

Cicero Honored For Work in County

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Since 2002, the University of Wisconsin-Extension and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources have recognized exemplary work in volunteer stream monitoring in Wisconsin with the volunteer stream monitoring awards program.

Honored for her work as an employee with Jefferson County as the county's water resources management specialist was Patricia Cicero, a Lake Mills resident.

From Volunteer Stream Monitoring, Project RED, Clean Boats/Clean Waters programs (to name only a few) to her leadership roles at Jefferson County, Rock Lake Improvement Association, or Rock River Coalition, Cicero has dedicated her career to water resources.

Cicero works at Jefferson County Land & Water Conservation Department and has been contributing data to the DNR through various monitoring programs since 2005. She has been a resource for Water Action Volunteers (WAV) when launching new initiatives by securing volunteers or monitoring herself. Patricia has been involved in all levels of WAV monitoring, including attending Train the Trainer workshops, baseline monitoring, and phosphorus and road salt monitoring.

Cicero is also involved in monitoring with Project RED, Clean Boats, Clean Waters and Citizen Lake Monitoring Network.

"Whether on a stage or in a boat, she can always be counted on to talk to groups about the importance of monitoring our water resources," said Peggy Compton, Water Action Volunteers Coordinator at University of Wisconsin-Extension.

Individuals and groups are recognized for their efforts leading to increased participation in stream monitoring, collecting valuable stream data, and sharing their knowledge of stream monitoring with others.



Getting an Award

Lake Mills resident Patricia Cicero (center) was recently honored by the University of Wisconsin-Extension and the DNR for her work with the Jefferson County Land & Water Conservation Department.

The 2016 award recipients were honored recently during the annual Water Action Volunteers Symposium, held April 1 to 2 in Stevens Point.