

# Wisconsin Lake Leaders Institute

*Our ability to be skillful leaders is fundamentally linked to the future of our lakes.*

*Hone your skills and work with fascinating folks that share your concern for the future of our water resources.*



## Join Us

The future of Wisconsin lakes is in our hands. Please consider joining us or nominating a friend for the next *Lake Leaders Institute*.



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*Wisconsin Lakes Partnership*

## A Legacy of Lakes

Wisconsin's 15,081 lakes are a unique and treasured legacy. With so many lakes and so few people in service to protect them, it has become clear that no state agency or unit of government can provide the management attention that each deserves. So how can we get this done? It can only happen in our communities. Local lake residents and lake lovers have a long tradition of stepping up when challenges arise and volunteering their talents to ensure stewardship of our lakes.

*Enhancing Wisconsin's lake resources through education, leadership and citizen action.*

## The Program

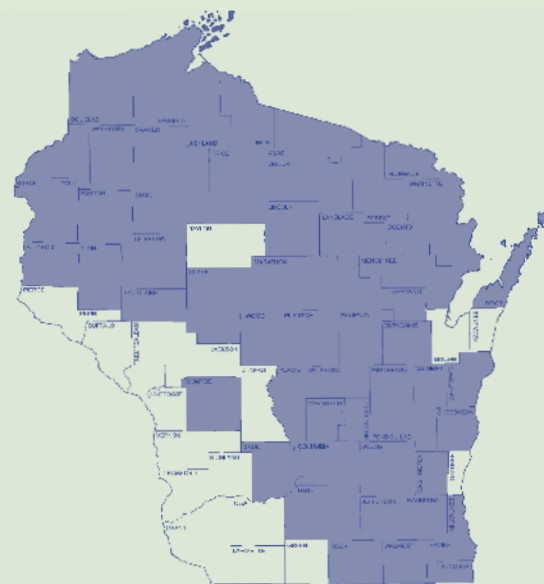
The *Lake Leaders Institute* assists citizens in developing and enhancing both their technical and people skills, to enrich their communities and the waters within them. Participants learn in an atmosphere of openness, trust, friendship and camaraderie.

There are three seminars, each lasting two days. They are typically held during May, September and October at retreat type centers around the state with the opportunity to take field trips, enjoy natural beauty, exchange ideas, and develop friendships.

**Seminar I** Society and Environment: Philosophy and Ethics of Lake Management

**Seminar II** Aquatic Ecology and Watershed Management: Impact of Development on Lakes

**Seminar III** Organizations, People, Politics



### Lake Leaders by County

This map shows the home counties of over 300 *Lake Leaders Institute* graduates. These individuals have made personal commitments to engage others in their community to assure our water resources are preserved for future generations.

## Your Investment

Your main investment will be your continued commitment to Wisconsin's lakes. Graduates have taken their new skills and personal connections back to their communities and are helping to preserve and protect Wisconsin waters. Graduates have been elected to town boards, county lake associations, the Wisconsin Association of Lakes' board, and teams developing state water policy.

Cost of the program is approximately \$350, which covers lodging, meals, field trips, boats, equipment and materials for the three seminars. Some participants are able to secure financial support from a local lake organization or other sponsorship.



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