

Appendix E. Water and Land Related DNR Responsibilities

Water Related DNR Responsibilities				
Topic	Title	Coverage Area	Office Location	Phone
Drinking Water				
Well construction and related reports	Drinking & Groundwater Specialist	La Crosse County Monroe County Vernon County	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9976
Non-municipal public water well inspections				
Driller and Pump Installer surveillance				
Well variance and approval information				
Groundwater education				
Contaminant sampling at public or private well supply				
Well abandonment				
Fisheries				
Monitor fish populations	Fisheries Biologist	La Crosse County Monroe County Vernon County Crawford County	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9009
Fish habitat restoration				
Fishing regulations				
Land easements and acquisition related to streams/lakes				
Aquatic information and education				
Fish stocking				
Private landowner consultations regarding stream systems				
Floodplain and Dams				
Flood Elevation Determinations	Floodplain and Dam Engineer	La Crosse County Monroe County Vernon County Mississippi River	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9977
Hydrology and Hydraulic Analyses				
Stream Crossings				
Bridge and Culvert Engineering				
Dam Safety Inspections				
Dam Construction Applications				
Mississippi River Engineering				
Floodplain Planning Functions, Federal, State, Local Regulations				
Enforcement Surveys				
Topographic Survey Information				
Wastewater Discharges & Municipal Wells				
WPDES discharge program	Wastewater & Water Supply Engineer	La Crosse County Monroe County Vernon County	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9000
Land application of sludge				
Construction site erosion control > 5 acres				
Stormwater				
Municipal Drinking Water Wells				

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Streams and Lakes				
Water samples from streams and lakes for chemical analysis	Water Quality Biologist	La Crosse County Monroe County Vernon County Crawford County	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9984
Aquatic insect samples				
Habitat conditions of streams				
Nonpoint source projects (La Crosse, Vernon, Monroe Counties)				
Production of Bad Axe-La Crosse River basin plan				
Construction site erosion control measures at sites > 5 acres in size				
Water quality concerns related to storm water management				
La Crosse Sewer Service Area Plan implementation				
Physical alteration of waterways, wetlands regulations, shoreland and wetland zoning				
Municipal Shoreland and Wetland Zoning Assistance	Water Management Specialist	La Crosse County Western Vernon Co. Mississippi River	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9610
Wetland Regulations				
Physical alteration of waterways including :				
Ponds, Dredging, Sand Blankets				
Grading Channel Changes, Fish Habitat, Shoreline Protection				
Boat Ramps, Piers, Boat Shelters				
Pipelines, Irrigation				
Water Levels, Dams				
Bridges, Culverts				
Marinas, Barge Fleeting, Barge Loading Facilities				
		Monroe County Eastern Vernon Co.	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608) 785-9013

Land Related DNR Responsibilities

Topic	Title	Coverage Area	Office Location	Phone
Forestry and Woodland Management				
Provide on-site technical planning and implementation assistance to private landowners, including: property visits, forest reconnaissance, written management recommendations and forest stewardship plans, tree planting/reforestation projects, forest improvement practices, protection from fire and insect/disease problems, habitat improvement, timber harvest advice, and limited timber sale establishment	Forester Forestry Technician	Monroe County	820 Industrial Dr. Suite II Sparta, WI 54656	(608)269-6901
Administer all aspects of the forest tax law programs	Forester Forestry Technician	Vernon County	220 Airport Rd. Viroqua, WI 54665	(608)637-3784
Administer state and federal cost sharing programs related to tree planting and forest management	Forester	La Crosse County Coulee Experimental State Forest Superintendent	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd, La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)785-9007
Educate landowners and other customers about sustainable forestry and land management techniques				
Responsible for forestry activities on State properties, including Coulee Experimental State Forest				
Assist Counties with forest practice on county owned and managed lands	Forester	Crawford County	P.O. Box 186 Gaysmills, WI 54631	(608)735-4672
Assist private landowners affected by storm damage				
Wildlife Management				
Provide technical assistance to other agencies such as NRCS, FSA, & LWCDs	Wildlife Biologist Wildlife Technician	Monroe & La Crosse Counties	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)785-9992 (608)785-9985
Provide technical assistance to land and homeowners experiencing wildlife nuisance and damage problems				
Manage wildlife areas including habitat development and maintenance on state- owned lands				
Cooperate with private landowners and organizations in the management of wildlife resources	Wildlife Biologist Wildlife Technician	Vernon & Crawford Counties	220 Airport Rd. Viroqua, WI 54665	(608)637-3938
Monitor wildlife populations and habitats				
Communicate with the public regarding wildlife management issues using a variety of formats	Wildlife Biologist Wildlife Technician	Mississippi River	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)785-9994 (608)785-9987

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Fisheries Land Management				
Land development & maintenance on fisheries properties and easements	Technician-Fisheries Land Management	Monroe, Vernon, La Crosse & Crawford Counties	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)785-9991
Determine and post property boundaries				
Construct and maintain property line and easement fences				
Negotiate and execute fencing agreements				
Develop and maintain public parking and access areas				
Conduct fish, wildlife, and plant surveys				
Endangered, Threatened and Non-game Resources				
1. State Natural Areas (SNA) (Rush Creek, Battle Bluff/Battle Hollow, Coon Creek Cliffs)	Endangered Resources- Natural Areas	Barron, Buffalo, Chippewa, Crawford, Dunn, Eau Claire, Grant, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Outagamie, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Rusk, St. Croix, Trempealeau, Vernon & Waupaca Counties	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)789-5514
Restore prairie, savanna, woodland, and wetland communities (SNAs)				
Locate and remove exotic species from SNAs				
Write burn proposals and conduct prescribed burns				
Inventory and document plant communities, rare plants				
Write grant proposals to help support SNA management				
Write and present management plans for SNAs				
Lead tours for public and professional entities on SNAs				
Coordinate management and work with other public and private entities				
Endangered, Threatened and Non-game Resources continued				
2. Birds	Avian Ecologist	Statewide	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)789-5651
Coordinate statewide surveys and management for Bald Eagles, Osprey, and Trumpeter Swans				
Field monitoring, banding and collaring Trumpeter Swans				
Trumpeter Swan satellite tracking project				
Osprey translocation project (chicks to other states' restoration projects)				
Coordinate statewide Peregrine falcon recovery and monitoring; chair WI Peregrine recovery Team				
Resource specialist for raptor information and general bird information				
Implement habitat and development and maintenance projects				

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DNR Parks and Recreation Trails				
Supervise and manage DNR parks and trails by directing and administering Dept. Park and Trail programs, activities, policies, personnel and budgets	Parks & Recreation Trails Team Wildcat Mountain Mill Bluff 400 Trail Elroy-Sparta Trail	Monroe, La Crosse, Vernon, Juneau & Sauk Counties	P.O. Box 99 HWY 33 E Ontario, WI 54651	(608)337-4775
Administer and direct the parks and trails development and maintenance programs				
Law enforcement, emergency services and visitor protection on DNR park and trail properties				
Administer visitor services (pass sales etc.) and interpretation of DNR parks and trails				
Public relations program for trail visitors, neighbors and local communities				
Develop and implement the DNR parks and trails resource management program and help with planning and policy development				
Direct and monitor friends group activities on DNR parks and trails	La Crosse River Trail Great River Trail	La Crosse & Trempealeau Counties	W26247 Sullivan Rd. P.O. Box 407 Trempealeau, WI 54661	(608)534-6409
	Buckhorn	Adams & Juneau Counties	W8450 Buckhorn Park Ave. Necedah, WI 54646	(608)565-2789
	Roche-A-Cri	Adams & Juneau Counties	1767 Hwy. 13 Friendship, WI 53934	(608)339-6881 (608)565-2789 (Off Season)
Land Acquisition Program				
Appraises property to be purchased, traded or sold & contracts consultant appraisers as needed	Real Estate Specialist	Monroe, Vernon, La Crosse, Buffalo, Trempealeau & Jackson Counties	3550 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601	(608)785-4652
Processes sales of utility line easements				
Processes land-use and other contract agreements				
Prepares option packages for Natural Resource Board and Governor's approval				
Assists managers with property boundary issues				
Prepares environmental inspections before acquisition				
Prepares relocation plans				
		Crawford County	5350 HWY 133 E Boscobel, WI 53805	(608)375-4123