



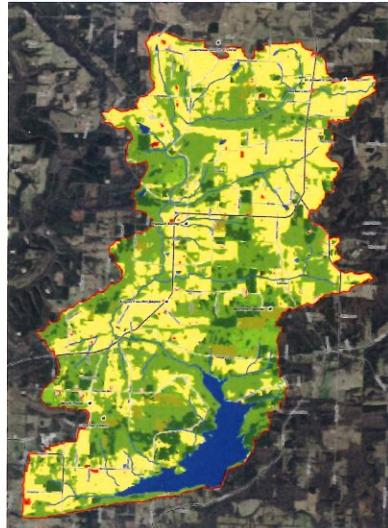
Brewer Lake Watershed Protection Plan

What Is a Watershed Protection Plan?

A watershed protection plan is a framework to preserve and enhance water quality. It involves identifying sources of pollution, identifying potential best management practices, and engaging stakeholders.

The iterative plan aims to protect water resources from contaminants, promote healthy ecosystems, and support the community's long-term environmental and economic health.

By fostering collaboration among local governments, businesses, and residents, a watershed protection plan helps maintain clean and safe water for drinking, agriculture, recreation, and wildlife.



What a Watershed Protection Plan is NOT

A watershed protection plan is not a regulatory mandate that imposes strict controls or changes on land use practices.

It does not seek to disrupt or drastically alter the daily activities of landowners and their land uses, including agriculture. Instead, it focuses on voluntary, cooperative efforts to improve water quality through education, incentives, and shared responsibility.

The plan respects existing agricultural practices and aims to work alongside agricultural producers and other stakeholders to find mutually beneficial solutions that protect water resources while supporting productivity.

Primary Goals of This Plan:

- Safeguard water quality
- Support agricultural productivity by empowering farmers with resources and practices that align with environmental conservation
- Reduce nutrient inputs to Brewer Lake
- Enhance the health of the watershed ecosystem
- Identify potential water quality improvement projects
- Identify cost efficient ways to improve water quality and unlock potential funding mechanisms

The Path Forward:

This meeting is the initial outreach to discuss water quality issues in the watershed. The path forward will include:

- Analyzing collected water quality data in the watershed
- Compiling other watershed information
- Developing a predictive model of nutrients in the watershed
- Creating a list of potential water quality improvement projects
- Participation in discussions with watershed stakeholders concerning project viability
- A second outreach meeting
- Composing the watershed protection plan

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