keuffer and Lewis bid opening, Lewis plan review
- December 6 – Liquid Coin updated AWO plan review
- December 7 – Keuffer site visit, Liquid Coin AWO plan review
- December 8 – Liquid Coin AWO plan review
- December 11 – Liquid Coin AWO plan review, Lewis site visit, Liquid Coin permit follow up
- December 12 – Staff meeting, Liquid Coin site visit, Liquid Coin AWO plan review
- December 13 – AWO database management
- December 14 – AWO database management, Theil site visit
- December 15 – NE area tech meeting
- December 18 – Manure complaint response
- December 19 – Survey supply inventory and acquisitions planning
- December 20 – Survey supply acquisition, Pankratz design
- December 21 – Pankratz design
- December 22 – Holiday
- December 25 – Holiday
- December 26 – Vacation
- December 27 – Vacation
- December 28 – Vacation
- December 29 – Holiday



Activities Report for Kendra Kunding – December 2023

- Assisted with obtaining signatures on cost-share contracts and verifying cover crop establishment.
- Attended a Wisconsin Wetlands Association webinar on changes in wild rice populations in Wisconsin.
- Attended the December Lakes and Rivers Partnership meeting.
 - Topic was aquatic invasive species.
- Attended the Perennial Farm Gathering Conference from December 6th – 8th.
 - Conference was hosted by Savanna Institute.
 - Main focus was learning about agroforestry practices.
 - Savanna Institute has technical service providers that are available to assist producers with questions about agroforestry as well as help them design their system (e.g. silvopasture, harvestable buffers, windbreaks, etc.).
 - Over 600 attendees were at the Perennial Farm Gathering.
- Began to create invasive species fact sheets to put on the Wood County Land & Water website.
- Continued training, reading, and studying to become a certified pesticide applicator.
- Attended an Invasive Species Centre webinar to learn more about the Marbled Crayfish.
 - First wild record of the Marbled Crayfish was found in North America.
- Participated in the December 12th staff meeting to discuss schedules and cost-share/grant funds for 2023 and 2024.
- Attended the Farmers of Mill Creek annual event.
 - Students from Auburndale High School, Assumption High School, and Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School were in attendance along with various producers and partners.
- Read and reviewed Wisconsin Legislature Chapter ATCP 29: Pesticide Use and Control.
- Read and reviewed Wisconsin Legislature Chapter ATCP 30: Pesticide Product Restrictions.
- Assisted a 5th grade student via phone call by student and teacher. Provided information about purple loosestrife (restricted invasive species).
 - Resulted in the creation of a purple loosestrife biocontrol quick guide to help aid in understanding the biocontrol program.
- Attended a webinar about anaerobic digesters.
- Attended a NAISMA webinar on “The Dilemma for Control of Invasive Species: Incorrect Terms Limit Our Capacity to Respond.”
- Attended a webinar by the University of Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center.
 - Webinar focused on hydrilla identification and management options.

Activities Report for Rod Mayer – DECEMBER 2023

- Attended staff meetings. 11/30/23, 12/12/23
- Correspondence with DNR and Lindsey locker for info on donating deer harvested on the Sandhill Reserve.
- Worked with bank for clarification on needed financial assurance for 5 mine sites under Earth Inc.
- Additional ag tags for Saratoga Cranberry issued due to vine damage in the cranberry beds.
- Completed 2024 Wildlife Damage and Abatement program budget, forms updated, signatures, database updated, sent to DNR.
- Reviewed mine site financial assurance drafts for Earth Maple Ridge 1, Maple Ridge2, Cepress, Hwy 186, and Hansen Sand.
- Financial Assurance examples put together and sent to Dupee – looking to change current.
- Completed goal write up for evaluation.
- Reviewed Billerud financial assurance – updated spread sheet, software, file copy, scan, etc.
- Stream bank complaint follow up with complainant.
- Pond build info sent to landowner (Linzmeier).
- Evaluation with supervisor.
- Contacted processors for deer donation report – sent to DNR.
- Updated financial assurance spreadsheet for monitoring.
- Reviewed Earth Inc. reclamation plans, took notes on issues, printed codes, checklist, example plans, ordinance, etc. to prepare for meeting.
- Forestry management for deer habitat advice sent to landowner.
- Meeting with representative from Earth Incorporated at Riverblock to go over issues with reclamation plans currently have and changes needed. Requested four new reclamation plans to get into compliance.
- Summarized meeting discussions and sent to Earth Inc. Sent correspondence to DNR storm water.
- Scanned and sent current reclamation plans to Earth Inc. per record request – 5 plans.
- Reviewed Wolosek addendum to their reclamation plan – requested changes – received and approved for plan.
- Non-compliance letter sent to B&R Fruin site – reviewed with Shane – signatures and sent.
- Reviewed final Earth Inc. financial assurance documents – updated spreadsheet, software, and files.
- Reviewed Tork and Fanning Cranberry financial assurance – updated spreadsheet, software, and files.
- Sent out of compliance letter to Nikolai for Day Road mine site. Contact with and discussions as to what needed. Contact with land surveyor to complete new plan. Sent application, checklist, example plans – discussed requirements.
- Reviewed Knuth hunter auth. forms and log book. Scanned and updated into DNR database.
- Financial assurance reminder calls to Weichelt and Ignatowski.
- Email to Corp Counsel for advice on releasing current financial assurance to take to different bank for new - transfer (Brand site).
- Review Ignatowski FA – update spreadsheet, software, and file.
- Correspondence with Assoc. Bank for requirements on Dupee FA – full amounts – etc.
- Review Weichelt FA – 3 mine sites – update software, spreadsheet, and file.
- Email sent to DNR for advice on B&R Fruin Site – Operator disputing our right to request new plan vs amendment to existing plan. Site out of compliance – outside of permitted areas – etc.



LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION
DEPARTMENT

Activities Report for Shane Wucherpennig - December 2023

- December 1 – PACRS Meeting in Arsdale WI
- December 4 – Field visits, contract signatures with landowners
- December 5 – Bid opening, database management
- December 6 – CEED meeting, Field visits, residue checks at Kevin Heeg’s farm
- December 7 – NMM sit down with Sklar from Earth Inc. on the 5 permitted sites, Virtual meeting and residue checks at Kevin Heeg’s farm
- December 8 – WRPCO virtual meeting
- December 11 – Wood County Water Group meeting
- December 12 – Performance evaluation with Chairman Leichnam, staff meeting
- December 13 – Farmers of Mill Creek meeting and field tour
- December 14 – Virtual meetings
- December 15 – Northeast Area Tech Meeting
- December 18 – Database management, maps and field visits
- December 19 – field visits, cover crop inspections
- December 20 – field visits, landowner meetings, contracts and signatures
- December 21 - Year end cost-share contracts and signatures, Field visits
- December 22 – Holiday
- December 25 – Holiday
- December 26 – Year end cost-share contracts and signatures, Field visits
- December 27 – Year end cost-share contracts and signatures, Field visits
- December 28 – MDV plans in BITS for 2024, Yearend cost-share contracts and signatures, Field visits
- December 29 – Holiday



Wood County WISCONSIN

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING

TO: Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee

FR: Jason Grueneberg, Planning & Zoning Director
Emily Arndt, County Planner
Paul Bernard, Land Records Coordinator
Vacant, Code Administrator
Brad Cook, Code Technician
Victoria Wilson, Program Assistant
Kayla Rautio, Program Assistant

RE: Staff Report for January 3, 2023

1. Economic Development (Jason Grueneberg)

Jail Project – This past month I have participated in a few meetings to discuss the possibility of tax for a solar installation on the jail, as well as 179D tax credits for energy efficient/clean energy technology included in the new jail. Additionally I have been participating in discussions regarding future planning of the Courthouse Campus.

Broadband - In the past month I have participated in meetings to discuss broadband infrastructure. On December 21st the Digital Equity Solutions Team convened a meeting to learn more about TDS and their investment in Wood County to achieve 100 Mbps upload /20 Mbps download speeds utilizing funding through the Enhanced ACAM program. Additionally, the DEST is positioning to work with ISPs to apply for Broadband Equity Access and Deployment (BEAD) grants that will be available in 2024.

Central Wisconsin Economic Development (CWED) Fund Loan Committee - In the past month as a member of the CWED Loan Committee I have participated in the approval of 2 loans. The first loan was a micro-loan for a business in Woodruff to convert a bowling alley to a gaming space and bar. The second loan was for gap financing of a hardware store in Amherst.

Central Wisconsin Economic Development (CWED) Fund Startup Loan Task Force – On December 19th I participated in a CWED meeting to talk about creating parameters for business startup loans. The parameters for this loan offering will be released once they are reviewed and discussed by the CWED Board of Directors in January of 2024.

City of Marshfield TID #5 Escrow Fund – On December 21st I met with the City to talk about the Marshfield TID #5 Escrow Fund. The timeframe to utilize the funds for incentives in the Mill Creek Business Park will be expiring this coming year, and discussion took place on whether to consider utilizing the funds for incentives, or return funds to the taxing entities.

Housing – The REDI Housing Implementation Team met on December 12th. The team has decided to facilitate a housing summit on Thursday, March 7th, 2024. More details regarding the summit agenda will be released when available. Additionally, the team has agreed to pursue a housing survey early in 2024 with assistance of the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.

Bug Tussel Update – Bug Tussel Wireless is the broadband provider that Wood County has provided \$11 million of conduit bonding to for mid-mile fiber installation. An update of progress is provided by their Fall Report that is attached to this report.

Vesper Housing Project – I am working with a developer in the village of Vesper to submit an application for a Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Idle Sites grant. The successful application will secure \$200,000 of grant funding for redevelopment of a building to provide 13 senior housing units. More details regarding this application will be shared with the CEED Committee at their February meeting.

2. **Planning & Zoning** (Emily Arndt)

1. Attended the Community Service Day for the Heart of Wisconsin Community Leadership Program
2. Attended Wood County Leadership Retreat
3. Continued correspondence with Town of Cameron and Town of Rock
4. Met with Rich Schmidt to discuss possible City of Nekoosa zoning and ordinance updates
5. Attended City of Nekoosa Plan Commission Meeting to discuss possible zoning and ordinance updates
6. Continued planning the organization of future Comprehensive Plans
7. Continued working with staff to ensure that questions are answered in a proficient manner.

3. **Land Records** (Paul Bernard)

- Parcel Mapping as needed
- Address Mapping as needed
- Emergency Service Atlas – GIS Layer Creation
- NG911 – GIS Layer Improvements
- Custom Mapping – Arpin Fire Department, Citizen Requests

4. **Code Administrator** (Vacant)

5. **Code Technician** (Brad Cook)

- 11-29-2023- (1) HT inspection TN: 22, (1) conventional inspection TN: 18
11-30-2023- (3) well permits issued TN: 07,18, study for certified soil tester exam
12-01-2023- (1) new conventional inspection TN 18, study for certified soil tester exam
12-04-2023- (2) well permits issued TN: 07,16,18, study for CST exam
12-05-2023- (1) replacement conventional inspection TN: 18, (1) HT inspection TN:12
12-06-2023- (1) shoreland/floodplain meeting, (1) new conventional inspection TN 07

12-07-2023- (1) conventional inspection TN: 13, (2) floodplain permits reviewed
12-08-2023- (2) conventional inspections TN: 07
12-11-2023- WCCA Central District Meeting- Sparta, WI
12-12-2023- (1) new conventional inspection TN: 18, bring in truck for maintenance
12-13-2023- (1) new conventional inspection TN:18, pick up work truck
12-14-2023- (2) floodplain permits reviewed, study for CST exam

12-15-2023- Study for CST exam, (3) issue sanitary permits
12-18-2023- (1) replacement conventional inspection TN: 18, study for CST exam
12-19-2023- (3) HT inspection TN: 11,12,17, (1) well permit reviewed and issued, study for certified soil tester exam

6. Office Activity (Victoria Wilson & Kayla Rautio)

- a. Monthly Sanitary and Well Permit Activity – There were 9 sanitary permits, 2 shoreland permits and 6 well permits issued in December 2023.
- b. ArcGIS Pro Software Project – Victoria continues to assist Paul with Point of Interest projects. Kayla continues to assist Paul with various GIS mapping projects.
- c. Attended the following meetings/trainings & activities:
 - i. December 6th CEED meeting (VW)
 - ii. December 11th Citizen’s Water Group (KW & VW)
 - iii. December 18th Land Information Council (VW)

CITIZENS WATER GROUP (OF WOOD COUNTY) MEETING

DATE: Monday December 11, 2023

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Teleconference via WebEx

Present (In person or via WebEx): Bill Leichtnam, Ben Jeffrey, Tim Wuebben, Ken Winters, Gordy Gottbeheut, Rhonda Carrell, Bruce Dimick, and Bill Clendenning

1. Chair Leichtnam called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
2. There was no public comment.
3. Motion by Carrell/Gottbeheut to approve the minutes from November 13th, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Correspondence/Updates/Handouts/Reports on Meetings Attended
 - Gottbeheut shared information about:

EPA to Minnesota: Take action to protect people from polluted wells in eight counties. A coalition of groups had asked the EPA to declare a public health emergency.
 - Leichtnam shared a hand out about Dunn County:

“Nearly a thousand wells in Dunn County were tested to determine the water quality in the area. Out of the 22 town hall wells with water tested, 14 tested positive for PFAs, according to county officials. 128 wells were flagged for arsenic, while 113 samples showed nitrate concentrations at or above the 10 milliliter/liter limit considered safe for drinking water. Additionally, 50 wells had unhealthy levels of manganese. These were out of 977 wells tested in Dunn County.”
5. Report of CWG Subcommittee on preparations for panel/presentation
 - Lance Pliml is confirmed as moderator for this meeting.
 - Dr. George Kraft is confirmed as a speaker.
 - Katrina Shankland has been contacted but not yet confirmed.
 - Meleesa Johnson has been confirmed as a speaker.
 - Other individuals have been contacted to speak but we are awaiting responses.
 - The hope is that all speakers will be confirmed by January 1, 2024. Discussion followed.
6. Continuing planning for Off-site Panel discussion in March, 2024
 - Meeting date tentatively set as March 18th, 2024.
 - Who should we invite? State agency heads; clean water groups, media reps, federal, state and local politicians, etc.
 - Ensure there is someone available for audio/video tech support.
 - Parking issues, contact McMillan?
 - Title of panel discussion? The future of clean drinking water in the Central Sands.
7. “CWG Next Step” discussion
 - Start thinking about what this committee wants to do next.
8. Upcoming local and regional events to be aware of.
 - Portage County Citizen’s Groundwater group meeting.

9. Agenda items for next meeting (next agenda comes out on week prior)- None
10. Next meeting – January 15th @ 2:00 p.m. & schedule next subcommittee meeting
 - Events Subcommittee will meet in the McCourt room at McMillan Library on Monday January 8th at 2:00 p.m.
11. Adjourn – Gottbeheut/Winters made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Notes by Victoria Wilson, Planning & Zoning Office

WOOD COUNTY LAND INFORMATION COUNCIL
MINUTES

Date: Monday December 18th, 2023

Location: Via Webex Teleconference and in person room 114

Attendees: Bill Leichtnam, District 19 Supervisor; Paul Bernard, Land Information Officer; Al Breu, District 6 Supervisor; Nancy Marti, Real Property Lister; Heather Gehrt, Treasurer; Victoria Wilson, Planning & Zoning; Tony Bastien, Dispatch Manager; Bill Clendenning, District 15 Supervisor

1. Chairperson Leichtnam called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
2. Introductions.
3. Chairperson Leichtnam declared a quorum.
4. Public Comment. None
5. Approval of previous meeting minutes (7/12/2023).

Chairperson Leichtnam asked for any additions or corrections to the previous meeting minutes. Hearing none Al Breu made a motion to approve the minutes. Second by Paul Bernard. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Round Table Discussion on Land Information
 - No disussion
7. Land Information Project Updates
 - Additional deliverables (LiDAR data) are expected in late January.
 - ARPA funding request, totaling \$220,000, is one of many requests being made to the ARPA committee.
 - Historic air photos. The state cartographer's office is scanning in the digital historic air photos. This includes not only 1938 air photos, but also 1950's and 1960.
 - NextGen 911 will be implemented in the second quarter of 2024.
 - Recreation layers project is an ongoing project of compiling and creating all sorts of aspects you would find on a recreation map.
 - There are performance issues with the GIS website that we are working on continually.
8. Future Land Information Projects (2025+)
 - It is not too early to start thinking about projects to be done.
 - Historic preservation. Paul is working with Kayla (Planning & Zoning) on digitizing historic data sets.
 - Building inventory project would tie all information together on any given property, which would include GIS, spatial building footprints and attributes the assessors are collecting. This information should be integrated together but there have been significant roadblocks in getting this information from Market Drive.
9. Budget Update

- Paul gave a brief update on the Land Records budget and where the funding comes from for this department.

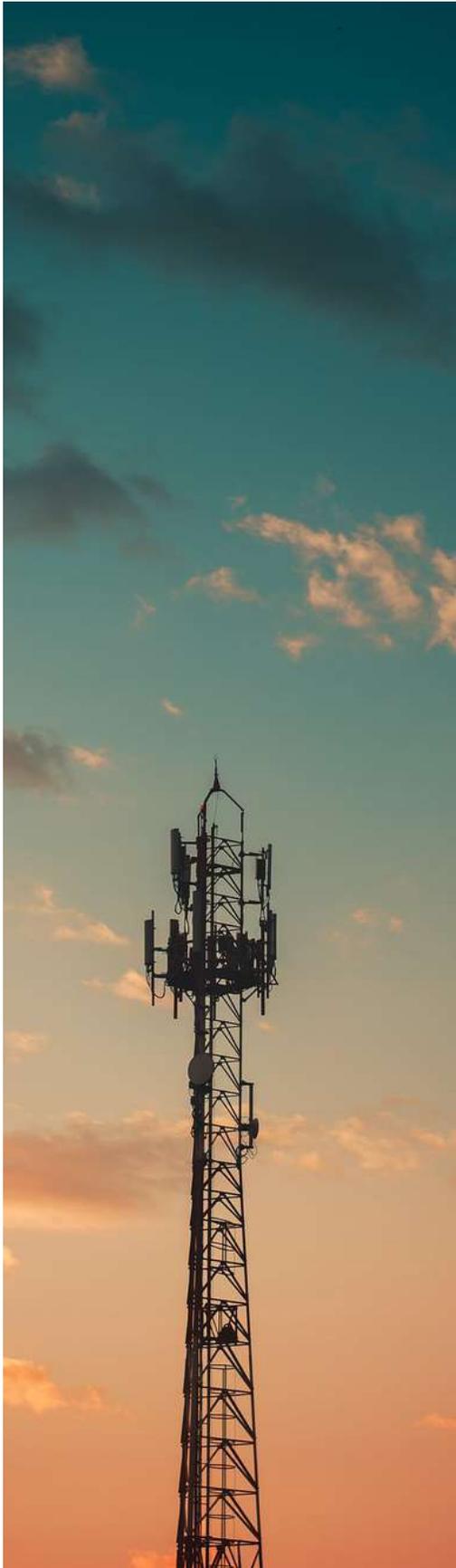
10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Next meeting will be decided in 2024.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Paul Bernard to adjourn, second by Bill Leichtnam. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Minutes taken by Victoria Wilson of Planning and Zoning and in draft form until next meeting.



FALL REPORT

September-November 2023

COMMUNITY

EVENTS

Bug Tussel University: 2 classes, 15+ students

CUSTOMERS

SUBSCRIBERS

Fixed Wireless: 95+

Potential Customers*: 40+

**Interested in service, in contact with Bug Tussel.*

Fiber

Potential Customers*: 30+

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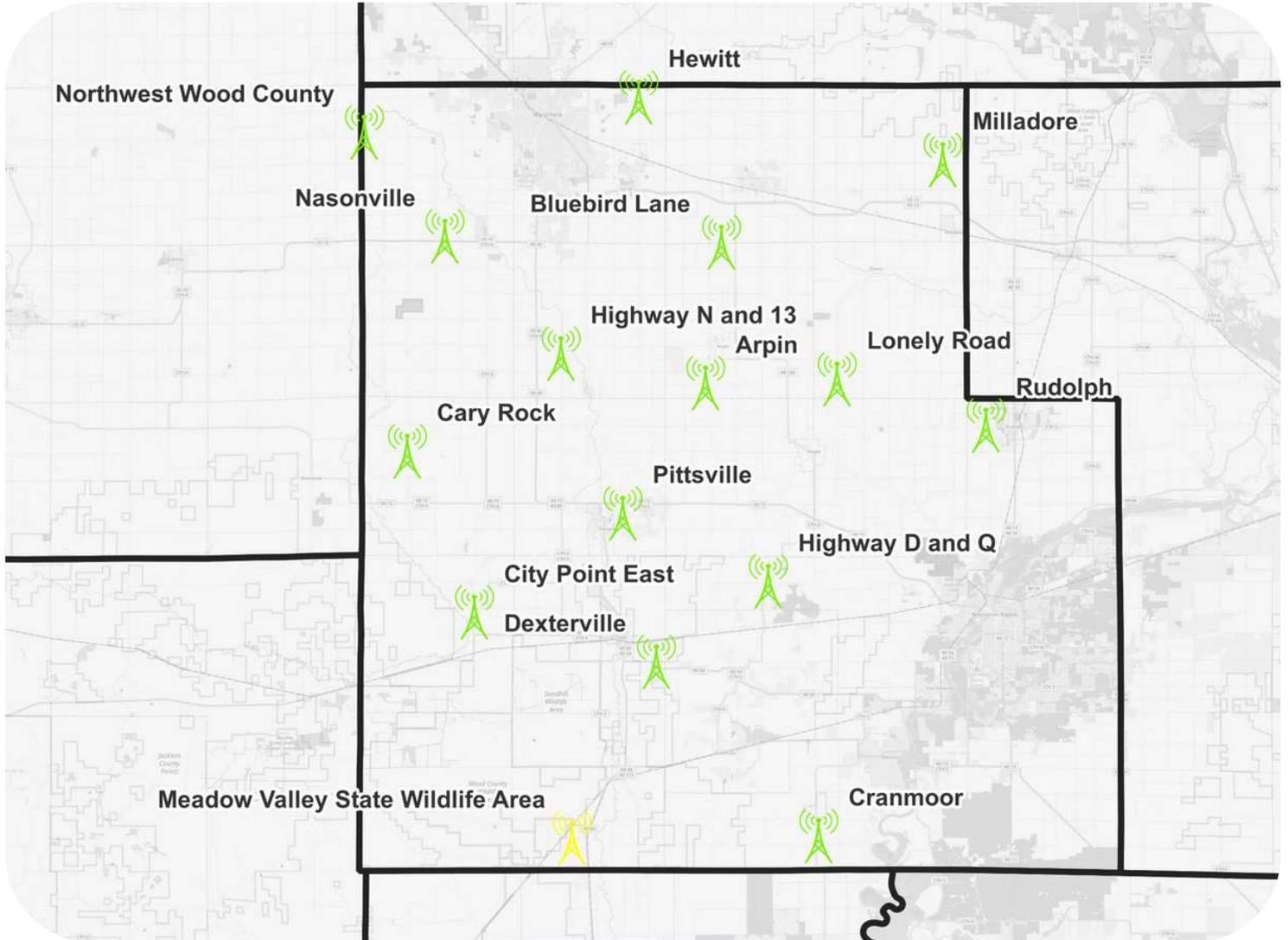


FIXED WIRELESS

Representation of project-funded sites and other sites. Subject to change.

PROJECT SITES: 15

FUNDING TYPE: GRANT



1. ACQUISITION

Scouting and lease agreement for site location are in progress.

2. APPROVALS

Permit submission and approvals are in progress.

3. CONSTRUCTION

Construction and equipment installation are in progress.

4. CONNECTIONS

Utility, power, and signal connections are in progress.

5. LIVE

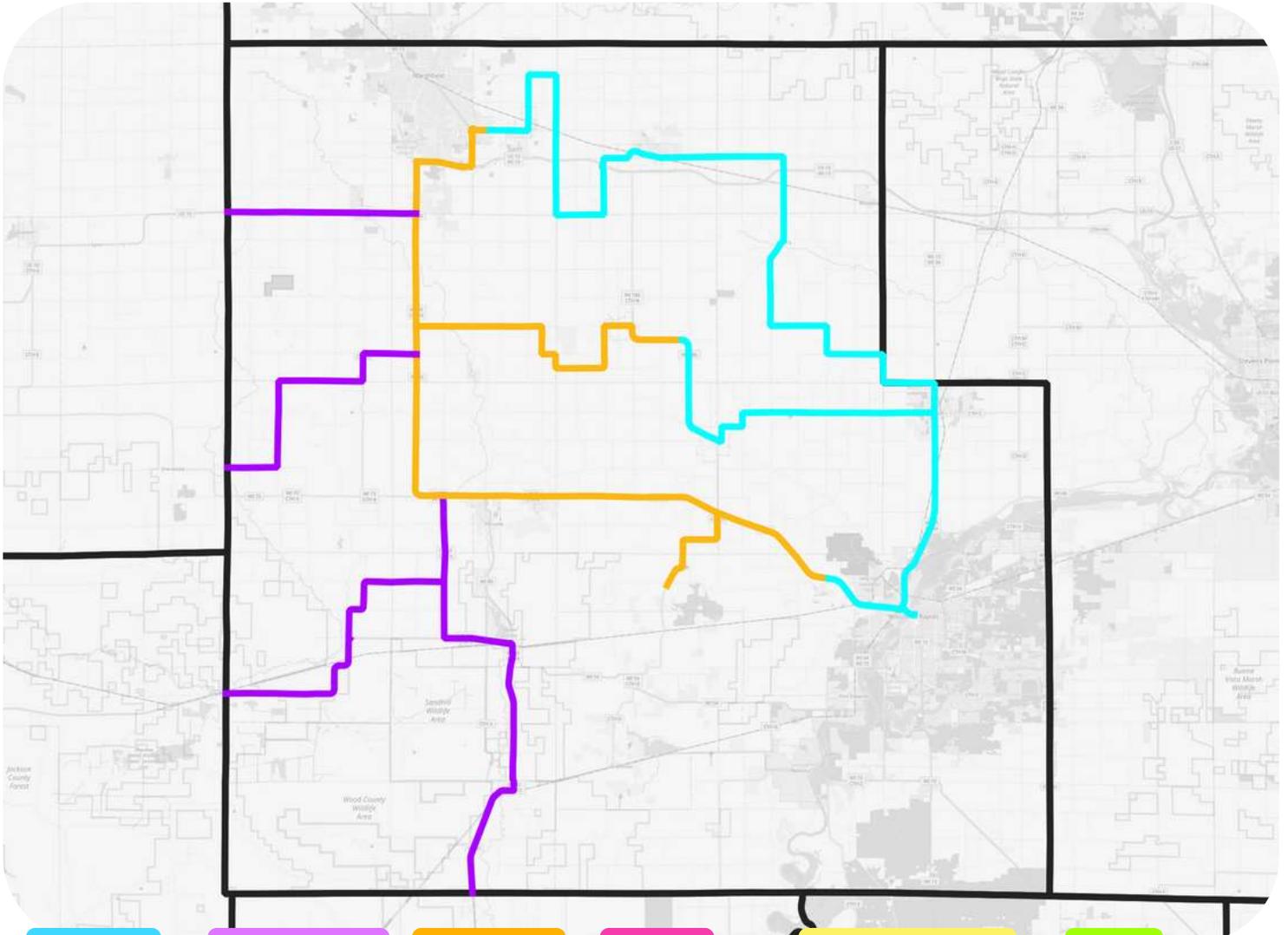
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FIBER

Representation of backbone for all projects and phases. Subject to change.

PROJECT MILES: 160+
FUNDING TYPE: BOND / GRANT



1. DESIGN

Route design, planning, and engineering are in progress.

2. APPROVALS

Permit submission and approvals are in progress.

3. CONDUIT

Conduit cable and utility construction are in progress.

4. FIBER

Fiber placement inside conduit is in progress.

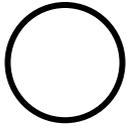
5. CONNECTIONS

Fiber splicing and utility, power, and signal connections are in progress.

6. LIVE

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RESOLUTION#

Introduced by Conservation, Education and Economic Development Committee
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Motion: Adopted:
1st Lost:
2nd Tabled:
No: Yes: Absent:
Number of votes required:
[X] Majority Two-thirds
Reviewed by: , Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: , Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize entry into a developer and operations agreement pertaining to the establishment and management of a large solar array complex expansion.

FISCAL NOTE: None. By law the County will indirectly receive a payment in lieu of tax type of compensation from the operator of any power generating utility such as this one irrespective of the agreement. The agreement serves more to protect the interests of the County than it does to directly deal with compensation.

Table with 5 columns: NO, YES, A and 19 rows of names (LaFontaine, D; Rozar, D; Buttke, T; Wagner, E; Fischer, A; Breu, A; Voight, W; Hahn, J; Winch, W; Thao, L; Penzkover, J; Valenstein, L; Hokamp, J; Polach, D; Clendenning, B; Pliml, L; Zurfluh, J; Hamilton, B; Leichtnam, B)

WHEREAS, Savion is a corporation that, among other things, develops solar arrays for the commercial production of power, and

WHEREAS, Savion is proceeding through state and federal permitting processes to construct a 150.5 MW solar array expansion in the town of Saratoga, and

WHEREAS, although Savion doesn't need any County agreement or permits to proceed with its permitting process or to construct a solar array as proposed, it likely is helpful for Savion to have an agreement with the County in obtaining the state and federal permits and Savion has expressed a desire to become a community partner with the Town and County such that all of our interests are advanced, and

WHEREAS, the interests of the Town and the County are similar in some respects and diverge in other ways and the County has, therefore, worked independently with Savion to form an agreement that satisfies the needs and concerns of both the County and Savion, and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated the attached Developer Agreement to address the respective interests of the County and Savion and after reviewing same the Conservation, Education & Economic Development Committee has voted in favor of the County Board authorizing and directing that the County enter into said Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES to authorize and direct the County Board Chairperson to execute duplicate originals of the attached Developer Agreement between Wood County and Savion.

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BILL LEICHTNAM (Chair)
DAVE LA FONTAINE
TOM BUTTKE
LAURA VALENSTEIN
JAKE HAHN
CARMEN GOOD

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this day of 20 .

County Clerk

County Board Chairman

SOLAR GENERATING FACILITY DEVELOPER AGREEMENT

Between Wood County, Wisconsin and Saratoga Solar Project, LLC

- A. This Solar Generating Facility Developer Agreement ("**Agreement**") is by and between Wood County, Wisconsin (the "**County**") and Saratoga Solar Project, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company ("**Developer**"), executed on _____ (the "**Effective Date**"). The County and Developer are sometimes referred to herein as a "**Party**" and collectively as the "**Parties**" to this Agreement.
- B. As used herein, the term "**Property**" or "**Site**" refers to those certain portions of specified parcels of land located in the County and described in **Exhibit A**, as may be modified as provided in this Agreement.
- C. As used herein, the term "**Solar Energy System**" or "**System**" has the meaning provided in § 1.03(2) of the Town of Saratoga's Solar Energy System License Ordinance (Ordinance 2019-9- 18).
- D. Developer represents that it owns, leases, has options to purchase, or has other contractual rights over all of the land comprising the Property, and is authorized to engage in this Agreement and incur the obligations in this Agreement with respect to the Project (defined below) that Developer intends to construct and operate on the Property.
- E. Developer desires to construct and operate up to a 150.5 megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic electrical generating facility and associated facilities such as energy storage, underground power collection lines, access roads, an operating and maintenance facility, an electrical substation, and an overhead transmission line connection (the "**Project**").
- F. Developer and the County desire to enter into this Agreement to govern the rights and obligations of each with respect to the Project, including the use of County roads, rights-of-way and drainage systems during construction and operation of the Project.
- G. By execution of this Agreement, the County provides Developer with approval to construct, operate and maintain the Project and use County roads, rights-of-way and drainage systems under the terms set forth herein (the "**Approval**").
- H. This Agreement is conditioned on Developer's initial and maintained compliance with all applicable state and federal and local laws and permit or approval requirements, including any requirements associated with a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("**CPCN**") issued by the Wisconsin Public Service Commission ("**PSC**") and any requirements in permits issued by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ("**DNR**") for the proposed Project.

- I. The Approval granted under this Agreement shall be concurrent with the Project's CPCN, subject to the rights and remedies of the County expressly provided in this Agreement with respect to Developer's breach of the terms of this Agreement.
- J. The terms of this Agreement were designed by mutual efforts of the Parties and are mutually agreed upon by the Parties. The rights and obligations of Developer and the County under this Agreement shall survive termination of the Agreement.
- K. Terms used in this Agreement shall first be interpreted based on any definition contained in this Agreement. Terms not defined in this Agreement shall be interpreted using their common meaning as appropriate for the context in which they are used.
- L. Developer and the Town of Saratoga have entered into a Solar Generating Facility Developer Agreement on _____, 2023 with respect to the Project (the “**Town Agreement**”).

Agreement

Therefore, Developer and the County agree to the following terms and conditions in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, obligations, and agreements contained herein.

1. **Background Information.** Prior to commencement of construction or operation of the Project, Developer shall submit a detailed site plan and map; information about the owner of any lands upon which any part of the Project will be located; the name, address, phone number, and email address of the operator; and an operation plan detailing the construction, operations, and decommissioning phases over the life of the Project, including estimated timelines for each. The Parties understand and recognize that approval of the Project is under the jurisdiction of the PSC and that the Project must seek concurrence and approval from the PSC for substantive site design changes. If at any time during the operation of the Project, Developer proposes modifications to the Project in a manner that requires additional permitting review from the PSC or the DNR, Developer shall provide the County any updated site plans or other material Project details.

2. **Highway Maintenance and Use Agreement.** The Parties agree that the Project will only utilize Town roads and State highways. Prior to commencement of construction or operation of the System, Developer and the Town shall enter into a Highway Maintenance and Use Agreement regarding Town roads in accordance with the Town Agreement.

3. **Decommissioning Plan.** Prior to commencement of construction or operation of the Project, Developer will provide the Town with a detailed decommissioning plan, which shall include, within two (2) years after the beginning of commercial operation of the Project,

an obligation for Developer to provide a commercially reasonable financial assurance to the Town of Saratoga in accordance with the Town Agreement.

4. **Public Impacts Studies.** Developer has completed and the County acknowledges that the following environmental studies are publicly available on the Project website (www.saratogasolarproject.com):

- a) Phase I Environmental Site Assessment
- b) Karner Blue Butterfly Survey
- c) Wetland Delineation
- d) Geotechnical Investigations
- e) Cultural Resource Surveys
- f) Floodplain Study
- g) Road / Traffic Analysis
- h) Visual Simulations
- i) Erosion Control Plan
- j) EMF Study
- k) Noise Study
- l) Glare/Glint Study

5. **Groundwater Monitoring Plan.** Developer will perform or cause to be performed groundwater monitoring per the groundwater monitoring plan prepared for the Project, attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. Groundwater monitoring will begin prior to construction and continue through year five of operations. If groundwater monitoring yields elevated levels of contaminants, above applicable regulatory standards, then Developer agrees to investigate the source of contamination and continue groundwater monitoring as necessary and to the extent such contamination or material increase in such contamination is reasonably believed to have occurred due to the construction or operation of the Project. Developer will coordinate the groundwater monitoring events with the Town of Saratoga in accordance with the Town Agreement.

6. **Battery Storage.** In the event Developer decides to install a battery energy storage system (BESS) on the Property, such BESS must be compliant with applicable laws and prudent industry standards and will include electrolyte containment to allow timely remediation and prevention of ground contamination in the event of an accident and sufficient containment of the BESS for security and accidental contact. The selected technology and design will be coordinated with the County prior to commencing construction, and Developer shall in good faith consider and use commercially reasonable efforts to incorporate any reasonable comments and recommendations provided by the County to the extent not inconsistent with prudent industry standards relating to containment design. In addition, Developer will provide Project specific BESS training to emergency responders prior to installation and prior to commencement of commercial operation of the BESS.

7. **Petroleum Based Solvents.** Due to the high groundwater table in the area, Developer will not use any petroleum-based solvents to clean solar panels or other components of the solar array within the Project.

8. **Revenue Guarantee.** Under Wisconsin law applicable on the Effective Date of this Agreement, the State of Wisconsin is required to make utility aid payments to the County if a solar generating system like the Project is located in the County. If applicable laws should change during the life of the Project reducing the amount of these state payments, Developer shall compensate the County in an amount to equal the amount of annual utility aid payments required under laws applicable on the effective date of this Agreement less any annual property taxes paid by the Developer to the County for the Site and less any other annual payments to the County that are adopted to replace the utility aid payments. Such payments shall be made annually by the Developer to the County no later than January 31 of the year following the year for which payment is made.

9. **Fencing.** Developer shall use non-barb smooth wire mesh fencing around the perimeter of the solar array, constructed with wood posts. The height of the perimeter fencing shall be the minimum allowable under state and federal law and applicable building and electric codes.

10. **Buffer from Project Fence to Existing Residences.** Developer shall not remove any existing, live trees that are within 50 feet of the Project property line boundary (excepting any portion of the Project constituting the transmission line route). If existing trees that are within such 50-foot strip in a particular area die or are destroyed during the life of the Project as part of a pervasive event (i.e., fire, flood, tornado, etc.) that destroys a material number or grouping of such trees such that the overall impact is to materially diminish the viewshed buffer effect achieved by the existing trees, the Developer agrees to work with the Town of Saratoga in accordance with the Town Agreement in good faith to establish a plan to replant trees in such areas at the Developer's expense. In addition to and without limiting the Developer's obligation to maintain the aforementioned 50-foot strip, Developer, at Developer's expense, shall also work with any owner of any residence existing as of the Effective Date of this Agreement that is within 500 feet of the Project perimeter fence, to design a plan to retain the existing vegetative buffer and review and discuss other cost-effective supplemental view shed buffering options, if necessary. Further, Developer shall include a buffer at a minimum of 300 feet from the portion of the north property line that extends east of Highway 13, as depicted in **Exhibit A-1**.

11. **Construction Operations.** Construction activities that include significant noise generating activities will generally occur between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., unless dusk occurs later. While not anticipated, in the event construction needs to occur outside of these hours or after dusk, **residences** within ¼ mile of where such activities are actually occurring within the Site will be notified. Developer shall not deploy significant noise

generating mechanisms to protect the solar array from damage during hailstorms, such as the use of so called "cranberry cannons" or similar devices.

12. **Lighting.** Lighting on the Site, during both construction and operations phases, shall be limited to the minimal lighting necessary for safety and security, and the Developer shall take all reasonable measures through light shrouding and other methods to reasonably mitigate light leaving the Property at night.

13. **Visitor Area and Tours.** The Developer will fund and construct a pull-off area with an elevated platform for viewing at least a portion of the Project area and a kiosk with Project information. The Project will allow limited public parking spaces to be located in the pull-off area. Additionally, once the Project is commercially operating, the Project will collaborate with the community to arrange occasional tours of the facility, subject to reasonable notice and safety and security measures. At Developer's discretion, the pull-off area may be closed at times for safety and security purposes and during inclement weather, including for the duration of the winter, and, at Developer's discretion, may include signage indicating that use of such pull-off area is only for observation purposes, constitutes "recreational activity" with immunity under Wis. Stats. §895.52, et. Seq., and all activities are at the sole risk of the undertaker.

14. **Vegetation.** Prior to commencement of construction or operation of the Project, Developer shall prepare and provide the Town of Saratoga with a copy of a vegetation management plan for the Project in accordance with the Town Agreement. The vegetation management plan shall outline plans for site vegetation management during construction and operations. After construction, the site shall be seeded with a low- growth grass seed mix under the solar panels. A pollinator seed mix shall be planted in select open areas outside of the array and inside the perimeter fence. Noxious weed and invasive species shall be managed through mowing and targeted applications of commercially available herbicides; however, no herbicides shall be stored on the site. After site vegetation is established, the Project shall not use broad applications of herbicides. No burning is allowed for disposal of cleared vegetation or trees, including tree stumps.

The Developer shall maintain a live snow fence along the west side of Highway 13 adjacent to the 50-foot buffer described in Paragraph 11. The live snow fence shall be constructed in accordance with Wisconsin Department of Transportation guidelines for snow drift prevention and consist of a minimum of one row where existing trees are present in the 50-foot buffer and 2 rows where trees are not present or sparse within the 50-foot buffer. Vegetative buffer plant material shall be initially installed between March 15 and November 15 and no later than 1 year after commencement of construction of the facility. All unhealthy and dead plants (60% or more dead plant material) shall be replaced by the Project owner or operator within one (1) year, or the next appropriate planting period, whichever occurs first.

15. **Stormwater.** Developer will prepare and comply with an Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Plan (ESCWMP) in accordance with the Wisconsin General Permit to discharge under the Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) regulations established by the Clean Water Act and guided by the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

16. **Water Wells.** During construction, in addition to water extracted from any well on the Property as contemplated below, Developer intends to use water trucks in connection with dust control and road construction. During operations, in the event adequate rainfall does not occur, Developer may use water trucks to wash solar panels, but such use is not anticipated to occur frequently. Developer will not install more than 1 water well on the Site that has a well capacity of greater than 50 gal/min, and in no event will Developer install any single water well on the Site that has a well capacity of greater than 100 gal/min; provided, however, during construction of the Project, Developer may install one well of up to 350 gal/min, so long as such well is properly capped, disposed, and abandoned pursuant to state regulations within ninety (90) days after the completion of construction of the Project. Developer will appropriately cap, dispose, and abandon existing wells on the Property pursuant to state regulations for well abandonment except that if Developer does not install a new well with the capacity of greater than 50 gal/min on the Property it may retain and use one of the existing wells on the Property.

If Developer installs a new well on the Property with capacity of greater than 50 gal/min it shall coordinate with the Town of Saratoga in accordance with the Town Agreement regarding the location of such installation.

17. **Emergency Response Plan.** Prior to commencement of construction or operation of the Project, Developer shall prepare and provide to the County a copy of a site-specific Emergency Response Plan (ERP). A copy of the ERP shall be kept on Site during construction and operation of the Project.

18. **Site Maintenance; Reduction of Surplus Property.** Developer shall at all times maintain the Site in good condition and repair. In the event Developer determines, in Developer's sole and absolute discretion, that certain portions of the Property are not needed for the siting of the Solar Energy System, Developer may reduce the size of the Site accordingly and unilaterally upon providing written notice of the same to County, along with a revised **Exhibit A** describing and depicting the revised Site. Any such change in the size of the Site may not result in the violation of any other requirements in this Agreement, including, without limitation, buffer and setback requirements in Paragraph 11 of this Agreement.

19. **Local Employment and Training.** Developer shall work with the local community to provide notice of employment opportunities and training programs.

20. **Cooperation.** Developer and the County agree to communicate and cooperate in good faith concerning the safe construction, operation, and decommissioning of the Project.

21. **Public Safety and Emergency Medical Services.** Construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic electrical generating facility does not create any unique or especially dangerous environments or situations for emergency responders. Developer will require that all contractors on the Site during construction meet all state and federal laws for employee and public safety. Developer intends to request meetings with area emergency response agencies to provide project and facility familiarization and establish communication protocols. Developer will work with the County to establish communication protocol and arrange for any necessary site-specific training for area emergency response personnel.

22. **Snowmobile Route.** Developer will use commercially reasonable efforts to provide access to snowmobilers via a designated snowmobile route by relocating an existing snowmobile route to a relocated route along the west perimeter boundary of the Property. The location of the snowmobile route will be determined and coordinated with the Town of Saratoga and the Rome Snowmobile Club (the "Club") prior to commencing construction and in accordance with the Town Agreement.

23. **Indemnification.** Developer agrees to defend, pay on behalf of, and hold harmless the County and their supervisors, trustees, administrators, employees, and representatives (collectively the "Indemnified Parties") against any and all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, and liabilities for physical damage to the property of the County and for physical injury to any person, to the extent the same is proximately caused as a result of any activities or operations of Developer, its agents and employees, and arising out of the performance or non-performance of its duties pursuant to this Agreement or the construction, maintenance, or operation of the Project, except to the extent caused by the negligence or intentional misconduct of the County or any other Indemnified Parties. Furthermore, Developer agrees to defend, pay on behalf of, and hold harmless the County from any third party claims proximately caused as a result of any activities or operations of Developer, its agents and employees, and arising out of the performance or non-performance of its duties pursuant to this Agreement or the construction, maintenance, or operation of the Project, except to the extent that such claims are caused by the negligence or intentional misconduct of the County or any other Indemnified Parties. This Indemnification obligation shall survive the termination of this Agreement. Nothing in this Section extends any statutes of limitation applicable to any claims that may be brought against the County or the Developer.

24. **Insurance.** Developer shall at all times during construction and operation of the project carry Commercial General Liability Insurance with a minimum liability of \$5,000,000 per occurrence, and in the general aggregate (limits may be satisfied with a combination of General Liability and Umbrella/Excess policies) Automobile Liability insurance with a minimum liability limit of \$1,000,000 per accident, and the developer shall carry a workers compensation policy, with Employer's Liability limits no less than \$500,000, or, if the Developer is qualified self-insured in the State of Wisconsin, shall maintain not less than \$5,000,000 Umbrella/Excess insurance on an occurrence basis over its self-insured retention that may change from time to time. Such Umbrella/Excess insurance shall include automobile

liability. The commercial general liability, automobile liability and umbrella/excess liability policies shall provide the County with additional insured status on a primary and non-contributory basis (Umbrella/excess is non-contributory only) with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County. The workers' compensation/employer's liability policy shall include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County. All policies of insurance shall provide no less than 30 days written notice to the County of the intent to cancel or non-renew except for ten days for non-payment of premium. Certificates of insurance will be provided to the County on or before each policy renewal date.

25. **Relevant Law.** Any and all disputes arising under this Agreement and/or relating to the development and/or construction of the Project shall be resolved pursuant to the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

26. **Notices.** Notices, requests, demands, and other communications shall be sent to the following addresses:

If to Developer:

Saratoga Solar Project, LLC
8841 Hwy 13 South
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

If to the County:

Wood County, Wisconsin
Attn: County Clerk
400 Market Street
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

All notices shall be in writing. Any notice shall be deemed to be sufficiently given (i) on the date, if delivered in person; (ii) five (5) days after being sent by United States registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested; or (iii) on the next Business Day if sent by overnight delivery service (*e.g.* Federal Express) to the notified Party at its address set forth above. These addresses shall remain in effect unless another address is substituted by written notice. Notices may be sent via email transmission to the email addresses provided, however, notice sent via email shall be followed by notice delivered by personal service or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or by overnight delivery.

27. **Anti-Corruption.** For the purposes of this Paragraph 27 only, "Anti-Corruption Laws" shall mean, only to the extent applicable to state and local governmental entities and political subdivisions thereof, (a) the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977; and (b) all applicable national, regional, provincial, state, municipal or local laws that prohibit tax evasion, money laundering or otherwise dealing in the proceeds of crime or the bribery of, or the providing of unlawful gratuities, facilitation payments, or other benefits to, any government official or any other person. The County hereby represents, warrants, and covenants that in connection with this Agreement and the business resulting therefrom: (i) it will comply with all

applicable Anti-Corruption Laws; (ii) whether directly or indirectly, it has not accepted and will not accept any payment, gift, promise, or other advantage, to or for the use or benefit of any government official or any other person where that payment, gift, promise, or other advantage would comprise an impermissible facilitation payment or otherwise violate the Anti-Corruption Laws; (iii) it will retain its books and records for the period required by applicable law or the County's own retention policies, whichever is longer; and (iv) in the event the County becomes aware it has breached an obligation in this paragraph, it will promptly notify the Developer, subject to the preservation of legal privilege. Subject to the preservation of legal privilege, for so long as such books and records are actually retained by the other Party, each Party shall have a right, at its expense, and the other Party shall take reasonable steps to enable this right, to audit the other Party's relevant books and records with respect to compliance with this paragraph. Nothing in this Agreement shall require a Party to perform any part of this Agreement or take any actions if, by doing so, the Party would not comply with applicable law, including the Anti-Corruption Laws. The obligations in this Paragraph 27 shall survive the termination as described above.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have entered into this Solar Generating Facility Developer Agreement.

WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

SARATOGA SOLAR PROJECT, LLC

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

**Exhibit A – the Property
Legal Description**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

TRACT 1

SECTION NINETEEN (19), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

A PORTION OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4) AND A PORTION OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4) EXCEPTING THEREFROM LOT ONE (1) OF CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP NO. 10858 RECORDED MARCH 08, 2021 AS DOCUMENT NO. 2021R02632.

TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00350 & 18-00353

AND

SECTION TWENTY (20), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4), EXCEPT HIGHWAY RECORDED IN VOLUME 420, PAGE 503 AND EXCEPTING THEREFROM LOT ONE (1) OF CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP NO. 10858 RECORDED MARCH 08, 2021 AS DOCUMENT NO. 2021R02632.

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TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00356, 18-00360, 18-00361, 18-00362, 18-00363, 18-00364, 18-00365, 18-00367, 18-00368

AND

SECTION TWENTY-ONE (21), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

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TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00381, 18-00384, 18-00382 & 18-0385

AND

SECTION TWENTY-NINE (29), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4), EXCEPT HIGHWAY
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TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00505, 18-00506, 18-00507, 18-00509, 18-00510, 18-00511, 18-00513, 18-00514,
18-00515, 18-00516

AND

SECTION THIRTY (30), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, WOOD COUNTY,
WISCONSIN.

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4)
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TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00521, 18-00524, 18-00531, 18-00532, 18-00533 & 18-00534.

AND

TRACT 2

PARCEL 1:

THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST,
TOWN OF GRAND RAPIDS, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN, EXCEPT ANY LANDS CONVEYED FOR ROAD
PURPOSES.

PARCEL 2:

THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST,
TOWN OF GRAND RAPIDS, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN, EXCEPT ANY LANDS CONVEYED FOR ROAD
PURPOSES.

PARCEL 3:

THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST,
TOWN OF GRAND RAPIDS, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 4:

THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, TOWN OF GRAND RAPIDS, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN, EXCEPT ANY LANDS CONVEYED FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00366, 18-00369, 18-00379 and 18-00380

AND

TRACT 3

PARCEL 1:

THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4) EXCEPT THE HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF SECTION TWENTY (20), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 2:

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-ONE (21), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 3:

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) AND THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN (27), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 4:

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4), THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4), THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE1/4), AND THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE1/4) OF SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT (28), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 5:

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4), AND THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4), SECTION THIRTY-FOUR (34), TOWNSHIP TWENTY-ONE (21) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

TAX PARCEL NOS 18-00357, 18-00376, 18-00476, 18-00477, 18-00489, 18-00492, 18-00501, 18-00504, 18-00586, and 18-00587

AND

TRACT 4

PARCEL 1:

THE SW-1/4 OF THE NE-1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, THE TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 2:

THE NE-1/4 OF THE NW-1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

PARCEL 3:

THE NW-1/4 OF THE NW-1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 21 NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST, TOWN OF SARATOGA, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

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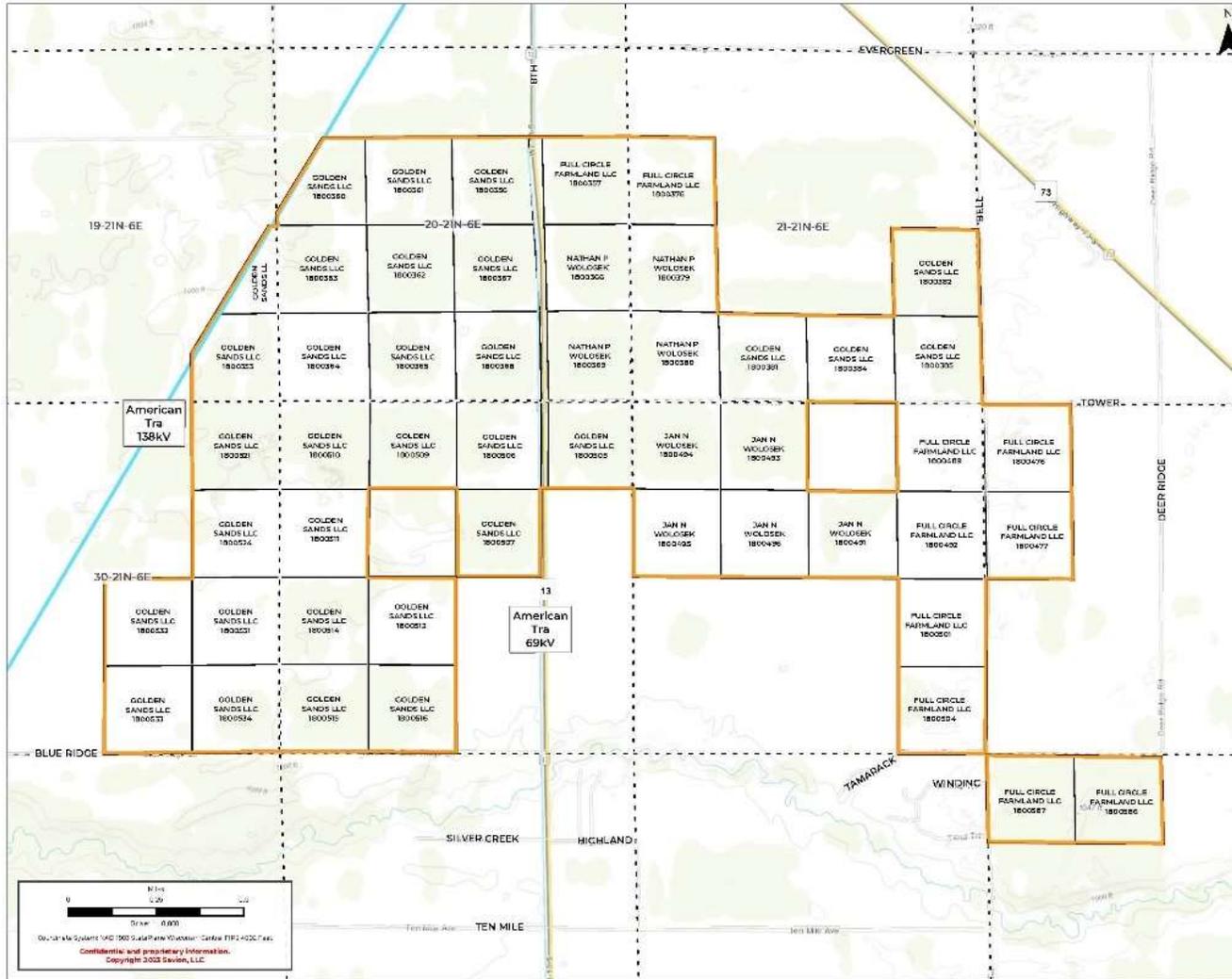
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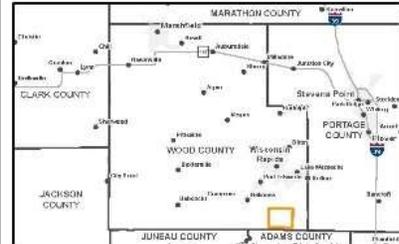
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TAX PARCEL NOS. 18-00491, 18-00493, 18-00494, 18-00495 and 18-00496

SARATOGA SOLAR PROJECT



- Project Boundary
- Property
- Transmission Lines**
- Voltage kV**
- 69
- 139



PRELIMINARY DESIGN - NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT:	SARATOGA	ENGINEER:	
DESIGNED BY:	SAVION, LLC	SCALE:	1 INCH : 1,500 FEET
DATE:	1/25/2023		
REVISED:			
PROJECT PARCELS			

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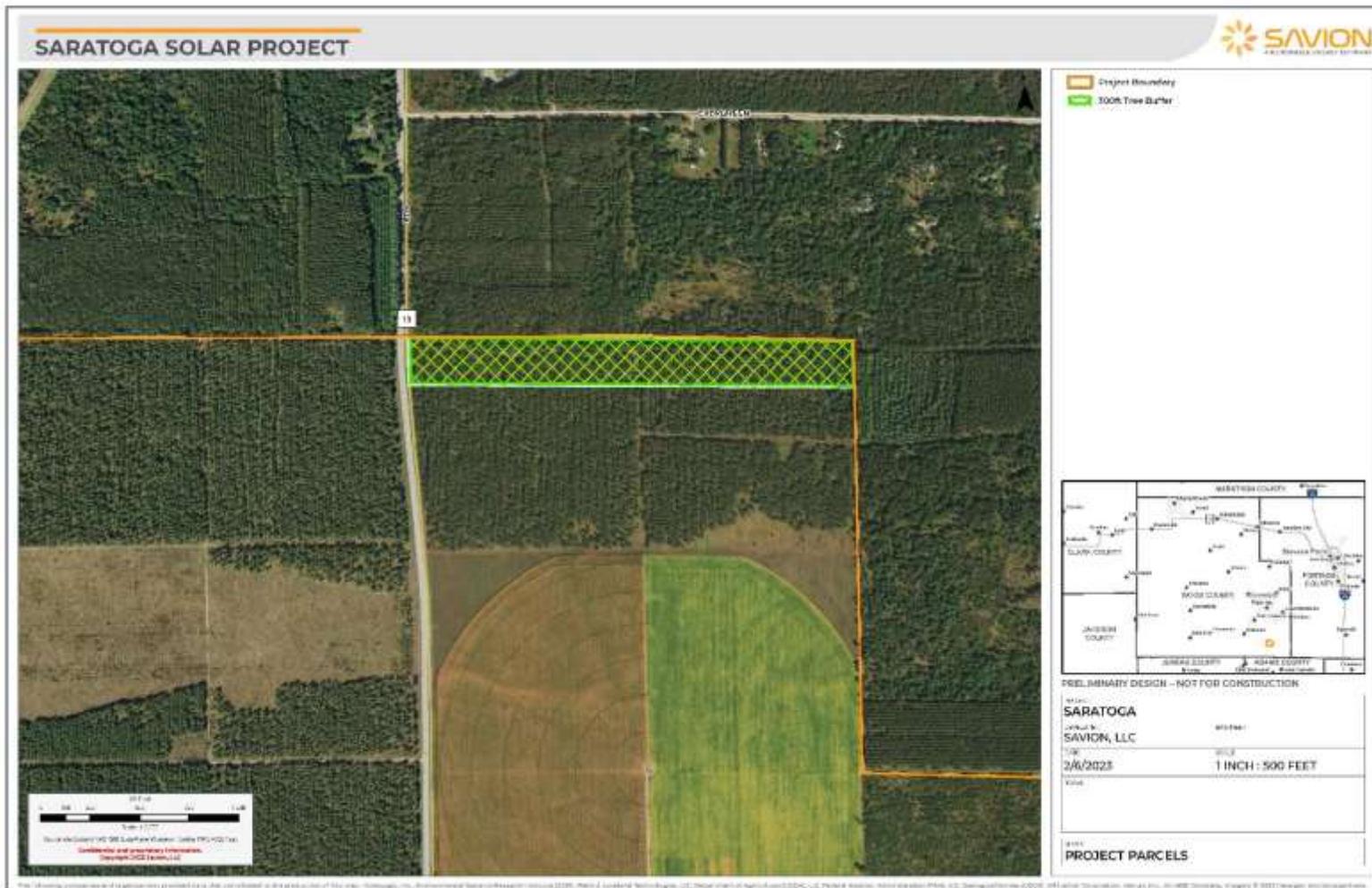


Exhibit B – Groundwater Monitoring Plan

February 1, 2023

Ms. Emily Truebner, VP Permitting & Environmental
Saratoga Solar Project, LLC
422 Admiral Boulevard
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

Re: Proposal for Groundwater Monitoring Plan
Saratoga Solar Project
Wood County, Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Truebner:

Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc. (ECT) is pleased to provide this scope of work to conduct groundwater monitoring at the proposed Saratoga Solar Project (Subject Property). It has been requested that the Subject Property will perform ongoing groundwater monitoring to determine whether the proposed construction and operation of the Subject Property adversely impacts the groundwater conditions. The scope of work for the proposed activities are provided below.

SCOPE OF WORK

According to a review of the 2018 *Golden Sands Dairy Monitoring Report*, prepared by Collier Consulting and dated March 1, 2019, the existing groundwater monitoring well network includes 10 (10) wells. Three (3) of the existing wells are proposed for sampling by ECT during each monitoring event, as follows:

- One (1) on-site monitoring well (MW-U4);
- One (1) up-gradient monitoring well (MW-U3); and,
- One (1) down-gradient monitoring well (MW-D2).

The groundwater monitoring activities will be completed over approximately seven (7) years in accordance with the following tasks:

Task 1: Pre-Construction Groundwater Sampling and Reporting

- A site-specific Health and Safety Plan will be prepared for this sampling event.
- ECT will conduct one (1) groundwater sampling and reporting event prior to the start of construction at the Subject Property, with a preference of a Fall or Spring sampling event.
- Prior to sample collection, depth-to-water measurements will be taken from MW-U4, MW-U3, and MW-D2 for the purpose of creating a potentiometric surface map to determine groundwater flow direction at the Subject Property.
- One (1) groundwater sample will be collected from MW-U4, MW-U3, and MW-D2 via U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) low-flow sampling protocols. Groundwater will be filtered prior to collection for metals analysis (described in following bullet).
- The groundwater samples and a trip blank will be transported on ice under chain-of custody for laboratory analysis of:
 - Herbicides using U.S. EPA Method 8151
 - Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) using U.S. EPA Method 8160

- Semi-volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs) using U.S. EPA Method 8270
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) 8 Metals (Arsenic, Barium, Cadmium, Chromium (total), Lead, Mercury, Selenium, and Silver) using U.S. EPA Methods 6010B/7470-7471
- The investigation derived waste (IDW) consisting of purge and decontamination water will be drummed for disposal and stored on-site. The IDW will be properly disposed of by a third-party waste-hauler on an as-needed basis, at least once per year. All IDW disposal assumes non-hazardous disposal and that the owner/client signs as the generator.
- Following the sampling event and receipt of analytical data, a groundwater monitoring report will be prepared. The report will include a summary of sampling activities, appropriate figures and data tables, and copies of the laboratory reports.

Task 2: Construction Groundwater Sampling and Monitoring

- A site-specific Health and Safety Plan will be updated for this sampling event.
- ECT will conduct one (1) groundwater sampling and reporting event during construction activities at the Subject Property.
- Prior to sample collection, depth-to-water measurements will be taken from MW-U4, MW-U3, and MW-D2 for the purpose of creating a potentiometric surface map to determine groundwater flow direction at the Subject Property.
- Groundwater sampling, laboratory analysis, and IDW collection will be conducted in the same manner as discussed above.
- Following the sampling event and receipt of analytical data, a groundwater monitoring report will be prepared. The report will include a summary of sampling activities, appropriate figures and data tables, and copies of the laboratory reports.

Task 3: Operations Groundwater Sampling and Monitoring

- A site-specific Health and Safety Plan will be updated for each annual sampling event.
- ECT will conduct annual groundwater sampling and reporting events for five (5) years following construction of the Subject Property. Therefore, five (5) sampling events will occur.
- Prior to sample collection, depth-to-water measurements will be taken from MW-U4, MW-U3, and MW-D2 for the purpose of creating a potentiometric surface map to determine groundwater flow direction at the Subject Property.
- Groundwater sampling, laboratory analysis, and IDW collection will be conducted in the same manner as discussed above.
- Following each sampling event and receipt of analytical data, a groundwater monitoring report will be prepared. Each report will include a summary of sampling activities, appropriate figures and data tables, and copies of the laboratory reports.

COST ESTIMATE

The estimated cost to perform the work described is \$84,375, which will be invoiced monthly on a Time & Materials / Not to Exceed basis. A breakdown of the costs is provided in the following table.

Proposed Activities	Estimated Cost
Task 1: Pre-Construction Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination with all parties Completion of one (1) groundwater monitoring and sampling event as described above, including analytical analysis. Partial costs for disposal (costs are split between tasks) Completion of Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling Report 	\$10,250 (1 event)
Task 2: Construction Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination with all parties Completion of one (1) groundwater monitoring and sampling event as described above, including analytical analysis. Partial costs for disposal (costs are split between tasks) Completion of Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling Report 	\$10,250 (per event; assumed 1 event)
Task 3: Post-Construction Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination with all parties Completion of one (1) groundwater monitoring and sampling event as described above, including analytical analysis. Partial costs for disposal (costs are split between tasks) Completion of Groundwater Monitoring & Sampling Report 	\$11,275 (per event; 5 events total \$56,375)
Project Total	\$76,875

ASSUMPTIONS

This work will be completed in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the Master Services Agreement between Saratoga Solar Project, LLC and ECT, dated January 25, 2023. If unusual conditions are encountered (i.e., inaccessible locations, dry wells, etc.), the costs may need to be adjusted. No work outside the agreed upon scope of work will be conducted without your prior approval.

The above costs assume that the monitoring wells are able to be located and produce sufficient groundwater, that normal conditions will be encountered, and that any delays, obstructions, or other limitations caused by the client or her agents will result in additional expense to the client. All laboratory work will be reported on a standard two-week turnaround time.

Ms. Emily Truebner, VP Permitting & Environmental
Saratoga Solar Project, LLC
February 1, 2023
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Please contact us if there are any questions regarding this proposal. If you concur with our proposal, please provide an executed Task Order. ECT appreciates the opportunity to assist with this very important project.

Sincerely,
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**“Economic Development” definition
(Ways to achieve “economic development”)**

The CEED committee, these departments, and this Board of Supervisors **ACTIVELY** encourages & supports (sometimes financially) proposals & projects that seek to:

- 1) Encourage business & industry to locate in Wood Co.
- 2) Retain existing businesses & industry and encourage their expansion
- 3) Encourage workforce development (education, training, & re-training)
- 4) Promote tourism & recreational opportunities in Wood Co.
- 5) Provide opportunities for youth
- 6) Help develop childcare options so skilled workers can contribute to the workforce throughout their careers
- 7) Continue to develop infrastructure (roads, internet connectivity, airports, parks, trails, etc.)
- 8) Encourage urban & rural revitalization & long-term planning
- 9) Partner with Chambers of Commerce & regional planning organizations
- 10) _____
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- 12) _____
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July 20th, 2023

CEED Committee members,

Greetings! As CEED Chair, I would like to share with you some of my concerns with regard to next Thursday's economic development "Grants Request" meeting. (Just a reminder—in order to comply with provisions in the "Open Meetings" law, you should NOT respond, or respond only to the P & Z Office.)

Easy part first then. LUNCH will be from 11:30 am until noon. I suspect you will not have to bring an egg salad sandwich in your school lunch pail; but, be advised that the committee did not make "hard-and-fast" decisions in the LUNCH area; so maybe a hard boiled egg in tin foil (tell security)!

Here are a list of my concerns for next Thursday's meeting:

- 30 requests; \$1.18 million compared to last year's 23 requests with \$382,250 approved. Last year we funded at a 62% level; this year it could be 32%. Hard decisions! Do we flat-out reject some requests? On what grounds? Do we need to set up some "Parameters" for deciding what we'll approve beforehand?
- How do we provide equity among similar requests, or similar requests over the years? For example: Chambers, Airports, Towns requesting electronic message board funding, etc.
- For the chance to be awarded thousands of dollars, I'd be present an hour early as a "Presenter" to pitch my case. Might we have 45+ people in the room at 9:00 am? Should we consider allotting a "Time-to-Appear"? (30 Presenters over 210 minutes is 7 minutes per "Presentation / Discussion/ Decision".) Mighty Fast! Do we need to limit presentations to 3 minutes? Chairs in the hall? Knowing what we know now, do we need to consider two days of meetings, or a full day on Thursday?
- Last year I favored a 2-cycle sequence. Instead we went with a "shoot-from-the-hip" single presentation / discussion / decision format. I get heartburn from making a 7-minute decision; but will bend to the majority's wishes.
- Do we follow the presentation order in our electronic packet—"1st received—1st heard", or group requests in some other fashion? When do we do that? When do we tell presenters?
- Reading this, you must have concerns, too. Not knowing your wishes, how do I open the meeting positively and fairly?

Thursday, I have lab work at the clinic at 7:20 am & I should certainly be at the Courthouse at 9:00 am, hopefully much earlier. Should we meet at 8:30 am to iron out "procedure"?

I'd like to call the first item on the agenda "Rules / Parameters / Guidelines" so all involved have a sense of how we will proceed. If that discussion takes us 20 minutes, that would further reduce the time allotment per presenter to 5-6 minutes.

I get the "big bucks" to worry about things like these. You are welcome to share your thoughts with Victoria. Major changes, we'll need to get back to you and the "presenters" with VERY SOON.

Bill

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July 25, 2023

CEED Economic Development grant requestee,

Greetings! You are probably wondering how Thursday's "grant request" meeting will proceed and what will be expected of you. Here is my attempt to structure an efficient process.

The meeting is scheduled for 4 hours. It will open with a brief committee discussion and some "housekeeping" chores. (See "By the Numbers" & "What Will be Expected of Me" below.) Because we will be using the smaller first floor conference room, seating capacity is only about 14 people. The County Clerk has reserved two areas for remote, or "overflow" viewing—Room # 105 all day & Room # 115 after 10:30 am. The committee plans to consider a "request" every 7 minutes or so. You will be alerted, or called; plus, you received from the Planning & Zoning office a list of grant requests which will proceed in order. Lunch for committee members will be from 11:30 am until noon, so if you time out 7 minutes for each request starting at about 9:10 am, that should give you an estimated time in which you may appear.

BY THE NUMBERS:

- 30 grant requests totaling \$1.185 million in 2023
- \$5,000 was the lowest requested amount; \$120,000 the highest
- All things being equal (which they never are), the average grant awarded could be \$12,700
- Last year 13 grants were awarded averaging about \$30,000 each (Total \$382,250)
- 6 of 19 grant requests were totally rejected
- 2 presenters per request in attendance Thursday means 60 attendees present

WHAT WILL BE EXPECTED OF YOU:

- Be patient.
- Grant monies approved will be based on the "merits" of your proposal.
- Your written request to the P & Z Office serves as your presentation. Thursday, no "presentation" will be expected of you; but you will probably be asked to answer committee members' questions.
- R.O.I. (Return on Investment) will be "big" in CEED's consideration of your request.
- Understand the Wood County Operations Committee, or full County Board, may ask CEED to reduce monies expended when the county budget is being reviewed and adopted in late summer.

Good Luck! See you Thursday. Remember you will be screened by security at the front doors to the Courthouse.

Bill Leichtnam, CEED (Conservation, Education, & Economic Development) Chair

PARAMETERS / GUIDELINES for CEED "Economic Development" Grant Requests

You must:

1. Be a Wood County resident to apply
2. Meet all application deadlines and complete project within one year
3. Keep in mind that these are "Economic DEVELOPMENT" grants; not "economic development & continuing-support" monies
4. Realize that no grant requests exceeding \$25,000 will be considered (as of 2022, the average grant request was \$12,700)
5. Not make "operating expenses" or staff salaries a part of your request
6. Keep in mind that every year the percentage of rejected grants goes up
7. Realize that "Return on Investment" (ROI) calculations are an important part of your grant request
8. Keep in mind that no grant approval is final until the Wood County Board approves the next year's Budget (usually in early Oct.)
9. There are statutory guidelines that the CEED committee and the WCB must adhere to
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TO THOSE REQUESTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

The CEED (Conservation, Education, & Economic Development) Committee and the Wood County Board will make available, probably on a one-time basis and annually in late summer, a limited amount of ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING to businesses, organizations, and initiatives who will bring businesses, workers, industry, housing, tourism, and related services to Wood County.

Preference will likely be given to under, or undeveloped areas of the county. These monies are not intended to be "continuing support", but rather seed money or as a "shot-in-the-arm" designed to kick start development.

We welcome any and all grant requests that meet this criteria.

Trent Miner

From: Kayla Rombalski <krombalski@wisc.edu>
Sent: Friday, December 22, 2023 12:56 PM
Cc: Brandon Hofstedt; Jeremy Solin; Jason Grueneberg; Trent Miner
Subject: THANK YOU! 2023 REDI implementation by the numbers...
Attachments: 2024 REDI Schedule.png

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Hello! I've been crunching some year-end numbers and am truly inspired by the commitment each of you has shown to the Wood County Rural Economic Development Initiative (REDI) Plan implementation this year. **THANK YOU** for sharing your insights and helping to achieve the goals and objectives in the REDI Plan. We could not do this without you.

In 2023 -

✓ **30 meetings** of the REDI Roundtable and Implementation Teams (Broadband, Child Care, Entrepreneurship, Housing) were held.

✓ **96 individuals** were engaged in REDI activities. 81% (78 of 96 people) regularly attended more than one REDI meeting. There are nearly 150 people on the five team email lists.

✓ **14 participants** (on average) attended each meeting. Total meeting attendance in 2023 topped 400! (416 total meeting attendance)

✓ **520+ hours** of time given to REDI Implementation in Wood County. (Assuming average meeting length is 75 minutes)

Impressive! And there's even more to come in 2024. The Housing Task Force is planning for a Housing Summit in March, the Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Steering Committee has plans to bring entrepreneurs and those who support them together for two half days of programming, the Broadband team is building relationships with Internet Service Providers in preparation for BEAD funding, and the Child Care Task Force is strengthening the network of providers in Wood County to build efficiencies and cut costs. And that's not all! Also coming in 2024 we will see the launch of our oversight committee for branding and marketing, as well as the outdoor recreational infrastructure tourism team. Join this momentum! You'll find the 2024 meeting schedule below and attached. You can [read the REDI plan](#) in detail, [review meeting minutes](#), [track goal progress](#), and more by going to the new [REDI ACTIVITY DASHBOARD](#).



2024 REDI Meetings

REDI Roundtable
 bimonthly, 2nd Thursday at 9:30 AM
 JAN 11 • MAR 14 • MAY 9 • JUL 11 • SEP 12 • NOV 14

January

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Broadband/Digital Equity Solutions Team
 monthly, 3rd Thursday at 9:30 AM
 JAN 18 • FEB 15 • MAR 21 • APR 18 • MAY 16 • JUN 20
 JUL 18 • AUG 15 • SEPT 19 • OCT 17 • NOV 21 • DEC 19

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Child Care Task Force
 bimonthly, 1st Thursday at 1 PM
 JAN 4 • MAR 7 • MAY 2 • JUL 11 • SEP 5 • NOV 7

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Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Steering Committee
 monthly until July, 4th Monday at 1 PM
 JAN 29 • FEB 26 • MAR 25 • APR 22 • MAY 20 • JUN 24 • JUL 22

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Housing Task Force
 Monthly, 4th Tuesday at 10 AM
 JAN 23 • FEB 27 • MAR 26 • APR 23 • MAY 28 • JUN 25
 JUL 23 • AUG 27 • SEP 24 • OCT 22 • NOV 26 • DEC 17

Marketing Team & Outdoor Recreational Infrastructure
 Coming soon

Wishing each of you the happiest of holiday seasons, and a great start to the new year! I can't wait to see what we achieve in 2024!

Happy Holidays!
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