# Wildlife Action Plan: Conservation Opportunity Area-Terrestrial (WI)



Tags

Conservation Opportunity Areas, Wildlife Action Plan, Species of Greatest Conservation Need, Ecological Landscape, Habitat

# ArcGIS Metadata

# Identification

## CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Wisconsin DNR, Bureau of Endangered Resources PUBLICATION DATE June 2008 TITLE Wisconsin Wildlife Action Plan: Conservation Opportunity Areas GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM vector digital data PUBLICATION INFORMATION PUBLICATION PLACE Madison, Wisconsin ONLINE LINKAGE

## DESCRIPTION

ABSTRACT

Conservation Opportunity Areas (COA) are places in Wisconsin that contain ecological features, natural communities, or Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) habitat for which Wisconsin has a unique responsibility for protecting. The identification and subsequent mapping of these areas will allow managers to make the most efficient use of resources by targeting conservation action work to benefit SGCN and their habitats. Sites were identified by an interdisciplinary team and involved input from various DNR staff, along with public input. This work was a continuation of the "Ecological Priorities" identified in the Wisconsin Wildlife Action Plan (see http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/er/wwap/ for more information).

# PURPOSE

The data were created to provide cartographic representations of Wisconsin's priority areas for protection and management of SGCN. The 2008 version is specific to Wisconsin's Wildlife Action Plan (WWAP) Implementation Priorities for 2008-2015. Areas were mapped using the best available data and science at the time.

Specific objectives for the data were to:

1. Develop a digital data layer that identifies the best places in the state (Conservation Opportunity Areas) to implement priority conservation actions from the Wisconsin Wildlife Action Plan (WDNR 2006).

2. Create maps at both statewide and ecological landscape scales, highlighting the Conservation

Opportunity Areas and linking them with the priority conservation actions.

- 3. Provide focus for future efforts to protect SGCN and their habitats.
- 4. Provide focus for making decisions on how and where to spend future State Wildlife Grant funds.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

The COA polygons contained within this dataset were mapped at broad scales (1:100-300,000) and have not been ground-truthed for accuracy. As such, they should only be used as a tool in determining the approximate boundaries of COAs. Boundaries are not DNR acquisition or feasibility study boundaries. Future GIS work will focus on boundary refinement and ground-truthing to more accurately delineate COAs especially with regard to habitat type, habitat quality, species presence and land classification. These data are not intended to be used at small scales (generally < 1:100,000). For guidance, users should refer to the WWAP Implementation website (http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/er/wwap/implementation/) and Ecological Landscape Reports (http://dnr.wi.gov/landscapes) for specific information on the natural communities and SGCN that are targeted for protection and management within each COA.

Terrestrial Dataset: The Terrestrial dataset contains one polygon type feature class: COA\_Terrestrial. Polygons were digitized on-screen using digital topographic and orthophotographic raster imagery.

Aquatic Dataset: The Aquatics dataset contains three feature classes: COA\_Lakes (polygon features), COA\_RiverSystems (line features), and Great\_Lakes (polygon). The Lakes and River Systems data were compiled using the Wisconsin DNR Hydrography Geodata Version 6. The Great Lakes data is included for cartographic purposes only. For information on the DNR Hydro Layer, contact:

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TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION SINGLE DATE/TIME CALENDAR DATE 2008 CURRENTNESS REFERENCE publication date

STATUS

PROGRESS Complete MAINTENANCE AND UPDATE FREQUENCY As needed

SPATIAL DOMAIN

BOUNDING COORDINATES WEST BOUNDING COORDINATE -92.964442 EAST BOUNDING COORDINATE -86.709234 NORTH BOUNDING COORDINATE 47.083195 SOUTH BOUNDING COORDINATE 42.460257

# KEYWORDS

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USE CONSTRAINTS None

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NATIVE DATA SET ENVIRONMENT Microsoft Windows XP Version 5.1 (Build 2600) Service Pack 2; ESRI ArcCatalog 9.2.4.1420 CROSS REFERENCE CITATION INFORMATION ORIGINATOR Bureau of Endangered Resources, WDNR TITLE Wisconsin Wildlife Action Plan: Conservation Opportunity Areas

Data Quality

LINEAGE PROCESS STEP PROCESS DESCRIPTION Dataset copied.

SOURCE USED CITATION ABBREVIATION

Spatial Reference

HORIZONTAL COORDINATE SYSTEM DEFINITION

PLANAR

PLANAR COORDINATE INFORMATION PLANAR COORDINATE ENCODING METHOD coordinate pair COORDINATE REPRESENTATION ABSCISSA RESOLUTION 0.000100 ORDINATE RESOLUTION 0.000100 PLANAR DISTANCE UNITS meters

GEODETIC MODEL

HORIZONTAL DATUM NAME D\_North\_American\_1983\_HARN ELLIPSOID NAME Geodetic Reference System 80 SEMI-MAJOR AXIS 6378137.000000 DENOMINATOR OF FLATTENING RATIO 298.257222 DETAILED DESCRIPTION ENTITY TYPE ENTITY TYPE LABEL COA\_Terrestrial ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION Conservation Opportunity Areas

# ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL FID ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Internal feature number. ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Sequential unique whole numbers that are automatically generated.

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ATTRIBUTE LABEL OBJECTID ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Internal feature number. ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Sequential unique whole numbers that are automatically generated.

### ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL SHAPE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Feature geometry. ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Coordinates defining the features.

# ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL COA\_name ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Conservation Opportunity Area name ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE Bureau of Endangered Resources

## ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL COA\_num ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION A unique identifier for each COA that ranges from 1.xx to 16.xx. The first number refers to the Ecological Landscape number. ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE Bureau of Endangered Resources ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES RANGE DOMAIN RANGE DOMAIN MINIMUM 1.01 RANGE DOMAIN MAXIMUM 16.03

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL Acres ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION COA acreage total

ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL SHAPE\_Leng ATTRIBUTE ATTRIBUTE LABEL SHAPE\_Area ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Area of feature in internal units squared. ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN Positive real numbers that are automatically generated.

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL ECO\_ID ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Unique Ecological Landscape identifier ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE WDNR ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES RANGE DOMAIN RANGE DOMAIN MINIMUM 1 RANGE DOMAIN MAXIMUM 16

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL ECO\_NAME ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Name of Ecological Landscape ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE WDNR

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL SIG\_CODE ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION Unique identifier that defines a site's ecological significance: Global (G), Continental (C), Upper Midwest (U), or State (S). ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE Bureau of Endangered Resources ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES RANGE DOMAIN RANGE DOMAIN MINIMUM 1 RANGE DOMAIN MAXIMUM 16

**Distribution Information** 

**RESOURCE DESCRIPTION Downloadable Data** 

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