

2024 Joint Allocation Plan

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Soil and Water Resource Management Grant Program and Nonpoint Source Program



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Summary of Changes to the 2024 Joint Allocation Plan

The DATCP portion of the final allocation plan includes the following change from the preliminary allocation plan:

- Inclusion of Portage County in the Marathon et al NMFE award.

There are no changes to the DNR portion of the final allocation plan.

Approval Signatures

DATCP has determined that the action described in this allocation plan for the 2024 soil and water resource management grant program shown in [Table A](#) conforms to the applicable DATCP provisions of s. 92.14, Wis. Stats, and ATCP 50, Wis. Administrative Code. DATCP reserves the right to reallocate grant funds unexpended by recipients.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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DNR has determined that the actions described in this allocation plan for the 2024 allocations of DNR funds shown in [Table B](#) conforms with the provisions of ss. 281.65 and 281.66, Wis. Stats.

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Introduction

The allocations identified in this plan provide counties and others with grant funding for conservation staff and support costs, landowner cost-sharing, and runoff management projects. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are making these allocations to protect Wisconsin's soil and water resources, consistent with the objectives in chs. 92 and 281, Wis. Stats.

DATCP is allocating grants to county land conservation committees (counties) and other project cooperators in 2024 through the Soil and Water Resource Management Program ([Table A](#)).

DNR is allocating grants to counties through the Targeted Runoff Management (TRM), the NR 243 Notice of Discharge (NOD), and Urban Nonpoint Source and Storm Water Management Planning Projects (UNPS Planning) Grant programs ([Table B](#)).

For 2024, a total of \$21,724,708 is allocated based on the state budget for the 2023-25 biennium. [Table C](#) summarizes all allocations, by grantee. Organized by funding category, Chart 1 on page 6, summarizes grant fund requests, unmet funding requests, and allocation amounts. Chart 2 on page 6, shows the allocation categories by funding sources. *If required, these allocations may be adjusted based on reductions or lapses in appropriations or authorizations.*

The 2023-2025 biennium budget changed the funding source for the SWRM cost-share traditionally referred to as "bond" projects. For this biennium, these funds will be general purpose revenue funds leading to a change in terminology within the SWRM program. Herein bond or GPR funded cost-share projects are referred to as "structural" practices.

Funding Sources and Allocation Requests

CHART 1: GRANT REQUESTS AND ALLOCATIONS			
Funding Category	Total Requests	Unmet Requests	Allocation Amounts
DATCP			
County Staff/Support	\$19,408,611	\$8,446,311	\$10,962,300
LWRM Cost-Share	\$6,955,000	\$3,455,000	\$3,500,000
Bond Reserve (B)	\$927,380	\$627,380	\$300,000
LWRM Cost-Share (SEG)	\$2,837,600	\$725,216	\$2,112,384
Cooperator Contracts (SEG)	\$1,072,126	\$69,213	\$1,002,913
Innovation Grants (SEG)	\$429,943	\$247,293	\$182,650
NMFE Grants (SEG)	\$377,053	\$0	\$377,053
SUBTOTAL	\$32,007,713	\$13,570,413	\$18,437,300
DNR			
UNPS Planning	\$29,015	\$0	\$29,015
UNPS Construction	NA	NA	NA
TRM	\$2,258,393	\$0	\$2,258,393
NOD Reserve (B)			\$1,000,000
SUBTOTAL	\$2,287,408	\$0	\$3,287,408
TOTAL			\$21,724,708

CHART 2: FUNDING SOURCES	
Staff and Support Grants	
\$7,269,000	DATCP SEG from s. 20.115(7)(qe)
\$3,693,300	DATCP GPR from s. 20.115(7)(c)
\$10,962,300	DATCP Subtotal
\$0	DNR SEG from s.20.370(6)(aq)
\$29,015	DNR SEG from s. 20.370(6)(dq)
\$201,428	DNR Sec. 319 Account (Federal)
\$230,443	DNR Subtotal
\$11,192,743	TOTAL Staff & Support Grants
Cost-Share Grants	
\$3,500,000	DATCP GPR from s. 20.115(7)(c)
\$300,000	DATCP Bond (Reserve) from s. 20.866(2)(we)
\$2,112,384	DATCP SEG from s. 20.115(7)(qf)
\$5,912,384	DATCP Subtotal
\$2,522,204	DNR GPR from s. 20.370(6)(ag)
\$0	DNR SEG from s. 20.370(6)(aq)
\$534,761	DNR Sec. 319 Account (Federal)
\$3,056,965	DNR Subtotal
\$8,969,349	TOTAL Cost-Share Grants
Nutrient Management Farmer Education (NMFE) & Other Project Cooperator (OPC) Grants	
\$377,053	DATCP SEG (NMFE) from s. 20.115(7)(qf)
\$1,002,913	DATCP SEG (OPC) from s. 20.115(7)(qf)
\$182,650	DATCP SEG (Innovation) from s.20.115(7)(qf)
\$1,562,616	TOTAL NMFE & Other Grants
\$21,724,708	Grand Total

DATCP Allocations

Staff and Support

The allocation under this category provides county staff and support funding. Grant awards are consistent with the terms of the 2024 grant application and instructions located at https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/SWRMSect6.aspx.

Funds Available

The allocation amount listed in [Table A-1](#) consists of annual appropriations of \$3,693,300 in GPR funds and \$7,269,000 in SEG funds “for support of local land conservation personnel under the soil and water resource management program.” DATCP has no underspending from prior years to increase this allocation.

Grant Awards

Grants are awarded using the following formula:

Tier 1

DATCP is exercising its discretion under ch. ATCP 50.32(5) to award each county a \$75,000 base grant.

Tier 2

DATCP will allocate the remaining \$5,562,300 using a modified version of the formula designed to meet the goal in s. 92.14(6)(b), Wis. Stats., of funding 100, 70 and 50 percent of the costs of three staff positions in each county. As modified, the formula allows counties to claim department heads, technicians and engineers as their first positions (entitled to 100 percent funding) only if they work over 95% on eligible conservation activities.

DATCP makes Tier 2 awards in three rounds in an attempt to meet the statutory goal. For round one, DATCP will fully fund county requests for their first position at the 100% rate. Due to a decrease in the 2024 allocation, DATCP will fund 85% of the county requests for their second position at the 70% rate. DATCP has no funding to make awards in round three to fund a county’s third position at the 50% rate. [Table A-1](#) provides round-by-round details of the Tier 2 allocation for each county.

Unmet Need for Staff and Support Funds

DATCP requires an additional \$2.4 million appropriated to reach the goal of providing 50% of the third position; \$777,192 additional is required to fully fund 70% of the second position. With decreases in funding, counties are anticipated to contribute a significant part of the staffing costs. For example, in 2022, counties provided funding to pay 206 of the 394 conservation staff

employed statewide. For 2024, DATCP requires \$14,000,991 to reach the statutory funding goals.

Future Funding Directions

DATCP awards grants for a county's first position only if the staff is actively engaged in qualified conservation activities. DATCP also requires annual work planning and reporting in order to qualify for DATCP funding. These requirements build county conservation capacity and better account for the performance of conservation activities using state funds. If sufficient additional staffing funding is made available in the future to fully fund the statutory goal in s. 92.14(6)(b), DATCP may consider further adjustments to the grant formula to advance the goals of capacity building and accountability without compromising the basic funding for county staff. If additional funding is provided moving forward, DATCP could consider the amount of DATCP programming a county supports, such as nutrient management farmer education, farmland preservation, CREP, or livestock siting, in determining how funds are allocated.

In the future, DATCP could ensure that counties maintain adequate conservation delivery capacity by requiring that a county's second or third position be engaged in providing high-level conservation support as a technician with conservation engineering practitioner certification or as a planner qualified to write nutrient management plans. DATCP reserves the right to adjust awards to buffer impacts due to changing state budgets. In addition, DATCP could preclude a county from claiming a department head as its second or third position if the county has listed a department head in its first position. To reward county performance, the staffing grant formula could be modified to provide additional payments for counties that are making reasonable progress in implementing their annual work plans. If adjustments to the staffing formula are made in the future, DATCP will proceed with caution and only after input from counties, mindful of the challenges.

Cost-Sharing, Structural Practices

With the 2023-2025 state budget plan, the source of funding for cost-sharing "hard" or "structural" practices to resolve discharges on farms, address priority non-point runoff projects, and provide counties grants for landowner cost-sharing was changed from bond to general purpose revenue (GPR). Historically, these cost-share funds and practices have been referred to as bond or bondable. For the 2024 Joint Allocation Plan, these practices will be referred to structural practices. Unless otherwise noted below, grant awards are consistent with the terms of the 2024 grant application and instructions (see page 7 for the link to these documents).

Structural Practice Funds Available

The allocation amount listed on page one consists of \$3.5 million (half of SWRM's \$7.0 million authorization in the 2023-25 budget) GPR funds. NOTE: Extended bond funds remain available for approved extended projects.

Grant Awards

Engineering Reserve Projects

DATCP will allocate \$300,000 to an engineering reserve primarily for funding projects to address discharges on farms including regulatory animal waste response (NR 151) projects in cooperation with DNR. Some funds may be used for priority projects related to extreme weather events or other non-runoff related projects. These projects are usually higher cost and funds are awarded based on a competitive application process that includes completing a form for engineering reserve projects and projects over \$50,000 as well as obtaining a recommendation from DATCP engineering staff.

DATCP will allocate \$3,500,000 for structural practices to counties for landowner cost-sharing. DATCP makes county awards by first providing base funding, and then awarding funds based on criteria related to county performance and need.

After providing each county \$10,000 in base funding, DATCP awards the remaining \$2,780,000 using two performance-based criteria (a 3-year record of cumulative spending of cost-share funds, and a 3-year average of underspending of cost-share funds) and one needs-based criteria (farmland acres based on 2017 Census of Agriculture data). Minor manual adjustments are then made to the allocation, if needed.

[Table A-2](#) shows each county's total award amount and the factors that contributed to the county's award.

Unmet Need for Structural Cost-Share Funds

DATCP's allocation provided 50% of the structural funds requested, leaving \$3,455,000 in unfunded county requests. A shortfall in structural funds has practical implications to implement state and local priorities including farm runoff standards. Of particular concern, cost-share dollars are not keeping pace with increased costs for conservation practices and expanded priorities reflected in the new ch. NR 151.075 targeted performance standard.

Future Funding Directions

Funding to install structural conservation practices has stayed the same since 2009, but costs have increased, resulting in 81% of counties having no underspending. Therefore, that criterion is less meaningful when awarding funds than in previous years. Acres of farmland per county and positive spending over three year are taking precedent in how funds are awarded.

DATCP may update the review of applications and awards process using a rubric to score applications and supporting information. The criteria would stay the same – underspending, acres of farmland and positive spending – but the interpretation of the data may be updated.

Finally, with the move to general purpose revenue funds, up to \$150,000 in unspent bond funds may be used to assist with setting up an external-facing database to ease the

counties' submission of documents and increase the counties' ability to access reporting and data from the SWRM program as a whole. Any funds not used for this purpose will be added to the 2025 engineering reserve fund.

SEG Fund Allocation

The allocations under this category provide funding for (1) landowner cost-sharing for soft practices including nutrient management (NM), (2) farmer and related training involving NM, (3) NM implementation support and other projects of statewide importance and 4) innovation projects. Unless otherwise noted below, grant awards are consistent with the terms of the 2024 grant application and instructions (see page 7 for the link to these documents).

Funds Available

The total allocated for SEG programming is \$6,475,000 "for cost-sharing grants and contracts under the soil and water resource management program under s. 92.14" with the following adjustments:

- A decrease of \$1,000,000 because of a redirection of funds for producer-led watershed protection grants.
- A decrease of \$1,000,000 for a redirection to the Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program.
- A decrease of \$800,000 for a redirection to the Crop Insurance Rebates for Cover Crops program.

Of the \$3,675,000 available for allocation, \$2,112,384 will be provided to counties for landowner cost-sharing, \$377,053 will be awarded for farmer NM training, \$182,650 will be given to counties for innovation grants and \$1,002,913 will be awarded to project cooperators for training and support services. The majority of funding awarded in this category directly benefits farmers and other landowners by providing NM cost-sharing and farmer training.

Landowner Cost-Sharing

DATCP provides grants to counties primarily for cost-sharing NM plans to meet the 2015 Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) 590 Standard. Some of these funds may be used to cost-share (a) cover crops and other cropping practices to implement a NM plan, and (b) for structural practices with DATCP approval if the county's grant contract authorizes such use.

Sixty counties applied for \$2,837,600 in grants, and DATCP will award \$2,112,384 to applicants based on ranking determined by the following scoring criteria:

- Up to 20 points based on acres covered by Farmland Preservation Zoning and Agriculture Enterprise Areas.
- Up to 20 points based on the extent of impaired waters located in each county.

- Up to 30 points based on a county’s participation in NM planning and implementation as demonstrated by specific employee positions, inclusion of NM planning in 2023 work plans, providing educational opportunities related to NM planning, soil testing, or plan renewal.
- Up to 30 points based on a county’s total three-year positive spending on NM cost-sharing.

DATCP relies on data in its possession to score county applications based on the four funding criteria. Counties are ranked according to their cumulative scores (up to 100 points) and are organized into five groups for allocation purposes. Counties receive the highest maximum award for their grouping, unless a county requests a lower amount. The five award groups are listed in Chart 3.

Group	Maximum Award	Maximum Awards in Groups
1	\$95,000	2 of 2
2	\$75,000	5 of 7
3	\$65,000	7 of 33
4	\$35,000	2 of 13
5	\$15,000	0 of 5

Funds may be manually adjusted in a few cases to provide additional SEG funding to counties who requested larger allocations and have demonstrated an ability to spend it, or to limit funds going to counties who have a proclivity of transferring all SEG funds. In no case did the award exceed a county’s request or the maximum of \$95,000. [Table A-3](#) enumerates each county’s score, grouping, and grant award. The term “N/A” identifies the twelve counties that did not apply for funds. [Table A](#) also reflects amounts allocated to each county under the “SEG Cost-Sharing” column. Without prior approval from DATCP, counties may spend up to 50% of SEG cost-share allocation on cropping practices. With prior approval from DATCP, counties may spend up to 50% of their cost-share SEG allocation on structural practices in support of nutrient management plan implementation. Counties may request additional flexibility to use the funds with DATCP approval.

NMFE Training Grants

For 2024, DATCP fully funded all Nutrient Management Farmer Education requests, in the amounts listed in Chart 4.

All grant recipients must sign a contract with DATCP that incorporates the requirements of Ch. ATCP 50.35 and commits the project to developing NM plans that meet the 2015 NRCS 590 standards. Six of the awards also include funds to purchase laptops for training.



Tier 1 funding provides for nutrient management training to producers and plan writers to develop 590-compliant nutrient management plans. These funds can be used for participant payments to complete soil tests or attend training, as well as for administrative costs. Tier 2 awards offer the same training, but developing a 590-compliant plan is not required.

Chart 4: NMFE Grant Awards	
Organization	Total Award
AshlandBayfieldDouglasIron*	\$26,940
Columbia County	\$14,950
CVTC	\$30,000
Dane County	\$14,600
Eau Claire County	\$19,250
Glacierland RC&D	\$23,000
Green Lake County*	\$12,628
Kewaunee Co.*	\$23,700
Lafayette Co.	\$9,750
Manitowoc Co.*	\$14,100
Marathon Co	\$1,350
Marathon et al (Tylr, Clrk, Lcln, Prtg, Wd)	\$42,890
Marquette Co*	\$22,000
NWTC	\$14,297
Ozaukee Co.	\$3,000
Sauk Co (MATC Reedsburg)	\$21,500
Sawyer Co*	\$18,936
SWTC	\$20,000
Trempealeau Co.	\$20,262
Vernon Co. / WTC	\$20,900
Washington Co.	\$3,000
Total	\$377,053
Tier 1 and Tier 2 Awards	
*Laptop Award	

Statewide Projects: Project Cooperator Grants

In addition to supporting NMFE training, DATCP uses its SEG appropriation for projects that contribute to statewide conservation goals, meeting the following grant priorities in Ch. ATCP 50.30(3):

- fund cost-effective activities that address and resolve high priority problems;
- build a systematic and comprehensive approach to soil erosion and water quality problems;
- contribute to a coordinated soil and water resource management program and avoid duplication of effort.

DATCP has targeted the following areas for funding: nutrient management implementation activities including SnapPlus, support for statewide training of conservation professionals, development and support of technical standards, and coordinated activities in AEAs and impaired waters.

In the cooperator subcategory of Nutrient Management Implementation Support, DATCP received an application from the UW-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences. The request totals \$666,713. DATCP will fund the UW-CALS request as follows: (1) \$300,000 for maintaining and improving education and training (2) \$296,000 for SnapPlus maintenance and development.

Funding the UW CALS Nutrient and Pest Management Program supports the maintenance and expansion of a digital, self-paced, interactive NM curriculum, including the development of new applications and resources. Funding also supports statewide delivery of the NM curriculum through virtual and in-person trainings. The UW CALS project will also support development of new training materials related to the launch of SnapPlus version 3, which is anticipated in 2024.

In the training and technical standard support category of project cooperators, DATCP will provide the following funding:

- Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association (WI Land+Water) is awarded \$255,732. The funds are intended to build statewide capacity to deliver and coordinate conservation training including implementation of recommendations of the statewide interagency training committee (SITCOM). Funding also supports activities to promote accountability and achievements among county conservation programs. Finally, a focus on enhancing state conservation delivery will be facilitated through statewide conservation initiatives and by fostering state and local priorities.

The Standards Oversight Council (SOC) is awarded the full \$42,000 requested. This award contributes support to ensure statewide capacity to develop and maintain technical standards for conservation programs.

- Up to \$5,000 is awarded to the host county for costs related to Conservation Observance Day.

DATCP received two other applications for cooperator funds:

- UW-SFAL – Support of Soil Lab services. This project will support the NM soil lab certification program. Request: \$18,005. Award: \$18,005.
- UW-NOP – Support of the Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program that is a partnership between DATCP and UW. This will fund a position in UW-Extension focused on program outreach. Request: \$86,176. Award: \$86,176.

Innovation Grants

With the 2024 SWRM grant application, counties were invited to submit Innovation Grant requests for new ways to approach land and water conservation. Nine applications were received from counties with \$429,943 SEG funds requested. A total of \$182,650 is awarded shown in Chart 5.

Chart 5: Innovation Awards			
Innovation Grant	Amount	Staffing Award from EPA Hypoxia Grant	Total Award
Dane County	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$100,000
Fond du Lac County	\$50,000		\$50,000
Langlade County	\$0	\$25,943	\$25,943
Manitowoc County	\$20,150		\$20,150
Polk County	\$11,500		\$11,500
Racine County	\$25,000		\$25,000
Wood County	\$26,000		\$26,000
TOTAL AWARDED	\$182,650	\$75,943	\$258,593

Projects were scored by four individuals on a 20-point scale that considered alignment with the program goals, a logical plan, the proposed budget and previous funding. Six Innovation Grant proposals are fully funded based on the level of innovation: Fond du Lac County, Langlade County, Manitowoc County, Polk County, Racine County and Wood County. These projects are not only innovative in the proposed county, but also could provide models for other counties and programs moving forward. One project was partially funded: Dane County. Due to scoring lower in the rankings and/or being outside of the scope of the Innovation Grants, Ozaukee County and Rusk County were not funded.

The 2024 cooperator awards are documented in the lower section of [Table A](#). All award recipients are required to sign grant contracts that incorporate the requirements of s. ATCP 50.35, and include significant accountability measures.

Unmet Need for Cost-Share Funding

DATCP will provide about 74% of the SEG funding requested by counties for cost-sharing, which is \$725,216 less than the requested amount. While the cost-share funding aligns with county spending, the average total spent by counties annually over the past several years is significantly less than what was allocated. The department hopes that the continued additional flexibility provided will increase the amount of cost-sharing utilized by counties.

Future Funding Directions

DATCP continues to consider how it can best apply its SEG funding to improve conservation and implement conservation practices.

There is a growing interest in cropping practices where SEG funds could be targeted to improve soil health and watershed management, specifically cover crops and reduced/no-till practices. Looking forward, practices such as harvestable buffers, small grains projects, rotational grazing, cropping practices that improve climate resiliency, precision agriculture, and carbon credit processing will be emphasized.

DATCP will continue to focus SEG funding to support NM planning and implementation, and will use feedback from counties and other stakeholders to determine which, if any, of the following strategies are possible and could be used:

- Allow cost-sharing for cropping practices for farms without a NM plan, but with a farm assessment.
- Create a soil health program that includes targeted funding specifically for soil health practices.
- Create soil health outreach module, to be taught alongside or in addition to the Nutrient Management Planning modules.
- Create a mentorship program to facilitate learning and better understanding of NM between producers and their plan writers.
- Provide funds to regional support groups to provide agronomic and conservation compliance assistance for FPP and other state priorities.
- Set aside funds to support SWRM program technology. With an aging database paired with ever-changing program needs, DATCP is seeking technological support and solutions more frequently. Funding a modern database system would also allow DATCP to track and target its funding more effectively, and potentially allow for tracking of the conservation impacts of the program across the state.

Regarding the allocation of SEG funds specifically for nutrient management cost-sharing, DATCP remains interested in refining the formula for awarding county cost-sharing and the policies surrounding its use.

Before making major changes to what is funded and how it is distributed, DATCP will engage stakeholders to develop a workable approach. The counties can share insights on approaches to effectively target cost-sharing and increase farmer participation.

DNR Allocations

DNR's portion of this final allocation provides funding to counties through three programs:

- 1) Targeted Runoff Management (TRM)
- 2) Urban Nonpoint Source & Storm Water Management (UNPS), and
- 3) Notice of Discharge (NOD).

[Table B](#) shows the final allocation to each county grantee for TRM and UNPS-Planning. Additionally, NOD reserves are established as specific county allocations are unknown at this time.

Funding Sources

Allocations for TRM projects and NOD projects are from GPR funds appropriated under s. 20.370(6)(ag), Wis. Stats., bond revenue appropriated under s. 20.866(2)(tf), Wis. Stats., Federal Clean Water Act Section 319 funds, and segregated funds appropriated under s. 20.370(6)(aq), Wis. Stats.

Allocations to counties for UNPS-Construction projects, when requested, are from GPR funds appropriated under s. 20.370(6)(dg), Wis. Stats.

Allocations to counties for UNPS-Planning projects are from segregated funds appropriated under s. 20.370(6)(dq), Wis. Stats.

Note: DNR will also provide TRM grants and UNPS-Planning grants to non-county grantees. Wisconsin Statutes do not require that non-county grantees be listed in this allocation plan.

- For all grant programs, funds will be considered “committed” when a grantee has returned to the DNR a signed copy of the grant agreement.
- For the TRM program, grant agreements not signed by the deadline may be rescinded by DNR, and the associated grant funds may be used to fund other eligible projects in rank order based on project scores. If, for any reason, funds committed through this allocation plan become available after March 31, 2024, these funds may be held to fund projects selected in the next grant cycle.

1. TRM Final Allocation

DNR allocates up to \$2,258,393 to counties for cost sharing of TRM projects during calendar year 2024. This amount is adequate to fully fund the estimated state share for all 6 eligible county Small-Scale TRM applications. Additionally, this amount is adequate to fully fund the estimated state share for all three eligible county Large-Scale TRM applications. As shown in Chart 1, there are not any unmet needs for county TRM projects.

The maximum cost-share amount that can be awarded for a single Small-Scale TRM project is \$225,000. The maximum cost-share amount that can be awarded for a single Large-Scale TRM project is \$600,000.

TRM allocations made through this plan will be reimbursed to grantees during calendar years 2024 through 2025 for Small-Scale projects and through 2026 for Large-Scale projects. Project applications are screened, scored, and ranked in accordance with s. 281.65(4c), Wis. Stats. Adjustments to grant amounts may occur to account for eligibility of project components, cost-share rates, or ch. NR 151 enforcement action at the time that DNR negotiates the actual grant agreement with an applicant.

2. UNPS Final Allocation

DNR has implemented an alternating schedule for both UNPS-Planning and UNPS-Construction grants. The UNPS-Planning grants are solicited in odd years, and the UNPS-Construction grants are solicited in even years. The maximum cost-share amount that can be awarded for a UNPS-Construction grant is \$150,000, with an additional \$50,000 for land acquisition. The maximum cost-share amount that can be awarded for a UNPS-Planning grant is \$85,000.

UNPS grant awards will be reimbursed to grantees during calendar years 2024 and 2025. Project applications have been screened, scored, and ranked in accordance with s. 281.66, Wis. Stats.

CONSTRUCTION. UNPS-Construction grant applications were not solicited in 2023 for the 2024 award cycle. The UNPS-Construction grant application will be available in early 2024 for 2025 awards.

PLANNING. UNPS-Planning grant applications were solicited in 2023 for the 2024 award cycle. Two eligible applications were received from counties. The DNR allocates up to \$29,015 to fully fund both grant applications.

3. Notice of Discharge Program

A. Background

DNR issues notices of discharge (NOD) and notices of intent (NOI) under ch. NR 243, Wis. Adm. Code; this code regulates animal feeding operations. DNR has authority under s. 281.65(4e), Wis. Stats., to provide grant assistance for NOD and NOI projects outside of the competitive TRM process. DNR is authorized to award grants to governmental units, which in turn enter into cost-share agreements with landowners that have received an NOD or NOI.

Cost-share assistance is provided to landowners to meet the regulatory requirements of an NOD issued under ch. NR 243, Wis. Adm. Code. In some cases, cost-share assistance must be offered before enforcement action can be taken. In other cases, DNR is not required to provide cost sharing but may do so at its discretion. DNR has several permitting and enforcement options available under ch. NR 243 if landowners should fail to meet the conditions of the NOD.

B. NOD Final Allocation

This Final Allocation Plan establishes a reserve of \$1,000,000 for NOD projects during calendar year 2024. The reserve includes funds for structural practices in eligible locations. DNR may use its discretion to increase this reserve if needed. To receive a grant award, a governmental unit must submit an application to DNR that describes a specific project and includes documentation that an NOD or NOI has either already been issued or will be issued by DNR concurrent with the grant award. Once DNR issues a grant to the governmental unit to address an NOD or NOI, DNR will designate a portion of the reserve specifically for that project.

DNR will require that county grantees commit funds to a cost-share agreement with the landowner within a timeframe that is consistent with the compliance schedule in the NOD. The county grantee shall use the grant award to reimburse the landowner for costs incurred during the grant period, which may extend beyond calendar year 2024. If the landowner fails to install practices listed in the cost-share agreement within the timeframe identified,

DNR will terminate its grant with the county, leaving the landowner to correct the problems identified in the NOD without the benefit of state cost sharing.

Fund balances from terminated NOD grants and projects completed under budget may be returned to the reserve account and made available to other NOD applicants. Reserve funds remaining at the end of calendar year 2024 may either be carried over for the calendar year 2025 NOD reserve account or may be allocated for calendar year 2025 TRM projects.

Attachments

TABLES

Table A: DATCP Allocations										
STAFFING AND COST-SHARE ALLOCATIONS										
County	DATCP Staffing & Support Allocation	LWRM Plan Implementation Allocation		Total DATCP Allocation	County	DATCP Staffing & Support Allocation	LWRM Plan Implementation Allocation		Total DATCP Allocation	
		Structural Cost-Sharing	SEG Cost-Sharing				Structural Cost-Sharing	SEG Cost-Sharing		
Adams	141,395	43,500	35,000	219,895	Marathon	209,031	71,200	95,000	375,231	
Ashland	144,414	50,000	30,000	224,414	Marinette	150,820	49,000	50,000	249,820	
Barron	158,931	48,000	10,000	216,931	Marquette	144,736	40,300	70,000	255,036	
Bayfield	147,332	50,200	8,000	205,532	Menominee	98,883	20,000	0	118,883	
Brown	176,980	55,000	20,000	251,980	Milwaukee	92,963	10,000	3,000	102,963	
Buffalo	144,014	43,300	20,000	207,314	Monroe	156,717	61,200	50,000	217,917	
Burnett	115,674	35,000	10,000	160,674	Oconto	163,978	55,000	0	218,978	
Calumet	198,312	41,100	40,000	279,412	Oneida	130,878	38,500	0	169,378	
Chippewa	177,073	71,200	70,000	318,273	Outagamie	209,940	55,000	65,000	329,940	
Clark	162,886	58,500	65,000	286,386	Ozaukee	163,317	56,200	25,000	244,517	
Columbia	146,745	62,150	80,000	288,895	Pepin	113,619	40,300	40,000	193,919	
Crawford	127,940	55,000	8,000	190,940	Pierce	157,892	61,000	15,000	233,892	
Dane	239,089	65,200	95,000	399,289	Polk	153,776	50,000	0	203,776	
Dodge	151,739	51,300	20,000	223,039	Portage	169,119	67,200	0	236,319	
Door	185,981	56,200	10,000	252,181	Price	107,243	43,500	0	150,743	
Douglas	129,947	33,950	5,000	168,897	Racine	182,864	56,200	90,000	329,064	
Dunn	202,027	61,200	20,000	283,227	Richland	118,873	37,100	20,000	175,973	
Eau Claire	164,221	41,000	65,000	270,221	Rock	160,227	65,200	80,000	305,427	
Florence	89,955	38,500	0	128,455	Rusk	120,147	43,500	25,000	188,647	
Fond du Lac	175,763	40,000	5,600	221,363	Saint Croix	158,226	54,500	45,000	257,726	
Forest	98,568	20,000	10,000	128,568	Sauk	176,278	61,200	60,000	297,478	
Grant	127,784	71,200	0	198,984	Sawyer	109,126	38,500	8,000	155,626	
Green	168,878	68,900	20,000	257,778	Shawano	154,819	45,100	20,000	219,919	
Green Lake	173,645	43,500	30,000	247,145	Sheboygan	167,016	55,000	15,000	237,016	
Iowa	159,845	45,000	45,000	249,845	Taylor	150,892	55,000	65,000	270,892	
Iron	126,647	38,500	2,000	167,147	Trempealeau	129,818	67,200	30,000	227,018	
Jackson	143,952	61,000	0	204,952	Vernon	137,920	61,200	80,000	279,120	
Jefferson	183,527	35,000	12,000	230,527	Vilas	137,321	31,200	0	168,521	
Juneau	149,029	48,300	20,000	217,329	Walworth	187,746	55,000	20,000	262,746	
Kenosha	145,109	32,300	5,000	182,409	Washburn	124,161	43,500	6,000	173,661	
Kewaunee	182,762	45,100	25,000	252,862	Washington	161,172	31,200	10,000	202,372	
LaCrosse	176,363	43,500	20,000	239,863	Waukesha	205,571	36,200	0	241,771	
Lafayette	111,657	67,200	0	178,857	Waupaca	157,179	62,700	79,784	299,663	
Langlade	107,988	29,000	35,000	171,988	Waushara	153,274	43,500	25,000	221,774	
Lincoln	98,939	36,200	1,000	136,139	Winnebago	178,843	48,300	50,000	277,143	
Manitowoc	165,432	55,000	75,000	295,432	Wood	167,372	50,300	54,000	271,672	
					Reserve		300,000		300,000	
					Sub-Totals	\$10,962,300	\$3,800,000	\$2,112,384	\$16,874,684	
PROJECT COOPERATOR ALLOCATIONS										
UW Madison CALS				596,000	Nutrient Management Farmer Education				377,053	
UW-SFAL				18,005	Innovation Grants				182,650	
UW NOP Support				86,176	Sub-Total Cooperator Allocation				\$1,562,616	
Wisconsin Land and Water				255,732						
WLWCA SOC				42,000						
Conservation Observation Day				5,000						
PROGRAM ALLOCATION TOTALS					TOTAL	\$10,962,300	\$3,800,000	\$2,112,384	\$18,437,300	

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County	Tier 1	Tier 2									2024 DATCP Staffing and Support Allocation
	Base Allocation	First Position at 100% (Round 1)	Round 1 Award	Adjusted Award (Tier 1 + Round 1)	Second Position at 70% (Round 2)	Eligible Round 2 Award	Round 2 Award at 85% of 70%	Adjusted Award (Tier 1 + Round 1&2)	Third Position at 50% (Round 3)	Round 3 Award No Funds Available	
Adams	\$75,000	\$94,833.00	\$19,833.00	\$94,833.00	\$54,760.00	\$54,760.00	\$46,562.00	\$141,395.00	\$35,725.00		\$141,395.00
Ashland	\$75,000	\$95,134.00	\$20,134.00	\$95,134.00	\$57,956.00	\$57,956.00	\$49,280.00	\$144,414.00	\$28,366.00		\$144,414.00
Barron	\$75,000	\$100,242.00	\$25,242.00	\$100,242.00	\$69,021.00	\$69,021.00	\$58,689.00	\$158,931.00	\$46,146.00		\$158,931.00
Bayfield	\$75,000	\$95,987.00	\$20,987.00	\$95,987.00	\$60,385.00	\$60,385.00	\$51,345.00	\$147,332.00	\$37,776.00		\$147,332.00
Brown	\$75,000	\$115,650.00	\$40,650.00	\$115,650.00	\$72,128.00	\$72,128.00	\$61,330.00	\$176,980.00	\$45,083.00		\$176,980.00
Buffalo	\$75,000	\$99,086.00	\$24,086.00	\$99,086.00	\$52,838.00	\$52,838.00	\$44,928.00	\$144,014.00	\$18,135.00		\$144,014.00
Burnett	\$75,000	\$77,480.00	\$2,480.00	\$77,480.00	\$44,918.00	\$44,918.00	\$38,194.00	\$115,674.00	\$32,049.00		\$115,674.00
Calumet	\$75,000	\$130,881.00	\$55,881.00	\$130,881.00	\$79,303.00	\$79,303.00	\$67,431.00	\$198,312.00	\$55,793.00		\$198,312.00
Chippewa	\$75,000	\$116,492.00	\$41,492.00	\$116,492.00	\$71,247.00	\$71,247.00	\$60,581.00	\$177,073.00	\$48,496.00		\$177,073.00
Clark	\$75,000	\$109,782.00	\$34,782.00	\$109,782.00	\$62,453.00	\$62,453.00	\$53,104.00	\$162,886.00	\$28,143.00		\$162,886.00
Columbia	\$75,000	\$93,905.00	\$18,905.00	\$93,905.00	\$62,143.00	\$62,143.00	\$52,840.00	\$146,745.00	\$43,851.00		\$146,745.00
Crawford	\$75,000	\$80,407.00	\$5,407.00	\$80,407.00	\$55,901.00	\$55,901.00	\$47,533.00	\$127,940.00	\$29,418.00		\$127,940.00
Dane	\$75,000	\$151,697.00	\$76,697.00	\$151,697.00	\$102,778.00	\$102,778.00	\$87,392.00	\$239,089.00	\$64,080.00		\$239,089.00
Dodge	\$75,000	\$95,794.00	\$20,794.00	\$95,794.00	\$65,795.00	\$65,795.00	\$55,945.00	\$151,739.00	\$41,804.00		\$151,739.00
Door	\$75,000	\$125,929.00	\$50,929.00	\$125,929.00	\$70,624.00	\$70,624.00	\$60,052.00	\$185,981.00	\$47,461.00		\$185,981.00
Douglas	\$75,000	\$86,072.00	\$11,072.00	\$86,072.00	\$51,600.00	\$51,600.00	\$43,875.00	\$129,947.00	\$30,888.00		\$129,947.00
Dunn	\$75,000	\$132,699.00	\$57,699.00	\$132,699.00	\$81,534.00	\$81,534.00	\$69,328.00	\$202,027.00	\$58,045.00		\$202,027.00
Eau Claire	\$75,000	\$110,843.00	\$35,843.00	\$110,843.00	\$62,775.00	\$62,775.00	\$53,378.00	\$164,221.00	\$39,233.00		\$164,221.00
Florence	\$75,000	\$68,829.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$23,759.00	\$17,588.00	\$14,955.00	\$89,955.00	\$6,734.00		\$89,955.00
Fond du Lac	\$75,000	\$118,307.00	\$43,307.00	\$118,307.00	\$67,572.00	\$67,572.00	\$57,456.00	\$175,763.00	\$39,443.00		\$175,763.00
Forest	\$75,000	\$75,435.00	\$435.00	\$75,435.00	\$27,206.00	\$27,206.00	\$23,133.00	\$98,568.00	\$13,111.00		\$98,568.00
Grant	\$75,000	\$85,350.00	\$10,350.00	\$85,350.00	\$49,905.00	\$49,905.00	\$42,434.00	\$127,784.00	\$31,114.00		\$127,784.00
Green	\$75,000	\$116,941.00	\$41,941.00	\$116,941.00	\$61,081.00	\$61,081.00	\$51,937.00	\$168,878.00	\$27,948.00		\$168,878.00
Green Lake	\$75,000	\$113,368.00	\$38,368.00	\$113,368.00	\$70,889.00	\$70,889.00	\$60,277.00	\$173,645.00	\$45,306.00		\$173,645.00
Iowa	\$75,000	\$109,814.00	\$34,814.00	\$109,814.00	\$58,839.00	\$58,839.00	\$50,031.00	\$159,845.00	\$38,360.00		\$159,845.00
Iron	\$75,000	\$79,797.00	\$4,797.00	\$79,797.00	\$55,098.00	\$55,098.00	\$46,850.00	\$126,647.00	\$8,146.00		\$126,647.00
Jackson	\$75,000	\$90,832.00	\$15,832.00	\$90,832.00	\$62,472.00	\$62,472.00	\$53,120.00	\$143,952.00			\$143,952.00
Jefferson	\$75,000	\$121,510.00	\$46,510.00	\$121,510.00	\$72,935.00	\$72,935.00	\$62,017.00	\$183,527.00	\$37,520.00		\$183,527.00
Juneau	\$75,000	\$95,520.00	\$20,520.00	\$95,520.00	\$62,930.00	\$62,930.00	\$53,509.00	\$149,029.00	\$34,950.00		\$149,029.00
Kenosha	\$75,000	\$115,693.00	\$40,693.00	\$115,693.00	\$34,595.00	\$34,595.00	\$29,416.00	\$145,109.00	\$14,055.00		\$145,109.00
Kewaunee	\$75,000	\$124,960.00	\$49,960.00	\$124,960.00	\$67,978.00	\$67,978.00	\$57,802.00	\$182,762.00	\$39,551.00		\$182,762.00
LaCrosse	\$75,000	\$114,760.00	\$39,760.00	\$114,760.00	\$72,449.00	\$72,449.00	\$61,603.00	\$176,363.00	\$48,324.00		\$176,363.00
Lafayette	\$75,000	\$70,773.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$47,338.00	\$43,111.00	\$36,657.00	\$111,657.00	\$31,999.00		\$111,657.00
Langlade	\$75,000	\$87,090.00	\$12,090.00	\$87,090.00	\$24,577.00	\$24,577.00	\$20,898.00	\$107,988.00	\$12,908.00		\$107,988.00
Lincoln	\$75,000	\$87,453.00	\$12,453.00	\$87,453.00	\$13,508.00	\$13,508.00	\$11,486.00	\$98,939.00	\$7,861.00		\$98,939.00
Manitowoc	\$75,000	\$119,853.00	\$44,853.00	\$119,853.00	\$53,603.00	\$53,603.00	\$45,579.00	\$165,432.00	\$37,230.00		\$165,432.00

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Marathon	\$75,000	\$144,730.00	\$69,730.00	\$144,730.00	\$75,622.00	\$75,622.00	\$64,301.00	\$209,031.00	\$52,836.00		\$209,031.00
Marinette	\$75,000	\$97,694.00	\$22,694.00	\$97,694.00	\$62,479.00	\$62,479.00	\$53,126.00	\$150,820.00	\$35,887.00		\$150,820.00
Marquette	\$75,000	\$114,401.00	\$39,401.00	\$114,401.00	\$35,676.00	\$35,676.00	\$30,335.00	\$144,736.00	\$14,905.00		\$144,736.00
Menominee	\$75,000	\$43,830.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$59,258.00	\$28,088.00	\$23,883.00	\$98,883.00			\$98,883.00
Milwaukee	\$75,000		\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$96,125.00	\$21,125.00	\$17,963.00	\$92,963.00	\$43,583.00		\$92,963.00
Monroe	\$75,000	\$114,480.00	\$39,480.00	\$114,480.00	\$49,673.00	\$49,673.00	\$42,237.00	\$156,717.00	\$30,907.00		\$156,717.00
Oconto	\$75,000	\$108,292.00	\$33,292.00	\$108,292.00	\$65,490.00	\$65,490.00	\$55,686.00	\$163,978.00	\$38,447.00		\$163,978.00
Oneida	\$75,000	\$89,180.00	\$14,180.00	\$89,180.00	\$49,039.00	\$49,039.00	\$41,698.00	\$130,878.00	\$9,685.00		\$130,878.00
Outagamie	\$75,000	\$135,683.00	\$60,683.00	\$135,683.00	\$87,330.00	\$87,330.00	\$74,257.00	\$209,940.00	\$50,150.00		\$209,940.00
Ozaukee	\$75,000	\$114,949.00	\$39,949.00	\$114,949.00	\$56,883.00	\$56,883.00	\$48,368.00	\$163,317.00	\$22,003.00		\$163,317.00
Pepin	\$75,000	\$52,694.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$67,724.00	\$45,418.00	\$38,619.00	\$113,619.00	\$22,944.00		\$113,619.00
Pierce	\$75,000	\$99,483.00	\$24,483.00	\$99,483.00	\$68,692.00	\$68,692.00	\$58,409.00	\$157,892.00	\$46,337.00		\$157,892.00
Polk	\$75,000	\$106,703.00	\$31,703.00	\$106,703.00	\$55,360.00	\$55,360.00	\$47,073.00	\$153,776.00	\$43,814.00		\$153,776.00
Portage	\$75,000	\$113,032.00	\$38,032.00	\$113,032.00	\$65,962.00	\$65,962.00	\$56,087.00	\$169,119.00	\$44,832.00		\$169,119.00
Price	\$75,000	\$68,541.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$44,379.00	\$37,920.00	\$32,243.00	\$107,243.00	\$10,892.00		\$107,243.00
Racine	\$75,000	\$118,650.00	\$43,650.00	\$118,650.00	\$75,519.00	\$75,519.00	\$64,214.00	\$182,864.00	\$36,948.00		\$182,864.00
Richland	\$75,000	\$78,610.00	\$3,610.00	\$78,610.00	\$47,352.00	\$47,352.00	\$40,263.00	\$118,873.00	\$25,373.00		\$118,873.00
Rock	\$75,000	\$108,908.00	\$33,908.00	\$108,908.00	\$60,354.00	\$60,354.00	\$51,319.00	\$160,227.00	\$41,839.00		\$160,227.00
Rusk	\$75,000	\$69,672.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$58,423.00	\$53,095.00	\$45,147.00	\$120,147.00	\$29,262.00		\$120,147.00
Saint Croix	\$75,000	\$100,169.00	\$25,169.00	\$100,169.00	\$68,278.00	\$68,278.00	\$58,057.00	\$158,226.00	\$37,532.00		\$158,226.00
Sauk	\$75,000	\$115,811.00	\$40,811.00	\$115,811.00	\$71,113.00	\$71,113.00	\$60,467.00	\$176,278.00	\$48,223.00		\$176,278.00
Sawyer	\$75,000	\$70,342.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$44,792.00	\$40,134.00	\$34,126.00	\$109,126.00	\$20,295.00		\$109,126.00
Shawano	\$75,000	\$106,718.00	\$31,718.00	\$106,718.00	\$56,570.00	\$56,570.00	\$48,101.00	\$154,819.00	\$30,279.00		\$154,819.00
Sheboygan	\$75,000	\$105,115.00	\$30,115.00	\$105,115.00	\$72,799.00	\$72,799.00	\$61,901.00	\$167,016.00	\$47,537.00		\$167,016.00
Taylor	\$75,000	\$105,270.00	\$30,270.00	\$105,270.00	\$53,654.00	\$53,654.00	\$45,622.00	\$150,892.00	\$36,135.00		\$150,892.00
Trempealeau	\$75,000	\$81,723.00	\$6,723.00	\$81,723.00	\$56,563.00	\$56,563.00	\$48,095.00	\$129,818.00	\$39,229.00		\$129,818.00
Vernon	\$75,000	\$101,264.00	\$26,264.00	\$101,264.00	\$43,110.00	\$43,110.00	\$36,656.00	\$137,920.00	\$35,193.00		\$137,920.00
Vilas	\$75,000	\$93,276.00	\$18,276.00	\$93,276.00	\$51,799.00	\$51,799.00	\$44,045.00	\$137,321.00	\$28,028.00		\$137,321.00
Walworth	\$75,000	\$121,598.00	\$46,598.00	\$121,598.00	\$77,794.00	\$77,794.00	\$66,148.00	\$187,746.00	\$46,944.00		\$187,746.00
Washburn	\$75,000	\$85,177.00	\$10,177.00	\$85,177.00	\$45,847.00	\$45,847.00	\$38,984.00	\$124,161.00	\$1,443.00		\$124,161.00
Washington	\$75,000	\$108,307.00	\$33,307.00	\$108,307.00	\$62,172.00	\$62,172.00	\$52,865.00	\$161,172.00	\$32,072.00		\$161,172.00
Waukesha	\$75,000	\$141,885.00	\$66,885.00	\$141,885.00	\$74,898.00	\$74,898.00	\$63,686.00	\$205,571.00	\$45,594.00		\$205,571.00
Waupaca	\$75,000	\$99,424.00	\$24,424.00	\$99,424.00	\$67,923.00	\$67,923.00	\$57,755.00	\$157,179.00	\$47,602.00		\$157,179.00
Waushara	\$75,000	\$102,349.00	\$27,349.00	\$102,349.00	\$59,889.00	\$59,889.00	\$50,924.00	\$153,273.00	\$41,375.00		\$153,274.00
Winnebago	\$75,000	\$122,238.00	\$47,238.00	\$122,238.00	\$66,571.00	\$66,571.00	\$56,605.00	\$178,843.00	\$42,646.00		\$178,843.00
Wood	\$75,000	\$125,397.00	\$50,397.00	\$125,397.00	\$49,365.00	\$49,365.00	\$41,975.00	\$167,372.00	\$31,005.00		\$167,372.00
Totals	5,400,000	7,274,793		7,430,112	4,309,370	4,154,051	3,532,187	10,962,299	2,416,828	-	10,962,300

Table B: Total DNR Final Allocations					
County	Targeted Runoff Mgmt. BMP Construction	Local Assistance Funding for Large Scale TRM	Urban NPS & Storm Water Mgmt. BMP Construction	Urban NPS & Storm Water Mgmt. Planning	Total DNR Final Allocations
Calumet				\$16,520	\$16,520
Dodge	\$200,000	\$30,000			\$230,000
Kenosha	\$225,000				\$225,000
Kewaunee	\$53,608				\$53,608
Oconto	\$225,000				\$225,000
Outagamie	\$225,000				\$225,000
Walworth	\$436,950				\$436,950
Washburn	\$37,835				\$37,835
Waupaca	\$225,000				\$225,000
Winnebago				\$12,495	\$12,495
Wood	\$428,572	\$171,428			\$600,000
DNR NR243 NOD Reserve					\$1,000,000
Total	\$2,056,965	\$201,428	\$0	\$29,015	\$3,287,408

Table A-2: County Structural Practices Cost-Share Awards

County	Structural Practice Awards				County	Structural Practice Awards			
	20-22 Cumulative Average Under-Spending*	2017 Census Acres**	20-22 Cumulative Total Dollars Spent***	Award		20-22 Cumulative Average Under-Spending*	2017 Census Acres**	20-22 Cumulative Total Dollars Spent***	Award
<i>Adams</i>	0.0000%	117,206	\$103,561	\$43,500	Marathon	0.0000%	473,147	\$301,668	\$71,200
Ashland	0.0001%	52,428	\$152,484	\$50,000	Marinette	0.0000%	133,068	\$121,390	\$49,000
Barron	11.3314%	305,604	\$140,171	\$48,000	Marquette	0.5114%	113,183	\$143,945	\$40,300
Bayfield	0.0000%	81,041	\$176,971	\$50,200	Menominee	0.0000%	290	\$50,544	\$20,000
Brown	0.0000%	192,007	\$162,138	\$55,000	<i>Milwaukee</i>	0.0000%	6,990	\$420	\$10,000
Buffalo	17.8234%	293,130	\$149,693	\$43,300	Monroe	0.0000%	300,659	\$158,014	\$61,200
Burnett	0.3790%	89,237	\$241,480	\$35,000	<i>Oconto</i>	0.0000%	189,898	\$184,242	\$55,000
Calumet	7.9340%	153,858	\$106,868	\$41,100	Oneida	0.0000%	34,670	\$117,528	\$38,500
Chippewa	0.0000%	356,176	\$469,804	\$71,200	Outagamie	0.0000%	236,963	\$136,290	\$55,000
Clark	0.0000%	451,035	\$147,759	\$58,500	Ozaukee	0.0000%	59,299	\$204,380	\$56,200
Columbia	0.0000%	304,058	\$149,011	\$62,150	Pepin	1.0753%	106,881	\$113,046	\$40,300
Crawford	0.0000%	210,550	\$178,537	\$55,000	Pierce	0.0000%	233,188	\$208,977	\$61,000
Dane	0.0000%	506,688	\$166,731	\$65,200	Polk	0.0000%	256,114	\$141,635	\$50,000
<i>Dodge</i>	4.7770%	405,992	\$100,524	\$51,300	<i>Portage</i>	0.0004%	280,410	\$242,427	\$67,200
<i>Door</i>	0.0001%	114,508	\$205,863	\$56,200	Price	0.0000%	89,203	\$137,555	\$43,500
Douglas	0.0000%	69,759	\$40,481	\$33,950	Racine	0.0000%	127,496	\$244,576	\$56,200
Dunn	0.0000%	348,301	\$173,468	\$61,200	Richland	27.3975%	220,843	\$109,176	\$37,100
Eau Claire	0.0000%	172,256	\$95,710	\$41,000	Rock	0.0000%	353,505	\$181,906	\$65,200
Florence	0.0000%	18,609	\$117,461	\$38,500	Rusk	0.0000%	136,062	\$123,424	\$43,500
<i>Fond du Lac</i>	1.1673%	317,371	\$66,782	\$40,000	Saint Croix	0.0000%	279,191	\$134,144	\$54,500
<i>Forest</i>	9.4197%	38,084	\$24,689	\$20,000	Sauk	0.0000%	298,906	\$163,486	\$61,200
Grant	0.0000%	600,324	\$217,560	\$71,200	Sawyer	0.0000%	46,009	\$104,111	\$38,500
Green	0.0000%	292,368	\$172,464	\$68,900	Shawano	0.7383%	247,241	\$102,470	\$45,100
Green Lake	0.0000%	126,751	\$137,148	\$43,500	Sheboygan	0.0000%	195,938	\$175,414	\$55,000
Iowa	0.0000%	360,134	\$157,134	\$45,000	Taylor	0.0000%	225,856	\$183,093	\$55,000
Iron	0.0000%	9,200	\$134,505	\$38,500	<i>Trempealeau</i>	0.0003%	329,916	\$263,436	\$67,200
Jackson	0.0000%	248,342	\$230,145	\$61,000	Vernon	0.0000%	337,086	\$151,076	\$61,200
<i>Jefferson</i>	0.2504%	221,355	\$28,294	\$35,000	Vilas	0.0000%	5,652	\$78,855	\$31,200
Juneau	0.0000%	175,417	\$120,445	\$48,300	Walworth	0.0000%	192,422	\$166,855	\$55,000
<i>Kenosha</i>	10.7487%	77,782	\$126,443	\$32,300	Washburn	0.0000%	73,773	\$107,557	\$43,500
Kewaunee	1.7375%	170,405	\$145,024	\$45,100	Washington	0.0000%	126,146	\$18,456	\$31,200
LaCrosse	0.0000%	144,334	\$143,795	\$43,500	Waukesha	0.0000%	97,460	\$57,148	\$36,200
Lafayette	0.0242%	342,518	\$264,832	\$67,200	Waupaca	0.0000%	201,603	\$185,850	\$62,700
<i>Langlade</i>	5.6455%	116,386	\$93,147	\$29,000	Waushara	0.0000%	135,306	\$131,884	\$43,500
Lincoln	0.0000%	78,293	\$61,732	\$36,200	Winnebago	0.0000%	162,052	\$125,040	\$48,300
Manitowoc	0.0000%	231,609	\$183,186	\$55,000	Wood	0.0000%	220,891	\$113,074	\$50,300
					TOTAL				\$3,500,000

Each County was given a base of \$10,000 to help counties receive closer to their requested amount. The following criteria were also applied to finalize a county's Structural Practice award.

*Graduated awards based on 3-yr avg underspending, excluding extended underspending: 0% = \$11,200, 0.5-1.99% = \$8,000, 2-9.999%=\$4,000, >10% = \$0.

**Graduated awards based on 2017 Census acres: 350,000 or more=\$25,000; 250,000-349,999=\$21,000; 150,000-249,999=\$14,800, 50,000-149,999=\$10,000, <50,000=\$5,000.

***Graduated awards based on 3-yr cumulative spending: \$200K+ = \$25,000, \$150K-199,999=\$19,000, \$100K-\$149,999 = \$12,300, \$50K-\$99,999 = \$5,000, \$20K-\$99,999 = \$2,750, <\$20,000 = \$0

County Name in *Italics* = County transferred funds awarded in prior grant year

County Name Shaded: County awarded the amount of its request, which was less than the maximum grant award.

Table A-3: County SEG Cost-Share Awards

County	Ranking and Award			County	Ranking and Award		
	Score	Grouping	Award		Score	Grouping	Award
<i>Adams</i>	45	4	\$35,000	Marathon	100	1	\$95,000
<i>Ashland</i>	50	3	\$30,000	<i>Marinette</i>	55	3	\$50,000
<i>Barron</i>	60	3	\$10,000	Marquette	70	3	\$70,000
<i>Bayfield</i>	35	4	\$8,000	Menominee			NA
<i>Brown</i>	70	3	\$20,000	<i>Milwaukee</i>	15	5	\$3,000
<i>Buffalo</i>	70	3	\$20,000	<i>Monroe</i>	60	3	\$50,000
<i>Burnett</i>	50	3	\$10,000	Oconto			NA
<i>Calumet</i>	65	3	\$40,000	Oneida			NA
<i>Chippewa</i>	65	3	\$70,000	Outagamie	65	3	\$65,000
<i>Clark</i>	70	3	\$65,000	<i>Ozaukee</i>	60	3	\$25,000
<i>Columbia</i>	75	2	\$80,000	Pepin	60	3	\$40,000
<i>Crawford</i>	15	5	\$8,000	Pierce	45	4	\$15,000
<i>Dane</i>	100	1	\$95,000	Polk			NA
<i>Dodge</i>	65	3	\$20,000	Portage			NA
<i>Door</i>	65	3	\$10,000	Price			NA
<i>Douglas</i>	45	4	\$5,000	Racine	70	3	\$90,000
<i>Dunn</i>	70	3	\$20,000	<i>Richland</i>	40	4	\$20,000
<i>Eau Claire</i>	70	3	\$65,000	Rock	95	2	\$80,000
<i>Florence</i>			NA	<i>Rusk</i>	35	4	\$25,000
<i>Fond du Lac</i>	75	2	\$5,600	Saint Croix	65	3	\$45,000
<i>Forest</i>	15	5	\$10,000	<i>Sauk</i>	65	3	\$60,000
<i>Grant</i>			NA	<i>Sawyer</i>	10	5	\$8,000
<i>Green</i>	50	3	\$20,000	<i>Shawano</i>	35	4	\$20,000
<i>Green Lake</i>	65	3	\$30,000	<i>Sheboygan</i>	65	3	\$15,000
<i>Iowa</i>	75	2	\$45,000	Taylor	50	3	\$65,000
<i>Iron</i>	5	5	\$2,000	<i>Trempealeau</i>	65	3	\$30,000
<i>Jackson</i>			NA	Vernon	80	2	\$80,000
<i>Jefferson</i>	60	3	\$12,000	Vilas			NA
<i>Juneau</i>	35	4	\$20,000	<i>Walworth</i>	55	3	\$20,000
<i>Kenosha</i>	25	4	\$5,000	<i>Washburn</i>	25	4	\$6,000
<i>Kewaunee</i>	55	3	\$25,000	<i>Washington</i>	45	4	\$10,000
<i>La Crosse</i>	60	3	\$20,000	Waukesha			NA
<i>Lafayette</i>			NA	Waupaca			\$79,784
<i>Langlade</i>	45	4	\$35,000	<i>Waushara</i>	55	3	\$25,000
<i>Lincoln</i>	25	4	\$1,000	<i>Winnebago</i>	65	3	\$50,000
<i>Manitowoc</i>	95	2	\$75,000	Wood	60	3	\$54,000
TOTAL							\$2,112,384
County Name in Italics = County transferred funds awarded in prior grant year NA= County did not apply for SEG funds				County Name Shaded = County awarded the amount of its request, which was less than the maximum grant award			

Allocation Plan Dictionary

Chapter 92: Wisconsin statute establishing soil and water conservation and animal waste management.

ATCP 50: State administrative rule that provides the framework to cost-share conservation practices including nutrient management plans. It describes the parameters for grants for conservation practices; identifies the costs to be included in cost-share grants to landowners; identifies conservation practice standards available for cost-sharing; defines the requirements for a land and water resource management plan; establishes the process and priorities for allocating grants to support county conservation efforts; describes conservation compliance requirements for the farmland preservation program; describes the process to certify conservation engineering practitioners; establishes qualifications for nutrient management planners; allows for certification of soil and manure testing laboratories and ensures access to education and training opportunities.

Agricultural Enterprise Areas: A locally identified area of contiguous agricultural lands that has received designation from the state (DATCP), at the joint request of landowners and local governments through a petition, to qualify it as important to preserve and invest in. As a part of the state's Farmland Preservation Program, AEAs strive to support local farmland protection goals and enable landowners to sign voluntary 15-year farmland preservation agreements.

Bond: Bond authority was appropriated to the department through state's biennial budget

process prior to the 2023-2025 cycle. Bonds can only be used to fund projects with a minimum of a 10-year life span. County LCDs have used bonding for cost-sharing of hard practices. As of the 2024 Allocation Plan, the only bond funds are approved extension funds and the engineering reserve fund.

DATCP: Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. Administers many conservation programs that are implemented by counties including the soil and water resource management grant program, producer-led watershed program, farmland preservation program, agricultural enterprise areas, nutrient management farmer education program, conservation reserve enhancement program, land and water resource management planning program, livestock siting program, drainage program, and conservation engineering support.

DNR: Department of Natural Resources. Administers the TRM and UNPS grant programs. Responsible for agricultural and nonagricultural performance standards and manages the WPDES permit program for concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs).

Farmland Preservation Program (FPP): Program through which counties are encouraged to plan for agricultural and agricultural-related uses; local governments may adopt zoning ordinances that restrict lands to agricultural or agricultural-related uses; landowners and local governments may jointly petition for an agricultural enterprise area (AEA) to qualify local areas important to Wisconsin's agricultural and economic future; landowners may enter into a farmland preservation agreement with the state for farms within an AEA to commit to keeping all or a part of their farm in agricultural

use and to implement farm conservation practices for 15 years. Participating landowners must implement applicable soil and water conservation standards (see ATCP 50.04)* to qualify for an income tax credit. ***Note:** *Landowners of farmland subject to a farmland preservation agreement must meet the soil and water conservation standards in place at the time the agreement was signed. Contact the department for assistance in determining which standards apply to a specific agreement.*

GPR: General Purpose Revenue. GPR is funding that comes from the state's income and sales tax revenues. These dollars are very flexible and can be used for most purposes. In relation to the joint allocation plan, DATCP has a small GPR appropriation that helps fund the staffing grants. Additionally, the 2023-2025 biennium budget approves \$7 million in GPR to fund structural practices associated with SWRM, at \$3.5 million a year over the two years. When the Governor calls for budget cuts from agencies, GPR is usually the money that is targeted for reductions since it can legally be used for any purpose. GPR is allocated on an annual basis.

LCC: Land Conservation Committee. Committee of county-board elected officials that oversee the LCD departments.

LCD: Land Conservation Department. County government department that receives staffing and cost-share grants from DATCP and DNR to implement soil and water conservation programs at the local level. In some counties, the department may go by a slightly different name such as soil and water conservation department, planning and land conservation department, etc.

LWRM: Land and Water Resource Management Plan. Each county must have an approved LWRM plan in order to receive funding from DATCP and DNR as part of the joint allocation plan. An approved LWRM plan ensures a county is eligible for staffing grants and a base amount of structural practice funding. DATCP coordinates the LWRM planning program. LWRM plans are approved by the LWCB for 10 years, with a progress check-in after 5 years.

NMFE: Nutrient Management Farmer Education. NMFE is a grant program funded through SWRM's SEG appropriation. The NMFE program provides grants to counties and technical colleges to deliver training for farmers to write their own NM plans. Funding from the NMFE program can go to farmer incentives, soil tests and training materials.

OPC: Other Project Cooperators. OPCs include non-county entities such as the University of Wisconsin and Wisconsin Land+Water that receive SEG grants from the SWRM program in order to advance the SWRM programs. OPC grants are often used for training and infrastructure services. The OPC recipients and the size of the grants have changed over time as needs have changed.

PL or PLWPG: Producer Led Watershed Program. The PL watershed grant program funds farmer-led projects intended to reduce nonpoint source pollution and improve water quality. By statute, the PL watershed grant program is funded via the SWRM SEG account and is capped at \$1,000,000 annually.

SEG: Segregated Funds. Segregated funds are collected from fees and held in designated funds for specific purposes under state law. In relation to the joint allocation plan, the

Environmental Fund is the source of the segregated funds. The joint allocation plan has two uses for segregated funds. One appropriation designates some segregated funds to the staffing allocation. The second appropriation of segregated funds is for “aids” that explicitly excludes county conservation staffing and is used for nutrient management and other soft practice cost-sharing, training and other related purposes. Three programs are funded via these funds but outside of the Allocation Plan:

\$1,000,000 is directed to Producer-Led Watershed Grants.

\$1,000,000 is directed to Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program

\$800,000 is directed to crop insurance rebates for cover crops.

SEG funds are allocated on an annual basis and if not used they lapse back to the Environmental Fund and are not available to the program to use.

SnapPlus: Soil Nutrient Application Planner is the computer program Wisconsin landowners and agronomists use to develop a compliant NM plan. The UW SnapPlus team developed, maintains, and offers technical assistance on SnapPlus.

Soft Practices: Soft practices are those conservation practices that are implemented on an annual or short-term basis. Soft practices include nutrient management planning, cover crops, residue management, contour farming, and strip-cropping, among others. Soft practices can only be cost-shared with SEG funding.

Structural Practices: Structural Practices are conservation practices that have a lifespan of at least 10 years, such as streambank stabilization, manure storage, well abandonment, managed

grazing systems and others. In past allocations, bond funding was only used to cost-share structural, or hard, practices. SEG funding can also be used to fund hard practices with permission from DATCP. SEG funding is not the preferred funding source for hard practices since that money is the only available funding for soft practices and OPCs.

SWRM: Soil and Water Resource Management Program. The SWRM program is DATCP’s signature grant program that provides staffing and cost-share grants to county LCDs. The SWRM funding is distributed through the annual joint allocation plan process.

TRM: Targeted Runoff Management. The TRM program is a DNR competitive grant program for targeted nonpoint source pollution projects. TRM grants use bond funds allocated through the joint allocation plan

UNPS & SW: Urban Nonpoint Source and Storm Water Management: The UNPS & SW program is a DNR competitive grant program for urban nonpoint source pollution projects. UNPS grants use bond funds allocated through the joint allocation plan.