



Yahara WINs Meeting September 20th, 2022

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- New website
- Community outreach
- Ongoing communications

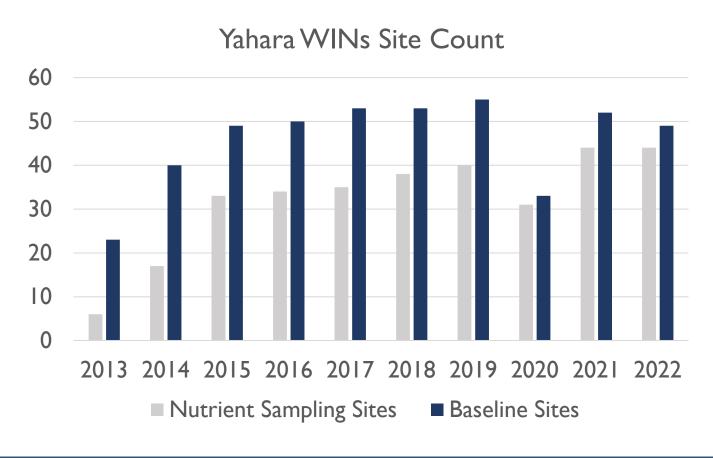


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2022 Summary – Yahara WINs Year 10



2022:

- 49 baseline monitoring sites
- 44 nutrient monitoring sites
- **87** volunteers
- 30 continuous temperature monitoring sites



Yahara WINs Monitoring Updates 2022 Highlights

- Hosted season kickoff for returning volunteers
- Changes to sample drop-off procedure
- Workshop attended by 13 prospective monitors and partners
- Welcomed 26 new volunteers
- Virtual data entry webinar SWIMS
- Ongoing support during monitoring season





Yahara WINs Monitoring Updates Upcoming in 2022

- Rock River Basin Confluence (Sat. 10/15 in Watertown)
- Yahara WINS Volunteer Gathering (Sat. 11/5 in Madison)
- Networking
- Continuing education





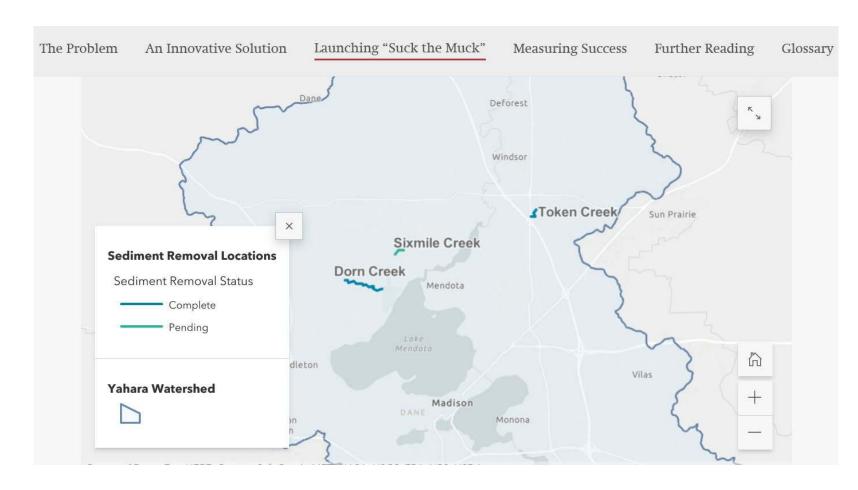
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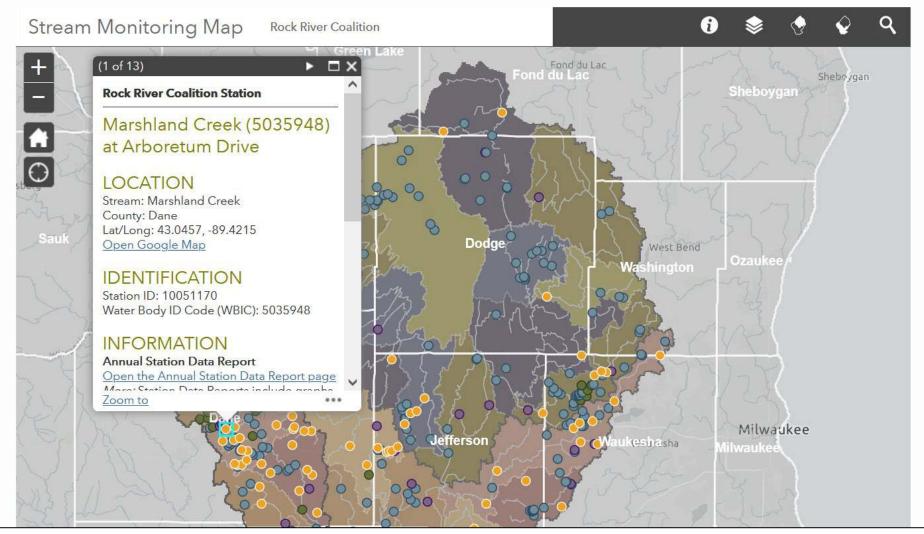


Outreach & Communications: New StoryMaps

- Topic: "Suck the Muck" Legacy Sediment Removal
- Now have five StoryMaps about Yahara Watershed
- Three more in 2022 2023







https://rockrivercoalition.org/projects-2/citizen-stream-monitoring/stream-monitoring-map/



Outreach & Communications: New Website (in progress)

- Greenleaf Media hired to create new website
- Highlights include:
 - Volunteer forum
 - Learning center



THE ROCK RIVER BASIN

covers nearly 3,800 square miles of South Central Wisconsin. Shaped by the last glacial episode, this rolling landscape was once covered by thick woodlands interspersed with oak-savanna, prairies, wetlands, and numerous streams and lakes. More about the Basin



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Outreach & Communications: Community Outreach

Community organizations contacted in 2021-22

- Friends of Capital Springs Master Naturalist
- Friends of Pheasant Branch Master Naturalist
- Friends of Lake Kegonsa
- Friends of the Yahara River Headwaters
- Village of Windsor/Token Creek Conservancy

Two community lectures planned for early 2023



Outreach & Communications: Ongoing Communications

- Monthly e-news
- Monthly volunteer emails
- Twice yearly paper newsletter



Rock River Reflections

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Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grants Awarded to Basin Farmer Groups The latest



round of Watershed

awarded to 36 farmer groups by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture. Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP)

Dodge County Farmers for Healthy Soil & Healthy

Location: Dodge County Mission: Improving our community's soil and water through conservation practices and education

Jefferson County Soil

Vision: To inspire farmers to keep soil in place, nutrients in the fields, and waters

Mission: To enhance water quality and natural resources through education. collaboration and improved

days, and managed grazing pasture walks. Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grants give financial suppor to farmers willing to lead conservation efforts in their own watersheds. The emphasis is on innovation and practices not already covered by other state and federal programs, and the intent is



April is Citizen Science Month!

Greetings Rock River Coalition Supporters and Friends,

This month is Citizen Science Month, and with that we are bringing you some exciting opportunities to get involved and learn about the conservation efforts surrounding your watersheds! In addition to the Volunteer Stream Monitor Training information, we are also sharing information on upcoming webinars, virtual conferences, and much more!

We hope that you have a fantastic start to your spring, and look forward to seeing you by the water.

Have a great day!

Becca



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Executive Residence Native Lakeshore Restoration

- Close to fundraising goal: ~\$40,000
- Phase 1: 2022
 - Rip rap replacement completed
 - Shoreline preparation completed by Resource Environmental Solutions (RES)
 - Plantings by RES and volunteers on 9/22 and 9/24
- Phase 2: 2023

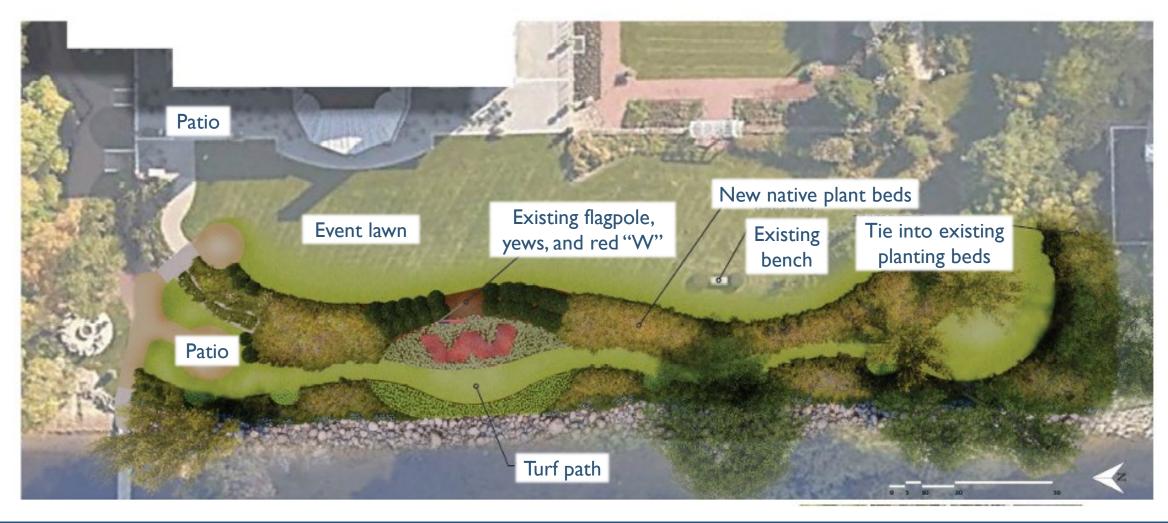
Partners

Wisconsin Department of Administration
Wisconsin Executive Residence Foundation
Wisconsin Lake Leaders Institute
Jefferson Co. Land & Water Conservation Dept.
University of Wisconsin Extension Lakes
Rock River Coalition
Resource Environmental Solutions (RES)
Clean Lakes Alliance

Other Project Supporters & Collaborators

Dane County Land & Water Resources
Yahara WINS









Thank you! Questions?

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