COMPUTERS & CELL PHONES

WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE CLEAN SWEEP ON SEPTEMBER 23rd & 24th

NEW for the 2005 Clean Sweep An Unique Opportunity for You!

The 2005 Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Program will be conducted on September 23rd and 24th, 2005 from 8:00 AM until Noon (both days). The Agricultural/Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) collection (for small businesses) will take place on Friday, September 23rd and the Household Clean Sweep on Saturday, September 24th, 2005 at the Washington County Vehicle Maintenance & Storage Facility (900 Lang St., West Bend).

Through a joint partnership agreement with Washington County and the Volunteer Center of Washington County, the partners have arranged to include an opportunity for the public to dispose of computers, computer components and cell phones through the 2005 Clean Sweep Program.

A computer recycling program offered through the Volunteer Center will be held in conjunction with the “Clean Sweep” making this event more attractive and accommodating for the public to easily dispose of their hazardous waste at one convenient location. To find out more regarding the Community Computer Recycling Program and how it works, visit the website @ www.volunteernow.net

The Volunteer Center has arranged to provide a donated semi-truck for use to collect the computer recycling items for this event. Volunteer Center personnel will be on site and responsible to collect a handling fee for the drop off of computer equipment and accessories.

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The “Agricultural/VSQG Clean Sweep” project is intended for producers of agricultural commodities and small businesses within Washington County. This includes, but is not limited to, cash grain crops, fruit and vegetables, poultry, hog and dairy animals. Greenhouses, nurseries, co-ops, golf courses, right-of-way applicators, aerial applicators and landscape companies and others are also eligible for program participation. See the enclosed Agricultural pre-registration form found in this newsletter.

The definition of VSQG is a business that generates less than 220 lbs./month and stores less than 2,205 lbs. of hazardous waste. If you are a Very Small Business Quantity Generator and would like to participate in disposing of hazardous chemicals at a reduced cost; you must submit a Very Small Quantity Inventory Form. The Inventory Form provides you a no obligation price quote and can be found on the County website @ www.co.washington.wi.us/led. You may also call the Washington County Land & Water Conservation Division at (262) 335-4800 and a form will be sent to you.

Both rural and urban participants will have the convenience of a central collection point for a safe, economical, and environmentally sound transport, treatment and/or disposal of hazardous wastes. Upon pre-registering - the program will allow businesses the opportunity to drop off unwanted hazardous waste at no pick up charge, also allowing a 50% cost reduction on agricultural pesticides.

Hazardous wastes that are outdated, no longer labeled for use, no longer have an application for use, and materials that have gone out of condition during storage will be collected. Lists of accepted and unaccepted items can be found in the following articles or by calling the Clean Sweep Hotline number @ (262) 335-4810.

Check the Volunteer Center website @ www.volunteernow.net for information regarding specifics on handling fees:

* Used CPUs, monitors, printers, scanners, laptops, keyboards
* Peripherals, external hard drives, cables, mouse (Free)
* Used Cell Phones (Free)
**Unacceptable items include: mainframe computers, fax machines, copiers, microwaves or TVs.

**Caution: In order to protect you and your family from the possibility of identity theft, all computer hard drives must be blanked out in advance before computers are accepted for recycling.**

It is your responsibility to ensure that your data is secure by blanking your hard drive. Check the Volunteer Center website for more information.
The Clean Sweep program has had extensive involvement, commitment and support from local officials; and from the community as a whole. Citizens recognize the need to recycle materials to reduce the volume of hazardous waste that enters our landfill sites, by promoting and encouraging the public's awareness and involvement through a Clean Sweep program.

The Clean Sweep program is provided to the residents of Washington County and is coordinated through the Washington County Planning & Parks Department – Land & Water Conservation Division. Grant funds were awarded to Washington County by the Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (Ag. Grant $12,000; HH Grant $15,000) & the State of Wisconsin – Department of Natural Resources (Ag. Grant $500) and also requires Washington County to match funds to meet grant program eligibility requirements.

We're pleased to be able to offer this program to the residents of Washington County and hope that you find the program beneficial to you.

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Agricultural/VSQG Clean Sweep — Friday, September 23, 2005
Household Clean Sweep — Saturday, September 24, 2005
(8:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Clean Sweep Hotline Number: (262) 335-4810 or toll free 1-800-616-0446 (Wisconsin Only) ext. 4810. For
more information on hazardous waste, visit our website www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd or call the Washington
County Land & Water Conservation Division @ (262) 335-4800.

The collection will take place at the Washington County Vehicle Maintenance & Storage Facility located at 900 Lang
St., in West Bend. Directions to the drop off site: Travel Hwy 33 to West Bend, North on River Road (Co. Hwy G); then
West on Lang St. (see enclosed map).

What to Do & Where to Go with your Items if you can’t Wait?

First, please check with your local township, city or village in which you reside and inquire as to if your item in
question is accepted through their local recycling program. If not, here are some helpful hints on where to go…

Personal Computers & Cell Phones – Call the Volunteer Center of Washington County @ (262) 338-8256 or for more
information visit their website @ www.volunteernow.net and find the Community Computer Recycling Program.
Offered to the public year round.

Tires and Batteries are recycled and accepted at stores that sell them, call before hand.

Used Motor Oil - Check with your local service station or car dealership or call your Public Works Department,
larger municipalities usually have a community-recycling program in place for disposal.

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### Household HazWaste Management Guide

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- C = Dispose of dried solids in the trash
- = Save for household hazwaste collection
- Exchange for reuse (if your community has a waste exchange program)

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* Never mix products containing ammonia with those containing bleach.

** Some, but not all, of these products need to be saved for collection. Read labels and call your local official for disposal advise.

*** Solvent-containing products have the words “Flammable”, “Combustible” or “contains petroleum distillates” on the labels. Also, products with acetone, xylene, and methylene chloride should be saved for collection.
2005 Clean Sweep Program

Will spring or fall cleaning be on your “To Do” list in the near future? Mark your calendars for these dates:

Friday, September 23rd, 2005 - Agricultural & VSQG Clean Sweep
Saturday, September 24th, 2005 - Household Clean Sweep

Agricultural & VSQG Clean Sweep

Washington County businesses that generate less than 220 lbs./month and store less than 2,205 lbs. of hazardous waste are encouraged to participate in the Very Small Quantity Generator Collection (VSQG)! These materials will be collected on Friday during the Agricultural Clean Sweep. Please Note: If you are a small business you must fill out the necessary pre-registration form and/or inventory form found on our website at www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd

If you have any questions, please call us at (262) 335-4800 for assistance.

Accepted materials include: herbicides, pesticides, insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, wood preservatives, wood finishes, banned Agricultural chemicals, veterinary supplies. Lead or metal based paints, mercury manometers, acid washes and engine cleaners. Some examples of these would be: 2,4-D, 2,4,5-T, captan, chloradane, DDT, heptachlor, lindane, malathion, parathion, atrazine, glyphosate, penta, toxaphene.

Unaccepted items include: Batteries, waste oil, tires, water based paint & other recyclables, explosives, radioactives (including smoke alarms), infectious biological or medical waste, freon 11 & 12.

Household Clean Sweep

Accepted materials include: Hazardous chemicals, household chemicals including herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, wood preservatives, wood finishes, canceled or banned pesticides, veterinary supplies, lead or metal base paint, mercury manometers, acid washes, engine cleaners.

Unaccepted items include: Batteries, waste oil, tires, water based paint and other recyclables, explosives, radioactives (including smoke alarms), infectious biological or medical waste, freon 11 & 12, compressed gas cylinders, including gas grill propane tanks.

Please Note: Water Based Latex Paint Will Not Be Accepted.
WHAT TO DO WITH.....LATEX PAINT

You CAN get rid of it!

Finding an easy and safe way to dispose of latex paint can be a challenge, especially if you have a large number of cans. Many public collection sites are not anxious to take it, yet you are strongly discouraged from dumping it down drains or on the ground.

Latex paint is NOT a hazardous waste (it is a water-based product), but it is a liquid waste that must be properly disposed. Dumped illegally, it can plug septic fields, overload sewage treatment plants, and create environmental messes on the ground. Here are some options to consider.

10 CANS OR LESS

1. Purchase a commercial paint hardener and follow the label directions. These products can be purchased at hardware stores and home improvement centers for $1.00 to $2.00 per pack. Once hardened, paint can be placed in the trash.

2. Open can lids and expose the paint to sun and warm temperatures. This technique works best in the summer and when small volumes of paint are left in cans. Place the can in the trash after the paint has hardened.

10 TO 25 CANS

3. Line one or two medium-size boxes with thicker sheet plastic. Pour contents of cans into box(es). Add an absorbing agent such as kitty litter, vermiculite, or ground corn cobs. Place the box(es) in a warm area or in the sun and stir frequently until the paint hardens. Toss box(es) in the trash once the mixture is dry. This same technique works with 5-gallon pails instead of boxes.

MORE THAN 25 CANS

4. Follow the technique outlined in step 3, but use a larger number of boxes. You might also contact your local clean sweep site or solid waste/recycling department to see what other options are available in your area. Some local governments offer drop-off services on a per-gallon or per-can basis.

Unwanted latex paint should first be considered a potential resource. Properly stored latex paint can be given away to civic organizations or non-profit agencies for use at low income housing projects or as exterior primer coats. Unwanted latex paints can also be reprocessed and brought back to stores as recycled paints. Try some and see what you think. Don’t forget that empty, brush-wiped metal cans may be recycled through local programs.

For More information contact:
Washington County Planning & Parks Department -
Land & Water Conservation Division @
262-335-4200 or call the hotline number @ 262-335-4210
Agricultural Pre-registration Form
(Due by Friday, September 16, 2005)

Name: _______________________________
Address: _______________________________________
_____________________________________
Phone: _________________

Note: All weights should include the weight of the container.

◆ Estimate the total amount of **dry chemical wastes**, (powder, granulars, flowables) you have for disposal - _______ lbs.

◆ Estimate the total amount of **liquid chemical wastes** (emulsions, solvents, lead paints) you have for disposal - _______ gal.

◆ Do you have any 30 or 55-gallon drums for disposal?

**Circle:** Yes or No

If yes, number each drum, identify the chemical and indicate how much liquid each drum contains.

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

◆ Do you have any unknown chemicals in quantities greater than 50 pounds or 5 gallons?

**Circle:** Yes or No

If yes, include quantities above.

Please Return To:
Land & Water Conservation Division
333 E. Washington St., Ste 3200
PO Box 2003
West Bend, WI 53095-2003

Questions? Call: (262) 335-4800
Or visit our website: www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd

Washington County
Agricultural Clean Sweep
Friday, September 23, 2005
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

A One Day Hazardous Chemical Collection
For Farmers and Small Businesses of Washington County

Washington County Vehicle Maintenance & Storage Facility (Hwy Shop)
900 Lang Street
West Bend, WI 53090
What Is An Agricultural Clean Sweep?

It is a one day opportunity to dispose of unwanted, unused, damaged, or banned hazardous chemicals (especially pesticides) from farms, abandoned farm operations and small businesses in Washington County.

Agricultural Clean Sweeps are Pre-registration only. Please return your Pre-registration Form to us by...

September 16, 2005

Washington County, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are providing funding for the Clean Sweep.

Acceptable Waste

- Unused, damaged, canceled, banned or otherwise unwanted agricultural chemicals, including herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, and wood preservatives.

- Some common pesticides that you can drop off include: 2,4-D, captan, chlordane, DDT, heptachlor, lindane, malathion, parathion, penta, toxaphene and 2,4,5-T.

- Other agricultural chemicals including veterinary supplies, lead or metal based paint, mercury manometers, acid washes, wood finishes, and engine cleaners.

Unacceptable Waste

- Latex Paint
- Radioactives, including smoke alarms
- Infectious and biological wastes
- Freon 11 and 12
- Tires
- Batteries
- Explosives, including detonators and blasting caps

We will be accepting most unknown chemicals, which can often be of unknown origin, found around your farm or small businesses.

Unknown chemicals over 50 pounds or 5 gallons must be pre-registered.

We will also accept 30-55 gallon drums but you must pre-register.

Steps Involved

- Inspect your barns, sheds and basements to see if you have any old chemicals for disposal.

- If you locate unwanted chemicals, write down the type and quantity. Do not mix chemicals together. Leave them in their original containers.

- Fill out the Pre-registration Form on the back of this flyer.

Agricultural pre-registration is on a first come, first serve basis. We will be taking registration forms until grant funds are depleted.

Small Business (VSQG) Participation

The definition of a Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) is a business that generates less than 220 lbs./month and stores less than 2,205 lbs. of hazardous waste. If you are a VSQG and would like to dispose of your hazardous materials at a reduced cost...you must obtain a Chemical Inventory Form by either calling (262) 335-4800 or visiting www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd.

Small businesses that meet pesticide licensing categories regulated by DATCP are encouraged to participate.

Businesses will work one-on-one with ONYX to determine final costs of disposal.
Agriculture is at the heart of Wisconsin’s economy, and Wisconsin is one of the leading states in numerous agricultural products. Many consumers enjoy the opportunity to buy high quality, fresh products, fruits and vegetables and more, directly from the farmers at low competitive prices. Making the connection... From the Farm to the Table & Beyond... is in itself an educational experience for children of all ages. Agriculture encompasses a wide variety of products from our food, clothing, trees and plants in our community to even some of the fuels used for our vehicles. There are now over 3,700 farmers markets operating in the United States.

Where is your Point of Purchase? By supporting locally grown, produced and manufactured products from Washington County, Wisconsin, you are promoting the economic stability of our local agriculture. Farmers markets promote nutrition education, wholesome eating habits and better food preparation, as well as boost our local economy. Enjoy the flavors of the summer.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY FARMERS MARKETS**

**West Bend Farmers Market**
Old Settler’s Park
West Bend, WI
Contact: Tanya Albrecht
(262) 338-3909
[www.downtownwestbend.com](http://www.downtownwestbend.com)
OPEN-AIR/SEASONAL
June-October
Saturday, 7:30 am -11:00 am
WIC coupons

**Hartford Farmers Market**
5/7/2005 - 11/19/2005
Times: 7:00 am to 1:00 pm
Days of Operation: Saturday
Location Info: Hartford, Washington County
147 N Rural St (Rec. Center parking lot)
Primary Phone: (262) 673-7193
Alternate Phone: (414) 333-7317
[hartfordbid@netwurx.net](mailto:hartfordbid@netwurx.net)

**Germantown Farmers Market**
Village Hall
N112W1700 Mequon Rd
Between Western Ave & Division Rd
Contact: Nancy Wyrobeck
(262) 250-4750
June 4-October 29
Saturday, 7:30 am -1:00 pm

**GYPSY MOTH UPDATE**

Where Did They Go in 2004?

(By John T. Gall, Certified Arborist, #WI-0249A)
What occurred was a general overall collapse of the gypsy moth population due primarily to the cool, wet conditions during spring and early summer that we experienced.

Egg mass surveys conducted in fall 2003 indicated an extremely high number of “hot spots” in the SE areas. When the caterpillars emerged this past spring we began to see significant early feeding damage by the larvae. Then the cool, wet weather moved in and slowed down the gypsy moth’s ability to feed. This weather occurrence coupled with the DNR aerial suppression spray program, and the build-up of a fungus and virus infecting the young larvae, were the major causes for the population collapse.

Even though the population appears down for now, there continues to be a widespread distribution of the insect throughout the area. The key will be looking for current year’s egg masses again this winter. It’s important to be able to differentiate between current year and last year’s egg masses. There will be many more old egg masses than current season ones. New egg masses are buff, tan or yellow in color, about 1-1/2 inches long and found on trunks, under loose bark, and on the bottom of high branches. Old egg masses appear bleached out, have tiny pinhole emergence holes in the mass, and might have part of the mass missing. More than 6 visible current year egg masses on a tree or 12 on a property likely mean dozens are hidden and control may be needed.

For more information regarding the gypsy moth visit the DNR’s web site: [http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/forestry/fh/GM/](http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/land/forestry/fh/GM/) or call 262-335-4800.
2005 SUMMER CONSERVATION CAMP

Conservation Camp will be held Tuesday, June 21- Friday June 24, 2005 at Trail's End Youth Camp (near Bruce, WI) in Rusk County. It is located on the banks of the Chippewa River and is perfectly suited for environmental learning. Camp is designed for students who have completed Grades 8, 9 and 10 and are interested in the environment.

Programs cover a wide variety of information on wildlife, soils, erosion, pollution, ecosystems, water quality, aquatic habitats, orienteering, and canoeing. Our goal is to broaden the experiences of youth that may be interested in environmental careers. As a camper you...learn new skills, understand and appreciate nature, make new friends, develop leadership, take responsibility and have fun!

If you have any questions about this wonderful opportunity... please contact our LWCD Technician Stephanie @ 262-335-4804 or visit www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd under Conservation Education.

Sponsored by: Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association
Wisconsin Association of Land Conservation Employees.

WEB SITE UPDATE

The new Land & Water Conservation website (www.co.washington.wi.us/lcd) officially went live on Monday, April 11, 2005. From here on out all web viewers will be greeted with a whole new look and navigation style. Washington County has set up a system that allows one to seek information under specific departments or by services provided by the County. Each day we are continuing to work on making the new site the best it can be!

Thank you for your patience.

Caution! Gypsy Moths

Gypsy Moth female

Gypsy Moth male adult about 1 inch long

Gypsy Moth Caterpillar

Soil Testing Available....

Interested in Testing your Lawn or Garden.

Call the LWCD @ 262-335-4800 for more information or stop in at our office. The kit is designed for you to take your own samples and mail them into the lab for a minimal fee.
**What is CSP?**
The Conservation Security Program (CSP) is a voluntary program that provides financial and technical assistance for the conservation, protection, and improvement of soil, water, air, energy, plant and animal life, and other conservation purposes on Tribal and private lands. The program provides payments for producers who practice good stewardship on their agricultural lands and incentives for those who want to do more. The program is designed to reward the best conservation stewards of the most environmentally sensitive areas in targeted watersheds. Although none of the targeted watersheds are in Washington County this year, new watersheds are funded every year.

**What can I do now to get ready for CSP in the future?**
* Review self-assessment and review soil and water quality requirements for your operation
* Start or continue documentation
* Visit with NRCS to see if there are practices you should begin now and if there are programs available to you.

**How does CSP Work?**
Producers within these watersheds may submit an application once they meet eligibility criteria and complete a benchmark inventory documenting the existing conservation treatment on each land use within the agricultural operation for land to be enrolled. NRCS will provide the necessary materials for completing the inventory prior to the first sign-up. Based on the benchmark inventory and a follow-up interview, NRCS will determine in which program tier the applicant could participate.

**Tier of participation and maximum payments:**
* For Tier I, Soil and Water resource concerns are addressed on part of the operation. Contracts are for 5 years; maximum payment is $20,000 annually. Tier I contracts may be extended for 5 more years upon transition into Tier II.

**For Tier II, Soil and Water resource concerns are addressed on the entire operation, plus an additional resource concern will be addressed at some time during the life of the contract. Contracts are for 5 or 10 years; maximum payment is $35,000 annually.**

**For Tier III, All resource concerns are addressed on the entire operation. Contracts are for 5 or 10 years; maximum payment is $45,000 annually.**

**Eligibility**
Both the producer and the producer’s operation must first meet the basic eligibility criteria:
The land must be privately owned or Tribal land and the majority of the land must be located within a selected priority watershed.

The applicant must be in compliance with highly erodible and wetland provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985, have an active interest in the agricultural operation, and have control of the land for the life of the contract.

The applicant must share in the risk of producing any crop or livestock and be entitled to a share in the crop or livestock marketed from the operation. All applicants must meet the minimum tier eligibility and contract requirements, plus any additional requirements in the sign-up announcement.

More information found on the web page in the Wisconsin NRCS website at:
http://www.wi.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/csp_general.html
Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)  
Open Enrollment  
Planning for Your Future Conservation Projects

(Submitted by:  
Mark Baran, District Conservationist)

Do you have a project that you’ve been putting off, areas that continually get washed out with heavy rain and need to be filled in and leveled year after year? A grassed waterway may be the conservation practice to solve these problems.

There is an opportunity for cost sharing assistance that may be available to you, as a landowner/producer, that you may not be aware of. Financial assistance to establish a new grassed waterway is available through the Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). The CRP provides an annual rental payment for converting the cropland to a grassed waterway. There is a 50% reimbursement of the installation costs as well. Additionally, there are one-time bonus payments for enrolling the land into the CRP - $100.00 per acre (signing incentive bonus) and an additional 40% of the installation costs (practice incentive bonus).

For more information regarding this program, or other conservation programs, contact the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service office located @ 333 E. Washington St., Suite 3200, West Bend, WI or by calling (262) 335-4801 or (262) 335-4800.

Washington County Soil Survey

The LWCD office now offers a CD which contains complete digital images of the Washington County Soil Survey book.

Contact us at (262) 335-4800 on how to obtain a CD.
NR 216 - Clean Ways for Waterways Campaign Hits the Ground Running...

Since its kickoff in the first week of March, the Clean Ways for Waterways...Clean Water Starts in Your Backyard campaign has been steadily raising awareness of important stormwater and waterway issues. Radio and newspaper announcements promoted the Contractor’s Workshop on March 11th and the Logo Design Contest. With the support of area teachers, the Logo Design Contest brought in 30 inspired submissions from students throughout the County. The campaign stepped into the spotlight during Earth Week (April 18-22), when the overall winner of the Logo Design Contest was announced. The Clean Ways for Waterways website will be online in the next month and can be found at www.cleanways.org. The website will include information and tips on how individuals can help improve the quality of stormwater runoff into waterways. It will also feature a Clean Water Quiz, an interactive map to help Washington County residents identify and learn about the watersheds where they live and work, a Kid’s Corner page, and a list of past and future Clean Ways for Waterways events will be posted.

In May, the Village of Germantown hosted a rain garden workshop for students at Germantown’s Kennedy Middle School. This workshop demonstrated how to create a garden capable of infiltrating roof runoff directly into groundwater. Also underway is a stormwater management curriculum to be taught in area high schools. This two-part lesson educates students on helpful and harmful development practices that can affect waterways, and includes the use of an internet-based mapping system and site visits with disposable cameras. This curriculum is being developed through collaboration of efforts between MSA Professional Services and the University of Wisconsin-Extension.

Production is nearly complete on a Clean Ways for Waterways...Clean Water Starts in Your Backyard video. The video will provide interesting facts about water resources in Washington County and presents tips for individuals to do in their backyards and ways to improve those waterways. When complete, the video will broadcast on local cable access channels.

NR-216 Contractor Workshop

Approximately 100 area contractors recently attended a construction site erosion control and stormwater management workshop for contractors co-sponsored by the Cities of West Bend and Hartford, the Village of Germantown, and Washington County. The Workshop was part of the Clean Ways for Waterways...Clean Water Starts in Your Backyard campaign to clean-up area waterways, including lakes, streams, rivers, creeks, and wetlands.

All contractors that do business in Washington County or area municipalities were invited to send one or more representatives to this workshop, which explained how contractors can install and maintain best management practices to reduce the amount of pollution carried from construction sites to local waterways.

Construction activities normally remove vegetation from a land surface, allowing the erosive forces of wind and water to carry the sediment and other pollutants to surface waters. Because construction site erosion produces such a heavy concentration of sediment, controlling erosion from even a small construction area can accomplish large reductions in sediment pollutant load. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - Stormwater Specialist Jim Ritchie noted, “Excessive sediment from eroding construction sites can harm wetlands and waterways by covering up valuable aquatic habitat.”
MEMORABILIA - REFLECTIONS

(Two Horse Corn Planter - circa 1902)

(Walking Gang Plow - circa 1902)

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590 NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT STANDARD

Now is the time to enroll in the 2006 Self-Certified Nutrient Management Workshops. Upon completion of the course, you will be qualified to write your own nutrient management plan on your farm.

590 Phosphorous based nutrient management plans will be required if you participate in one or any of the following programs:

- Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) – USDA NRCS Cost-Share Program
- NR 243 - WPDES permit regulations
- ATCP 51 - Sets statewide livestock siting standards including expansion of herds
- ATCP 40 - Fertilizer distribution of manipulated manure will need a license
- FPP - Farmland Preservation Program participants
- Local Manure Storage ordinance
- If you accept Cost-Sharing from other Federal Programs

Please contact our office at 262.335.4800 for more information.

(In January, 2005, the LWCD hosted a Nutrient Management Workshop for landowners to become self certified on preparing their own nutrient management plans - pictured above Nancy Paul-Drumly, NMP Consultant and Joe Mosgaller, landowner.)
2005 Washington County Tree Program

A Thank You goes out to all that participated in the Washington County 2005 Tree Program. This year we accommodated over 600 participants, offering a wide variety of native bare root trees, shrubs and prairie seed at low cost. Other accessories such as bluebird houses, bat houses, compost bins, soil test kits and water test kits have been offered through the program.

A survey was also conducted asking participants to rank the program and give their input and share suggestions or comments on how we may improve our services offered. Approximately 16% responded from the public survey indicated that they have enjoyed and are satisfied with the program and agreed that the quality of stock is of high quality, many comments indicated that they’d like to see it continue. Thank you for all your responses and your continued support.

2005 Tree Program Survey Results

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<th>Circle your Response, on a scale of 1-5, Please rate the following:</th>
<th>Strongly Disagree 1</th>
<th>Disagree 2</th>
<th>Neutral 3</th>
<th>Agree 4</th>
<th>Strongly Agree 5</th>
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<td>1. I am satisfied with the selection and varieties offered through the Tree Program.</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>56%</td>
<td>38%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>2. The stock purchased is of good quality and is in good condition.</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>3%</td>
<td>41%</td>
<td>54%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>3. I understand that this program only offers stock native to Wisconsin.</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>35%</td>
<td>55%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>4. This program is a benefit to the environment and wildlife.</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>24%</td>
<td>74%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>5. This program has increased my knowledge on conservation and environmental issues.</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>3%</td>
<td>27%</td>
<td>39%</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>6. I would like to see this program continue.</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>8%</td>
<td>92%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>7. I would recommend this program to a friend.</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>80%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>8. Offering soil and water test kits is beneficial to the public and should continue to be offered.</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>37%</td>
<td>47%</td>
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<td>9. The DNR professionals have been very helpful in answering questions regarding tree diseases and insect problems.</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>3%</td>
<td>39%</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>28%</td>
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(Total) 774,475
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Rain Gardens - A shallow depression that helps prevent flooding & drainage problems - protects streams and lakes from pollution - provides valuable habitat for wildlife and insects.

Rain Barrel - A 50 to 80 gallon Reservoir - Captures the naturally soft water of rain. This water is devoid of minerals, chlorine, fluoride. Easy & conservative method to watering your garden plants.

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