

Preliminary Agenda
Basic Ag for Conservationists 2017
Classroom Component
Thursday, July 20
Schmeekle Reserve, 2419 Northpoint Drive, Stevens Point

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Welcome and introductions - Kevin Erb, UW-Extension
- 9:05 Successfully communicating with farmers and rural landowners - Rod Webb, Pierce County
- 10:00 Outreach strategies and working with limited resource farmers - Jim Arch, Clark County
- 10:30 Quick break
- 10:35 Nine steps of planning and resource concerns - Michelle Komiskey, NRCS
- 11:00 What part of the field should I use for the representative slope? Representative soil? - Michelle Komiskey, NRCS
- 11:25 Resource concerns in forested landscapes/pasturing in woods - Andy Hart, NRCS
- Noon Working lunch (provided) - Resource concern exercise
- 12:50 Virtual tour - Grazing system and pasture/lot resource concerns - Adam Abel, NRCS
- 1:35 Resource concerns in non-corn/soybean crops - Michelle Komiskey, NRCS
- 1:55 Farm safety - Protecting yourself, recognizing dangers to your clients - Cheryl Skjolaas, UW-Madison
- 2:40 Break
- 2:45 Pesticides, pollinators, and wildlife - Steve Bertjens, NRCS
- 3:15 Resource concerns - Nutrients and risks - Michelle Komiskey, NRCS
- 3:45 Wrap-up sessions - Judy Derricks and Michelle Komiskey, NRCS

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Basic Ag for Conservationists 2017
Field Component
Friday, September 8
Arlington Ag Research Station, N695 Hopkins Road, Arlington
Rain or shine, be prepared to be outside

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Welcome, introductions, travel to livestock site
- 9:10 Components and resource concerns of livestock systems - Kurt Calkins and Todd Rietmann, Columbia County
- 11:45 Working lunch: Resource concerns
- 12:15 Travel
- 12:25 Tillage equipment and soil health - Kevin Erb, UW-Extension, Judy Derricks and Michelle Komiskey, NRCS
- 2:30 Travel/Break/Travel
- 2:50 Shooting slopes
*** Bring clinometer if you have one
- 3:30 Field wrap-up discussion
- 4:00 Adjourn