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Programming Areas

My programming is focused in the Rock River Basin, primarily through the Rock River Coalition Issue Teams and other partnerships such as the Rock River Stormwater Group or through special projects such as the Rock River Recovery Implementation Plan (TMDL) or the state effort: Water Star Community Program.

Specific area of interest include:

- Storm water education: rain gardens and rain barrels, DNR performance standards and permits, Municipal permits, education and outreach plans
- Groundwater education: source water protection, GFLOW computer model, well abandonment
- Surface water quality: sediment and phosphorus
- Water Star Community Program: A new program under development to guide, inspire and reward municipalities of all sizes, town, village, county and city for implementing programs, policies, ordinances and other efforts in the areas of stormwater, groundwater, surface water, human health and recreation

Audience and Partners

- Rock River Coalition and its volunteers and issue team members
- Rock River Stormwater Group and the Madison Area Municipal Storm Water Partnership
- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
- Basin agencies and municipalities: elected officials and staff including: LCD, planning, parks, public works
- Local groups and lake districts
- Consultants

Team Membership

- Natural Resources – Water - Groundwater
- Natural Resources – Water - Stormwater
- Natural Resources – Water – General
- Natural Resources – Volunteer Monitoring

Educational Resources

Publications

- 2009 Extension educators can use Internet GIS and related technologies. *Journal of Extension* [On-line], 47(5): Article 5FEA2. Journal of Extension Watermolen, D.J., E. Andrews, and S. Wade. Available at <http://www.joe.org/joe/2009october/a2.php>.
- 2009 Rain Garden Kit version 4.1, Sign and Display, Jenny Erickson, Kristi Minahan, Marsha Vomastic, and Suzanne Wade
- 2003, Rock River Basin Rural Development Policy and Guidelines Manual, Suzanne Wade, editor. <http://www.rockrivercoalition.org>
- Wonderful Wacky Water Critters, Suzanne Wade primary author.
- Rock River Coalition newsletters and annual report, multiple authors, Suzanne Wade editor. <http://www.rockrivercoalition.org>

Workshops, Wislines and Other Programs

- Storm Water and Construction Site Erosion (multiple years, topics and presenters).
- Controlling Phosphorus a Watershed Approach, developed in 2007
- Rain Garden workshops and tours, including Master Gardener's specialized education programs via satellite 2004 to present
- Groundwater issues in the Rock River Basin
- Stream Monitoring Techniques

Online Tools

- Not applicable

Research and Outreach

- See websites for information on outreach activities: <http://www.rockrivercoalition.org/> and <http://basineducation.uwex.edu/>
- Rain gardens
- Water quality of the Rock River Basin