Waukesha County Land & Water Resource Management Plan 2022 Update

Public Information Meeting & Public Hearing 11/10/2021

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2022 LWRM Planning Process

- Advisory committee meetings
 - Chapters 1 & 2 (June 16)
 - Chapters 3 & 4 (August 5)
- August Send draft to DATCP & DNR
- November Public hearing
- November Final plan to DATCP
- December WI Land & Water Board
- January County Board Approval

Plan Contents – from ATCP 50

- Water quality and soil erosion conditions, including identification of the causes of water quality impairment and pollutant sources.
- State and local regulations that the county will use to implement the plan.
- Water quality objectives for each watershed, including any available pollutant load reduction targets.

Plan Contents - continued

- Key water quality and soil erosion problem areas.
- Conservation practices needed to address key water quality and soil erosion problems.
- A plan to identify priority farms in the county.



Plan Contents - continued

- Strategies to encourage voluntary implementation of conservation practices.
- Compliance procedures.
- Multi-year workplan to implement the farm conservation practices
- Benchmarks to monitor and measure progress in meeting performance targets and achieving plan goals/objectives.

Plan Contents - continued

- Information and education plan.
- How the county will coordinate with federal, state, and local agencies.



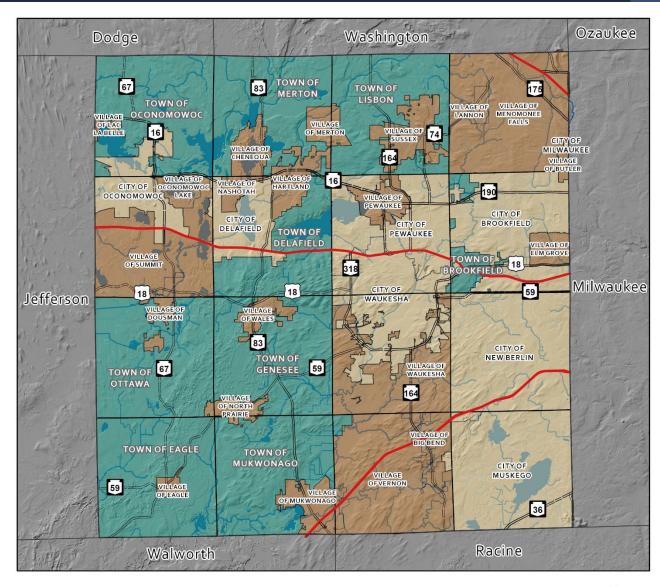
Location of Waukesha County



Waukesha County Municipalities

Towns (9)
Villages (21)
Cities (7)

37 Total



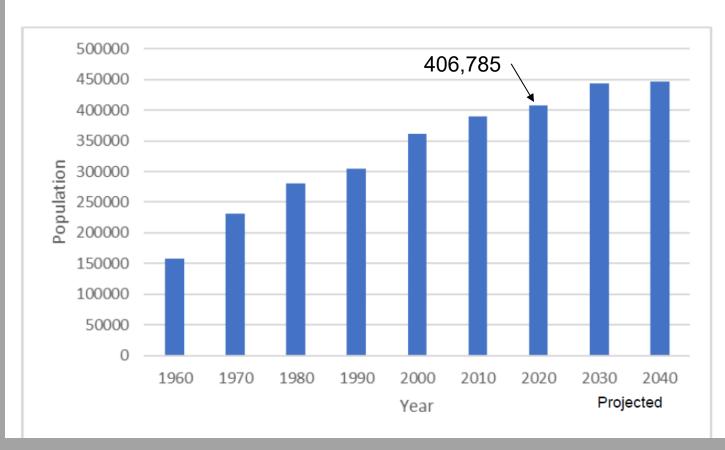
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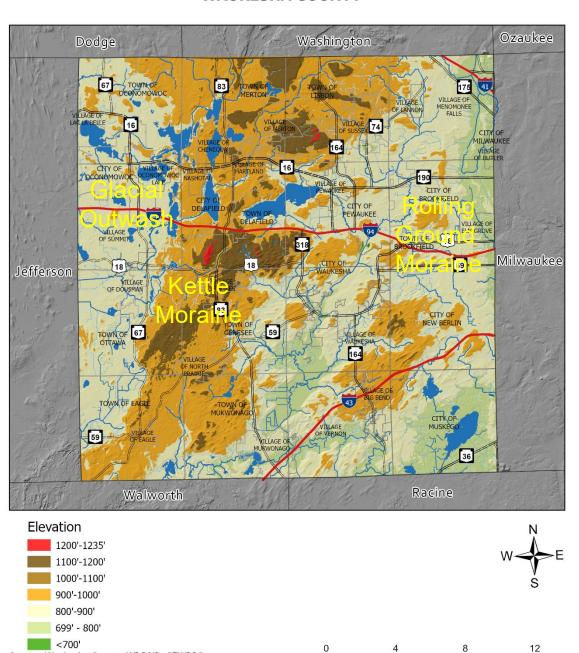


County Population (1960-2040)

Figure II-2 Historical and Projected Population for Waukesha County: 1960-2040



TOPOGRAPHY WAUKESHA COUNTY



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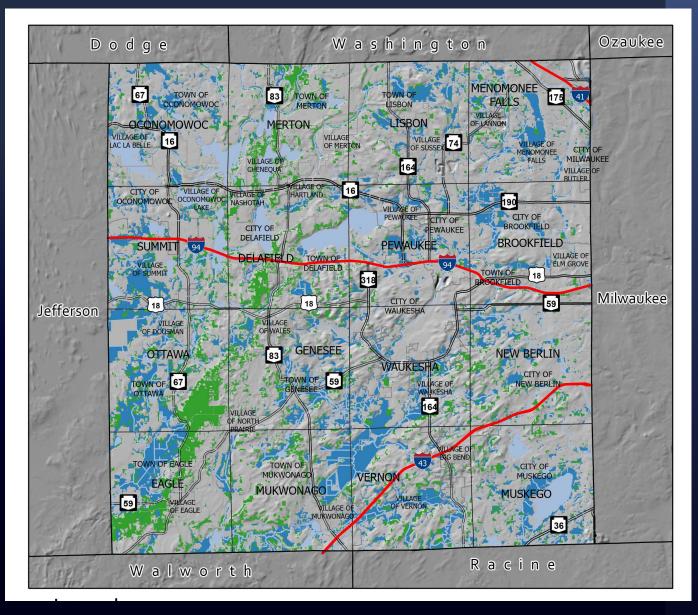
Woodlands & Wetlands

Waukesha County

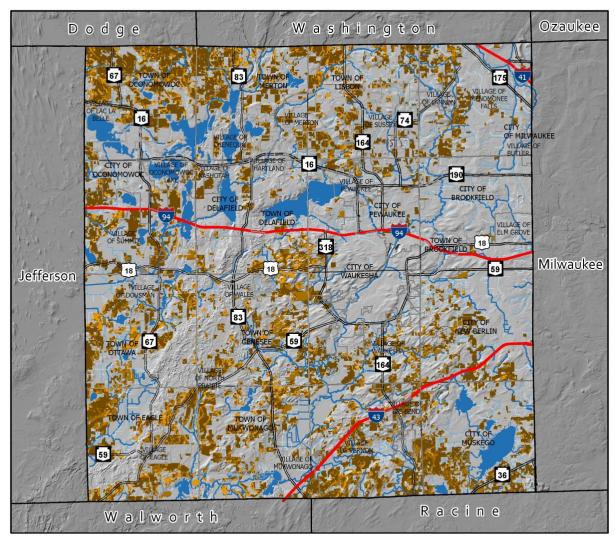
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Woodlands

Wetlands



AGRICULTURAL LAND USE & CLASSIFICATION WAUKESHA COUNTY

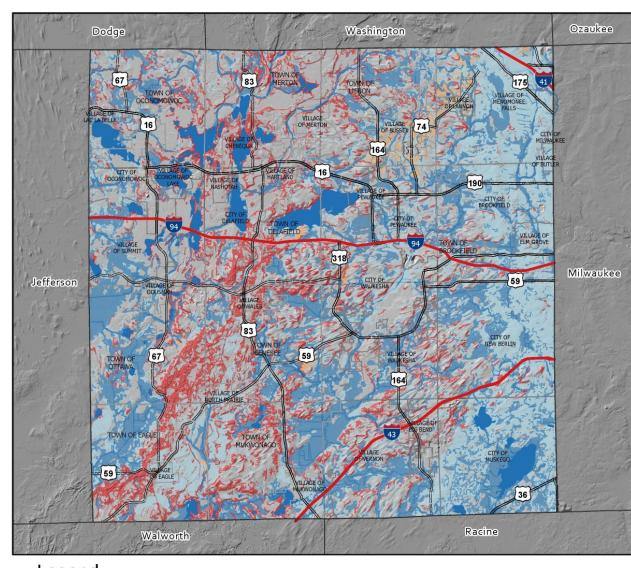


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- NRCS Prime Agricultural Soils Group
- Soils of Statewide Importance
- Other Soils



SOIL LIMITATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WAUKESHA COUNTY



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Hydric Soils

Hydric Inclusions

Steep Slopes

Shallow Bedrock



Watersheds

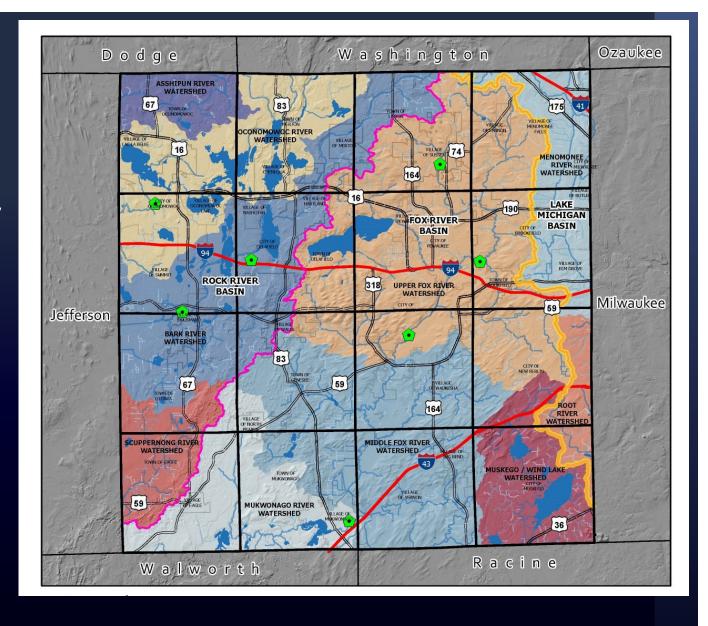
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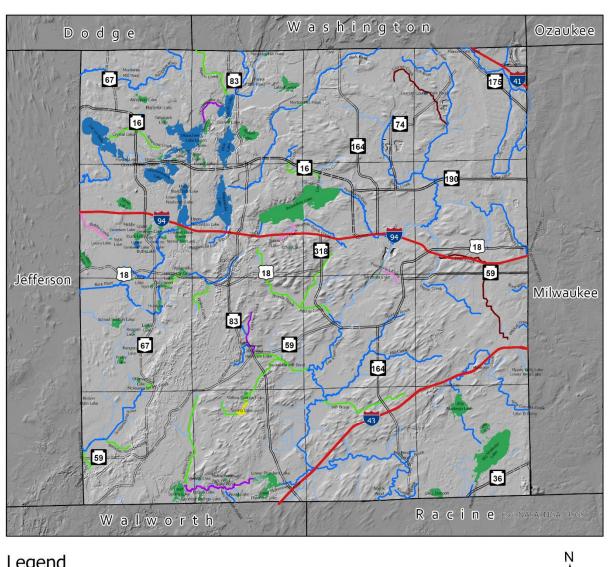
Subcontinental
Divide

River Basin
Boundaries

Sewage Treatment Plants (7)

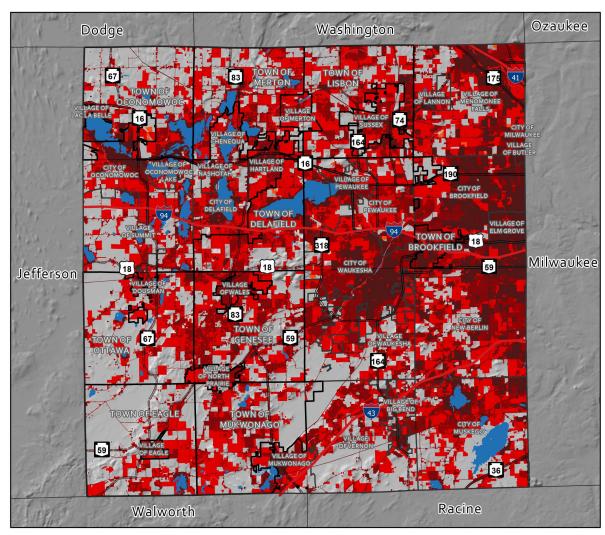


SURFACE WATER RESOURCES WAUKESHA COUNTY





RURAL to URBAN LAND USE CONVERSION: 1963-2015 WAUKESHA COUNTY



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1985 Land Use

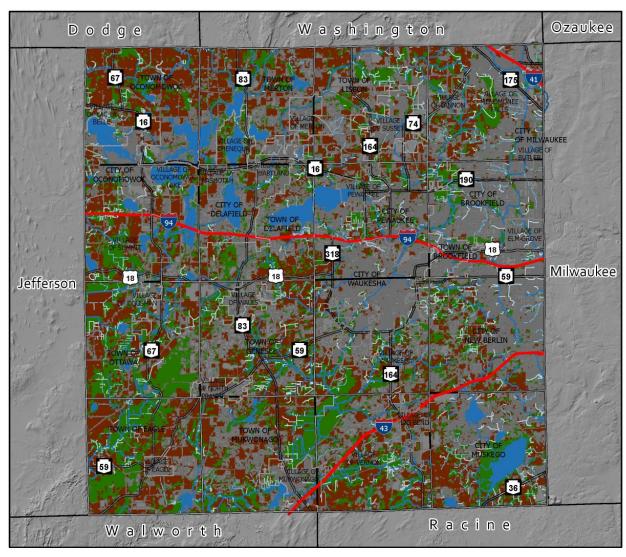
1995 Land Use

2010 Land Use

2015 Land Use



AGRICULTURAL LANDS, DEVELOPED LANDS & NATURAL AREAS WAUKESHA COUNTY: 2015



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- Natural Areas (29% of County)
- Agricultural Lands (30% of County)
- Developed Lands (41% of County)



Goal 1: Control Urban Runoff Pollution and Flooding

- Enforce State Non-Agricultural Nonpoint Pollution Performance Standards through the County Storm Water Management & Erosion Control Ordinance
- Update County Storm Water & Erosion Control Ordinance as needed
- Maintain compliance with County MS4 Storm Water
 Discharge Permit issued by DNR for all existing countyowned land and infrastructure

Goal 1: Control Urban Runoff Pollution and Flooding – cont'd

- Facilitate storm water best management practice (BMP) maintenance
- Provide storm water-related technical and cost-sharing services to other county departments and local organizations
- Prevent flooding of homes and businesses from surface and groundwater

Goal 1: Control Urban Runoff Pollution and Flooding — cont'd

- Promote and demonstrate watershed protection planning to guide and coordinate land use and storm water program efforts among communities in a watershed
- Promote and demonstrate low impact development techniques and innovative storm water BMPs
- Ensure water protection efforts are based on the sensitivity of the resource

Goal 2: Protect the Quality and Quantity of Groundwater

- Promote water conservation
- Protect groundwater recharge areas and encourage storm water infiltration
- Minimize the impacts on groundwater from nutrients, pesticides, road salt and other contaminates contained in urban and agricultural storm water runoff
- Promote the implementation of the SE Wisconsin Regional Water Supply Plan to protect surface and groundwater resources

Goal 3: Control Agricultural Runoff Pollution

- Implement state agricultural performance standards and prohibitions
- Promote natural buffers between agricultural lands and water resources to protect water quality, wildlife habitat, and groundwater recharge



Goal 4: Educate the Public on Conservation Issues

- Target Audience: Developers, engineers, and local government officials
- Target Audience: General public
- Target Audience: Rural land owners and farm operators
- Target Audience: Teachers, students, school administrators and youth groups



Goal 5: Preserve Targeted Farmland and Natural Areas

- Assist Planning and Zoning Division and local governments with preserving prime farmland in accordance with the 2011 adopted county Farmland Preservation Plan
- Minimize negative agricultural impacts from growing communities and wildlife populations
- Enforce county ordinances to protect existing natural areas
- Protect and restore wetlands and natural areas, using available cost-sharing programs.

Goal 6: Support Water Monitoring and Improve Public Access to Water Data

- Promote and sponsor water monitoring efforts
- Improve accuracy, usability and public access to water resource data



Goal 7: Reclaim Active Nonmetallic Mining

- Enforce the county nonmetallic mine reclamation ordinance
- Reclaim county gravel pit and prepare to sell property for industrial activities



Chapter 4 – Plan Implementation and Evaluation

Procedures for implementing the Urban Nonpoint Pollution Performance Standards

Procedures for implementing the Agricultural Nonpoint Pollution Performance Standards

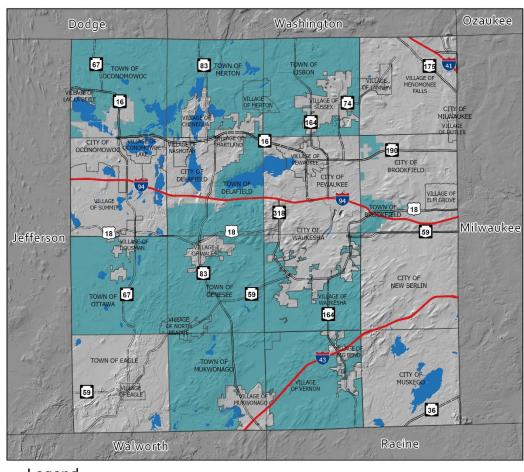
Estimated Program Costs

Monitoring and Evaluation

Impediments to Plan Implementation



MAP #IV-1 JURISDICTION of STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE WAUKESHA COUNTY



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Stormwater Ordinance Jurisdiction

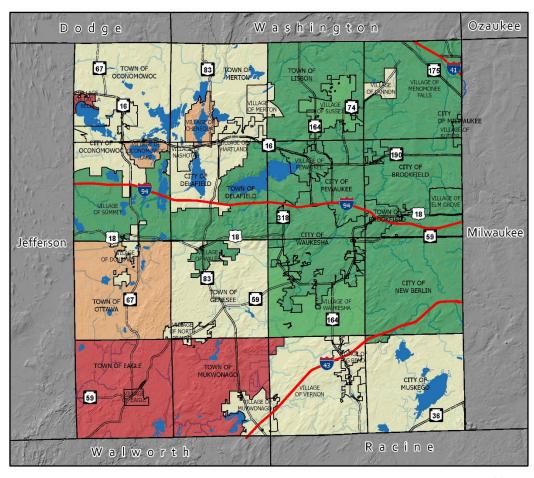
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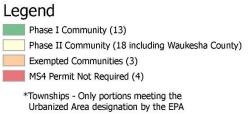


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MAP #IV-2 MS4 DISCHARGE PERMITS under NR216 : 2021 WAUKESHA COUNTY



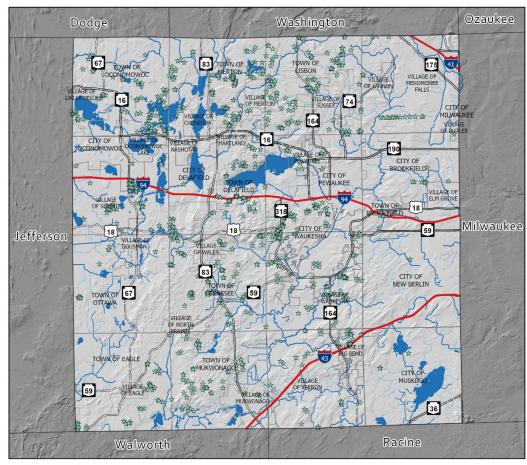
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MAP #IV-3 STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ENTERED INTO THE WAUKESHA COUNTY DATABASE: 2021 WAUKESHA COUNTY



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★ Stormwater BMP

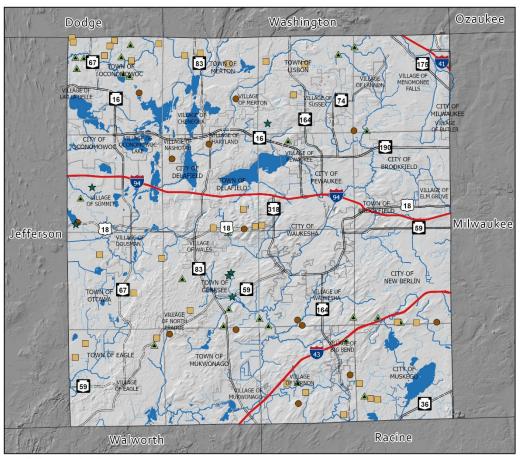


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Urban

MAP #IV-4 LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS WITH GREATER THAN 40 ANIMAL UNITS WAUKESHA COUNTY





- Beef (15)
- Dairy (32)
- ▲ Horses (25)
- ★ Other (6)

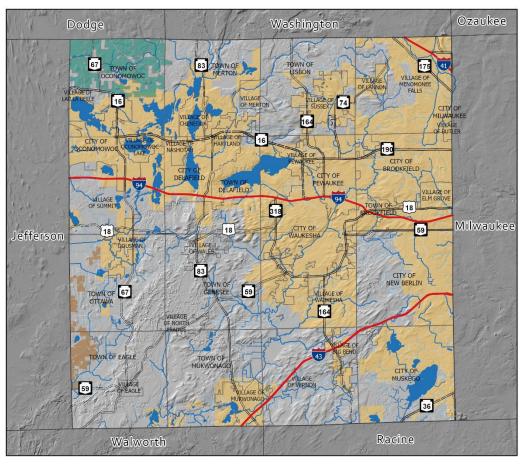


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Rural

MAP IV-5 FARMLAND PRESERVATION AREAS WAUKESHA COUNTY: 2021



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Farmland Preservation Areas - 2021

Sewer Service Area



Source: Waukesha County, SEWRPC, WDNR & DATCP



Comments or Questions?

