

WATER RICH COUNTIES TARGETS FOR NEW CAFO'S?

WHAT IS A CAFO?

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) defines CAFO as agricultural enterprises where animals are kept and raised in confined situations for more than 45 days per year. CAFOs congregate animals, feed, manure & urine, dead animals and production operations on a small land area. Feed is brought to the animals rather than the animals grazing or otherwise seeking feed in pastures, fields or on rangeland.

An excerpt from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service:

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- A Wisconsin animal feeding operation with 1,000 animal units or more is a large Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO). The DNR may designate a smaller-scale animal feeding operation (fewer than 1,000 animal units) as a CAFO if it has pollutant discharges to navigable waters or contaminates a well. Permitted under WI NR 243 - Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES)

An excerpt from WIDNR CAFOs, Water Permits and NR-243

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- An animal unit is defined as an animal equivalent of 1000 pounds live weight and equates to 1000 head of beef cattle, 700 dairy cows, 2500 swine weighing more than 55 lbs, 125 thousand broiler chickens, or 82 thousand laying hens or pullets

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WATER RICH NORTHWOODS

- **Water Facts: Oneida County**

- 1,129 Lakes, 428 named
- 78,509 acres of surface water
- 9.9% of County is surface water
- Major watersheds include:
 - Upper Wisconsin River
 - Flambeau River
 - Wolf River

- **The Northern Highland Ecological Landscape, of which Oneida County is part, has one of the highest concentrations of freshwater lakes in the world.**

- **Economic Facts: Oneida County**

73% of all OC residential value is in waterfront properties (\$4.2 billion)

Tax revenues from residential waterfront properties: \$47.3 million/yr.

Revenue from tourism: \$229 million (2017)

An excerpt from Dave Noel's 2018 Economic Value of Lakes & Rivers In Oneida County, WI

LOCAL REGULATION – TOWN & COUNTY

- There are basically three ways to ‘locally’ regulate CAFOs:
 - County Wide Manure Storage Ordinance (following NR-151)
 - County Wide or Town Comprehensive CAFO Ordinance – through Licensing or Permitting (Example: Bayfield County)
 - County Wide Zoning/Districting – Define which zoning district(s) CAFO’s are allowed/permitted uses. Example: Commercial Agricultural or General Use District – CAFO Allowed/Permitted use. Forestry District – CAFO Not Allowed/Permitted Use.

Counties with Manure Storage Ordinances



Ordinance Status

 Ordinance Enacted

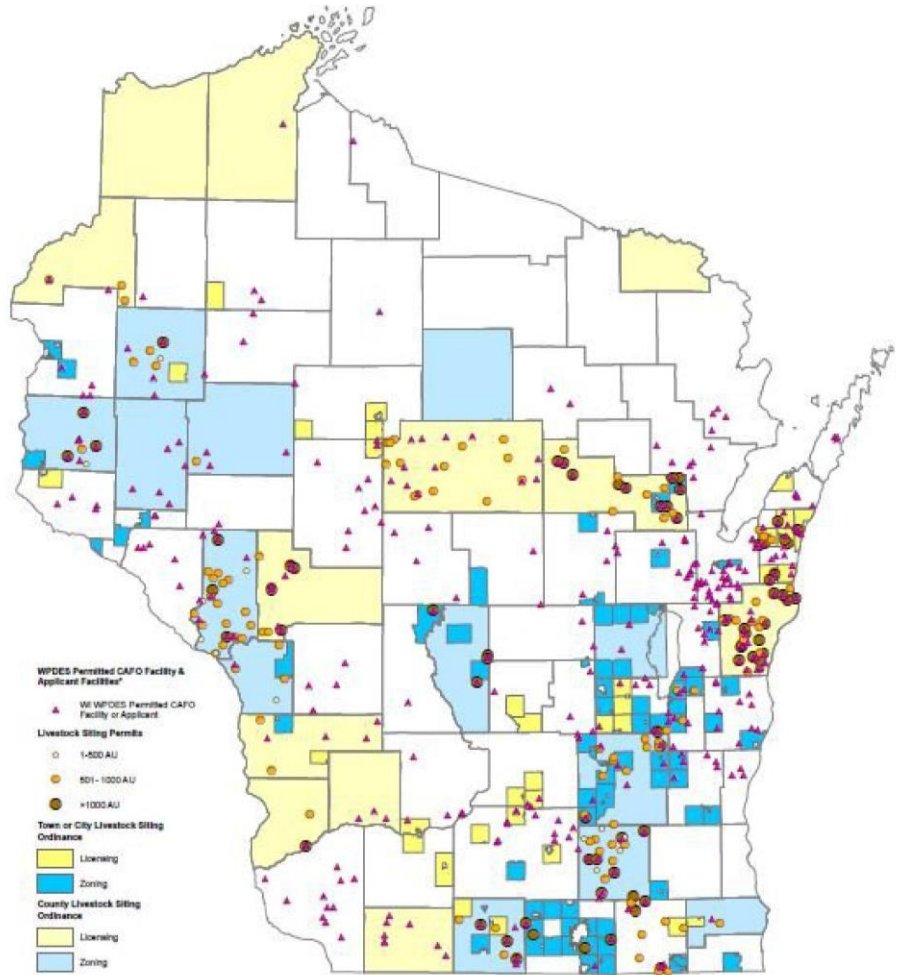
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Wisconsin Livestock Facility Siting Program and
Wisconsin WPDES Permitted Concentrated Animal
Feeding Operations and Permit Applicants



In 2016, Walworth County amended its zoning ordinance to withdraw the requirement for issuance of a conditional use permit (CUP) for new or expanding livestock facilities over 500 animal units.
*This layer includes WPDES permitted CAFO facilities and permit applicants.

This map shows the approximate boundaries and status of 1) permitting authorities that have adopted livestock facility siting 2) generalized locations of approved livestock facility siting permits and 3) WPDES permitted Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and applicants in Wisconsin. It is intended for general reference, rather than site-specific uses. CAFO permit data was obtained from the Department Natural Resources (DNR) and was last updated in October of 2019. Livestock facility siting permitting authority and permit data was compiled by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and is updated for November of 2019. This dataset is not an authoritative source of information about legal land ownership, parcel boundaries, or public access. DATCP does not guarantee the accuracy, applicability for a particular use, completeness, or legality of data provided by other sources. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made regarding the accuracy or utility of this data.



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CAFO TARGET AREA

THE SIX NORTHWOODS COUNTIES

PRICE

ONEIDA

VILAS

FLORENCE

FOREST

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