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Grant requested for Stewardship acquisition project in Town of Verona

VERONA, Wis. – Dane County has applied for a 50 percent matching grant from the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks of the [Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program](#) to assist with the purchase of 35 acres of land in the Town of Verona in Dane County. Dane County will provide match to the grant award.

The property is being acquired to protect the Sugar River and associated wetlands. The parcel will expand the natural resource protection area, add 3,200 feet of stream access, and 350 feet to the Military Ridge State Bike Trail. The outdoor recreational activities will include hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, cross-county skiing, snowshoeing, and nature appreciation.

Public written comments on the proposed acquisition can be mailed to Julie Sauer, Administrator, Division of Customer and Employee Services, care of Mary Rothenmaier, Grants Specialist, 3911 Fish Hatchery Road, Fitchburg, WI 53711 or sent by email to Mary.Rothenmaier@Wisconsin.gov. If you have questions about this project, Mary Rothenmaier can be reached by phone at 608-275-3322. Written comments will be accepted through June 21, 2011.

Under s. NR 150.03(3), Wis. Adm. Code, an environmental analysis is not needed because this proposal is considered a Type III action. A Type III action is one that normally does not have the potential to cause significant environmental effects, normally does not significantly affect energy usage, and normally does not involve unresolved conflicts in the use of available resources.

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