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## **Ballweg Leads Investments in Wisconsin's Natural Resources**

Madison... The Joint Committee on Finance (JFC) voted to include broad investments in agriculture and natural resources relating to stewardship and water quality. This effort was led by Senator Joan Ballweg (R-Markesan).

Investments include a four year reauthorization of the Warren Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program.

"The stewardship program has supported important projects in the 14<sup>th</sup> Senate District such as the Camp Grow project in Green Lake. Preserving our beautiful natural resources is important to keeping Wisconsin a leader in outdoor tourism and recreation," said Ballweg.

Additionally, JFC voted to approve an additional \$500,000 for Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grants and \$4.4 million for County Conservation Staffing Grants.

"Both of these programs are important for our agriculture communities. The producer-led watershed program is successful because it is farmers helping farmers. It allows them share best practices and stories, and from there, county conservation staff set our farmers up for success by providing expertise on how to implement those best practices."

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