

## **YAHARA WINS**

### **GROUP MEETING MINUTES: Tuesday March 17, 2026**

The meeting was held virtually. The meeting was called to order by Yahara WINS President Martye Griffin at 1:45pm.

**PRESENT:** Yahara WINS IGA members, partners, and others

**Previous Meeting:** Minutes from the December 16, 2025 meeting were posted on the Yahara WINS website prior to the meeting. Minutes approved by Judd Blau, Village of De Forest, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ben Schulte, City of Fitchburg, passed unanimously.

#### **Presentations:**

- **Farmland, Conservation, and Urban Development** – Jason Valerius, Executive Director of the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission provided information about land conversion/development in Madison and surrounding areas over the past 30 years.
- **Virridy Carbon Credits** – Martye Griffin, President of Yahara WINS, shared information about carbon credits generated at the District through the adaptive management program because of avoided greenhouse gas emissions by working in the watershed instead of building additional treatment at the plant.

#### **Executive Committee Update:**

- Discussion on 2026 YPF funding request. Decision to fund max allocation in the budget and consider future budget requests as needed.
- Approved increased authorization for WINS strategic communication and support contract.
- Approved authority to sign 2026 agreements with YPF and Rock Co.

**Other Business:** Martye Griffin reminded the IGA members about 2026 contribution deadlines.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 2:21pm.