

Bayfield County Land & Water Conservation Department

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AGENDA

Committee: Fred Strand; Marty Milanowski; Dave Zepczyk; Tom Snilsberg; Peter Tetzner, Citizen Rep.; Melissa Netz, FSA Rep.

Please be advised that the Bayfield County Land Conservation Committee meeting will be held on Friday, May 17th, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the E.O.C. (Annex Building, Washburn, WI)

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Introductions
- 3) Approval of Minutes (August 24th, 2018) -
- 4) Public Comment 3 minutes per person –
- 5) Agency Staff / Partners Reports:
 - a. NRCS Update
 - b. USFWS Update-GLRI funds,
 - c. WDNR Update
 - d. SRWA Update
- 6) Discussion: Bayfield County Ad Hoc Cervid Study Committee Update Strand May 29 @ NGLVC
- 7) Discussion: AIS Coordinator / Lake Specialist Position Update Dufford / Teal
- 8) Discussion / Possible Action: 2019-2029 Land and Water Resource Mgt Plan All
- 9) Discussion / Possible Action: Budget Overview / Grant Discussion All
- 10) 2019 Grant Updates
- 11) 2019 Project Updates
- 12) LWCD Staff Reports:
 - a. Andy Teal, AIS Coordinator
 - b. Ramona Shackleford, NCWMA Coordinator
 - c. Dave Schultz, Wildlife Damage
 - d. Melissa Kraft, Land Conservation Assistant
 - e. Travis Tulowitzky, Conservation Technician
 - f. Ben Dufford, County Conservationist
- 13) Other business as authorized by law
- 14) Next meeting date August
- 15) Adjourn

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Any person wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodations, should contact the LWCD at 715-373-6167, at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting time, so appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Job Title: Lake Conservation Specialist.

Closing Date / Time:

Salary: \$21.27 Hourly. \$1,595 Bi-Weekly. \$41,476.50 Annually

Job Type: Full Time

Location: Bayfield County Land and Water Conservation Dept. 117 E. 5th St. Washburn WI 54891

Job Summary

The Lake Conservation Specialist works to promote and protect lake ecosystem health through monitoring, education, and technical assistance. Primary responsibilities include biological assessments of lakes, technical assistance to lake organizations, local government officials, contractors, and private landowners, and providing conservation education to the public. All duties and responsibilities of the position are performed under and subject to the review and guidance of the Land and Water Conservation Committee and the County Conservationist.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Responsible for leading the county-wide lakes monitoring program that includes a diverse set of biological
 assessments that align with state and regional protocols. Assessments will include (but are not limited to):
 Aquatic Plant Point-Intercept Surveys; Aquatic Invasive Species Early Detection Monitoring; Shoreland
 Habitat Monitoring; and collection of water samples for trophic state index parameters.
- Serve as the lead, and provide technical assistance / support to various stakeholders involved in the pursuit of state lake grant funding, AIS Response initiatives, county-wide lake management planning efforts, the *Clean Boats/Clean Waters* program, or the *Healthy Lakes* program.
- Provide annual planning and training activities for the *Clean Boats/ Clean Waters* program in cooperation with Northland College and other UW Universities, and various lake organizations; supervise student interns in this program.
- Provide educational outreach to lake organizations or community groups interested in initiating a *Healthy Lakes* campaign; assist groups through the grant and project implementation phases.
- Assists in the administration of department records by maintaining grant logs and provides project updates to the County Conservationist.
- Responsible for entering lake data collections and results into the Wisconsin Surface Water Integrated
 Monitoring System (SWIMS) database and responsible for ordering, storage, and inventory of all
 equipment and supplies necessary for lakes monitoring program.
- Provides educational outreach and multi-media information about lakes, aquatic invasive species, or conservation issues via news releases, fact sheets, radio announcements, Email listserv, trainings, workshops, contest sponsorship, and other presentations to the public.
- Monitors and adheres to state policy changes and program protocols for assorted activities; provide timely
 updates to local lake groups and elected officials for any new initiatives.
- Maintains the annual county-wide maps of Aquatic Invasive Species infestations.
- Coordinates efforts with other counties, local elected officials including town supervisors, community leaders, WDNR, UW-Extension, conservation organizations, and any other individuals involved with lake management programs.
- Other duties as assigned.

Essential Skills Required to Perform Position

- Thorough understanding of lake ecology and lake monitoring assessments.
- Ability to identify most native aquatic plants and aquatic invasive plants and animals.
- Experience in operating boats, outboard motors, and lake monitoring equipment.

- Possess a high comfort level for working outdoors in all types of aquatic environments.
- Knowledge of parcel mapping, coordinate systems, ArcGIS mapping operations, global position systems (GPS), and computer database software.
- Demonstrates knowledge of conservation practices, soils, botany, and resource management issues.
- Ability to trailer, back up, and operate boats with outboard motors and USFS portable decontamination unit.
- Possess effective written and verbal communication skills.
- Experience in conducting educational presentations with a variety of age groups is preferred.
- Ability to work directly with the public, and able to communicate effectively with county, local, and state employees, lake organizations, and diverse stakeholder groups.
- Experience with computer hardware and software (spreadsheet, word processing, mapping, power point.
- Ability to work independently (without constant supervision and specific assignment) and cooperatively
 with others.
- Field activities may require the ability to work in rough, wet or hilly terrain, to provide physical labor in planting, digging, field monitoring, and other tasks, and to work in inclement weather.
- Availability to work evenings and weekends as needed.

Required Work Experience

Training and/or on the job experience in natural resource management, water resource management, aquatic plant management, fisheries biology, wildlife biology, or conservation biology is strongly recommended.

College courses in conservation, biology, limnology, aquatic plant taxonomy, mapping, ecology, natural resource management and public speaking are useful.

Working knowledge of soil erosion control methodologies, conservation practices, Wisconsin Construction standards, native terrestrial plant identification, and management planning processes.

Education / Knowledge Work Requirements / Qualifications:

- Highschool Diploma or Equivalent
- 4 year degree in field of Conservation Biology, Limnology, Aquatic Ecology, Botany, Watershed Mgt., Natural Resource Mgt.
- Valid WI Drivers License
- Supervision of CBCW Interns during field season

Title of Immediate Supervisor – County Conservationist

<u>Physical Requirements:</u> Ability to work effectively in inclement weather conditions. Operate small engines / boat outboard motors. Ability to trailer and back in boats / portable boat wash unit.

Contacts with Public – Nature of and Frequency: Extensive

<u>Nature of Supervision Exercised by Employee</u>: Field supervision of Interns. Provide Leadership role to lake landowners / Lake Associations in Bayfield County.