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## Programming Areas

- **Institutional and legal framework for managing community growth and change.** Role of towns, cities, villages, counties, and the state in planning for livable communities
- **Wisconsin land use law.** The basics of zoning ordinance, subdivision ordinances, annexation, impact fees, etc
- **Comprehensive community planning.** Provide support for local planning efforts related to the 1999 comprehensive planning law
- **Private property rights and the "Takings" issue**
- **Influence of local laws on "New Urbanism"**

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## Audience and Partners

- County Extension faculty, professional planners
- Citizens, attorneys
- Local government officials, state agencies, and legislators
- Environmental and other non-profit public interest organizations
- Realtors and builders

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## Team Membership

- Local Government – Community Planning and Plan Implementation
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## Educational Resources

### Publications

- Nellis, Lee, and Ohm, Brian W., 2010. A Model Forest Resources Element for Local Plans.  
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<http://urpl.wisc.edu/people/ohm/08%20wisline%20Wis.%20Impact%20Fee%20Law.pdf>
- Ohm, Brian W., 2008. Protecting Coastal Investments: Examples of Regulations for Wisconsin's Coastal Communities.  
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[http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/univ\\_collaboration.htm](http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/univ_collaboration.htm)
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[http://www.doa.state.wi.us/dir/documents/housing\\_guide\\_2.pdf](http://www.doa.state.wi.us/dir/documents/housing_guide_2.pdf)
- 2002, *Planning for natural resources: a guide to including natural resources in local comprehensive planning*, Ohm, Brian W.  
[http://dnr.wi.gov/org/es/science/publications/SS\\_964\\_2002.pdf](http://dnr.wi.gov/org/es/science/publications/SS_964_2002.pdf)

### Online Tools

- Compilation of Wisconsin Statutes on Planning and Land Use  
<http://urpl.wisc.edu/research/statutes.php>
- Monthly Wisconsin Case Law Updates  
<http://www.wisconsinplanners.org/lawandlegislation.html>
- *Perspectives on Planning*,  
<http://urpl.wisc.edu/extension/perspectives.php>
- URPL Faculty Extension Reports,  
<http://urpl.wisc.edu/extension/reports.php>
- Other Resources. <http://urpl.wisc.edu/people/ohm/resources.php>

## Workshops, Wislines and Other Outreach

- Annual Local Land Use Planning and Zoning Wisline Teleconference Series, co-hosted with Philip Freeburg, UWEX Local Government Center. Programs on subdivision regulations, planning for housing, planning for agriculture, etc.
- Annual workshop, "Planning Case Law Update," offered in conjunction with the Annual Conference of the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Planning Association.
- Annual continuing legal education seminars on various topics related to Wisconsin land use laws (zoning basics, constitutional limitations, annexation, etc.).
- Various county workshops covering issues related to comprehensive planning, zoning/planning consistency, the role of plan commissions, purchase of development rights, transfer of development rights, etc.
- Member, Purchase of Agricultural Easement Advisory Council, Wisconsin, Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection.
- Vice President of Chapter Affairs, American Planning Association - Wisconsin Chapter.