

**Kewaunee County  
Land and Water Conservation Committee**

Meeting Minutes  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

Committee Chair Brian Paplham called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee members present included Paplham, Robert Garfinkel, Ronald Paider and Clark Reimer (FSA Representative). Charles Wagner was excused from the meeting. Others in attendance included Robert Weidner (County Board Chair), Brian Maedke (USDA APHIS), Davina Bonness (LWCD) and Andy Wallander (LWCD).

There were no public comments.

Andy Wallander distributed copies of the 2013 Glacierland Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D), Inc. Annual Project Report to the Committee. See attached.

Brian Maedke presented and explained the five wildlife damage claims submitted for 2013. A comparison between 2013 and 2012 was distributed to the Committee. Appraised damages differ from actual payable damages due to \$500 deductible. A report on the 2013 Deer Donation Program was also presented.

**Motion by Paider/Garfinkel to approve the five wildlife damage claims, totaling \$16,710.20, for payment as presented. Motion carried.**

Davina Bonness presented an end-of-year summary of 2013 conservation practice planning, design and construction activities. She also answered general questions by the Committee regarding well testing activities taking place within the County.

Andy Wallander discussed cyclical hardware upgrades needed to computers. After discussions with Ross Loining, County IT Director, it was brought up that two of the LWCD computers should be replaced in order to stay current with existing technology. The estimated cost should be less than \$1,000.

**Motion by Garfinkel/Paider to submit a request to the Finance & Public Property Committee to allow up to \$1,000 from 2014 LWCD budget line item 240.56101.000.125 (Temporary Employee) to be used toward the purchase of upgrading 2 LWCD computers. Motion carried.**

Conservation plans were reviewed for Kevin Kirchman and Roger Selner, both for Wisconsin Farmland Preservation Program compliance.

**Motion by Paider/Garfinkel to approve payment of bills as presented, totaling \$6,326. Motion carried**

Future Committee meetings were scheduled for Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**Motion by Garfinkel/Paider to adjourn. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Andy Wallander, County Conservationist.

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Charles Wagner, LWCC Secretary

# Glacierland RC&D

## 2013 Annual Project Report



*Serving Brown, Calumet, Door, Fond du Lac, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Sheboygan, and Winnebago Counties, and the Oneida Nation*

Glacierland RC&D is involved in many projects each year that address issues faced by our local communities, assist with the development of healthy food sources, promote the use of renewable sources of energy, and improve the quality of life for our citizens. Following are the major projects that Glacierland RC&D worked on in 2013:

### **Aquatic Invasive Species Control in Fond du Lac County**

With a three-year grant from the DNR, Glacierland RC&D hired an Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator for Fond du Lac County. He is working with lake associations, outdoor groups, county officials and other organizations to educate the public about the threat of aquatic invasive species and to carry out programs and activities focused on controlling the spread of these invasives.

### **Aquatic Invasive Species Control in Sheboygan County**

A second three-year grant from the DNR provides for an Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator for Sheboygan County. He is working with lake associations, outdoor groups, county officials and other organizations to educate the public about the threat of aquatic invasive species and to carry out programs and activities focused on controlling the spread of these invasives.

### **Collection of Data for IMPLAN Modeling & Wood Burning Appliance Changeout**

Glacierland RC&D is partnering with the WI DNR to oversee a two-part project that (1) collects information on the impact of woody biomass utilization, and (2) administers a rebate program for replacing old, outdated wood burning appliances with new, cleaner-burning models. This is a two-and-a-half year project.

### **Grass-Based Farming**

The WI DNR has given Glacierland RC&D funds from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to carry out this project, which is designed to help reduce the amount of phosphorus in area lakes and streams. The bodies of water that are the focus of this work are the Lower Fox River Watershed, the Manitowoc-Sheboygan River Watershed, and the Milwaukee River Watershed. Through education and demonstration, the goal of this project is to convert conventionally farmed land to grass-based farm, with pastures for grazing livestock, which will result in less phosphorus running off the land into our waters.

### **Grazing Education**

Glacierland RC&D's Grazing Education consultant works with various partners to sponsor workshops and pasture walks that share information about managed grazing with farmers in the nine-county area of Glacierland RC&D (Brown, Calumet, Door, Fond du Lac, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Sheboygan and Winnebago Counties and the Oneida Nation). Funds for this project are provided by WI DATCP.

### **Grazing Technical Service Provider**

Glacierland RC&D's Technical Service Provider (TSP) is writing managed grazing plans for farmers in the nine-county area of Glacierland RC&D (Brown, Calumet, Door, Fond du Lac, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Sheboygan and Winnebago Counties and the Oneida Nation). This project is funded by a grant from WI DATCP.

### **Lake States Lumber Association**

Providing administrative support to this organization and their education branch, Lake States Lumber Association Education, as they promote the timber industry.

# Glacierland RC&D 2013 Annual Project Report (cont'd)

## NE WI Clean Boats, Clean Waters for Inland Lakes

This two year grant from the WI DNR provides for boat inspectors at boat launches in the counties of Brown, Kewaunee, and Outagamie. The boat inspectors will be educating boaters about how to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) and inspecting their boats for the presence of AIS.

## NE WI Winter Woodland Owners' Conference

With a grant from the WI Environmental Education Board, Glacierland RC&D planned a conference for owners of private woodland which took place in Green Bay in January 2013. The conference shared important information with the woodland owners about managing their land for forest health and wildlife habitat.

## Renewable Heating & Cooling in State and Federal Facilities

The Wood Education and Resource Center (WERC) of the U.S. Forest Service asked Glacierland RC&D to partner with them in a two-year program identifying state and federal facilities where solar thermal and/or wood thermal systems can be utilized.

## Safe Firewood & Wood Energy Products

Glacierland RC&D's Forestry Consultant is working with a grant from the U.S. Forest Service to develop a national certification standard for wood energy producers and form a national association of these producers to facilitate the regulatory process of this industry.

### 2013 Projects Grant Budgets

Projects:	Budget \$:
AIS Coordinator—Fond du Lac County	94,803
AIS Coordinator—Sheboygan County	99,755
Collection of Data for IMPLAN Modeling	446,500
Grass Based Farming	200,000
Grazing Education	10,659
Grazing Technical Service Provider	26,380
Lake States Lumber Association	22,800
NE WI Clean Boats, Clean Waters for Inland Lakes	50,000
NE WI Winter Woodland Owners' Conference	4,800
Renewable Heating & Cooling in State and Federal Facilities	70,000
Safe Firewood and Wood Energy Products	87,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,113,197</b>

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Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP)

KEWAUNEE COUNTY		APPRaised	PAYABLE*	number shot with permit	NOTES/COMMENTS
<b>DEER</b>					
1	Mark Chervenka	\$2,312.37	\$2,222.37	2	deductible split with goose damage, total payable = \$10,000
2	Mike Colle	\$250.64	\$100.64	n/a	deductible split with turkey damage, total payable = \$331.60
	<i>Deer Subtotal</i>	\$2,563.01	\$2,323.01		
<b>TURKEY</b>					
	Mike Colle	\$580.96	\$230.96	na	deductible split with deer damage, total payable = \$331.60
	<i>Turkey Subtotal</i>	\$580.96	\$230.96		
<b>GOOSE</b>					
	Mark Chervenka	\$10,829.76	\$7,777.63	18	deductible split with deer damage, total payable = \$10,000, DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31
3	Jed Reckelberg	\$1,251.39	\$751.39	0	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
4	Steve Sevcik	\$809.60	\$309.60	0	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
5	Glen Steinhorst	\$5,897.01	\$5,317.61	9	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
	<i>Goose Subtotal</i>	\$18,787.76	\$14,156.23		
	<b>KEWAUNEE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,931.73</b>	<b>\$16,710.20</b>		Number of Farms Appraised: 5
					*payable amount includes the program's \$500 deductible, only allowed 80% of the claim over \$5,000, and a \$10,000 maximum.
<b>Enrolled in WDACP but No Claim Requested or Allowed:</b>					
	<b>name</b>	<b>species</b>		<b>number shot with permit</b>	
6	Gerald Chervenka	goose		0	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
7	Dale Demmin	goose		8	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
8	Kevin Harmann	goose		0	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
9	Norman Oshefsky, Jr.	deer		n/a	
10	Alois Seidl	goose		n/a	DNR issued "spring goose permit" - valid from May 1 - Aug 31.
11	Patrick Stoller	deer		3	ACT 82 deer permit (no claim, no hunter access requirement)