

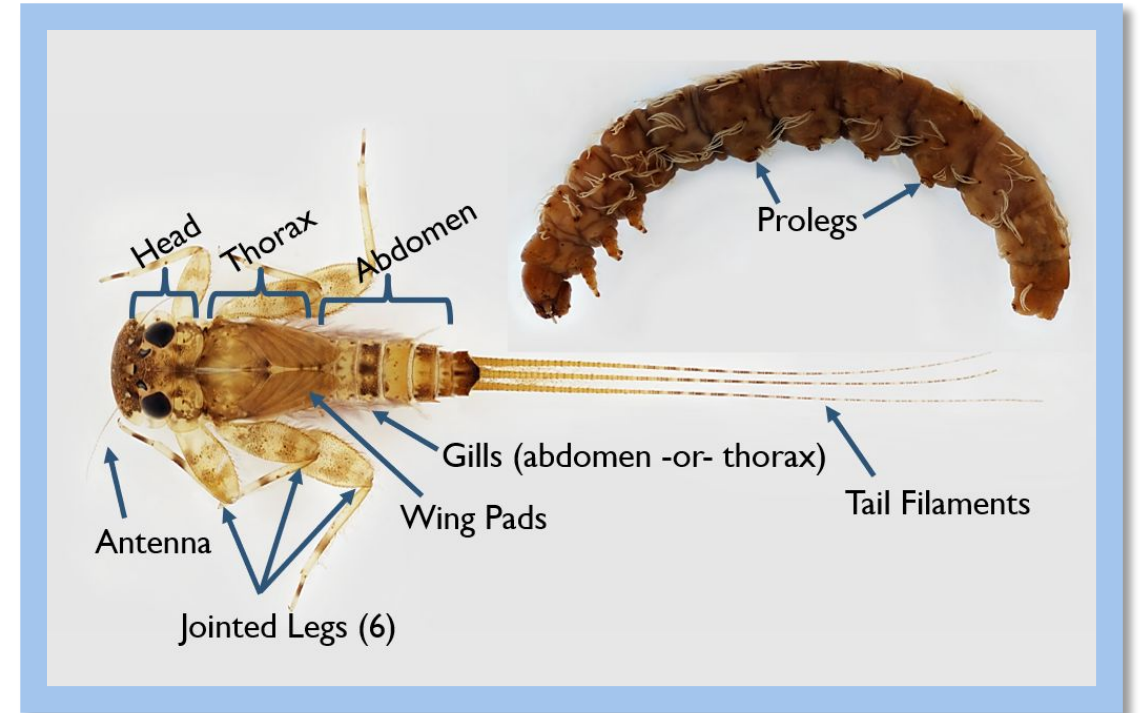
# Yahara WINS: Rock River Coalition's 2024 Work



# Yahara Kickoff

March 30<sup>th</sup>

- Refilled supplies, equipment, etc.
- Introductions
- Had an “All About Macroinvertebrates” continuing education session



# Dane County Stream Monitoring Training

April 27th

- 12 attendees
- Hosted at Waunakee Village Center
- Mike gave initial introduction to Yahara WINS
- Indoor presentation reviewing methods and theory quickly
- Outdoor sessions practicing said methods



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# Dane County Bilingual Stream Monitoring Training

July 17th

- 10 attendees + 7 staff
  - Me, Two interpreters, two WAV staff, two WI EcoLatinos Representatives
- Hosted along Pheasant Branch
- Purely an outdoor learning session
- Two families signed up, will be started on streams in spring 2025



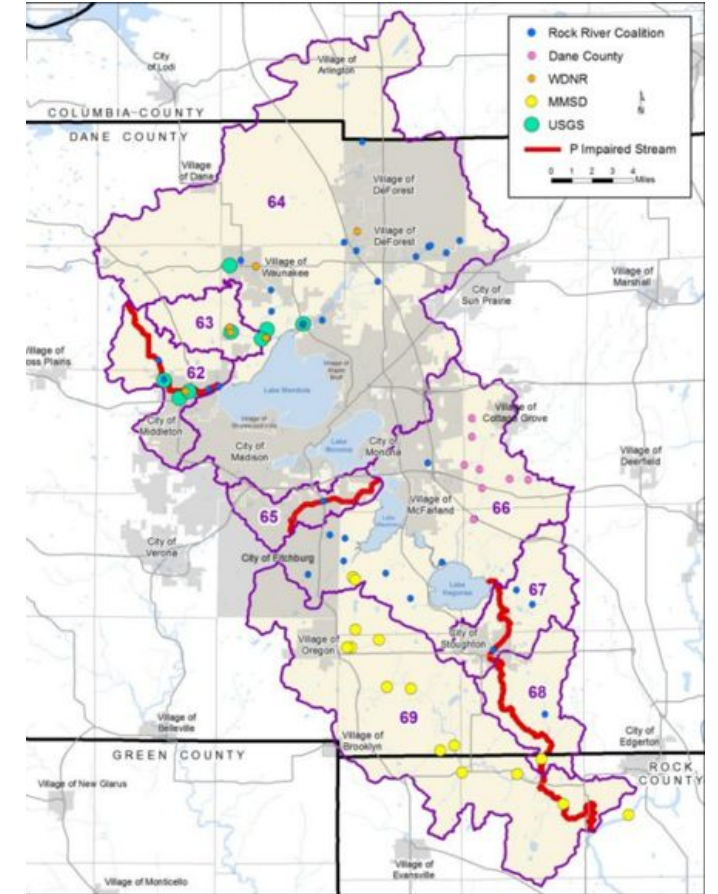
# Yahara Stream Monitoring Summary

2024:

- 53 baseline monitoring sites
- 42 nutrient monitoring sites
- 25 continuous temperature monitoring sites

Slight Decrease in Numbers from 2023:

- Due to compounding effect of high volunteer retirement and low recruitment



# RRC Biennial Confluence

November 9th

- Theme: “Stewarding the Rock River Basin: Opportunities and Successes”
- ~60 attendees from across RR Basin
- ~27 speakers from across RR Organizations

Focus:

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Stewardship Successes
- Continuing Education
- Basin Updates



# So... What Are We Doing in 2025?

Much of the same except:

- Volunteer recruitment
  - More concentrated effort, getting creative in sourcing new avenues to reach interested people
- Bilingual training
  - Added cost of interpreters, equipment, and a few staff hours to Yahara budget
- Coordinating with other Dane County WAV Coordinators





Questions?