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Did You Know?

- ⊗ The Driftless Area has the **highest concentration of trout waters** in the Midwest.
- ⊗ Fishing in the Driftless Area (including parts of MN, IA, and IL) has an economic impact of more than **\$1.1 billion annually**.
- ⊗ Trout Unlimited (TU) chapters, local rod & gun clubs, the state DNRs, and other conservation groups have helped **restore and manage over 450 miles of high quality trout and smallmouth bass streams** in the area.



- ⊗ The Stewardship program and other state, federal, local, and private funding sources have helped provide **public angling access on over 500 miles of trout streams and 75 miles of smallmouth bass waters** in Wisconsin's portion of the Driftless Area.

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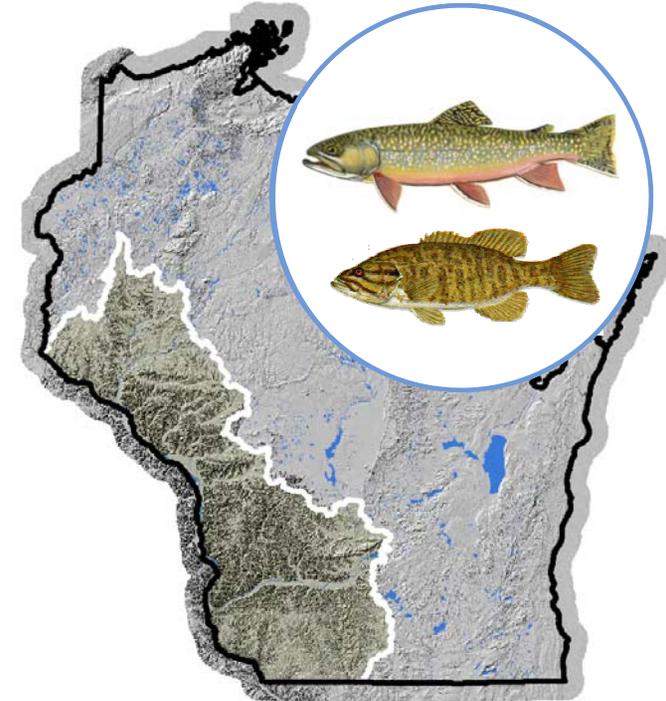


Cast your ideas into...



Planning the use and management of Department of Natural Resources' properties along

DRIFTLESS AREA STREAMS



- ⊗ Enjoy fishing for trout or smallmouth bass?
- ⊗ Live in, or like to visit, the Driftless Area?
- ⊗ Interested in the future of DNR fishery lands?

IF SO, THEN THE DNR WANTS YOUR INPUT AND IDEAS!

(Tear Off)

What's Happening?

The Department of Natural Resources owns nearly 40,000 acres, mostly in narrow strips, along over 300 streams in the Driftless Area. In addition, the DNR has purchased angler access easements along dozens more streams.

The DNR is beginning a comprehensive planning process to update the management plans (master plans) that will guide future actions on these properties. We need the public's perspectives and ideas on:

- ⊗ How should we manage these lands based on current and anticipated future conditions?
- ⊗ Where should we focus in-stream management efforts?
- ⊗ What are priorities for providing additional public access to streams?

Given the size of the Driftless Area, we have divided the area into eight planning regions to organize and present information about fish habitats and angling opportunities (see map).



Timeline

2012	Spring Summer	Collect and organize background information. Preliminary meetings with agencies and major partner groups.
	Fall	Public open house meetings describing background information, identify public issues and ideas to be addressed in the planning process.
2013	Winter Spring Summer	DNR and local partners develop a draft plan with different alternatives for managing habitat, providing additional angling access, and addressing other obstacles and needs.
	Fall	Public open house meetings to get feedback on the draft plan and the preferred option.
	Late Fall	Revise the plan based on public feedback and present to the Natural Resources Board for their consideration and potential approval.

Where?

Located in the western and southwestern portion of the state, the Driftless Area escaped the last glacial period and as a result is characterized by rugged topography, springs, coldwater streams, and rock outcroppings. Some of the streams in the Driftless Area along which the DNR owns lands and public access easements for fishing include:

Baraboo River	Little Green River
Bear Creek	Little Lacrosse River
Big Beaver Creek	Love Creek
Big Green River	Lovetts Creek
Big Spring Creek	Lowes Creek
Black Earth Creek	Maple Dale Creek
Blue River	Martin Branch
Bolen Creek	McCann Creek
Borah Creek	Milancthon Creek
Cady Creek	Mill Creek
Camp Creek	Millville Creek
Castle Rock Creek	Mount Vernon Creek
Clear Creek	North Branch Gilbert Creek
Conley Smith Creek	North Fork Beaver Creek
Crooked Creek	North Fork Of Bad Axe River
Dougherty Creek	Norwegian Hollow Creek
Duncan Creek	Otter Creek
Eau Galle River	Pigeon Creek
Elk Creek	Pine Creek
Elvers Creek	Pompey Pillar Creek
Fall Creek	Red Cedar River
Fancy Creek	Rush Creek
Fennimore Fork	Rush River
Galena River	Sand Creek
Gilbert Creek	Seas Branch Creek
Gordon Creek	South Fork Kinnickinnic River
Grant River	Stony Creek
Halls Creek	Story Creek
Hansell Creek	Sugar River
Harker Creek	Tank Creek
Hay Creek	Tiffany Creek
Hefty Creek	Trempealeau River
Honey Creek	Trimbelle River
Hulburt Creek	Trout Creek
Kickapoo River	Turtle Creek
King Creek	Urnus Creek
Kinnickinnic River	Vosse Coulee Creek
Knapp Creek	Washington Coulee
Knights Creek	West Branch Sugar River
La Crosse River	West Fork Kickapoo River
Little Grant River	Willow Creek

Help guide the future of Driftless Area streams!

Which regions are of interest to you?
(check all that apply)

- Kinnickinnic River Region
- Chippewa River Region
- Black River Region
- Kickapoo River Region
- Baraboo River Region
- Lower Wisconsin River Region
- Platte River Region
- Pecatonica River Region
- ALL REGIONS**

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