

Planning and Development

The Department of Planning and Development provides internal technical and professional services to all Eau Claire County operations, as well as externally to state and federal agencies; local governmental partners, the development community; and county landowners, residents, and visitors. Additionally, Planning and Development balances the use and protection of natural resources with the economic growth of the county to enhance the quality of life for current and future generations. The seven programs of Planning and Development provide customer-focused services and are organized into the following program areas: Emergency Management, Land Conservation, Land Records, Land Use Controls, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Planning, and Solid Waste Management (Recycling and Sustainability).

2024 Accomplishments – Highlights

Emergency Management

- Revised the county’s continuity of operation plan
- Created a GIS dashboard to support EOC functions
- Worked with the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to finalize updates to the County’s Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Assisted the Emergency Management Services (EMS) Special Study Committee in preparing its final EMS levy resolution recommendation to the Committee on Administration
- Assisted the City of Augusta to recover almost \$30,000 of disaster funds from the impacts of May 21, 2024 tornado
- For the third straight year increased social media followers on Facebook, and X (Twitter)
- Completed all required training, exercises, and planned updates to ensure grant deliverables were met

Land Conservation

- Updated Title 17.05 and 17.06 the County’s Erosion Control and Storm Water Codes
- Continuing the partnership with GRAEF for professional engineering services related to stormwater permit reviews
- Reviewed and/or revised 81 conservation plans for compliance with Title 17.04 Ag. Performance Standards.
- Transitioned the County’s Wildlife Damage Program to the USDA APHIS program
- Completed the Ascent Stormwater Database
- Provided 22 public outreach or education presentations / workshops
- The sixth year of the no-till drill (planter) program where another 522 acres planted with the planter
- 39,414 acres enrolled in the Farmland Preservation Program
- 30,200 trees sold through the tree sale program

Land Records

Field Surveying

- Completed drafting legal descriptions for Chippewa Valley Regional Airport lease areas and forwarded to Corp Counsel for adding to the Buildings, Fixtures and Improvements (BFI) forms for recording
- Staff preserved PLSS monuments for all road maintenance projects within Eau Claire County and drafted tie sheets preserving said corners
- Reviewed 51 preliminary Certified Survey Maps (CSM’s) and two subdivision plats (Heritage Estates – Preliminary and Final, and Wild Turkey Ridge – Preliminary)

Real Property

- The Real Property Lister processed 2,246 land documents for entry into Ascent (Real Property) Database
- Yearly Assessment data conforms to current standards set by the State and a Statement of Assessment is provided to the State Department of Revenue with municipal assessors and clerk approval
- Provide current parcel information to the public through the County website by supplying GIS staff with parcel split and ownership changes
- Process all prior year recorded documents pertinent to land records by January 31 and provide assessors with working roll for the upcoming year

Land Use Controls

- Collaborated with Corporation Counsel to implement a citation policy regarding repeat code offenders
- Work with the Towns of Clear Creek and Lincon to establish seamless permitting processes
- The estimated value of issued land use permits was \$68 million dollars
- Issued 348 land use permits (352=2023)
- Issued 83 Uniform Dwelling Code permits for new single-family residences, up 8 permits from 2023
- Reviewed and approved 126 new lots, up 52 lots from 2023
- Processed 40 complaints, up 1 from 2023
- Staff attended three Town Association meetings

Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

- Updated ATV routes as a result of county board action opening county roads to ATV traffic
- Integrated new Well Head Protection District into GIS attributing affected parcels
- Updated and adopted the 2025-27 County Land Information Plan
- Updated NG911 Address Point and Centerline GIS data to conform with the new NENA standard.
- Completed Download Parcel Map app for Hub site allowing anyone to download and print Section or Quarter Section parcel maps unassisted by GIS staff
- Implementation of WI Act 235 Judicial Privacy, effective April 1, 2025, and determine the workflow for shielding data.

Planning

Comprehensive Planning

- Worked with County's Farmland Preservation Plan workgroup to review and update the plans content and policies
- Assisted Town of Union in reviewing future land use options in vicinity of the I-94 and WI 312 (North Crossing) interchange

Current Planning

- Prepared and presented 22 staff reports for rezone requests in 2024, up 12 from 2023
- Completed the Town of Drammen's Comprehensive Plan update
- Assisted various departments with their planning projects

Solid Waste Management (Recycling)

- Submitted a grant application for the EPA SWIFR program for a 3-year project focused on recycling infrastructure

- Working with the Eau Claire School District to close out the final Schools Fight Food Waste audits
- In 2024, 812,000 lbs. of various electronics were collected by First Choice which is a Zero Landfill company. (2023 = collected 690,000 pounds)
- 831 households participated in the three Clean Sweep events
- Collected 59,882 lbs. of hazardous materials between the Clean Sweep events in 2024 compared to 47,429 lbs. in 2023
- Hosted 2nd Earth Week Open House at The Brewing Projekt in collaboration with JONAH and Beaver Creek Reserve. Estimated over 500 attendees and 40 vendors
- Completed an internal audit on the recycling program

Alignment with the County’s Strategic Plan

The Planning and Development Department has 6 programs that align with 28 of the 73 key initiatives as outlined in the County’s 22’-24’ Strategic Plan. Below are three highlights from those key initiatives.

1. STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ROBUST INFRASTRUCTURE

Strategic Initiative: Extend broadband internet service to areas identified as being underserved or unserved

Key Initiative(s):

- Support broadband committee with an emphasis on rural population (underserved and unserved).
- Reallocate unused broadband matching funds to aid in broadband development in rural areas with low population densities.

Status: Green – Complete – The Broadband Committee completed its mission in 2024 and was recognized for their service at the February County Board meeting.

Key performance indicators: Per Wisconsin Public Service Commission, of the approximate 37,000 broadband serviceable locations in the county, only 297 BSLs remain underserved or unserved. This means that highspeed broadband infrastructure covers 99.2 % of the county. This gap may close further if Charter is awarded BEAD funding to cover project units with BSL’s still needing coverage.

2. STRATEGIC PRIORITY: QUALITY AND MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Strategic Initiative: Promote and increase environmental stewardship and sustainability in the County

Key Initiative: Continue collaboration with community partners to reduce waste and increase recycling

Status: Green – The USDA Grant will be closed out this spring.

Key performance indicators: Final year of implementing the USDA Composting grant: Working on a food waste audit with several ECASD elementary schools, partnering with Earthbound Environmental to strengthen their composting program, and collaborating with the City of Altoona/Earthbound Environmental on a yard waste pilot program.

3. STRATEGIC PRIORITY B: QUALITY AND MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Strategic Initiative: Identify opportunities to strengthen partnerships and collaboration

Key Initiative: Develop a community collaboration council to strengthen internal and external partnerships and to leverage and extend county goals. (Towns)

Status: Green

Key performance indicators:

- Routine attendance at the Eau Claire County Town Association Unit Meetings providing important updates from Planning and Development,
- Attending town board meetings when requested,
- Providing staff analysis at the Town of Washington’s Town Board meeting on rezoning petitions and conditional use permits,
- Staying current on town related matters.

The following colors to signify their status:

- Green = Action item complete / on-track to complete / making expected progress
- Amber = Action item progress is paused / slower than expected / waiting
- Red = Action item progress is not being made / off-track / not expected to be complete

2025 Future Opportunities

Planning and Development serves as one of the frontline teams to foster and guide growth through a variety of means and/or efforts. The current economic activity remains steady within Eau Claire County and first quarters numbers suggest a slight increase in development activity over 2024. The department continues to monitor economic development confidence locally and nationally to identify any trends that may suggest a shift in confidence and/or in land use activities. Housing affordability and availability continues to be a concern across the Chippewa Valley.

In 2025, Planning and Development teams will be updating the Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation ordinance and finalizing the final changes to the County’s Farmland Preservation Plan. Staff intends to have the final plan approved by the Department of Agricultural Trade and Consumer Protection Agency (DATCP) by December of this year. The farmland preservation plan establishes trends and resources related to agriculture, policies and goals related to farmland protection and identifies lands that will remain in agricultural use.

Another opportunity for 2025 will be to assist the Town of Bridge Creek with their decision whether to adopt county zoning after the town updated its comprehensive plan in 2024.

Innovate and Adapt

- Discovery how Artificial Intelligence (AI) can enhance efficiencies in Planning and Development to support improving data analysis, internal and external communications, overall system operations – including more timely responses, streamline permitting applications, and improving the accuracy of spatial data in GIS applications
- Continue to foster emergency management partnerships and collaborations with the whole community
- Continue the conversion and updating of GIS data to the NG911 Wisconsin standard data format
- Educate the County Board on the department’s oversight programs, including but not limited to emergency management, conserving natural resources, development workflow process, remonumentation program, comprehensive planning. Negative sentiment towards and public opposition of development is a significant and growing issue that impacts on the ability of property owners and developers to provide desired and needed housing in the community consistent with town and county comprehensive plans and land use regulations.
- Continue cross training across all Planning and Development programs to improve overall efficiencies, so it does not delay completion of the important processes/projects. This effort supports long-term secession planning as well

- Promote staff development by allowing staff to attend training and education. This will grow and offer excellent customer service
- Increase focus on social media as part of public education programs and a means to disseminate information to the public accurately and efficiently
- Participate in the county's website update and maintain accurate and current content for its web pages

Improve Collaboration

- Collaborated with IS and all the department staff to prepare for the county's new website design and platform
- Through outreach efforts connect with community partners to support them and provide education on the department's functions and services
- Continue to participate with the Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition to advocate for climate change focused policies at the PSC
- Continue partnering with First Choice Computer Recycling to offer free year-round electronics and battery recycling to county residents
- Participate in the West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRCP) Chippewa Falls – Eau Claire Sewer Service Area Plan update. This process will identify the future wastewater needs in these communities, identify areas suitable for development, and help protect environmentally sensitive areas where development could have an adverse impact upon water quality.
- Continue partnering with the Health Department on the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) program.
- Collaborate with the Groundwater Advisory Committee to identify its strategic objectives and priority projects
- Identify ways to increase public awareness of groundwater protection and why it's important
- Land Conservation staff partners with the Lake Districts volunteers to use the drone to collect and analyze data from their dredging projects
- Update design and function of recycling & sustainability webpages
- Continue to provide emergency management training and assistance to whole community
- Maintain County's Continuity of Operations/Continuity of Government (COOP/COG) plan to ensure they are current and represent current practices and contacts are up to date.
- Provide continual coordination, collaboration, and support for town partners regarding planning, land conservation, and zoning activities
- Land Conservation will continue to implement the Eau Claire River Watershed Management Plan. This multi-agency and partners, multi-county collaborative effort takes a more comprehensive and proactive approach to improve water quality and enhance overall environmental health of this significant water resource for residents and visitors of Eau Claire County
- Expand recycling education to the school systems in Eau Claire County and increase recycling audits for multi-family units in the County
- Improve communication with area legislators as changes in state law can create inconsistencies with local regulations
- Develop additional public/private partnerships (medical, faith based, media, vendors) for emergency management efforts

Financial Stability

- Through active participation with the County's Economic Development Committee, identify key economic strategies for the rural Eau Claire County that focuses agricultural interests, residential and commercial, recreational tourism, and other areas that impact economic activity
- Where possible, continue to evaluate county policies and ordinances that may impact housing supply in the county's rural areas, such as neighborhood resistance to new developments and rising home prices put pressure on affordability

- Seek grant funding opportunities for sustainability projects, such Energy Innovation Grant Program through the Wisconsin Public Service Commission that helps internal services fund cost saving and critical infrastructure for county operations
- Continue to upgrade the department's vehicles to electric or hybrid where it makes fiscal sense and conforms with the county's sustainability goals
- Evaluate department operating procedures to identify areas to improve efficiency and to save costs.
- Continue to leverage grant dollars to support P&D programs area and staff
- Continue to implement the Nine-Key Element Plan of the Eau Claire River Watershed to address water quality and quantitative issues of the Eau Claire River. Identify other funding sources to support this watershed initiative to proactively address causes of water quality degradation in Eau Claire County.
- Complete the 10-year update to County Farmland Preservation Plan
- Through education and community outreach continue to promote increased participation in the Farmland Preservation Program and the Golden Triangle Ag Enterprise Area
- Continue to evaluate the department's performance management metrics to ensure our outcomes align with the County Board strategic goals and replace outdated metrics where necessary

Performance Management

Emergency Management				
Emergency Management Planning provides planning, training, and exercise to clarify disaster response roles and issues relating to all community threats in preparation for development of response plans and agency protocols. With emergency service departments and community organizations, identify roles, resources, and management needs that exceed local capabilities during disaster response in order to locate disaster assistance through regional, state, and federal agencies.				
OUTPUTS	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Number of media events to provide information on disaster preparedness	28	26	23	16
Number of Emergency Operation Plans updated during the year (13 ANNEXES)	15	15	15	15
Number of Emergency Off Site Plans updated per year	10	10	10	10
Number of emergency response exercises that are supported during the year	3	6	6	5
Number of Hazard Mitigation Plan funding grant requests (updated every 5 years)	N/A	N/A	1	N/A
Number of HazMat Team spill responses	0	0	0	0
Plan for two tabletop, drill or exercises per year	2	6	4	5
OUTCOMES	2021	2022	2023	2024
Complete media campaigns annually as listed below - Tornado Awareness Campaign - EPCRA Outreach Campaign - Additional Outreach Campaigns - Provide a minimum of two speaking engagements annually to improve public awareness with an evaluation tool before and after to measure change in hazard mitigation awareness.	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met
Update 50% of County Departments COOP and COG plans each year (100 % in each two year cycle). Plan to revamp COOP/COG in 2022/23 due to lessons learned in 2020 with COVID-19.	No Update	Plan revision in progress	Plan complete	Plan reviewed
Assist with Local, State, Federal disasters	1 (COVID-19)	2 (winter storms)	0	1 (tornado)
Support continuation of the hazardous materials spill response team contract to remain prepared for chemical spill incidents	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met
Complete State and Federal grant programs to receive full eligible grant amount	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met	Grant requirements met
Complete grant application for consulting work on the county hazard mitigation plan	N/A	N/A	Grant proposal approved	N/A

Other Outcomes					
Work with three new external partners	2021:	NOAA leadership, International Association of Emergency Managers, FEMA-Emergency Management Institute			
	2022:	Badger State Boys, WEM P3 Conference, WEMA Board of Directors			
	2023:	SIMCOM, ECASD Family Assistance Center Training			
	2024:	Chip. Co PH, ESRI, St. Mark's Lutheran School (Emergency Event)			
Develop Public-Private Partnerships	2021:	Disaster Ready Chippewa Valley workshop Dec. 2021			
	2022:	DRCV Workshop June 14, WEM P3 Conference (Oct)			
	2023:	DRCV Workshops June 13, Nov 8			
	2024:	DRCV Workshops May 31, Dec. 11			
Increase Social Media Followers	Facebook	> 4,400	> 4,500	> 5,400	> 5,700
	Twitter	> 1,300	> 1,300	1,356	1,412
	Rave	2,257	2,400	2,732	2,732
	Instagram	400		509	509
Work with 6 different internal departments	2021:	Health, Sheriff's Office, P&D, Highway, Human Services, Administration			
	2022:	Health, Sheriff's Office, Admin, P&D, Highway, DHS			
	2023:	Health, Facilities, Highway, P&D, Sheriff, IS, DHS			
	2024:	IS, Health, Highway, Human Services, Facilities, SO			

Land and Water Conservation

The Eau Claire County Land and Water Resource Management (LWRM) Plan outlines programming for the Land Conservation Division (LCD) to protect and conserve the County's natural resources, reduce nutrient and sediment inputs into our waters, maintain productive agricultural lands, and preserve special habitats on the landscape. Activities encompass several subprograms including; Erosion Control & Storm Water planning/permitting, Lake Rehabilitation, Groundwater Protection, Cost-Share to landowners, State Ag & Urban Non-Point Pollution Standards administration, Animal Waste Ordinance administration, Nutrient Management Planning, Farmland Preservation compliance, Wildlife Damage Program, Conservation Tree Sales, Land Stewardship, and other outreach activities. Many of these programs are mandated under the authority of Wisconsin Statute 92 as directed by the Land Conservation Commission.

OUTPUTS		<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Number of acres planned for Nutrient Management		25,520	16,291	25,702	26,709
Number of acres planted with the No-Till Drill		1,022	353	420	522
Number of unused animal waste storage facilities properly closed		3	0	0	0
Number of engineered conservation Best Management Practices (BMPs) installed		6	37	5	17
Tons of soil (sediment) reduction achieved due to BMP installation		1,324	3,124	143	511.0
Number of erosion control & stormwater permits issued		23	36	33	32
Number of ordinance violations addressed		New measure for 2023		6	13
Number of Certified Survey Maps reviewed	47			51	
Number of acres enrolled in Farmland Preservation Program (FPP)		45,636	44,760	44,696	39,414
Number of acres enrolled in Agriculture Enterprise Area Program		7,583	7,618	7,618	7,618
FPP tax credit dollars made available to landowners via LCD review		\$361,215	\$353,330	\$465,300	\$412,618
Number of trees sold		30,700	26,025	29,450	30,200
Number of wildlife damage complaints addressed		3	8	11	7
<i>**Transitioned to USDA APHIS - Planning to have year end numbers.</i>					
OUTCOMES	Benchmark	2021	2022	2023	2024
Percent of Eau Claire County Cropland in compliance with nutrient management performance standard.	add'l 2% annually	23%	13%	23%	24%
At least 80% reduction in Total Suspended Solids (TSS) on construction sites as a result of Stormwater Permitting	80%	95.4%	87.7%	87.30%	95.3%
Provide public outreach or education presentations / workshops	5	17	24	14	22
Review/revise at least 50 conservation plans each year to evaluate whether or not farmers are in compliance with Title 17.04 Ag Performance Standards or have conservation needs	50	21	55	74	81

Survey/Land Records

A Dependent Resurvey of the United States Public Land Survey System (PLSS) that comprises Eau Claire County. The Public Land Survey System is the backbone that supports our real estate and property ownership framework. A major component includes the perpetual maintenance of 2,000 Eau Claire County corners, accessory survey monuments, together with all supporting documentation. An additional facet of the Land Records Division is to serve as the library of survey maps for the County. Filing and cataloging survey documents is an ongoing operation and preparing those survey documents for web research is a new, key component for this division.

OUTPUTS	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Number of PLSS Corners replaced by maintenance	12	62	26	31
Number of PLSS Corners with Survey-grade Latitude/Longitude values determined	0	56	26	13
Percentage of total County monuments perpetuated	3	6	4	1
Number of documents uploaded for web research	249	342	70	196

OUTCOMES	Benchmark	2021	2022	2023	2024
2,000 PLSS Corners will be perpetuated to standards of the United States Code, Title 43, Chapter 17; Wisconsin Statute 59.74 and the Wisconsin Administrative Code A-E 7. ~1,250 are complete	750	46	118	26	44
Each of the correctly perpetuated PLSS Corners will serve as the framework from which to construct the base parcel maps in the County's Geographic Information System (GIS) and for tracking of parcels for the Real Property Program.	750	46	56	26	13
Number of monuments visited, located, perpetuated and replaced (if needed) per year.	60	46	118	52	13
Upload all filed map documents to website; 5,550 total at start of project.	5,550 (3,300 complete) plus new receipts	249	198	70	196
2,000 documents/document folders will be available for web-researchers. -Number represents project area docs.	2000	36	144	0	Can Eliminate category from
All road projects provide notification to our office prior to the destruction of any monuments occurring during road work.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

***Monuments preserved during road construction are replaced in the Fall, following construction season.*

Real Property Listing

Coordinate and maintain up to date and accurate assessment information for 17 municipalities. Integrate and monitor all real estate and personal property data into the Land Records software systems for assessment and taxation purposes to ensure Eau Claire County maintains an open and accountable process with equity in taxation. Coordinate the assessment process - including those prescribed by the Department of Revenue - collaborating with state, county, municipal and private sectors.

OUTPUTS	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Number of municipality property rolls finalized during the year	17	17	NA	Eliminated Category
Number of municipality parcel data provided to Land Use Controls I	17	17	NA	Eliminated Category
Number of documents processed	1,720	2,275	2,030	2,246

OUTCOMES	Benchmark	2021	2022	2023	2024
Affected parties are notified (mail/email) when a mistake is found in their recorded document. Number reflects notifications sent.		15	8	1	59
All CSM's are processed to reflect new land configurations and acreages.		59	51	46	55
Parcel Splits, Combines, Plats and Annexations (from MENS table)		124	64	49	53

Other Outcomes

- Provide current parcel information to the public through the County website by supplying GIS staff with parcel split and ownership changes.
- Yearly Assessment data conforms to current standards set by the State and Statement of Assessment is provided to the State Department of Revenue with municipal assessors and clerk approval.
- Process all prior year recorded documents pertinent to land records by January 31 and provide assessors with working roll for upcoming year.
- Administrative Specialist trained to aid public, assessors or officials on subjects of Real Property issues, assessment and tax role preparation.

P&D - Code Administration - Land Use and Building

Land Use Code: The Land Use Controls division administers the county’s land use codes. The land use code implements policies and objectives based in the county comprehensive plan. The land use code applies to all land and water located outside the limits of incorporated cities and villages in towns that have adopted county zoning, which include 9 towns; additionally floodplain, shoreland, subdivision, and non-metallic mining apply to all 13 towns.

Building Code: The Land Use Controls division also administers and enforces the one and two family dwelling and commercial building codes. The purpose of the program is to promote the development of quality housing, public buildings and places of employment and to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and employees.

OUTPUTS		<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Land Use Code	Land use permits issued	369	341	351	348
	Conditional use permits processed	24	22	16	15
	Variance and Appeals processed	3	3	1	1
	Lots approved via Certified Survey Map or Plat	96	143	74	126
	Complaints received	52	42	39	40
	Text amendments processed	0	0	0	0
	Value of new construction in millions	\$67	\$73	\$70	\$68
Building Code	Residential UDC permits issued	345	334	379	435
	Residential UDC permits issued for new dwellings	97	84	75	83
	Commercial building permits issued	<i>State Authority</i>			
	Number of complaints received	3	2	2	1
	Value of new construction in millions (Residential/Commercial)	\$34	\$47	\$44	\$53

OUTCOMES	Benchmark	2021	2022	2023	2024
Develop a new zoning ordinance that will continue to enforce the policies, goals and objectives of the County's comprehensive plan, along with meeting the township needs of while providing improved services to the community by creating an user friendly code with charts and easy to understand text.	Adopt Code	90%	99%	100% -- County Board adopted the new code 7/18/23.	100%
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Organize and participate in the Town/County Annual Forum Meeting 2. Attend Town Association Meetings 3. Attend regular Town Board Meetings throughout the year. 		Annual	2 Town Association Meetings	1 Town Association Meeting 3 Town Board	3 Town Meetings

Uniform Dwelling Code and/or Commercial building permit applications will be reviewed within 10 working days of filing the application with the department.

Inspect all Uniform Dwelling Code and Commercial Building Permits within 2 working days following the request for inspection.

Land use permit applications will be reviewed for compliance with the County Code within 10 working days of filing the application with the department.

Investigate all complaints filed with the department within 5 working days.

All written compliance notices will be issued within 5 working days where staff concludes complaint to be in violation of code.

Geographic Information System (GIS)

The Geographic Information System (GIS) Division is responsible for the production and improvement of county base maps including: Tax Parcel, 911 Street Centerline & Addressing, Supervisory Districts, Zoning, and others. GIS technology helps Eau Claire County to streamline business practices while adhering to complex political and regulatory requirements. GIS mapping and analysis are critical components of Farmland Preservation, Comprehensive Planning, Ground Water Protection, Emergency Management, and Land Use and Zoning.

OUTPUTS	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Number of Parcel Splits, Combines, Plats and Annexations produced during year	123	128	119	108
Tax parcels were either newly created or had their boundary modified.	677	943	1,948	1,712
Number of Address Applications created or updated for 911	467	218	262	199
Eau Claire County Land Information Plan (Update every 3-years)	Plan update by the end of 2024.			

OUTCOMES	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Completed a Land Information Plan describing current status of county GIS and plans for 2016-2018. Received Strategic Initiative Grant and retained fees funding to further our GIS innovation and achieve goals of WLIP and public/county.				
The GIS Program's solutions will conform to Eau Claire County's Land Information Plan.				
GIS Web Page receives an average of 10,000 page views per month, providing users access to GIS information and application services online.				
Collaborated with the Land Records Division to make Survey Documents accessible to the public on the GIS website. In 2016 we uploaded, spatial referenced, and made searchable PLSS Timesheets, Map of Surveys, and Section Breakdown.				
The GIS Division used a WI DOA Strategic Initiatives Grant to convert our parcel data to ESRI's Parcel Fabric and the LGIM. The project improved workflow processes and will increase parcel geometric accuracy over time.				
New addresses assigned are accurate.				
100% of property address corrections are completed within 5 working days of notification of an addressing error.				
Twice a year, on or before January 15th and July 15, we will submit current boundaries of Municipalities, Wards, and Supervisory Districts to LTSB.				

Current and Long Range Planning

Protect, preserve, and promote the health, safety, and general welfare of county residents by providing high-quality, efficient, professional planning services. This is accomplished by proactively assisting residents, townships, and other community stakeholders in the development of long-range plans and through the implementation, amendment, interpretation, and administration of existing plans and ordinances. Examples of long-range planning activities include development of comprehensive plans, the outdoor recreation plan, and the farmland preservation plan.

OUTPUTS		<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Current Planning	Number of staff reports prepared	22	21	10	22
Long Range Planning	Eau Claire County Farmland Preservation Plan (updated every 5 years)	Dec-24	Dec-24	24-Dec	25-Dec
	Eau Claire County Outdoor Recreation Plan (updated every 5 years) Other plans and reports on various issues as directed (ex: Bicycle-pedestrian plan, Outdoor Recreation Plan, Climate Action Plan)	Working on Outdoor Recreational Plan	Community Climate Action & Resilience Plan (CARP)	Farmland Preservation Plan; Town of Drammen Comp Plan	Farmland Preservation Plan; Town of Drammen Comp Plan

OUTCOMES					
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Ensure that 100% of long range plans are consistent with statutory requirements and completed in the appropriate timeframes.

Eau Claire County Comprehensive Plan (updated every 10 years; includes amendments and updates)

Complete 100% of other plans and reports on long-range issues within a timeframe that does not exceed 1½ times the projected timeframe.

Complete 100% of annual reports documenting consistency of development with the county’s Comprehensive Plan and Farmland Preservation Plan, and the status of conditions that are intended to be protected, maintained or improved.

All calls and emails answered within a timeframe of no more than 1 day (24 hours)

Attend at least 1 Towns Association Meeting

Participate in and provide technical assistance to at least one local jurisdiction each year on a project or plan amendment of mutual interest or jurisdiction (i.e. regional bike/pedestrian plan; comprehensive plan update, subarea plan, etc)

The Senior Planner has assisted the following Towns with updates to their Comp Plans: Lincoln, Otter Creek, Seymour, Washington, Union, and Pleasant Valley. Currently assisting the Town of Drammen to update Chapter 5 of their plan.

Recycling

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES: Work in collaboration with solid waste haulers and private and public community organizations to provide residents with high-quality, efficient solid waste disposal and recycling services as well as provide education and information on ways to reduce, reuse and recycle waste and hazardous materials with the objective of diverting reusable and recyclable materials from the waste stream and protecting the environment.

OUTPUTS		<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Number of households participating in curbside recycling		30,623	31,180	30,844	31,276
Tons of recyclables collected and recycled		4,093	5,914	3,233	5,596
Number of Clean Sweep events held per year		3	3	3	3
Number of households participating in Clean Sweep		946	800	800	831
Pounds of household hazardous waste collected and disposed of in Clean Sweep		70,277	62,629	47,429	59,882
Cost per pound of hazardous waste recycling		\$0.55	\$0.56	\$1.02	\$0.77
Pounds of waste medication collected and disposed of		2,092	2,560	~	~
OUTCOMES	Benchmark	2021	2022	2023	2024
All residents receive current up-to-date educational information about recycling. Residents are able to access information through several platforms including social media, news, the county website, and an annual newsletter that is mailed to residents		Metric previously reported as a percentage.		46,000 newsletters mailed	46,000 newsletters mailed
Collaborate with First Choice Computer Recycling on year-round collection for E-Waste - most items are free to recycle for Eau Claire County residents.		2 annual events**	> 490,000 pounds collected	690,000 lbs. collected	812,000 lbs. collected
Use multi-media technology and other sources to more effectively communicate with county residents	# of posts on Facebook	128	170	210	129
Build and maintain undesignated fund balance to 30% of program annual budget	30%	>30%	28%	>30%	30%
95% of households in Eau Claire County participate in recycling	95%	75%	75%	74%	75%
Increase participation in recycling by at least 100 single or multi-family households per year	# of households	222	557	-336 ***	432
All county residents have access to recycling services through curbside collection or rural drop-off sites	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Conduct at least two (2) Clean Sweep events annually	# of events	3	3	3	3

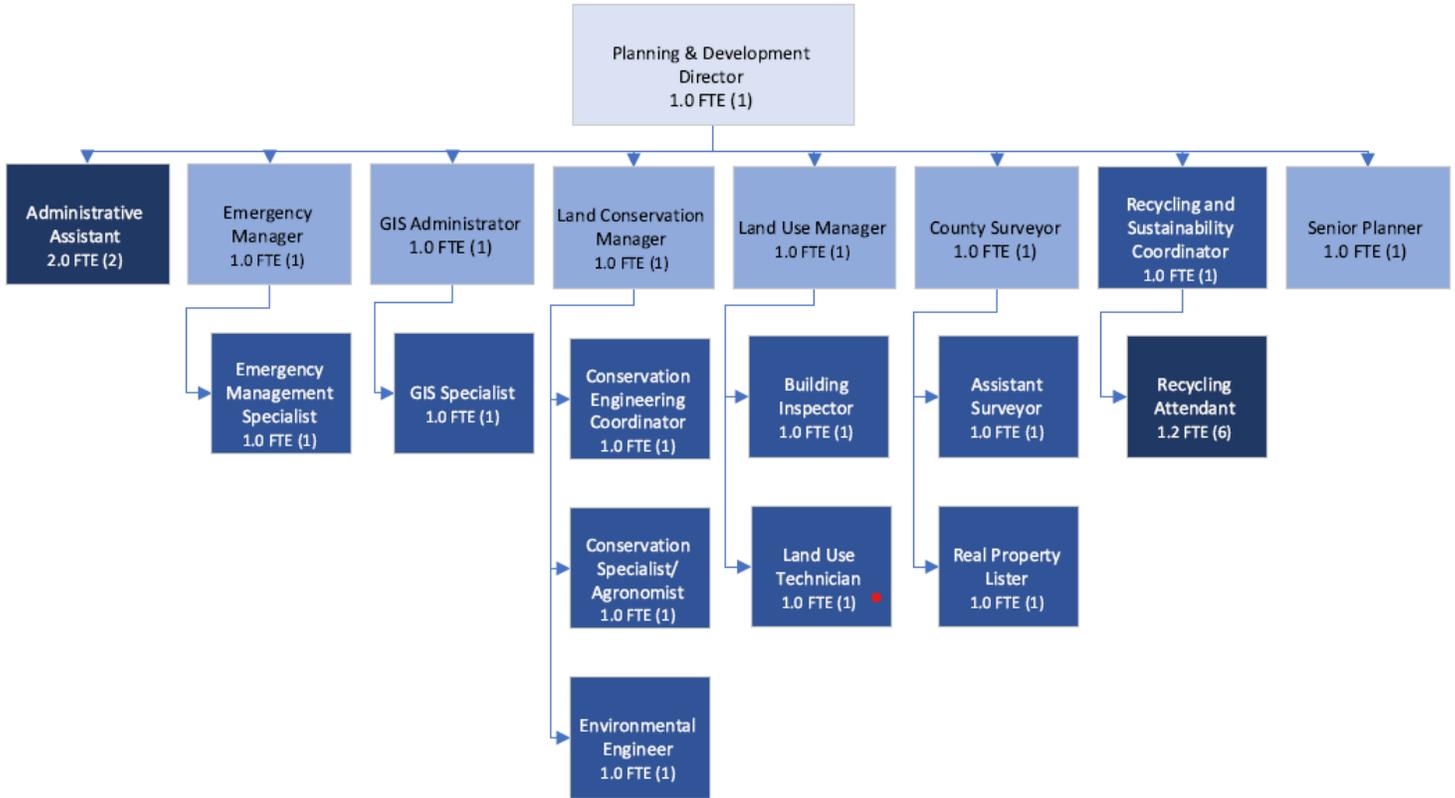
**Until 2022, two annual events were held to collect e-waste.

***Waste hauler audit in 2023 resulted in removal of duplicate records and other reporting errors.

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15 - Planning & Development: General Fund

Fund	Revenue:	Orig Budget 2024	Adj Budget 2024	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	YTD 2024	% of Budget
100	01-Tax Levy	1,163,829	1,163,829	290,957	290,957	290,957	290,957	1,163,829	100.00%
	04-Intergovernment Grants and Aid	275,425	305,765	1,000	105,658	5,695	166,609	278,962	91.23%
	05-Intergovernmental Charges for Services	0	0					0	0.00%
	06-Public Charges for Services	42,000	42,000	15,341	9,632	11,290	12,274	48,536	115.56%
	07-Licenses & Permits	353,992	353,992	59,404	107,746	106,813	93,815	367,777	103.89%
	09-Other Revenue	1,000	1,000	3,092	2,796	4,979	-10,842	25	2.50%
	11-Fund Balance Applied	0	23,282	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
	12-Fund Transfers	0	0					0	0.00%
Total Revenue - General Fund		\$1,836,246	\$1,889,868	\$369,794	\$516,788	\$419,735	\$552,812	\$1,859,128	98.37%
Fund	Expenditures:	Orig Budget 2024	Adj Budget 2024	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	YTD 2024	% of Budget
100	01-Regular Wages	-1,151,188	-1,155,083	-212,168	-307,312	-258,119	-363,728	-1,141,327	98.81%
	02-OT Wages	-500	-500	0	-100	0	-219	-319	63.75%
	03-Payroll Benefits	-489,167	-489,272	-92,578	-114,994	-107,842	-126,849	-442,262	90.39%
	04-Contracted Services	-48,274	-59,559	-3,580	-14,117	-16,071	-15,125	-48,893	82.09%
	05-Supplies & Expenses	-69,640	-87,977	-13,086	-9,600	-14,673	-25,799	-63,157	71.79%
	07-Fixed Charges	-8,072	-8,072	-2,018	-2,018	-2,018	-2,018	-8,072	100.00%
	09-Equipment	-69,405	-89,405	-5,936	-7,516	-6,984	-20,675	-41,111	45.98%
Total Expense - General Fund		-\$1,836,246	-\$1,889,868	-\$329,365	-\$455,657	-\$405,707	-\$554,412	-\$1,745,141	92.34%
Net Surplus/(-Deficit) - Planning & Development: General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$40,428	\$61,131	\$14,028	-\$1,600	\$113,987	