

# Department of Natural Resources Impact in Waupaca County

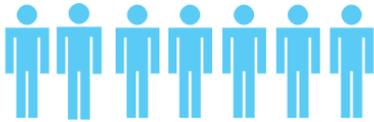
The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources aims to excel at working and partnering with the public to protect and manage the state's natural resources while supporting the economy and the well-being of our citizenry.



## Did you know?

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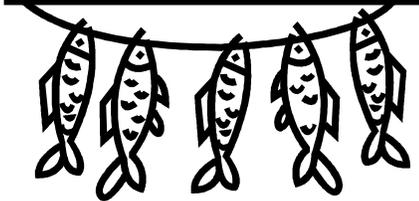
**763,384**



**RESIDENT HUNTERS**

In 2011, fishing in Wisconsin had an economic impact of over

**\$1.4 billion**



In Waupaca County, **61,776** licenses were sold in 2013-14.

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## Investments in Recreation

In fiscal year 2014, **Hartman Creek State Park** had close to **287,007 visitors**, making an estimated **local economic impact of \$14,350,350**.

**3,826 extended growth walleye** were stocked in the **Chain O'Lakes** under the **Wisconsin Walleye Initiative**. The initiative aims to strengthen Wisconsin walleye waters.

**\$617,304** was invested back into the infrastructure of Waupaca County's state properties including one project that will result in 4,500 feet of trout stream improvements.

DNR granted a total of **\$78,384 to the Waupaca County Sheriff Department** for snowmobile and boat patrol activities.

DNR offers a variety of safety classes around the state annually. In 2013, a total of **710 citizens** became **hunter, ATV, boating and snowmobile** certified in Waupaca County.

## Community Partnerships

**Waupaca County** received **\$4,000** to repair and upgrade the Gills Landing seawall and accessible trail.

The **citizen-based monitoring program** partners citizens and scientists to evaluate Wisconsin's natural resources. Waupaca County is known for successfully monitoring and collecting data of mussels and bats through the program.

## Snapshot of grants in Waupaca County

**DNR awarded \$1,159,550 in grants** to maintain ATV trails and improve a public boat landings and walking trail.

**DNR granted \$1,191,714 for water quality projects** including aquatic invasive species and the cost sharing of installation of manure management systems.

\*\*Numbers reflect the July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 time period.

## Forestry Activities

Since June 2010, **DNR has provided over \$106,338 to private forest owners in the county to assist them in protecting and enhancing their forested lands**, prairies and waters through management plan development, tree planting, practices that improve forest health and soil and water protection.

Through the Forest Tax Law programs (Forest Crop and MFL) **79,975 acres of private land are being properly managed for timber, wildlife, water quality and a health environment**. This provides a steady stream of sustainably produced timber for the forest industry as well as benefits from a healthy environment.

Since 2006, **over 11,115 cord equivalents of timber products have been harvested from state-owned land** in Waupaca County. The harvests provided over **\$460,614 in revenue** to the state and contributed employment opportunities and raw materials to the local economy.

**DNR granted \$8,744 to local Fire Departments** in Waupaca County to purchase equipment and supplies that improve their capability and safety on wild land fires.

Waupaca County received **\$2,981 in Urban Forestry grants to support new, innovative projects that will develop sustainable urban and community forestry programs**.

## Environmental Cleanup Efforts

**DNR approved cleanups at 254 contaminated properties resulting in 64 acres being made available for reuse**.

DNR provided **\$112,802 in reimbursements** over the past three years for expenses relating to the **investigation and cleanup of petroleum contamination** from product storage systems.

## Deer Management in Waupaca County

In 2014, Waupaca County established a County Deer Advisory Council. One council per county, they provide input and recommendations to the DNR on deer management.

DNR worked with two landowners who have 600 acres enrolled in the Deer Management Assistance Program to improve wildlife habitat on their property.

In 2013, a total of 12,074 deer were registered in Waupaca County with 3,411 harvested during archery deer season and 8,663 harvested during the gun deer season.