NASECA-WI Committee/Liaison
2025 Annual Report

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Executive

Members: Chair: Eric Rortvedt (President), Jeremy Balousek (Vice-President), Josh Harder (Treasurer), Mike Hackel (Secretary), Kristie Kasbohm (Executive Director)

No special meetings were held in 2025.

Jean Wallace was appointed on October 22, 2025 by the board of directors to fill the vacant position left open by the resignation of Peter Tonn.

Budget & Finance

Members: Chair: Josh Harder, Dane County Land and Water Resources; Jay Settersten, City of Sun Prairie/Settertech; Kris Lyons, Village of Little Chute; Kristie Kasbohm, NASECA-WI

In 2025, the Budget & Finance Committee was responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving the program budgets submitted by each program committee.

Sustaining Partnerships in 2025:

- Environmental & Dewatering Services, Inc. ($500)
- StapleWasp ($500)
- StormTank ($100)

Project

Members: NASECA-WI board member/Chair: retired Wendy Braun, DOT; Co-chair: Maureen McBroom, City of Watertown (engineer); Manufacturer: Peter Tonn, MKB Company; Supplier: Mike Nelson, American Excelsior; Academic: Paul McGinley, retired UWSP/UW-Ext; Contractor: Pat Dixon, Dixon Shoreline

No activity 2022-2025.

Website

Members: Chair: Jeremy Balousek, Dane County Land and Water Resources, Josh Harder

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Membership
Members: Chair: Josh Harder, Eric Rortvedt & Teagan Wagner, Wisconsin DNR

Membership remains $35/year. Six Learning Studio videos were released.

As of 3/19/2026, we had 75 active members.

Standards
Members: Chair: Jeremy Balousek, Tony Vandermuss, SmithGroup

Lance Newman, P.E. (Kapur) and Joel Brieske (WEC Energy Group) were added to this committee in February 2025.

Programs & Funding
Members: Chair: Jay Settersten, Jeremy Balousek

No activity 2022-2025

UW-Extension Partnership
Liaisons: Paul McGinley, Jay Settersten, Rick Eilertson, AECOM

No activity 2023-2025.

Urban Forestry Council
Liaison: Wendy Braun, WisDOT

Wendy is the leader of the Stormwater Issue Group. The goal of this group is to raise awareness to how increasing urban forest canopy (keeping leaves out of storm drains) can positively affect stormwater runoff in quality through filtering and quantity through absorption uptake, as urban stormwater runoff contributes significantly to water quality and quantity in urbanized areas and impacts habitat, public health, and the aesthetics of urban waterways.

Clear Waters Green Tier Member
Representatives: Jeremy Balousek, Mike Hackel, Kristie Kasbohm

NASECA-WI values their membership in this Green Tier charter, particularly the local relationships formed and opportunities for insight into the profession for development of educational programs for a broader audience around the State.

Annual Conference
Members: Chair: Wendy Braun; Eric Rortvedt, retired Wisconsin DNR; Mike Hackel, Homburg Contractors Inc.; Ann-Marie Kirsch, WisDOT; Teagan Wagner, Wisconsin DNR

The Feb 4-5, 2025 Annual Conference was held virtually and in-person at Glacier Canyon Lodge at the Wilderness Resort, Wisconsin Dells. There were 224 attendees, (9% decrease from 2024).

WinSLAMM Training
Presenters: John Voorhees, Bob Pitt, Eric Rortvedt

NASECA-WI offered a virtual WinSLAMM training April 23-24, 2025 to 32 individuals.

Rice Lake Field Event
Members: Jay Settersten, Kris Lyons, Mike Hackel, Homburg Contractors

In 2025, NASECA partnered with MECA. This September 18th event was held outdoors at the American Excelsior ErosionLab.

113 people registered for the event. This was 1 more registered than in 2024.

Erosion Control Compliance Training
Members: Eric Rortvedt; Kris Lyons; Natalie McCraw, KL Engineering; Kaci Coconate and Theresa Nelson, Dane County Land and Water Resource Department; John McCloskey, Homburg Contractors; Jeremy Ashauer, WisDOT; Pete Wood, WDNR

This hybrid event was hosted December 9-10 in Pewaukee, WI with 35 on-site and 35 virtual registrants. (9% decrease from 2024)

With the retirement of long-time leaders of this training, Leo Holm and Gil Layton, the members listed above were very active in creating a plan to streamline and update the information presented at this training. These individuals were assigned one or more presentations to deliver to our virtual and on-site audience at a new-to-us venue, The Ingleside. 47 individuals completed and passed the NASECA-WI exam and 29 individuals completed the DSPS exam (5 failed, 2 completed again and passed).