

WISCONSIN'S LAND LEGACY

SPECIAL PLACES TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT.

The next 50 years hold many possibilities and challenges for Wisconsin including the need to balance environmental, social and economic interests. Part of finding that balance requires knowing the places that will be critical to meet future conservation and recreation needs. Over a three-year period the Department of Natural Resources gathered ideas and data from citizens and partner organizations throughout the state on the special places that make Wisconsin *Wisconsin*. The outcome of this effort, the *Wisconsin Land Legacy Report*, identifies and describes 229 Legacy Places that range in size, the amount of formal protection that has been initiated, and their relative conservation and recreation strengths. The Legacy Places are organized in the report by the 16 ecological landscapes of Wisconsin, which appear on the map below. These ecological landscapes (which are based on soils, vegetation, topography and other attributes) each have a different look and feel. This poster shows the 16 ecological landscapes and a photo that typifies each region. A complete list of the Legacy Places is shown on the reverse side along with details for ordering a copy of the report.



WISCONSIN'S LEGACY PLACES



To identify these Legacy Places, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources asked the public and environmental professionals: ■ Which lands and waters will be critical in conserving our native plants and animals and their habitats? ■ Which places will most effectively provide satisfying outdoor recreation? ■ What do we want our landscape to look

like in the year 2050 and what role should protected lands play in reaching this goal? ■ Which special places will our children and grandchildren wish we had protected? ■ The report identifies 229 Legacy Places, eight statewide needs and resources and 72 other areas believed to be most critical in meeting Wisconsin's current and future conservation and recreation needs.

LEGACY PLACES BY COUNTY:

ADAMS COUNTY

Central Wisconsin Grasslands
Colburn-Richfield Wetlands
Middle Wisconsin River
Neenah Creek
Quincy Bluff

ASHLAND COUNTY

Apostle Islands
Bad River
Big Bay
Chequamegon Point-Kakagon Sloughs
Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Highway 2 Grasslands
Penokee-Gogebic Range
Upper Forks of the Flambeau River
White River

BARRON COUNTY

Blue Hills
Haugen-Birchwood Lakeland
Hay River
Upper Red Cedar River

BAYFIELD COUNTY

Apostle Islands
Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Eau Claire River
Highway 2 Grasslands
Lake Superior South Shore Streams
Mt. Ashwabay
Namekagon River
Quarry Point to Bark Point
Western Lake Superior Drowned River Mouths
White River

BROWN COUNTY

Colonial Waterbird Nesting Islands
Duck Creek and Burma Swamp
Niagara Escarpment
Point Au Sable
Red Bands Alvar
Suamico, Little Suamico and Pensaukee Rivers
Twin Rivers
West Shore Green Bay Wetlands

BUFFALO COUNTY

Buffalo River
Cochrane City Bluffs
Lower Chippewa River and Prairies
Trempealeau River
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

BURNETT COUNTY

Chase Creek
Clam River
Cresk Meadows
Danbury to Sterling Corridor
Namekagon-Brule Barrens
Namekagon River
St. Croix River
Trade River Wetlands
Upper Yellow River

CALUMET COUNTY

Manitowoc-Branch River
Niagara Escarpment

CHIPPEWA COUNTY

Chippewa Glacial Lakes
Upper Chippewa River
Yellow (Chippewa) River

CLARK COUNTY

Black River
Central Wisconsin Forests

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Arlington Prairie
Baraboo Hills
Baraboo River
Glacial Habitat Restoration Area
Lewiston Marsh
Middle Wisconsin River
Portage to Buffalo Lake Corridor

CRAWFORD COUNTY

Copper Creek to Lynxville Hollows
Coulee Coldwater Riparian Resources
Kickapoo River
Lower Wisconsin River
North Prairie du Chien Savanna
Rush Creek
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

DANE COUNTY

Arlington Prairie
Black Earth Creek
Blue Mound-Blanchardville Prairie and Savanna
Blue Mound State Park
Crawfish River-Waterloo Drumlins
Dunn-Rutland Savanna and Potholes
Lower Wisconsin River
Patrick Marsh
Shoveler Lakes-Black Earth Trench
Sugar River
Upper Yahara River and Lakes

DODGE COUNTY

Crawfish River-Waterloo Drumlins
Glacial Habitat Restoration Area
Horicon Marsh
Niagara Escarpment
Upper Rock River

DOOR COUNTY

Chambers Island
Colonial Waterbird Nesting Islands
Door Peninsula Hardwood Swamps
Eagle Harbor to Toft Point Corridor
Grand Traverse Islands
Kangaroo Lake
Mink River Estuary-Newport State Park-Europe Lake
Niagara Escarpment
North Bay to Bailey's Harbor
Peninsula State Park
Peninsula State Park to Jacksonport Corridor
Red Hill Woods-Brussels Grassland
Shivering Sands

DOUGLAS COUNTY

Bois Brule River
Chase Creek
Eau Claire River
Empire and Belden Swamps
Highway 2 Grasslands
Lower Totagatic River
Manitou Falls-Black River
Middle River Contact
Namekagon-Brule Barrens
Nemadji River and Wetlands
St. Croix River
St. Louis Estuary and Pokegama Wetlands
Upper Tamarack and Spruce Rivers
Western Lake Superior Drowned River Mouths
Wisconsin Point

DUNN COUNTY

Hay River
Lower Chippewa River and Prairies
Upper Red Cedar River

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY

Central Wisconsin Forests
Lower Chippewa River and Prairies
Upper Chippewa River

FLORENCE COUNTY

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Goodman Forest
Menominee River
Spread Eagle Barrens

FOND DU LAC COUNTY

Campbellsport Drumlins
Glacial Habitat Restoration Area
Horicon Marsh
Kettle Moraine State Forest
Milwaukee River
Niagara Escarpment
Sheboygan River Marshes

FOREST COUNTY

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Laona Hemlock Hardwoods
Peshtigo River
Upper Wolf River

GRANT COUNTY

Cassville to Bagley Bluffs
Grant and Rattlesnake Rivers
Little and Big Green Rivers
Lower Wisconsin River
Platte River
Snow Bottom-Blue River Valley
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge
Wyalusing State Park

GREEN COUNTY

Blue Mound-Blanchardville Prairie and Savanna
Monroe-Muralt Prairie
Sugar River

GREEN LAKE COUNTY

Grand River Marsh and Lake Puckaway
White River Marsh and Uplands

IOWA COUNTY

Blue Mound-Blanchardville Prairie and Savanna
Blue Mound State Park
Lower Wisconsin River
Mill Creek
Pecatonica River and Grasslands

IRON COUNTY

Border Lakes Region
Gile Flowage
Montreal River
Moose Creek Hemlock Woods
Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest
Penokee-Gogebic Range
Turtle-Flambeau Flowage
Upper Forks of the Flambeau River

JACKSON COUNTY

Bear Bluff
Black River
Buffalo River
Central Wisconsin Forests
Robinson Creek Barrens

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Bark and Scuppernong Rivers
Crawfish River-Waterloo Drumlins
Jefferson Marsh
Kettle Moraine State Forest
Lake Koshkonong to Kettle Moraine Corridor
Upper Rock River

JUNEAU COUNTY

Badlands
Baraboo River
Central Wisconsin Forests
Greensand Cuesta
Lower Lemonweir River
Middle Wisconsin River
Necedah National Wildlife Refuge
Sandhill-Meadow Valley-Wood County Wildlife Areas
Yellow (Juneau) River

KENOSHA COUNTY

Bong Grassland
Chiwaukee Prairie
Des Plaines River Floodplain and Lake George Wetland
Illinois Fox River
Pike (Kenosha) River

KEWAUNEE COUNTY

Door Peninsula Hardwood Swamps
Kewaunee River and Grasslands
Niagara Escarpment
Twin Rivers

LA CROSSE COUNTY

Black River
Coulee Coldwater Riparian Resources
Coulee Experimental Forest
La Crosse River
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

LAFAYETTE COUNTY

Blue Mound-Blanchardville Prairie and Savanna
Fever River-Hardscrabble Prairie
Pecatonica River and Grasslands
Yellowstone Lake

LANGLADE COUNTY

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
East and West Branches of the Eau Claire River
Langlade Moraine
Prairie River
Red River
Upper Wolf River

LINCOLN COUNTY

Harrison Hills
Middle Wisconsin River
Prairie River
Somo River
Upper Wisconsin River

MANITOWOC COUNTY

Fischer Creek, Point Creek and Cleveland Swamp
Manitowoc-Branch River
Millhome Woods
Point Beach and Dunes
Twin Rivers

MARATHON COUNTY

Big Eau Pleine River and Woods
Central Wisconsin Grasslands
Middle Wisconsin River
Norrie-Hatley Wetlands
Rib River

MARINETTE COUNTY

Athelstane Barrens
Menominee River
Noquebay Conifer Swamp
Pemebonwon River
Peshtigo Harbor Marsh
Peshtigo River
Pike (Marinette) River
Pine-Popple River
Seagull Bar
West Shore Green Bay Wetlands

MARQUETTE COUNTY

Comstock-Germania Marshes
Grand River Marsh and Lake Puckaway
Montello Area Coastal Plain Marshes
Neenah Creek
Oxford Savanna
Portage to Buffalo Lake Corridor
Sand Country Trout Streams
White River Marsh and Uplands

MENOMINEE COUNTY

Menominee County Forests
Red River
Upper Wolf River

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

Havenwoods State Forest Preserve
Menomonee and Little Menomonee Rivers
Milwaukee River
Oak Creek
Root River
Seminary Woods- St. Francis Lakeshore

MONROE COUNTY

Baraboo River
Black River
Central Wisconsin Forests
Coulee Coldwater Riparian Resources
Fort McCoy
Kickapoo River
La Crosse River
Sandhill-Meadow Valley-Wood County Wildlife Areas

OCONTO COUNTY

Brazeau Swamp
Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Oconto River
Oconto River Marsh
Suamico, Little Suamico and Pensaukee Rivers
West Shore Green Bay Wetlands

ONEIDA COUNTY

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Monico Forest
Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest
Somo River
Squirrel and Tomahawk Rivers
Thunder Marsh
Upper Wisconsin River
Upper Wolf River
Willow Flowage

OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

Duck Creek and Burma Swamp
Lower Wolf River Bottomlands

OZAUKEE COUNTY

Cedarburg Bog
Milwaukee River

PEPIN COUNTY

Lower Chippewa River and Prairies
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

PIERCE COUNTY

Kinnickinnic River
Lower St. Croix River
Rush River
Trimabelle River
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

POLK COUNTY

Apple River
Balsam Branch Creek and Woodlands
Big Rock Creek
Clam River
Danbury to Sterling Corridor
Lower St. Croix River
St. Croix River
Straight River Channel
Trade River Wetlands
Western Prairie Habitat and Restoration Area

PORTAGE COUNTY

Central Wisconsin Grasslands
Devey Marsh and Woods
Hartman and Emmons Creeks
Little Plover River
Middle Wisconsin River
Plover River
Sand Country Trout Streams

PRICE COUNTY

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Flambeau River State Forest
Jump River
Lost Lake Bog
Timm's Hill
Upper Forks of the Flambeau River

RACINE COUNTY

Big Muskego Lake
Bong Grassland
Illinois Fox River
Oak Creek
Root River

RICHLAND COUNTY

Coulee Coldwater Riparian Resources
Kickapoo River
Lower Wisconsin River
Pine River

ROCK COUNTY

Lake Koshkonong to Kettle Moraine Corridor
Lower Rock River
Raccoon Creek
Sugar River

RUSK COUNTY

Blue Hills
Chippewa Glacial Lakes
Flambeau River State Forest
Jump River
Upper Chippewa River
Weyerhaeuser Cedar Swamp

ST. CROIX COUNTY

Kinnickinnic River
Lower St. Croix River
Western Prairie Habitat Restoration Area

SAUK COUNTY

Badger Army Ammunition Plant
Badlands
Baraboo Hills
Baraboo River
Lower Wisconsin River
Middle Wisconsin River
Spring Green Prairie

SAWYER COUNTY

Blue Hills
Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Chippewa Flowage
Flambeau River State Forest
Haugen-Birchwood Lakeland
Namekagon River
North Fork of the Chief River
Pipestone Hills
Thornapple-Brunet River Woods
Upper Chippewa River

SHAWANO COUNTY

Comet Creek and Woodlands
Lower Wolf River Bottomlands
North Branch of the Embarras River
Oconto River
Red River

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Kettle Moraine State Forest
Kohler-Andrae Dunes
Millhome Woods
Milwaukee River
Onion River Grasslands
Sheboygan County Trout Streams
Sheboygan River Marshes

TAYLOR COUNTY

Black River
Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Jump River
Pershing Area
Rib River
Timm's Hill
Yellow (Chippewa) River
Trempealeau County
Black River
Buffalo River
Thompson Valley Savanna
Trempealeau River
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

VERNON COUNTY

Bad Axe River
Baraboo River
Battle Bluff
Coulee Coldwater Riparian Resources
Kickapoo River
Upper Mississippi River National Fish and Wildlife Refuge

VILAS COUNTY

Border Lakes Region
Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forests
Deerskin River
Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest
Upper Wisconsin River

WALWORTH COUNTY

Kettle Moraine State Forest
Lake Koshkonong to Kettle Moraine Corridor
Mukwonago River and Jericho Creek
Southern Kettle Moraine: Whitewater Lake to Turtle Creek
Sugar Creek Valley
White River and Bloomfield Area

WASHBURN COUNTY

Haugen-Birchwood Lakeland
Lower Totagatic River
Namekagon-Brule Barrens
Namekagon River
Upper Yellow River

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Cedar Creek
Kettle Moraine State Forest
Menomonee and Little Menomonee Rivers
Middle Kettle Moraine
Milwaukee River

WAUKESHA COUNTY

Bark and Scuppernong Rivers
Big Muskego Lake
Illinois Fox River
Kettle Moraine State Forest
Menomonee and Little Menomonee Rivers
Middle Kettle Moraine
Mukwonago River and Jericho Creek

WAUPACA COUNTY

Comet Creek and Woodlands
Hartman and Emmons Creeks
Lower Wolf River Bottomlands
Sand Country Trout Streams

WAUSHARA COUNTY

Lakes of the Winnebago Pool
Sand Country Trout Streams

WINNEBAGO COUNTY

Glacial Habitat Restoration Area
Lakes of the Winnebago Pool
Lower Wolf River Bottomlands
Rush Lake

WOOD COUNTY

Central Wisconsin Forests
Central Wisconsin Grasslands
Middle Wisconsin River
Sandhill-Meadow Valley-Wood County Wildlife Areas
Yellow (Juneau) River



To order a book summarizing the *Land Legacy Report* call (800) 362-7253. Cost is \$15 at DNR Service Centers or can be purchased for delivery for an additional \$8 shipping and handling. The report will be available after Jan. 15, 2006.