

#### WISCONSIN CONSERVATION WARDEN

# RECRUITMENT RUNDOWN

**NOVEMBER 2020** 

#### WARDEN IN THE SPOTLIGHT



My name is Vong Xiong and I've been a Wisconsin conservation warden since 2016.

I was born in a refugee camp in Thailand. My family moved to the United States and then moved around several times before settling in Oshkosh, WI. I graduated from Oshkosh North High School before obtaining my Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from Fox Valley Technical

College. I also attended my law enforcement academy there. I then started to attend the University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh, where I took several courses focused on environmental topics. These courses gave me insights into our impact on our natural resources.

In the spring of 2016, I had the opportunity to work with the Mississippi River Warden Team as a part-time/LTE conservation warden. This new role exposed me to conservation law enforcement and paved the way for my career as a full time warden. I loved the people and the work, and I then applied and was hired to be a full



time warden. My first station was Sherwood, in Calumet County.

Over the past few years, I've been able to build new skills, get to know my communities, and protect the environment and wildlife of Wisconsin. My favorite part about the job is the satisfaction from making a difference in the lives of people. I do this by being responsive, investigating violations, teaching education courses, mentoring others, and building partnerships with my communities. The Conservation Warden career is very unique and fulfilling, and I feel like I get to make a positive impact almost every day.

SEE VONG'S VIDEO AND READ MORE ABOUT THE WARDEN CAREER AT HTTPS://DNR.WISCONSIN.GOV/TOPIC/WARDENRECRUITMENT

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### **ARE YOU READY?**

THE DNR EXPECTS TO OPEN ANOTHER WARDEN HIRING PROCESS IN EARLY 2021

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