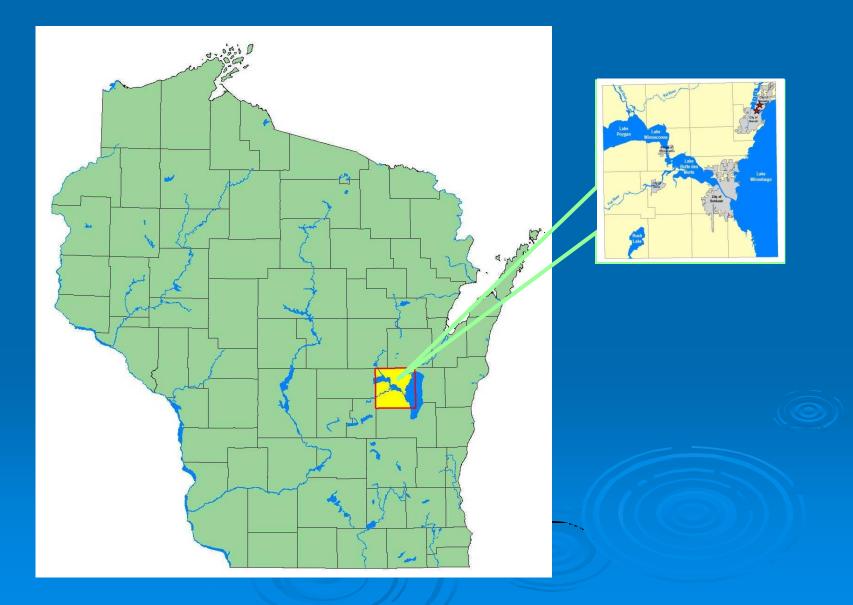
# Winnebago County Natural Shoreline/ Conservation EXPO

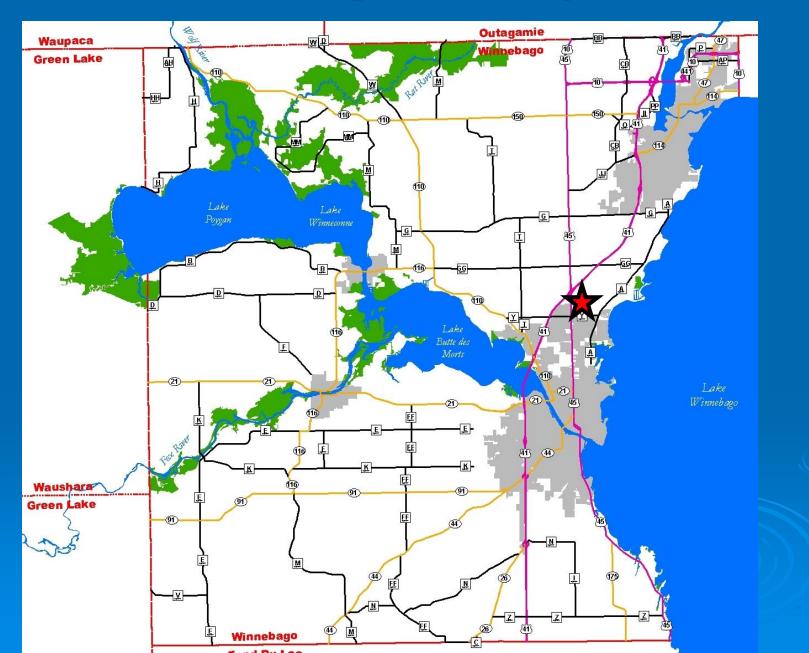


Keith Marquardt Winnebago County Land & Water Conservation Dept. Wisconsin Association Lakes conf. 04/01/10 (April Fools)





# Winnebago County



# The Winnebago System

>165,174 acres of water

>17% State's surface water



### The Winnebago System \$155 million fishery

#### Winnebago County is Unique

- ▶ 78 species of fish
  - Sturgeon
  - Walleye
  - White Bass
  - More.....
- Significant Water Resource
  - 17% of State's total inland surface water





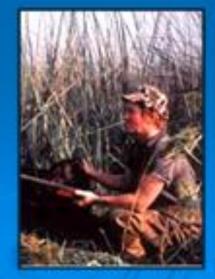


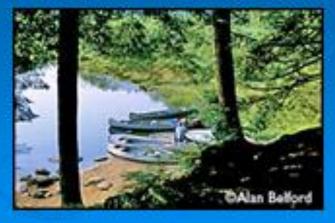


# SHORELAND VALUES

Ecological: water quality, habitat
 Social/Cultural: aesthetic, pleasure, recreation (fishing, swimming
 Economic: revenue from hu tourism























# Number 1 pollutant

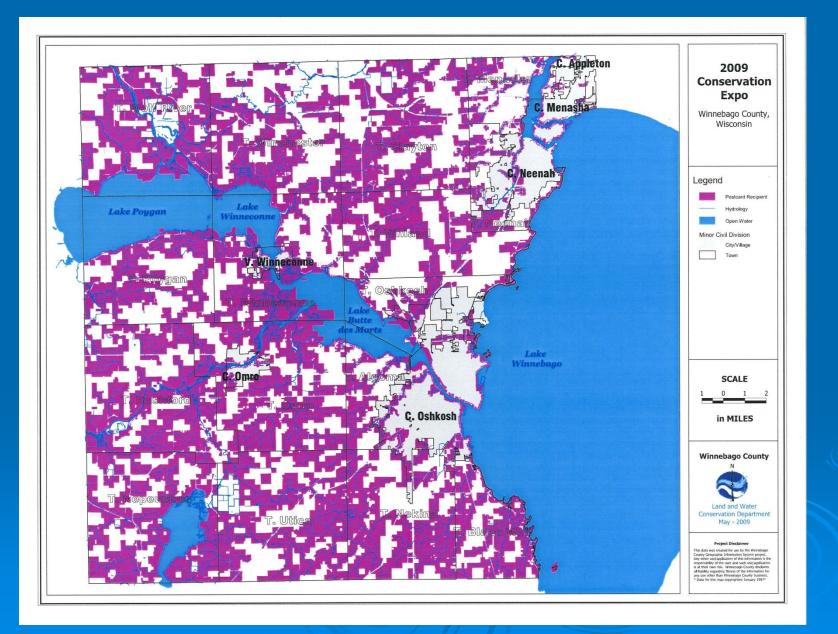


# > 2007 Natural Shoreline Expo > 2008 Natural Shoreline Expo > 2009 Conservation Expo





# Winnebago County





# "Land activities affect water quality"

Winnebago County Natural Shoreline/ Conservation EXPO

# **Target Audience:**

# "Everyone has shoreline property"



### Improve Water Quality (& Ecological Habitat)

Buffer entire pool system - corridor Quality of life Environment = Economy

Objectives of EXPO:
>I&E/awareness
> Supply/provide how-to info, lists, & resources
> Install conservation

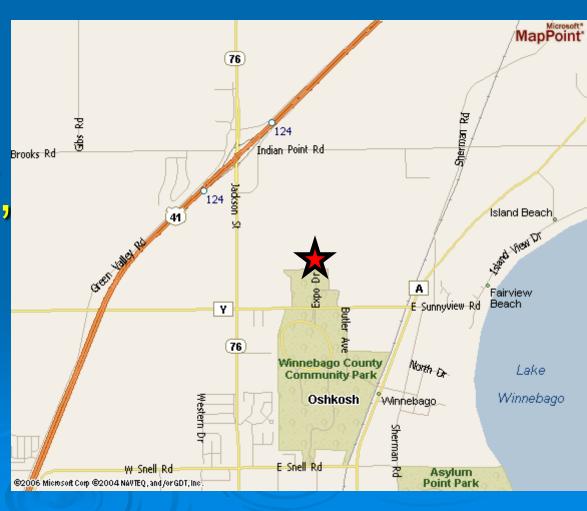


### Planning the Expo



### Winnebago County EXPO Location

Parks Dept. Expo Grounds County Road Y, Oshkosh, WI



# Winnebago County EXPO The Facility

- Costs Donation (\$free) Winn Co Parks Dept
- Insurance
- Ample parking, space, comfortable, inside
- Execute contract w/Parks Dept.





Winnebago County EXPO Selection of the Date

# End of May

-After Memorial Day (at home, warm)
-Nurseries have plant plugs available
-Expo building available



# Invites

 Exhibitors: vendors, agencies, organizations, nurseries, speakers (save the date, registration)

2. Attendees = general public

# Advertising

- Postcards direct mail to parcels within 400ft
- Press releases
- Websites
- Community calendars
- TV and radio
- NEWSC s.w. communities



# Direct Mail – Postcards Mailing and the U.S. Postal Service

- Design
- Printer
- Generate mail list
- Mail service
- Complaints

WINNEBAGO LAKES COUNCIL PO Box 100 WINNEBAGO WI 54985 NONPROF ORG US POSTAGE PAID OSHKOSH WI PERMIT NO 90



#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

South Hall Expo (9-3pm): View displays, learn about products, and meet with experts, vendors, and agency representatives.

#### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

<u>2,</u>	UWO Biology Professor, Aquatic Studies Lab. Discussion
	on invasive species in the lake system.

<u>11am: Rob McLennan</u>, WDNR Water Resources Supervisor. Treatment of aquatic vegetation at your shoreland site.

Shoreland homeowner. Simple steps in building habitat.



Winnebago County Land & Water Conservation Dept. Phone 920/232-1950 or Neenah 920/727-8642

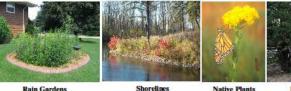
#### http://wclwcd.org/expo2009/

Sponsors:





#### WINNEBAGO COUNTY 2009 CONSERVATION EXPO





**Rain Gardens** 

Native Plants

Rain Barrels (Photo courtesy of Fox River Academy)

#### SAVE THE DATE **3rd ANNUAL Conservation EXPO** Saturday, May 30, 2009

#### ATTENTION: HOMEOWNERS and LANDOWNERS

EXHIBITORS, DISPLAYS, and PRODUCTS:					
Tree Planting Supplies	Well Sampling Kits	Well Abandonment	Prairie Seed		
Rain Gardens	Rain Barrels	Native Plants	Wetlands		
Wildlife Habitat	Shoreland Protection	Shoreland Restoration	Invasive Species		
Forestry Topics	Wetlands	Water Quality Landscaping	Backyard Birding		
Conservation Clubs	Wildlife Organizations	Bird Organizations	Sportsmen/Sportswomen Clubs		
Yard Care	Phosphorus free Fertilizer	Composting	Aquatic Plants		

#### **EXPO ACTIVITIES include:**

- LEARN HOW TO BUILD YOUR OWN RAIN BARREL
- VISIT THE PHEASANTS FOREVER "HABITAT HELP DESK" AND HAVE THE EXPERTS DEVELOP A HABITAT PLAN (WITH AN AERIAL PHOTO) FOR YOUR PROPERTY
- PURCHASE TREE PLANTING SUPPLIES
- Presentation on Rain Garden Design and Construction
- NATIVE PLANT SALE .
- Soil Test Kits, Rain Barrel Supplies, Well Test Kits

Advertising

TV

YouTube

Radio

# Winnebago County EXPO Advertising • NEWSC stormwater communities





Front

#### Winnebago County Expo

#### 2007 postcard to 8,000 landowners



- Build habitat for wildlife (birds & butterflies included!).
- Learn to manage plants in the water.
- Receive do-it-yourself planting tips.
- Meet and speak with plant experts.
- Preview SWIGBee: a new plant selection program.

- Locate sources of phosphorus-free tertilizer.
- View exhibitors' goods on display.
- Identity plants that can harm your wildlife.
- Discover financial assistance for shoreline restoration (restrictions apply).

For more information call: 920-232-1950 or 920-727-8542

# Winnebago County EXPO 2007 Natural Shoreline Expo

- Intern
- 8,000 postcards
- Shoreline buffer (easy, economical, effective)
   Purity (contractors, native plants)
- \$ partners
- \$1,100 budget
- WDNR permit interest
- 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.





May 31, 2008 SUNNYVIEW EXPO CENTER & FAIRGROUNDS

Winnebago County EXPO 2008 Natural Shoreline Expo - No intern - 12,000 postcards - Shoreline buffer - Rain gardens - \$ partners - no - \$2,000 budget - 9 am – 3 pm



MAY 31, 2008 SUNNYVIEW EXPO CENTER & FAIRGROUNDS

UW – Oshkosh 2008 postcard contest



Presented by the Winnebago County Land & Water Conservation Department

Annual Shareling Improvements Event Sponsored by: The Winnebago Lakos Council Winnebago Audubon Fox Valley Wild Ones

June 2, 2007 Sunnyview Expo Center & Fairgrounds 500 E County Road Y, Oshkosh, Wiscansin

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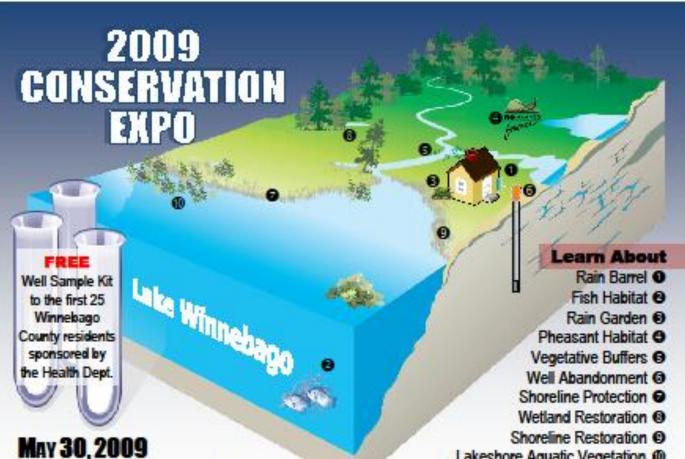
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SUNNYVIEW EXPO CENTER & FAIRGROUNDS

Lakeshore Aquatic Vegetation @ (Financial assistance may be available)

- **2009 Conservation Expo**
- Name change
- No intern
- 14,000 postcards
- No partners \$
- WDNR grant\$3,000 budget



### Winnebago County EXPO 2009 Conservation Expo

## PF Habitat Help Desk

at the 2009 CONSERVATION LAPO Saturday, May 30, 2009 Winnebago County Fairgrounds 500 East County Road Y Oshkosh, WI 54901



Winnebago County EXPO Setup Thursday Friday – exhibitor setup is free 30- 35 exhibitors



# **EXPO**

1 day, Saturday, 9am to ? 30-35 exhibitors, free Speakers (6) **Door prizes** Food/refreshments – Boy Scouts Free parking and admission



# **INFORMATION** offered

- Shoreline protection/shoreland restoration
- How to compost
- Water quality
- Invasives
- Organizations to join/involved
- Yard care
- Native plants
- Etc.



# **Conservation practices offered**

- Shoreline protection
- Shoreland restoration buffer 10 yr O&M
- Rain gardens
- Rain barrels
- Yard Care
  - compost/bins
  - No P fertilizer
- Habitat (city too)
- Well abandonment
- Prairie Establishment
- Wetland restoration

















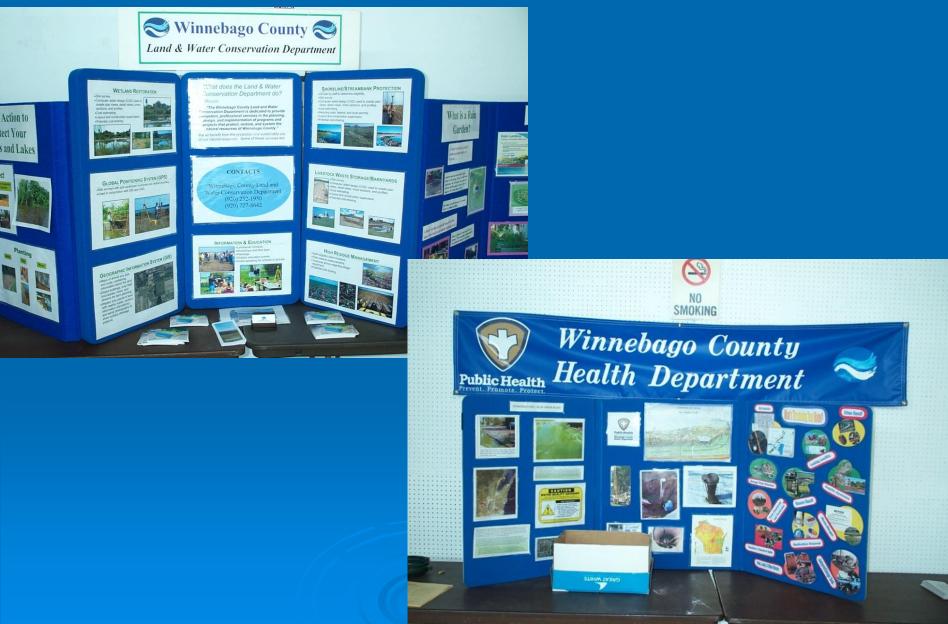
#### **The Vendors**



## Winnebago County EXPO The Vendors – info, lists, directions on how-to-build, or purchase











- The Speakers 2007/2008
- Mike Lizotte, UW-O invasive species in pool lake system
- Chuck Fitzgibbons, WDNR, aquatic invasives
- Jim Ryf, shoreland owner
- Dan Dieck, Backyard Organics, organic yard care
- John Gishnock III, formecology, design/install rain gardens
- William Mueller, Cons Chair WI Society of Ornithology

## Winnebago County EXPO Speakers



#### **Shoreland Owner**

## Winnebago County EXPO peakers

## 2009

- Jennifer Baker, Prairie Nursery, Benefits of Native Plants
- Dan Rudebeck, Lake Poygan Sportsmen's Club
- Lisa Reas, LJ Reas Env, How to create Rain Gardens
- Jon Huser, Marshland Nursery, Shoreline Restoration
- Lene D'Hondt, Fox River Academy, Demo Rain Barrel
- Robert Hernke, WPS, "Saving \$ & Energy"

Winnebago County EXPO Media Coverage of EXPO

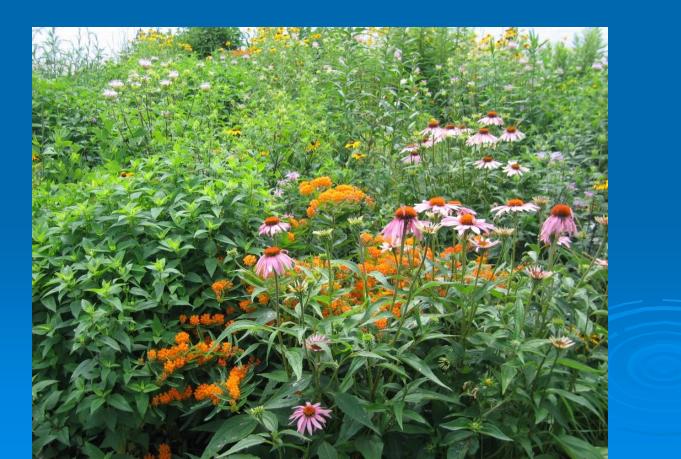
<u>Newspapers</u>:

The Country Today AgriView

<u>Radio:</u> WISS AM1100

<u>TV:</u> "It's Your Environment"

# **RESULTS**?



# Vendor – Door Prizes







Winnebago County EXPO Number of Attendees

>2007 Natural Shoreline Expo - 250
 >2008 Natural Shoreline Expo - 200
 >2009 Conservation Expo -150



Winnebago County EXPO Survey of Attendees

- >2009 Conservation Expo -150
  - 47 Oshkosh
  - 15 Neenah
  - 10 Appleton
  - 7 Winneconne
  - 6 Menasha



## Winnebago County EXPO Attendees

- > 2009 Conservation Expo -150
- > How did they hear about the EXPO?
  - 62 from direct mailing postcard
  - 20 friend/neighbor/family member
  - 8 internet
  - 5-7 newspaper
  - 4 radio
  - 2-3 TV
  - 8 other/unknown



# Winnebago County EXPO Budgets > <u>2007</u> - \$2,000 or \$1,100 = \$8/person

## >2008 - \$2,000 = \$10/person

<u>2009</u> Cons Expo - \$3,000 (WDNR grant) = \$20/person (Winn Co \$600)

Winnebago County EXPO **Ave. Budget Breakdown** 2009 (14,000 postcards mailed) mail list service \$665 US Postal \$1,300+ printing \$600 supplies/copies/misc \$150 - green haired guy \$275 - building \$1400/day - staff 260 hours

Winnebago County EXPO **Staff Time Breakdown** 2009 (14,000 postcards mailed) Coordinator ~ 90-100 hours **GIS Manager** – 90 hours - design postcard - coordinate printer - prepare mailing list/service/postal requirements - "techy", av equip w/speakers **Secretary** 

# 2009 Number of Projects Shoreland Evaluation 10 - 15 Rain Garden Evaluation 5 - 6



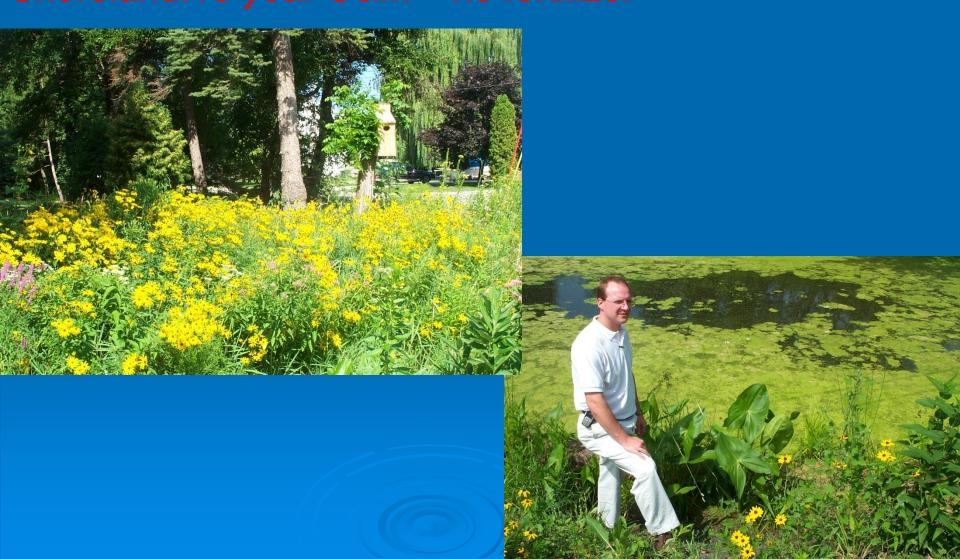
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## Winnebago County EXPO The Projects Shoreland:10 year O&M – no fertilizer



## The Projects

- Shoreland:10 year O&M Agreement– no fertilizer Justification: 5 – 10 lots = 500lbs algae
- Summer Tour



### Winnebago County EXPO The Projects RAIN GARDENS





#### Winnebago County EXPO The Projects RAIN GARDENS





Winnebago County EXPO **THOUGHTS/Comments:** Excellent exhibitors, great mix > Smooth, efficient setup etc. >Achieved additional media outlets > Low attendance (poor economy, exhausted 3yr in a row, earlier date, road construction, new residents)



# Winnebago County EXPO Considerations for the EXPO:

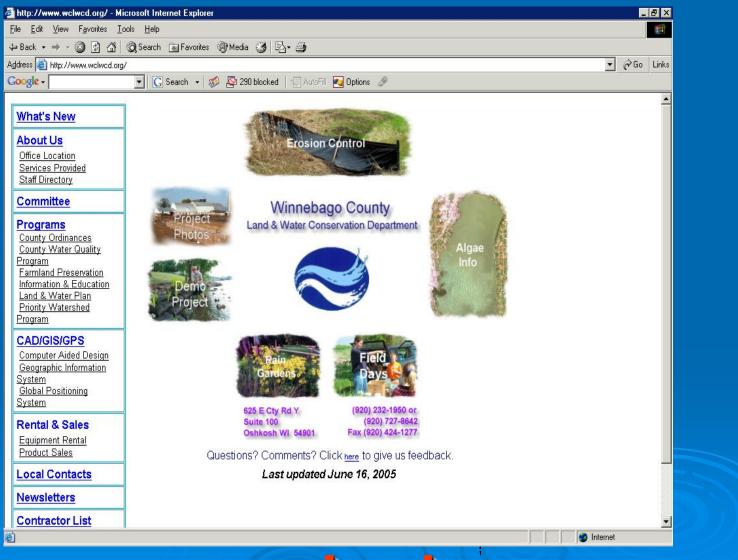
- Contractor training (4hr class, exhibits pm)
   Awards dinner
- ≻CFDs
- Charging exhibitors



## What's Next for the Expo?

## March 31, 2012

## Check us out on the Internet



www.wclwcd.org



# Thank you!!



# "It is Finished"

