REPORTING CONCERNS AND POTENTIAL VIOLATIONS TO THE WDNR

If you have a concern or witness what you think may be an environmental law violation, be sure to report it to the Wisconsin State Department of Natural Resources and your County Conservationist first.

When you contact the DNR or your County Conservationist you should try to have the following information ready:

- **What** is it the potential violation (what is it that you are observing)?
- **Where** did this violation take place (county, township, road/highway)?
- **When** did this occur or is this an in-progress violation?

The more information you can provide, the easier it will be for DNR staff to follow up on your report in a timely fashion. In order to keep track of information consistently, fill out the attached incident report each time you witness a potential violation.

**Be sure to keep a record of your report.** If you made a phone call, write down who you talked to, when you talked to them, and what you told them. Ask for written confirmation of your report and written follow up.

**Contact Midwest Environmental Advocates if you have any questions.** Call (608) 251-5047 or send us an e-mail ([jparra@midwestadvocates.org](mailto:jparra@midwestadvocates.org)). If you let us know when you report a potential violation, we can follow up and see if the DNR is doing anything about it.
Call the DNR Violation Hotline or Emergency Spill Hotline:

1-800-847-9367 (Violation Hotline)  1-800-943-0003 (Emergency Spill Hotline)

The DNR's Violation and Emergency Spill Hotlines provide Wisconsin citizens with the opportunity to **confidentially** report suspected environmental violations using a toll-free number.

The hotline numbers are in operation 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Trained staff relay reported information to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources conservation wardens. Anyone who calls the hotline or provides information can remain anonymous.

Submit a copy of your report to the DNR violation reporting site at https://dnrx.wisconsin.gov/rav/. **Please note: by sending your written report of a problem to the DNR staff, your name and complaint will be a part of the public record.**

Report Concerns to Regional DNR Staff:

**West Central Region**

Counts served: Adams, Buffalo, Chippewa, Clark, Crawford, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Marathon, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Portage, St. Croix, Trempealeau, Vernon, Wood

Eau Claire DNR Service Center
1300 W Clairemont Ave
Eau Claire, WI 54701
(715) 839-3700 – phone
(715) 839-6076 – fax
Mon. – Fri. 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Black River Falls
DNR Satellite Center
910 HWY S4 E
Black River Falls, WI 54615
(715) 284-1400 – phone
(715) 284-1737 – fax
Mon. – Fri. 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

La Crosse
DNR Service Center
3550 Mormon Coulee Rd
La Crosse, WI 54601
(608) 785-9000 – phone
(608) 785-9990 – fax
Mon. – Fri. 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Report Air Quality Concerns to DNR Air Staff:

**Mike Ross**  
Air Management Engineer  
3550 Mormon Coulee Rd  
La Crosse, WI 54601  
Phone: (608) 785-9973  
Email: michael.ross@wisconsin.gov  
Assigned Subjects: Air Toxics, Hazardous Air Pollutants, Permits – Best Available Control Technology  
Counties Served: Adams, Buffalo, Chippewa, Clark, Crawford, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Marathon, Monroe, Pepin, Pierce, Portage, St. Croix, Trempealeau, Vernon, Wood

**Katie Praedel**  
Section Chief (Air Monitoring)  
PO Box 7921  
Madison, WI 53707-7921

**Tanner Connors**  
Wastewater Engineer  
3911 Fish Hatchery Rd  
Fitchburg, WI 53711  
Phone: (715) 214-9229  
Email: Tanner.Connors@Wisconsin.gov  
Assigned Subjects: Compliance – Sand Mining  
Counties Served: Clark, Eau Claire, Jackson, Trempealeau, Wood

Report Water Concerns to DNR Water Staff:

**Tanner Connors**  
Wastewater Engineer  
3911 Fish Hatchery Rd  
Fitchburg, WI 53711  
Phone: (715) 214-9229  
Email: Tanner.Connors@Wisconsin.gov  
Assigned Subjects: Compliance – Sand Mining  
Counties Served: Clark, Eau Claire, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Richland, Trempealeau, Vernon

**Stacy J Steinke**  
Water Supply Specialist  
1300 W Clairemont Ave  
Eau Claire, WI 54701  
Phone: (715) 839-3773  
Email: StacyJ.Steinke@Wisconsin.gov  
Assigned Subjects: Flooded Private Wells, Contaminated Wells, Well Compensation, Groundwater Contamination, Private Well Contamination  
Counties Served: Chippewa, Dunn, Eau Claire, Pepin, Pierce, St. Croix, Taylor
Report Concerns to the Appropriate County Land Use Department:

Chippewa County: Land Conservation & Forest Management/Nonmetallic Mining – (715) 726 – 7920, LCD@co.chippewa.wi.us

Dunn County: Land & Water Conservation – (715) 232 – 1496
Land & Water Conservation – Daniel Prestebak, County Conservationist, (715) 232 – 1496 ext. 2, dprestebak@co.dunn.wi.us
Land & Water Conservation – Lindsay Olson, Water Quality Specialist, (715) 232 – 1496 ext. 8, lmolson@co.dunn.wi.us

Eau Claire County: Land Use/Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation – Rod Eslinger, Land Use Division of the Planning and Development Dept., (715) 839 – 4743, rod.eslinger@co.eau-claire.wi.us
Air/Groundwater/Well – Sarah Burmeister, City/County Health Dept., (715) 839 – 4718, Sarah.Burmeister@co.eau-claire.wi.us

Jackson County: Nonmetallic Mining – Gaylord Olson, Land Conservationist, (715) 284 – 0217, Gaylord.Olson@co.jackson.wi.us
Nonmetallic Mining – Terry Schmidt, Zoning Administrator, (715) 284 – 0220, terry.schmidt@co.jackson.wi.us
Beth Storlie, Administrative Assistant, beth.storlie@co.jackson.wi.us

Monroe County: Land Conservation – Bob Micheel, County Conservationist, (608) 269 – 8975, bmicheel@co.monroe.wi.us
Land Conservation – Bryce Richardson, Soil and Water Conservationist, (608) 269 – 8976, brichardson@co.monroe.wi.us

Pepin County: Land Management/Zoning – (715) 672 - 8897

Trempealeau County: Department Land Management- (715) 538-2311 ext. 223

Wood County: Land & Water Conservation Department – (715) 421 - 8475
Land & Water Conservation – Shane Wucherpfennig, County Conservationist, swucherpfennig@co.wood.wi.us
Land & Water Conservation – Tracy Arnold, Conservation Program Coordinator/Wildlife Damage Abatement & Claims Program/Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Ordinance, tarnold@co.wood.wi.us
FRAC SAND MINE, PROCESSING, OR TRANSFER FACILITY INCIDENT REPORT

Name of Observer: ____________________________________________________________

Address (optional): __________________________________________________________

Phone number or email address: ______________________________________________

Date and time, of event observed: _____________________________________________

Name of mine or facility (if known): _____________________________________________

Location where I made this observation: ________________________________________

Production facility address: __________________________________________________

Names of any people who I spoke with at the mine or facility: (optional)

I (name) _____________________________________________, was standing at (location) _____________________________________________

____________________ on (date) ___________________ and observed the following: (note what you saw, heard, photographed, etc. Specifically note any dust blowing off the mine or transfer facility site, and take photos of the dust. Note any stormwater or surface water runoff leaving the site. Try to video or photograph where storage piles, stormwater collection basins and berms are located and note if trucks and rail cars are covered and if dust is blowing off of roads and stockpiles)
Copies of my notes and any photo or videos I took are maintained on ________________________________ (examples, on my computer, on my phone etc.).

I have emailed copies to: ________________________________ (DNR, County Conservation, etc.) with a copy of this form.

I reported my observation/test results to (name) ________________________________ of the DNR on (date) __________by telephone. He /she said: _________________________________________________________

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______________________________ I requested that the DNR staff person provide me with written acknowledgment of my complaint ______________________________________________________________

I reported my observation/test results/other to the DNR spill or TIP hotline on (date) __________ and asked for written acknowledgement of my complaint and any follow-up action by DNR.

Dated: ______________________________

Signed: ______________________________

Phone Number: ______________________________