

2015 TMLIA ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Participated and contributed to the completion of the Lake Menomin, Tainter Lake and Red Cedar River TMDL Implementation Plan titled :“A River Runs Through Us” by Red Cedar Water Quality Partnership.
- Led “2015 Red Cedar: Land, Water and People Conference” www.uwstout.edu/profed/redcedar
- Supported the Farmer-Led Councils in Northwest Wisconsin.
- Received a \$54,091 WDNR Grant: Civic Organizing for Watershed and Lake Management.
- Supported 2015 National Science Foundation LAKES: REU Project: www.uwstout.edu/lakes
- Supported the new Dunn County Soil Health Demonstration Farm.
- Updated TMLIA bylaws.
- Initiated a new Facebook presence-Like us on Facebook!
- Participated in public hearings and legislative actions that helped restore funding for UW Ext. Educators and WI County Land and Water in the 2015-17 WI budget.
- Participated in the 2015 Wisconsin Lakes Conference.
- Contributed/presented on various water quality initiatives for the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, WDNR, Interstate Civic Organizing Agency, WI Towns Association of Dunn County, Red Cedar Watershed Working Group, Village of Colfax, 3M, UW-Eau Claire and Wisconsin Lakes Association.
- Expanded and diversified the TMLIA Board of Directors.
- Presented 2015 Red Cedar: Land Water and People Keynote Video Series.
- Participated in UW-Extension/WI Lakes 2015 Advanced Lake Leader Training.
- Helped facilitate the formation of Red Cedar Watershed Working Group-WDNR, Army Corps of Engineers, LAKES-REU/UW-Stout, UW-Extension, Dunn/Barron Counties and TMLIA.
- Received a \$3,000 grant from 3M for erosion/shoreland restoration.
- Worked with various WI lake associations to restore WI shoreland zoning ordinances and local control.
- Provided support for the new Dunn County Water Quality Specialist.
- Advocated for improved water quality in Lake Menomin, Tainter Lake and the Red Cedar Watershed at public forums across Wisconsin.

2016 TMLIA Activities and Accomplishments

- Led the planning and secured sponsorships for the 2016 Red Cedar: Land, Water and People Conference at UW-Stout, Thursday, March 10, 2016: www.uwstout.edu/profed/redcedar
- Contributed to the completion of “A River Runs Through Us: A Strategy for Restoring Water Quality in the Red Cedar River Basin” (Lake Menomin, Tainter Lake and Red Cedar River TMDL Implementation Plan) Approved by the Environmental Protection Agency, January 2016.
- Organized meeting with Wisconsin Land and Water, K-12 teachers and TMLIA to provide guidance on the roll out of “Water Pollutions and Solutions” documentary to K-12 schools featuring Tainter Lake, Lake Menomin and the Red Cedar.
 - Helped prepare a case study on civic organizing and participated in a presentation on behalf of the Interstate Civic Organizing Agency for the Minnesota Active Citizenship Initiative (MACI).
- Contributed to and participated in the presentation of a WDNR Lakes Protection Grant proposal: “Red Cedar Basin Assessment For Water Quality Improvement”.
- Submitted nominations for the 2016 Lake Leaders Institute.
- Participated in update of the Dunn County Land and Water Resources Plan.
- Contributed to activities of the “Civic Organizing for Watershed and Lake Management Project”.
- Continued support for erosion mitigation at the Colfax Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Dunn County Highway M sites on the Red Cedar River.
- Contributed to the work of “Sustainable Dunn Working Group”.
- Provided comments to the Wisconsin Legislature regarding water quality.
- Participated in meetings for Wilson and Annis Creek Watershed Restoration Project.