

	AGENDA Land Conservation Committee Wednesday October 26, 2022 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533 Remote attendance option: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83606481599 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 836 0648 1599	Iowa County Wisconsin
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<i>Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.</i>		
1	Call to Order	
2	Roll Call	
3	Approve the agenda for this October 26, 2022 meeting	
4	Approve the minutes of the August 24, 2022 meeting	
5	Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the Committee. No action will be taken.	
6	NRCS update	
7	Blackhawk Lake Commission update	
8	Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program: Approval of 2023 budget and 2022 crop prices- Dave Terrall (USDA Wildlife Services)	
9	Consider approval of CREP management plan update for Al Strack	
10	Cost-share funds transfer approval	
11	Cost-share project approvals	
12	Land Conservation Department updates: A) Staffing update B) SWIGG study	
13	Agenda items for future meetings: FPP Notices of Non-compliance, Enforcement discussion	
14	Motion to set the next meeting and adjourn	
Posting Verified by: your name or title Date: _____ Initials: _____		

	UNAPPROVED MINUTES LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday August 24, 2022 at 1:00 PM HHS Building, Community Room 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533 Remote attendance option: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85493179138 Conference call #: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 854 9317 9138	Iowa County Wisconsin
Meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Gollon at 1:00 pm		
Roll Call. Members present: Bob Bunker, Kevin Butteris, Roger Geisking, Dave Gollon, Tim Harrington, Darrell Kreul, Don Leix, and Peter Vanderloo. Others present: Katie Abbott, Dan Nankee (via zoom), Tom Michek		
Approve the agenda for this August 24, 2022 meeting: Sup. Geisking made a motion to approve this August 24, 2022 agenda. Sup. Kreul seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Approve the minutes of the July 27, 2022 meeting: Sup. Butteris made a motion to approve the July 27, 2022 minutes. Mr. Bunker seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the committee. No action will be taken. Sup. Nankee asked about the joint Blackhawk Lake meeting, which was not held this year due to scheduling. Mr. Harrington brought up manure storage closure. The Committee held a moment of silence for Paul Bickford.		
NRCS update: none provide		
Blackhawk Lake Commission annual report- Tom Michek: Tom Michek provided a handout of financials, 2021 expenses, and future projects. Discussion of staff pay increases, boat launch, access/road maintenance, and planting prairie.		
Proposed 2023 LCD Budget: Ms. Abbott presented the proposed 2023 Land Conservation Department revenue and expenses. Discussion of wage calculation and tax levy.		
Land Conservation Department updates: A) Staff and workload update: the conservation Specialist position is still vacant; the Department is triaging the workload and focusing on the highest priorities, and asked for help from DATCP staff B) Upcoming events: Clean Sweep, Uplands field day, Youth Day, Southern Area Association tour C) Dam access issue: we have an issue with fencing limiting our access on one dam. Corp. Counsel is looking at the easement documents to verify where and how we have access. D) Program updates: Ms. Abbott gave an update on CREP, cost-share, and other programs.		
Agenda items for future meetings: FPP Notices of Noncompliance (Sept?), CREP easements management plan approvals; UWEX committee- agriculture updates?; Enforcement discussion		
Motion to set the next meeting and adjourn. The next meeting date was set for Wednesday September 28 at 1:00 PM in the HHS Community Room. Sup. Kruehl made a motion to adjourn. Sup. Leix seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:25pm.		

SECTION IV: COUNTY BUDGET/ FINACIAL PLAN - REQUIRED BY ALL PARTIES
IOWA COUNTY (COOPERATOR)
2023

COST ELEMENT	Price charged to Cooperator (Payable to APHIS WS)	Additional WDNR Funding Requested by Cooperator (county Reimbursed Directly from WDNR)	COST SHARED BY WS	FULL COST
Salaries (includes venison donation admin)	\$12,119.67		\$2,138.77	\$14,258.45
Abatement Materials	\$893.28			\$893.28
Mileage/Travel/Services	\$1,666.42			\$1,666.42
Subtotal Direct Costs	\$14,679.37		\$2,138.77	\$16,818.14
Pooled Job Costs	\$1,614.73			\$1,614.73
Deer Donation Processing		\$0.00		\$0.00
County Administration		\$520.00		\$520.00
Indirect Costs (Administrative Overhead)	\$2,370.72			\$2,370.72
Permanent Fence		\$0.00		\$0.00
Agreement Total	\$18,664.82	\$520.00	\$2,138.77	\$21,323.59
The distribution of the budget (with the exception of the mandatory percentage line items) from this Financial Plan may vary as necessary to accomplish the purpose of this agreement, but may not exceed:	\$19,184.82			\$21,323.59

We expect to assist 10-20 growers with damage that may result in wildlife damage requests equaling or exceeding \$30,000 worth of claims.

Signatures of Intention:

COUNTY: _____

Date: _____

WDNR: _____

Date: _____

USDA-APHIS-WS: _____

Date: _____

**IOWA COUNTY (COOPERATOR)
2023**

COST ELEMENT	County Request	*County Administration included in County Salary request	USDA-WS FUNDING APPROVED	TOTAL FUNDING APPROVED
Salaries (includes County Admin.)	\$12,639.67	\$520.00	\$2,138.77	\$14,778.45
Abatement Materials	\$893.28			\$893.28
Mileage/Travel/Services	\$3,281.15			\$3,281.15
Office Overhead	\$2,370.72			\$2,370.72
Venison Admin	\$0.00			\$0.00
Venison Processing	\$0.00			\$0.00
				\$0.00
Permanent Fence	\$0.00			\$0.00
Agreement Total	\$19,184.82		\$2,138.77	\$21,323.59
WDNR FUNDING APPROVED: The distribution of the budget (with the exception of the mandatory percentage line items) from this Financial Plan may vary as necessary to accomplish the purpose of this agreement, but may not exceed:	\$19,184.82			

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Date: _____

USDA-APHIS-WS: _____

Date: _____

2022 CROP PRICE PROPOSALIowa COUNTY

CROP	PRICE PROPOSED	If different than price proposed PRICE APPROVED
<u>HAY:</u>		
Alfalfa	\$162.00 / Ton	\$ _____
Grass	\$ _____	\$ _____
Straw	\$ _____	\$ _____
<u>GRAINS:</u>		
Corn, Field	\$ 6.16/ Bushel	\$ _____
Oats	\$ _____	\$ _____
Soybeans	\$ 14.13/ Bushel	\$ _____
Wheat	\$ 9.78/Bushel	\$ _____

Approved By Iowa County: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____

90% of the crops have been harvested in Iowa County – as of: _____



LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT
303 W Chapel Street, Suite 2100
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Perpetual CREP Conservation Plan Amendment

Agreement #: 1479

Landowner name(s): Alan and Audrey Strack

Parcel address: 1980 Sandy Rock Road

Practices: CP22 and CP23

Tax Parcels: 20-0033, 20-0034, 20-0036-03

Acres: 27.74

All practices are subject to DATCP approval. Notice must be given to the Iowa County land Conservation Department before beginning any practice, except for burning or mowing, to allow staff to monitor the practice and its effects.

Mowing: Mowing a designated path for burn breaks and conservation maintenance (**see map**). The new path must be established outside of the bird nesting season of April 15th to September 1st with a minimum set back from the stream of 50 feet.

Prescribed fire: Use of prescribed fire is allowed, but not required. Burns must be conducted by trained personnel with adequate equipment to control the burn. Follow any DNR or Township rules regarding burning and permits.

- Allowed once every 3-5 years
- Burn breaks may be mowed in the fall prior to a burn year.
- The burn must follow a plan that details:
 - the goals of the burn
 - the safe range for wind speed, wind direction, temperature, and humidity
 - burn break and safe zone locations
 - method for burning (back burn, ring fire, strip fire, etc.)
 - nearby hazards
 - an emergency plan
 - equipment and personnel needed
- The burn plan does not have to be approved or submitted to LCD but should be kept on file with the landowner

Spot mowing and spraying:

- Spot mowing as need to control invasive weeds or brush is allowed and should be timed to maximize control of the target species. Mowing an entire field should be avoided.
- Spot spraying is allowed with approval of a plan that details the type, method, and timing of chemical treatment.
 - Hand-apply Roundup or Garlon 4 to cut tree/brush stumps in the dormant season (late fall-winter), following herbicide labels.
 - Do not broadcast spray due to likely injury to desirable species

Landowner certification

Date

Date

Land Conservation Department certification

Katherine Abbott, County Conservationist

Date

Date of LCC approval: _____

Land Conservation Cost-share Projects for Approval 10-26-22			
Landowner name	Township	Practice	Estimated cost-share amount
Nadia Alber	Arena	NMP- 57.3 acres	\$1,612.80
Nadia Alber	Arena	cover crops- 35 acres	\$875.00
Mark Yager	Waldwick	cover crops- 16.2 acres	\$405.00
Michael & Bette Vivian (John & Judy Swenson grant recipients)	Brigham	cover crops- 14.6 acres	\$365.00
Dan Meudt	Dodgeville	cover crops- 45 acres	\$1,125.00
Don Winch (Peter Gates grant recipient)	Arena	NMP- 183.4 acres	\$5,135.20
Don Winch (Peter Gates grant recipient)	Arena	cover crops- 86 acres	\$2,150.00
Sam Draves	Highland	cover crops- 7.57 acres	\$189.25
Mark & Janice Lee (Ryan Lee grant recipient)	Mifflin	cover crops- 39.1 acres	\$977.50
John & Cheryl Lee (Ryan Lee grant recipient)	Mifflin	cover crops- 49.6 acres	\$1,240.00
Tom Rock	Linden	cover crops- 50 acres	\$1,250.00
Tim Draves (Dan Wessel grant recipient)	Highland	cover crops- 27 acres	\$675.00
Wessel Family Trust	Highland	NMP- 113.5 acres	\$3,178.00
Wessel Family Trust	Highland	cover crops- 25 acres	\$625.00
Dale Wienkes	Eden	cover crops- 80 acres	\$2,000.00
Colescott Farm LLC	Moscow	Well decommission	\$498.40
Moundsview Farms LLC	Brigham	Waste storage closure	\$2,800.00
Amanda Bille	Dodgeville	Well decommission	\$1,750.00
Bob Bjorge	Ridgeway	Well decommission	\$3,562.30
Tom Slaney	Dodgeville	Well decommission	\$980.00
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Mike and Bette Vivian	Brigham	Well decommission	\$892.50
Terry Erickson *see memo*	Moscow	Stream crossing	TBD



LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT
303 W Chapel Street, Suite 2100
Dodgeville, WI 53533

TO: Land Conservation Committee

FROM: Katie Abbott, County Conservationist and Sarah Hovis, Conservation Technician

Date: 10-20-2022

RE: Erickson stream crossing cost-share amount

Terry Erickson in Blanchardville has requested assistance with a stream crossing over Gordon Creek to be able to access his cropland. They are currently using an old bridge and are worried about it failing; they also don't have another way to access their land without going through an easement on the neighbor's property.

Generally we would design a ford crossing (banks and stream bottom are stabilized and access requires driving through the water), however the landowner and his son have requested a culvert crossing due to fears of water wear on their equipment (rusting). A culvert crossing would require four 24"x48" arch culverts and significantly larger rock than a ford crossing, resulting in a higher cost (estimate is yet to be determined).

This crossing is for equipment only and is required to meet an NR 151 standard, so per ATCP 50 the project is only eligible for 50% cost sharing. The culvert crossing design is not the least cost alternative, and is beyond what we would need to meet the NRCS standard (rock ford). DNR may provide more restrictions during the permitting process.

Since this is a unique situation, staff would like the committee to weigh in on appropriate cost share amounts and any other concerns they may have regarding this project.