

Wisconsin's State Inter-Agency Training Committee

SITCOM's Mission: To maintain and strengthen a statewide team of well-trained conservation professionals that carry on Wisconsin's rich history of conserving soil and water resources through a coordinated and efficient partnership.

Meeting Agenda (DRAFT)

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 / 9:00-11:00 a.m.

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1. Welcome, Roll Call, and Introductions (members listed on pg.2)

- a. Share a challenge you've enjoyed working to solve this Summer.
- b. New Members: Thomas Pearce, WDNR; Kelli Myers, WIL+W, Beth Peterson, NRCS
- c. Guests: Jordan Schauer, UW-CALS; Mike Isaacson, NRCS; Julia Mimier, WDNR

2. Looking Back

- a. Approve June 16, 2023 Notes
- b. Training Evaluations, Highlights, and Shout-Outs'
 - i. Michael Nutrient Management Workshops
 - ii. Pam Wisconsin Women in Conservation Educators Conference
 - iii. Kevin Hose break demo
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3. Looking Forward

- a. Partner and AITCOM Training Updates (Member Updates)
 - i. What's coming up that others should relay back to their agencies?
 - Northwest (Pete) Basic Surveying course about gathering data in the field, taping, surveying with laser levels, transits, hand levels, with field exercises; Soil Investigation Training where we rent a backhoe, get into a test pit, and address seasonal concerns; Concrete Inspection Training in early 2024; AITCOM meeting at the end of September
 - 2. North
 - 3. **Northeast (Drew)** Nothing planned this Fall, we've been fairly committed out, but we set a date for our Annual Meeting on December 15th. We meet next week to plan Winter training and catalog by November
 - 4. **Southeast (Michael Isaacson)** Conservation Planning training in May (80+) and we plan to do it again in early 2024, choosing a site where we can see both in-progress and completed projects. We will gather AITCOM in October, and we will do a Grazing Plan Implementation training to turn a plan into action on December 6th
 - 5. **Southwest (Kelli)** Significant Discharge Training for September 26th with a field day in Dodgeville area
 - 6. **DATCP (Matt W.)** October 10th Soil Health Resources, Nitrogen Optimization Pilot Program, Grand Administration, and Nutrient Management training recordings, discussing Hydrologic Restoration practices and site visits

- 7. **NRCS (Beth)** CNMP (engineering) trainings with four webinars and a field day throughout September and October, you can attend if you're writing CNMP's
- 8. **NRCS (Mike Stanek)** Early October Nutrient Management 590 Review as part of a self-paced summer training series that's part of a certification path, Thomas Manley scheduling a training
- 9. **WDNR (Tom)** No trainings to share, but waterways structures rule, which includes piers, boat shelters, riprap, culvert, and bridges will be going out for public comment a few times over the winter and next spring
- 10. **UW (Jordan Schuler)** NPM Fast Facts Magazine, upcoming trainings
- 11. **UW (Kevin Erb)** Tile and Drainage Workshop, planning CAFO workshops, approached to do a workshop for GIS ACPF tool
- 12. WLW Wisconsin Land+Water Conference, Health & Conservation Summit
- 13. **Tony** Between the Lakes Demo coming up, talking about inter-seeding, meeting in Fond du Lac County
- 14. Dan Tech Tour this Fall, October 12th, meeting in Luxemburg
- b. AITCOM Fall Workplan and Training Catalog Development
 - i. Is there anything the areas need as they begin their Fall planning?

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4. SITCOM Workplan Development

- a. Statewide Priority Training Topics Update
 - i. What is a SITCOM training?
 - ii. Review initial point of contact strategy
- b. Task Force Updates
 - i. Mentor/Cohort Operational Guidance and Pilot Approval Process
 - 1. Kevin 7-9% turnover, might be good to discover why people left to learn more about where they went and what they chose
 - 2. Julia I would love to be in the loop on this, it's a big topic in DNR and some bureaus have and don't have a program
 - ii. WI L+W Website Development: Resources, Updates, and Shared File Storage
- c. Fall Task Force Proposals
 - i. AITCOM Support
 - 1. Beth Encourage having NRCS area engineers or ARC's on this task force
 - ii. Conservation Professional Interagency Field Series

5. Future Plans

- a. Next Meeting: December 12, 2023, 9:00-11:00 am
- b. Future Meeting: TBD at December meeting date
- c. Other Upcoming Events
 - i. 2024 Wisconsin Land+Water Annual Conference

SITCOM Members and Representatives

- AITCOM-#1-Northern/Park Falls Stacy Dehne
- AITCOM-#2-NW/Altoona Pete Wurzer X
- AITCOM-#3-NE/Appleton Drew Zelle X
- AITCOM-#4-SW/Richland Center Kelli Neitzel X
- AITCOM-#5-SE/Juneau Justin White
- Dept. Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection Matt Woodrow X, Coreen Fallat X
- Dept. of Natural Resources Karl Gesch, Thomas Pearce X
- Natural Resources Conservation Service Beth Peterson X, Pamela Fiorito X, Mike Stanek X (co-members)
- Professional Improvement Committee (PIC) Tony Reali X
- Technical Committee (TC) Dan O'Connell X
- UW-Madison College of Ag and Life Sciences Mimi Broeske and Dan Marzu (co-members)
- UW-Madison Division of Ext. Kevin Erb X
- WI Land+Water Michael Hook X, Kelli Myers X, Chris Schlutt X
- Member at large, professional engineering practitioner Emily Micolichek X

