Sauk Prairie Recreation Area
Issue Questionnaire and Comment Form

The purpose of this form is to receive your feedback regarding the Preliminary Vision and Goal Statements and the Draft Conceptual Alternatives.

Information & Questions
• You can review the draft materials at:
  http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/lands/masterplanning/saukprairie/

• An Informational Open House Meeting has been scheduled for July 31, 2013 from 5 pm to 7:30 pm at the River Arts Center, 105 Ninth St, Prairie du Sac.

For the Public Record
• Record your thoughts on this form and return it to us by mail.

• You may also email your comments to: diane.brusoe@wisconsin.gov

• Or, see our web page and fill-out the questionnaire at:
  http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/lands/masterplanning/saukprairie/

• Please get your comments in by August 30, 2013.

Thank you for sharing your time and thoughts with us!

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Preliminary Vision

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Suggestions
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Ecological Management
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Recreation
Provide for public recreation that complements and fulfills regional needs while providing opportunities that draw users past significant cultural and natural points of interest as well as aesthetic vistas.

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**Cultural Resource Preservation**
Identify and preserve significant sites that contribute to the property’s storyline from geological history, Native American life, Euro-American settlement, and the design, operation and decommissioning of the Badger Army Ammunitions Plant.

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**Education and Interpretation**
Provide interpretive and educational opportunities focusing upon natural history, restoration efforts, and the impacts of human uses. Integrate education and research related to restoration and conservation land use activities.

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DRAFT Conceptual Alternatives:  
No Action Alternative

This alternative describes how the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area would look in the future if we took no new action. This description will be used as a baseline to assess additional benefits, costs, and impacts of the next two alternatives, which do propose new actions.

As a new property not yet opened for public use, the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area is undeveloped for visitor use and minimally maintained with management activities focused on keeping some of the roadways cleared of invasive species. The property has roads of varying condition throughout and areas to pull-off on the side for parking. There are currently no improvements to facilitate visitor experiences. Possible property access points are identified with a star.

The property will have limited public access for Nature Based Outdoor Activities (NBOAs) of hunting, trapping, fishing, hiking, and cross country skiing. Public access to the cemeteries will be maintained. No additional funding will be spent on restoration or property development. Any structures or debris left on the property at the time of the land transfer will remain. The Department will restrict areas due to any public safety concerns.

DRAFT Conceptual Alternatives:  
Ecological Restoration Emphasis

Under this management alternative, the primary emphasis is on restoration work of the grassland ecosystem. A variety of management tools will be used to maintain grassland and savanna. No development is proposed, and vehicle access will be limited. Visitors would enjoy a perceived remoteness and quiet. Recreation opportunities will be limited to the NBOAs (hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking and cross country skiing).

This management concept will be implemented by:

- Restoring large, unfragmented tracts of grassland and shrubland (Habitat Management Zone) to support grassland and shrubland dependent birds
- Restoring remnants of rare natural communities and the species they support (Native Community Management Zone); access will be limited to pedestrian use
- Removing any infrastructure, buildings or debris that remain on the property, with the exception of several BAAP bunkers retained to support bat research
- Limiting vehicle access
- Managing the property from an off-site location; there would be no permanent staff stationed at the site and visitor interaction with DNR staff would be limited
- Providing limited interpretation and education opportunities regarding the management practices being used
- Using volunteers to promote community participation in education
- Providing outdoor classroom opportunities for schools
DRAFT Conceptual Alternatives:
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis

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This management concept would be implemented by:

- Restoring tracts of grassland and shrubland with compatible low-impact recreation trails
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- Developing a fishing pier, canoe/carry-in boat access, and picnic area at Lake Wisconsin parcel
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- Selectively siting and constructing auto and trail access to better route visitors past interpretive displays highlighting both natural and cultural points of interest
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What do you like about each alternative?

No Action Alternative:

Ecological Restoration Emphasis:

Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

Are there elements of the alternatives that concern you? Please explain.

No Action Alternative:

Ecological Restoration Emphasis:
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

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I believe that proposed Alteration of mine is preliminary vision statement and agreement with the Federal government.
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As urban creep takes away from the natural habitat of many game and non-game species, I believe this land should be kept as natural as possible. This will help heal the land and our ecological system. This is reflected in Alternative 4.

Recreation
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We took the tour of the Bader Plant last Saturday. I don't see it as a place that would draw many ATV riders after an initial visit. We have a number of private gun ranges in the area that I believe would better serve Sauk County as a whole. Providing a nature area and for the Nature America and addition to Devil's Lake seems much more in alignment with this land. Please approve Alternative 4.

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Cultural Resource Preservation
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I would like to see a museum or historical building that reflects the history of this land over the years from before man settled the area to the current day. What better way to honor those who lived on the land, worked to support our freedom. See Alternative 4.

Education and Interpretation
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The USDF appears to be providing one area of education on this land. As stated above, I do think we can do better to provide an educational center for the history of the area and of restoration back to a mature setting. See Alternative 4.
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What do you like about each alternative?

No Action Alternative: Not acceptable.


Outdoor Recreation Emphasis: How Impact Activities that will be scarce for the various users — Nature Americans, hikers, people visiting cemeteries, educational programs, history and people using Diemier's Knob.

Are there elements of the alternatives that concern you? Please explain.

No Action Alternative: Not acceptable.

Ecological Restoration Emphasis: Concerned for effect on ecological restoration if how impact becomes higher. Impact activities such as ATV & gun range. We need to clean up and restore the area.

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Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

I believe and others that the outdoor recreation activities on the Badger land should be low impact which would not include the use of ATVs and a gun range. Alternative 4: Conservation/Low Impact Recreation Emphasis best meets the criteria of the preliminary vision statement.

I understand the DNR does not want to oversee ATV and gun range activities which could result indotations to unsafe activities.

Do you think the range of alternatives is complete? Are there things we have missed or overlooked?

Please consider and approve Alternative 4: Conservation/Low Impact Recreation Emphasis.

Do you have any other comments or concerns you would like the planning team to take into consideration?

After taking the form this past Saturday, I am more committed to stress acceptance of Alternative 4. I think providing a historical emphasis from the original farm land to the military use to the USDA for learning should be emphasized. I talked to so many people who did or have relatives who worked at the Badger Powder Plant, that I think it is important to preserve that history for the next generations.

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thanks to the team that worked on the development of ideas for Badger these past years
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- Some recreation uses, trails for hiking, skiing.
- Some parking where the parking area already exists, probably site the into 4 education structures there, as well.
- But never so intrusive activities such as a shooting range, ATV vehicles or snowmobiles.

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DRAFT Conceptual Alternatives: Outdoor Recreation Emphasis

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This management concept would be implemented by:

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- Restoring tracts of grassland and shrubland with compatible low-impact recreation trails
- Developing parking, picnic areas, and viewing areas in the Expanded Recreational Zone but not too much development
- Developing a fishing pier, canoe/carry-in boat access, and picnic area at Lake Wisconsin parcel — Canoe only
- Selectively siting and constructing (through community partnerships) a new visitor center with interpretation and education opportunities; the center could also serve as a trailhead facility near the railroad corridor, which will serve as a designated recreation corridor in the future — what is this?
- Identifying and improving primary auto access routes through the property; and abandoning roads no longer needed
- Providing extensive, developed trails across property that complement the topography and resource management
- Providing hiking and biking opportunities into Devils Lake State Park via Burma Road
- Providing motorized recreation opportunities in the Special Use Zone — please no!
- Providing shooting range opportunities in the Special Use Zone
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What do you like about each alternative?

No Action Alternative:

Ecological Restoration Emphasis: good with some

Outdoor Recreation Emphasis: no emphasis
          ok - limited - and no guns or shooting range, never
          and no, none, never ATV vehicles!

Are there elements of the alternatives that concern you? Please explain.

No Action Alternative: yes, please do not include any of the
          above mentioned, whatever plan is
          finally implemented

Ecological Restoration Emphasis:
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

- No ATV vehicles
- No shooting range
- Snowmobiles

Do you think the range of alternatives is complete? Are there things we have missed or overlooked?

Do you have any other comments or concerns you would like the planning team to take into consideration?
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

Do you think the range of alternatives is complete? Are there things we have missed or overlooked?

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No ATV's + Shooting ranges @ SPRA

Use Alternative #4
Preliminary Goal Statements

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Suggestions
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We could engage with community groups like Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H, church youth groups to help with prairie restoration. Or have local groups and individuals adopt specific areas for maintenance and restoration. Maybe organize a "Friends of SPRA" group. Or join with the Leopold Foundation as an outdoor classroom.

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Suggestions
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Make hiking and cycling trails, maybe horse trails. Maybe primitive camping and some picnic areas. A visitor center would be nice, telling geology, human history, ecology, etc. Like it is at Devils Lake.

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- Could the Ho Chunk Nation create a museum to show their history up to the present? Label significant trees, plants and tell the story of the cemeteries.
- The Badger History Group has some great exhibits.

Education and Interpretation
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Suggestions
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- Encourage school trips, have teacher materials sent out to surrounding school districts. Maybe recruit volunteer tour guides for school groups.
- Put on classes in prairie restoration and management of invasive species. Run some programs with the Leopold Foundation.

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What do you like about each alternative?

**No Action Alternative:** Not much to like here. The whole place would be wild pawsips and burdock without some maintenance.

**Ecological Restoration Emphasis:** This would help heal the land and it would benefit birds and wildlife, but it misses the opportunity to introduce the public to the prairie and its beauty.

**Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:** Keep it quiet and make the uses compatible with each other and with nesting birds. Keep the restoration and conservation parts, and education, too. This option gets more people out on the prairie.

Are there elements of the alternatives that concern you? Please explain.

**No Action Alternative:** Not enough opportunity for the public to enjoy the property. Wastes a great opportunity for education.

**Ecological Restoration Emphasis:** Again, not enough public involvement. People need peaceful open spaces to re-create themselves.
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

This is fine if we leave out the special interest groups and their high-impact sports. They would be disruptive to all the other uses.

Do you think the range of alternatives is complete? Are there things we have missed or overlooked?

You have covered it if you will tweak the plans, keep all the restoration, conservation and education options and then include lots of quiet, low-impact uses for people like hiking, bird watching, picnicking, cycling, etc.

Do you have any other comments or concerns you would like the planning team to take into consideration?

We have an amazing opportunity here to make a great gift to the future, to our grandchildren and to the prairie ecosystem. Let's not cave in to destructive uses of this magnificent property. Thank you.
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I have lived right beside the Badger Plant all my life except 3 years when I was drafted into the Army during the Korean War. In fact, I was 9 years old when they started building plant. Our family has seen all phases of the plant - from seeing our neighbors forced to sell and leave the area, the building of Badger Ord. - production years, and the “methbail” years and now the dismantling of it. Sure would be nice to see a wide variety of people able to use the area for recreation, not just a select group - many of which I believe are outsiders, not local. We have no problem with a big part of the area used as grassland, bird viewing, hiking, bike riding, etc. We feel there is enough space that it should be available to share with persons of other interests and not want to control the entire area, just for their interests.

I want to thank you for making our feelings and thoughts known when considering the final plan.
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No Action Alternative:

Ecological Restoration Emphasis:

Outdoor Recreation Emphasis: I like the idea as it will make the area much more available for a larger number of people to use. Most local farmers and others in the community are not that interested in natural prairie & bird watching as we live with it every day. There is a growing number of area persons who are taking up other family interests - ATV and target shooting, both of which are becoming more popular. How much better and safer it would be on an approved range - rather than shooting in backyards and gravel pits.

No Action Alternative: ATV’s is not as many people portray it is.

Ecological Restoration Emphasis:

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Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

I am very passionate about allowing handicapped hunters into the area. In the past we and currently we farm land on 3 sides of the fence and when working in the field during fall it sure makes me feel good to see those hunters, dressed in blaze orange, in motorized wheelchairs. They are able to move around with all the roads available to them. Where else do they have this available to them?

It would seem to me this area should be set aside for handicapped hunters only.

Do you think the range of alternatives is complete? Are there things we have missed or overlooked?

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Do you have any other comments or concerns you would like the planning team to take into consideration?

We and others in our community would like to see the road opened again - 0 from Hwy. 78 near Summer Oaks - to Hwy. 18 by the "S Curve" as it was before the plant was built. Sure would save local citizens a lot of time, gas, and money. Not sure if was a township or county road.

If a rifle range is made available I feel it should be located away from the plant border so as not to bother any residence near the boundary.
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

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How important is
no ATV's
no shooting range
Consider and adopt alternative 4
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Equestrian Trails
We have very few horse trails in south county. There are many roads for driving horses pulling carts or buggies. Would like trail head large enough for trailers to turn around.

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What do you like about each alternative?

No Action Alternative:

[Handwritten comments:
"This plan is the one I like the best because it includes horse trails. I would also like to be able to drive horses with a buggy or cart. I think this plan would allow most people to enjoy this great place.

Are there elements of the alternatives that concern you? Please explain.

No Action Alternative:

Ecological Restoration Emphasis:
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

Would [horse]back riding be called [horse]back riding and driving? (carriage/buggy)

Would like Wisconsin Stew House Council to be involved.

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Do you have any other comments or concerns you would like the planning team to take into consideration?
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

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\[\text{DO ATVs or shooting ranges at Sauk Prairie Recreation Area}\]

Consider Adopt Alternative 4 = 1
Outdoor Recreation Emphasis:

Do you think the range of alternatives is complete? Are there things we have missed or overlooked?

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No shooting ranges @ SPPA  No ATVs etc. @ SPR

Adopt Alternative 1
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[Handwritten notes: We all try to support this proposed new park area. On 7300 acres there should be room for things like shooting range, ATV trails, horseback riding, swimming pool, etc. This should be for all the people of Southern Wisconsin. Not just a]
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This is all OK but other uses of recreation need to be included in the park. You call it a Recreational Area = recreation is not the home for all of the Public!

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I hope the DNRE board remember all of the people, not just the loud groups that have overridden everyone else!

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Large loud group just west of Park.
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