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*“That land is a community is the basic concept of ecology, but that land is to be loved and respected is an extension of ethics.”*

**- Aldo Leopold,  
A Sand County Almanac**



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*Promoting Woodland Wildlife Stewardship*

**Wisconsin Coverts Project Reunion & Advanced Training**

**August 22-24, 2021**

**Chula Vista Resort  
Wisconsin Dells, WI**

*Hosted by:*

The Division of Extension and the Department of Forest & Wildlife Ecology at UW – Madison

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**Sunday, August 22**

11:00am-1:00pm Check-in for Coverts at Chula Vista Resort  
*(Lunch on your own)*

1:15-1:45 Welcome, logistics, and Coverts update  
*Jamie Nack & Scott Craven (UW-Madison, Division of Extension)*

1:45-2:10 End-O-Way Farm: Sow’s Ear to Silk Purse?  
*Dan Bohlin (1999)*

2:15-2:40 Working with Mother Nature to Improve the Land  
*Stacey Steers (2005)*

2:45-3:10 Conservation Projects, Completed, in Progress and Planned  
*Bob Weiland (1995)*

3:10 Group photo and break  
Check-in to hotel

4:30-8:00 Dells Boat Tours – Sunset Dinner Cruise (cash bar, no credit cards)

or dinner on your own

**Monday, August 23**

7:00-8:00am Breakfast

**Concurrent Sessions**

**GB = Grand Ballroom  
UDB = Upper Dells Ballroom**

8:00-8:25am

GB Rare Species and Forest Management in WI  
*Sarah Herrick (WDNR)*

UDB Your Backyard – Better Than the Grocery Store  
*Tanna Worrell (Coverts Cooperator)*

8:30-8:55

GB Amphibian and Reptile Conservation on Private Property  
*Rori Paloski (WDNR)*

UDB Invasive Plant Species Management: New Information and Resources  
*Anne Pearce (UW-Madison)*

9:00-9:25

GB Opportunities for Bat Management on Private Lands  
*Jennifer Redell (WDNR)*

UDB Saving Wisconsin’s Native Pollinators  
*Jay Watson (WDNR)*

9:30 Break

9:50-10:15 GB	Common Wildlife Diseases Encountered by Landowners <i>Nancy Businga (WDNR)</i>	UDB	Climate Change and Wisconsin's Wildlife <i>Benjamin Zuckerberg (UW-Madison)</i>	UDB	Conservation Wardens: Their Roles and Working Together to Protect Our Natural Resources <i>Meghan Jensen (WDNR)</i>	9:05-10:00	Listening to the Pines: Aldo Leopold and the Evolving Land Ethic <i>Curt Meine (Aldo Leopold Foundation)</i>		
UDB	Old Forests, Old Growth and Wildlife <i>Ron Eckstein (retired WDNR)</i>	12:00-1:00pm	Lunch	2:30-5:30	Exhibitors and social (cash bar)	10:00	Break		
10:20-10:45 GB	Large Carnivores in Wisconsin <i>Randy Johnson (WNR)</i>	1:00-1:25 GB	Forest Management for Neotropical Migrant Birds <i>Michael Demchik (UWSP)</i>	6:00	Dinner	10:20-10:50	Lessons from Weeds to Wildflowers on Gobbler Ridge <i>Tim and Linda Eisele (1994 Coverts Cooperators)</i>		
UDB	Wetlands for Wildlife: Evaluating the Potential for Wetlands on Your Property <i>Tracy Hames (Wisconsin Wetlands Association)</i>	UDB	Walk Your Woods with Your Forester! And Other Updates from the WDNR Division of Forestry <i>Kristin Lambert (WDNR)</i>	7:00-8:00	Seasonal Round of the Ojibwe: a look into the cultural practices and natural resources Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) of the Great Lakes Ojibwe as they practice their seasonal nomadic lifestyle <i>Jonathan Gilbert (GLFWC)</i>	10:55-11:25	Living Our Land Ethic <i>Andy Chikowski and Alanna Koshollek (2010 Coverts Cooperators)</i>		
10:50-11:15 GB	Wisconsin's Furbearers: Considerations for Landowners <i>Shawn Rossler (WDNR)</i>	1:30-1:55 GB	Incorporating Wildlife Considerations Into Your Forestry Plan / Timber Marking for Wildlife Habitat <i>Michael Demchik (UWSP)</i>	8:00-10:00	Social (cash bar)				
UDB	Land Trusts: Your Partners for Conservation Easements, and More <i>Meg Domroese (Gathering Waters)</i>	UDB	Management Strategies for Insects and Diseases Currently Impacting Wisconsin's Forests <i>Michael Hillstrom (WDNR)</i>	<b>Tuesday, August 24</b>				11:30-12:30pm	Wrap-up and Evaluations Boxed lunch provided
11:20-11:45 GB	Deer and Habitat Management – One Size Doesn't Fit All <i>Eric Canania (WDNR)</i>	2:00-2:25 GB	Private Contractors: How They Can Help, When to Use Them, and What Services They Provide <i>Eric Schlender (EC3 Environmental Consulting)</i>	8:00-8:05am	Introductory remarks <i>Jamie Nack (UW-Madison)</i>	12:30pm	(optional) Depart for the Aldo Leopold Foundation tour from 1:30-4:00pm  Or depart for home		
				8:05-9:00	Other People Have Been on this Land Before Me: Respecting Archaeological Sites on Your Land <i>Rob Nurre (WI Archeological Society)</i>		<b>Thank you for attending! Safe travels!</b>		