

## WISCONSIN LAND+WATER CONSERVATION

### 2022 OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION EMPLOYEE AWARD

#### NOMINATION INFORMATION

- Nominee Contact Information:
  - Becky Arneson
  - Department of Land Management – Trempealeau County
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- Award Category: Administrative Assistant/Clerical
  - Department of Land Management – Trempealeau County
  - Job Title: Fiscal Coordinator/Office Manager
  - Years of Service: Six
- Background, career and professional knowledge and abilities:
  - Associates degree in physical therapy
  - Co-owner and manager of an automotive repair shop
  - Past fiscal manager for a national corporation
  - Significant knowledge of grant programs, county procedures/policies and is detailed oriented
- Nominator Contact Info:
  - Mike Kornmann, Director of Land Management
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Entry Summary: Every department needs that “go to” person for grant requirements, courthouse procedures, budget info and everything else. Becky Arneson is that person for the Trempealeau County Department of Land Management. She is professional in all situations and likely is one of the most knowledgeable people in the state serving in a conservation office.

Entry Narrative:

For six years now, Becky Arneson has been a core employee in implementing conservation on the land. In her role as fiscal coordinator, she has provided consistent leadership each year she has been in her position and especially in a year of a lot of change. Many of the conservation staff are new within the department and Becky has helped us all out. She has done her job of financial coordinator along with educating the new staff on how the grants, conservation operations and office procedures work. No matter the question, Becky will have an answer and is willing to show you how to achieve the solution. Becky makes the office run smoothly and is willing to help in any way possible. She is also one the first people talk the public will talk to and she is always very kind and respectful to all landowners, contracts and staff members. Becky writes all the grants and works with the agencies to secure money for conservation projects. When conservation staff are not in the office, she takes care of all questions and concerns coming in. This office would not run nearly as efficiently if Becky was not here. She is a wonderful asset to the team and has made sure everyone feels welcome.