

About NHI

Established in 1985 by the Wisconsin legislature, Wisconsin's Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) Program is part of an international network of programs. The program is responsible for maintaining data on the locations and status of rare species, natural communities, and natural features throughout the state. Species and natural communities tracked by the Wisconsin NHI Program can be found on the NHI Working List.

Training Dates

There are currently no in-person trainings scheduled. Learn how to register for online training at dnr.wi.gov/topic/ERReview/NHITraining.html



We offer program-specific trainings. Contact Angela or Melissa (see below) for more information on how to get one set up for your office or program.

Questions?

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NHI Training

Natural Heritage Inventory

Who should participate?

- Do you issue DNR permits or grants?
- Do you conduct on-the-ground management work for DNR properties?
- Do you update or build new DNR facilities?
- Do you use the NHI Portal?
- Are you responsible for conducting, funding, or approving any Department action?

If you answered yes to any of the questions above, then you should attend this training. Any DNR staff who use NHI data are required to take this training and remain up-to-date every five years per Manual Code 1753.1.

Past attendees include staff from: Watershed Management; Forestry; Wildlife Management; Fisheries Management and Habitat; Parks and Recreation; Waste Management; Facilities and Lands; Community Financial Assistance; and Grants, among others.

Agenda

The training is a 3.5 hour session that will run from 8:30am to 12:00pm with a morning break. Training topics include:

- Overview: NHI methodology; endangered species law; and security of NHI data.
- Walk through of various avoidance measures by taxa group.
- Tutorial on how to use the NHI Portal and complete an ER Review.

Guidelines for Attending

Participants may either attend the training in-person or attend via Lync Online. There is a \$65 charge for NHI training and this can be paid online when registering by entering an activity code.

Attendees attending the training must:

- Register online at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ERReview/Registration.asp>. Registration is due one week in advance of each training date unless the class fills up prior to then. If attending via Lync Online, the web address will be emailed to registrants a couple of days before the event.
- Post-training, take the 25 question multiple choice online exam. Once passed with a 70% or greater, a certificate of completion will be sent to attendees to document their full attendance and completion of the training session.

