

January - March 2019 Outreach Summary

This document provides a summary of outreach events and activities led by Land & Water Resources Department staff. In addition to these events, we support park friends group's and other conservation group's events that are not reflected in this summary.

PROGRAMS/CAMPAIGNS

- [Plant Dane Native Plant Sale](#) (Deadline March 20)
- [Storm Drain Mural Program](#) (Applications due Feb 15)
- [Native Plants for School and Community Projects](#) (Applications due Feb 1)

JANUARY

Tables and Displays

- January 26 - Display at Southern Wisconsin Trout Unlimited Ice Breaker (Curt Diehl)

Presentations

- January 10 – “The Lower Yahara River Trail” at the WI Chapter of the American Public Works Association meeting (Chris James)
- January 19 “Overview of County Initiatives in the Yahara Watershed” at the Friends of Pheasant Branch Annual Meeting (Laura Hicklin)
- January 24 - “Grazing Programs in Dane County” Paoli University Farmers Meeting (Marie Raboin)

Workshops and Training

- January 12 - Volunteer Training Series - Chainsaw Safety Training Level 2 for Dane County Parks Volunteers (Adam Alves/Rhea Stangel-Maier)
- January 26 - Sustainability Series at the Lussier Family Heritage Center: Sustainable Gardens & Landscapes (Lael Pascual)

Youth/Family Activities

- January – 6 in school activities with the Shabazz High School Ecology Class (Micah Kloppenburg)

FEBRUARY

Tables and Displays

- February 9 – Table at Badger Fly Fishers Spring Opener (Curt Diehl)
- February 8-10 – WHA Garden Expo (Rhea Stangel-Maier; Dane County Parks staff and volunteers)
- February 22-24 – Madison Fishing Expo (Darren Marsh and Dane County Parks staff)

Presentations

- February/March – Lake Levels Task Force (various staff)
- February 4 – “Manure Ordinance Amendment Informational Meeting” in Windsor (Amy Piaget)
- February 5 – “Manure Ordinance Amendment Proposed Updates” at the Farmers for the Upper Sugar River Annual Meeting (Amy Piaget)
- February 6 – “LiDAR Change Detection Analysis” at the North American Stormwater and Erosion Control Association of WI (Kyle Whalley and Seth Ebel)
- February 7 – “Legacy Sediment Removal” at NASECA Conference (John Reimer)
- February 11 – “Relationships between County Staff and Farmers” on a panel at a grazing workshop in Portage (Marie Raboin)
- February 12 – “Manure Ordinance Amendment Informational Meeting” in Primrose (Amy Piaget)
- February 14 – “Reducing Flood Risk in the Yahara Lakes” at Yahara Lakes Association meeting (John Reimer)
- February 16 – “Growing Your Own Native Plants” at Community Gardens Summit (Susan Sandford)
- February 21 – “Developing Infrastructure to support organic agriculture production” at Organics 2051 conference (Marie Raboin)
- February 21 – “Strategies to Reduce Salt at your School” at MMSD maintenance staff monthly meeting (Christal Campbell)
- February 23 – “Health and Conditions of the Madison Chain of Lakes” at the Wisconsin Fishing Expo (Pete Jopke)
- February 27 – “People, Planning and the Role of Landscape Architects” at the American Society of Landscape Architects-Wisconsin Chapter meeting (Chris James)

Workshops and Training

- February 16 - Sustainability Series at the Lussier Family Heritage Center: Sustainable Food Practices (Lael Pascual)
- February 23 – Rain Garden Workshop (Christal Campbell)

MARCH

Presentations

- March 1 – “Suck the Muck: Connecting Science to People” at American Water Resource Association annual meeting (John Reimer)
- March 4 – “Flooding in the Yahara Chain of Lakes” at Madison College Foundation (John Reimer)
- March 5 – “Collaboration and Partnership for Assessing Legacy Sediment” at Wisconsin DNR Statewide Conference (John Reimer)
- March 5 – “History of the Dane County Hunting Program” presentation to DNR staff (Darren Marsh)
- March 6 – “Legacy Phosphorus Reduction in an Agriculture Watershed” at Fox-Wolf Watershed Conference (John Reimer)
- March 11 – “Native Plants and Plant Dane Plant Sale” at Olbrich Garden Club meeting (Christal Campbell)
- March 12 – “Plans for the Sugar River Property” at the Upper Sugar River Watershed Association Conversations About Conservation (Sara Rigelman)
- March 12 – “Yahara Lakes Flooding” at Yahara Lake Association Symposium (John Reimer)
- March 12 – “Opportunities to help Protect and Improve Water Quality in Dane County” at the Clean Lakes Alliance Yahara Watershed Academy (Susan Sandford and Christal Campbell)
- March 13 - “Suck The Muck: Removal of Instream Legacy Sediments From Dorn Creek” at WI Land+ Water Conference (Kyle Minks)
- March 14 – “Stream Restoration, Stream Habitat Improvement & Streambank Easements” at WI Land+ Water Conference (Curl Diehl)
- March 15 – “NRCS Spec. 9 - Rock Gradation” at WI Land+ Water Conference (Seth Ebel)
- March 15 – “Outreach Programs in Dane County” at WI Land+ Water Conference (Susan Sandford)
- March 15 – “Dane County Performance Based Requirements for Construction Site Erosion Control” at WI Land+ Water Conference (Amy Piaget)
- March 19 - “Progress Reporting on the Regional Conservation Partnership Program” at Yahara WINs quarterly meeting (Kyle Minks)
- March 19 – “Flooding in the Yahara Chain of Lakes” at Clean Lakes Alliance’s community board meeting (John Reimer)
- March 20 – “Instream Legacy Sediment Removal” at the Waukesha County Stormwater Workshop (Kyle Minks)
- March 20 - “Roundtable with Mentor and Mentees to discuss options for rotational grazing of cover crops” at SARE Kickoff meeting with farmers (Marie Raboin)
- March 21 - “Grazing Programs in Dane County” at Paoli University Farmers Meeting (Marie Raboin)
- March 28 – “Partnering with Ice Age National Scenic Trail” at the Southern Wisconsin Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants meeting (Chris James)

Workshops and Training

- March 1 – Nutrient Management Planning for farmers (Laurie Lambert and Steve Ottelien)
- March 9 – Dane County Parks Volunteer Networking Summit (Rhea Stangel-Maier and DC Parks staff)
- March 16 - Volunteer Training Series - Saw & Brush Cutter Maintenance for Dane County Parks Volunteers (Roland Arndt/Rhea Stangel-Maier)
- March 23 - Sustainability Series at the Lussier Family Heritage Center: Sustainable Coffee Production (Lael Pascual)
- March 28 - NRCS Streambank Training with NRCS, DATCP, County Technical Staff (Seth Ebel)
- March 30 - Prescribed Burn Orientation with Dane County Parks Volunteers (Lars Higdon and Shane Otto)
- March 31 - Maple Syrup Making Demo at Donald County Park (Chris James and Friends of Donald)

Youth/Family Activities

- March 2 - Explore Nature @ Cap Springs: Hoo's Woods Raptor Presentation (Lael Pascual/ Friends of Cap Springs Recreation Area)