The Art of Submitting a Successful WRAPP

A City of Madison Perspective

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OUTLINE

- Our Typical NOIs
- Our Typical Chapter 30 Permits
- Our System for Managing the Permit Process
 - Understand
 - Communicate
 - Compromise
 - Submit
 - Wait

TYPICAL CITY OF MADISON CHAPTER 30 PERMITS

- Approximately 25-30 WRAPPs per Year
- Construction Site Storm Water Runoff General Permits
- Lake Shorelines
- Streambanks
- Dredging
- Wetland Fill & Disturbance
- Outfalls
- Combination of Several Categories

Typical Construction Site Storm Water Runoff General Permit (NOI)

Construction with Greater than 1 Acre Disturbance

- Standard Reconstruction Projects
- Err on the Site of Caution
- Routinely part of shoreline and channel projects as well







Basset St Bike Path + Reconstruction

Williamson St Reconstruction

Langdon St Reconstruction

Shorelines

- Stabilization
- Miscellaneous Structures on a Lakebed
- Rarely have associated Wetland Disturbance Permit Requirements







Tenney Lagoon Shoreline Stabilization

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Yahara Place Park Shoreline

Streambanks

- Stabilization
- "Restoration" (We're working on this designation)
- Routinely has associated Wetland Disturbance Permit Requirements







Owen Conservation Park Channel Stabilization

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Dredging

- Channel
- Lakebed
- Stormwater Management Facilities







MATC Channel Dredging

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Monona Bay Weedcutter Dredging

Combination Permits – Wingra Creek Parkway – Phase 3

- Dredging
- Wetland Disturbance and Fill
- Construction Site Storm Water Runoff NOI
- Stream Realignment/Channel Stabilization
- Miscellaneous Structures
- Outfall





CITY OF MADISON PERMITTING PROCESS

Understand

- If possible, know basic permit requirements
- Understand your project

Communicate

- Communicate your plan with regulators prior to applying for a permit
- Get to know your regulators: DNR and USACE

Compromise

- Alter plans as necessary to meet known permitting requirements:
 - Endangered Species Time Restrictions
 - Wetland Fill Minimize
 - Dredging Disposal Restrictions

Submit

Submit a THOROUGH explanation with ample documentation

Wait

• If possible, wait to bid projects until permits are obtained – Especially Chapter 30 Permits

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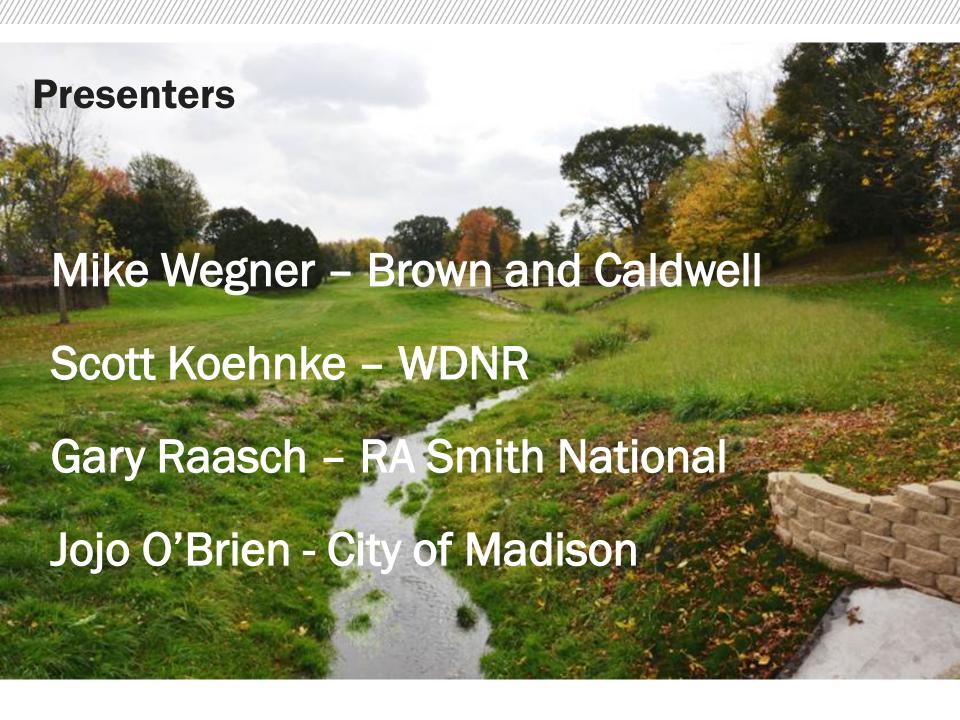
- Lessons Learned the Hard Way
 - 2003 MOU between DNR and City of Madison
 - Multiple projects delayed by permit issues
 - Became weary of harassing/begging our regulators to expedite our permits
- Hold Monthly Meetings with our Regulators
 - Big thanks to Wendy Peich (WIDNR) and Kerrie Hauser (USACE)
 - Open communication has altered how we permit and bid our Chapter 30 projects



Do's and Don'ts for Submitting a Successful WRAPP

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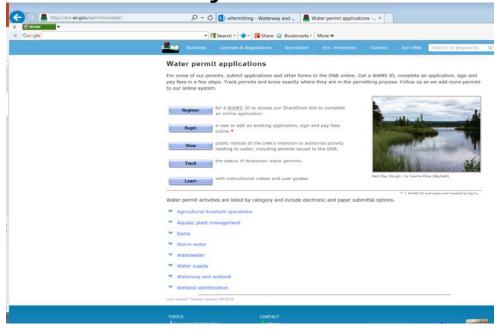




What is a WRAPP?

Water Resources Application for Project Permits

- NOI
- Waterway/Wetland
 Permits
- Available on-line



http://dnr.wi.gov/permits/water/

http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/waterways/

http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/30.pdf

http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code

Keys to a Successful Submittal

- Schedule
- Communication
 - Verbally
 - Often
 - Client-Consultant-Reviewer
- Relationships
 - WNDR
 - USACE
- Know your reviewer and boundaries
 - Know and understand the regulations
 - Where could there be flexibility





Keys to a Successful Submittal (cont.)

- Unique issues about your site/project
 - Location
 - Social Issues
 - Environmental Issues
 - Site Conditions



- Feature locations
- Size
- Avoid, Minimize, Mitigate



What Shouldn't you do?

- Complete an application without understanding the regulations
- Jump to conclusions without considering alternatives
- Submit without reading the entire application instructions
 - Are there new regulations? Guidance?
 - Has the general permit changed?
- Submit an application without talking to the reviewer
- Submit an incomplete application

