

WISCONSIN LAND+WATER CONSERVATION 2024 OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION EMPLOYEE AWARD
NOMINATION INFORMATION

1) Please provide the following information:

- Name, address, and contact information (phone and email address, if available) of the nominee.

Tammy Cannoy-Bender
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- Award category, county department name, title, and years of service of nominee.

Employee- Administrative Assistant
She has worked for the county for 32 years, 24 for Land Conservation Department

- Education and background, past and present career responsibilities, level of professional knowledge and ability.

She came to the land Conservation Department 24 years ago after working for Zoning for 8 years. She brought to the Land Conservation her experience and knowledge of zoning which was very beneficial. Tammy is an integral part of the LCD. She maintains the State Access Database for nutrient plan tracking, certificates of compliance and self-compliance. She compiles data for Working Lands Initiative, wildlife damage, deer donation, soil erosion control, water quality projects and practices, Non-Metallic Mines and spring tree sales. She answers the phone and fields questions from LCD customers daily.

- Name, address, and contact information of the nominator.

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2) Summarize your entry in five sentences or less.

Tammy has been a Richland County employee for 32 years with the last 24 working for the Land Conservation Department. She has been a cornerstone of our department, keeping our department functioning. She has coordinated and managed several programs for the county as well as maintaining the budgets. She is retiring December 1, 2023 and will be greatly missed.

3) Tell us in 500 words or less how the nominee meets the award criteria and guidelines

Tammy has been an important part of the Richland County Land Conservation Department. Her knowledge of county government and Zoning have been an asset to the department. Her first day on the job, I unexpectedly started maternity leave a month early. She was able to step right in and handle everything until I returned to work. Tammy taught herself how to set up our website and developed the Land Conservation and Parks Commission websites and updated them until the county IT department took over

website updates. When we decided to sell nursery stock, Tammy setup and managed our annual tree sale. She organized the poster contest each year. Richland County has hosted the Southern Area tour twice since she has been with the county. She completed all of the behind the scene tasks; including collecting the fees, contacting the bus company, and organizing the lunch, snacks, etc. Both tours went off smoothly because of her efforts. Tammy also manages the department's budgets, maintains the Farmland Preservation Certificate of Compliance data base, prepares the self-compliance forms for mailout, keeps track of those that have been returned, and maintains the GIS NR 151 compliance site. Tammy has dedicated many years to the Richland County Land Conservation Department and has contributed so much to the success of our department. It would be wonderful to be able to honor her years of service with this award.