

Chapter III

EXISTING PARK AND OPEN SPACE SITES

INTRODUCTION

A comprehensive areawide inventory of park and open space sites was conducted in 1973 under the initial regional park and open space planning program,¹ and updated in 1985 for use in preparing the year 2000 County park and open space plan. The inventory of park and open space sites in the County was updated again in 1995 for use in preparing the year 2010 County park and open space plan and then in 2002 for use in preparing this new County park and open space plan. The findings of the 2002 inventory are presented in this chapter.

The 2002 inventory identified all park and open space sites owned by a public agency, including State, County, or local units of government and school districts. Also identified in the inventory were lands held in conservation easements by organizations such as the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation, and The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust. The inventory also included privately owned resource-oriented outdoor recreation sites such as golf courses, campgrounds, ski hills, boating access sites, swimming beaches, hunting clubs, retreat centers, open space areas, and group camps such as Scout or YMCA camps, and special use outdoor recreation sites of regional significance. The inventory of private outdoor recreation sites focused on resource-oriented sites because the County park and open space plan is most directly concerned with the provision of sites and facilities for such activities. The inventory also identified such other resources of recreational significance as existing trails and bicycle ways and historic sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

EXISTING PARK AND OPEN SPACE SITES

Park and Open Space Sites Owned by Washington County

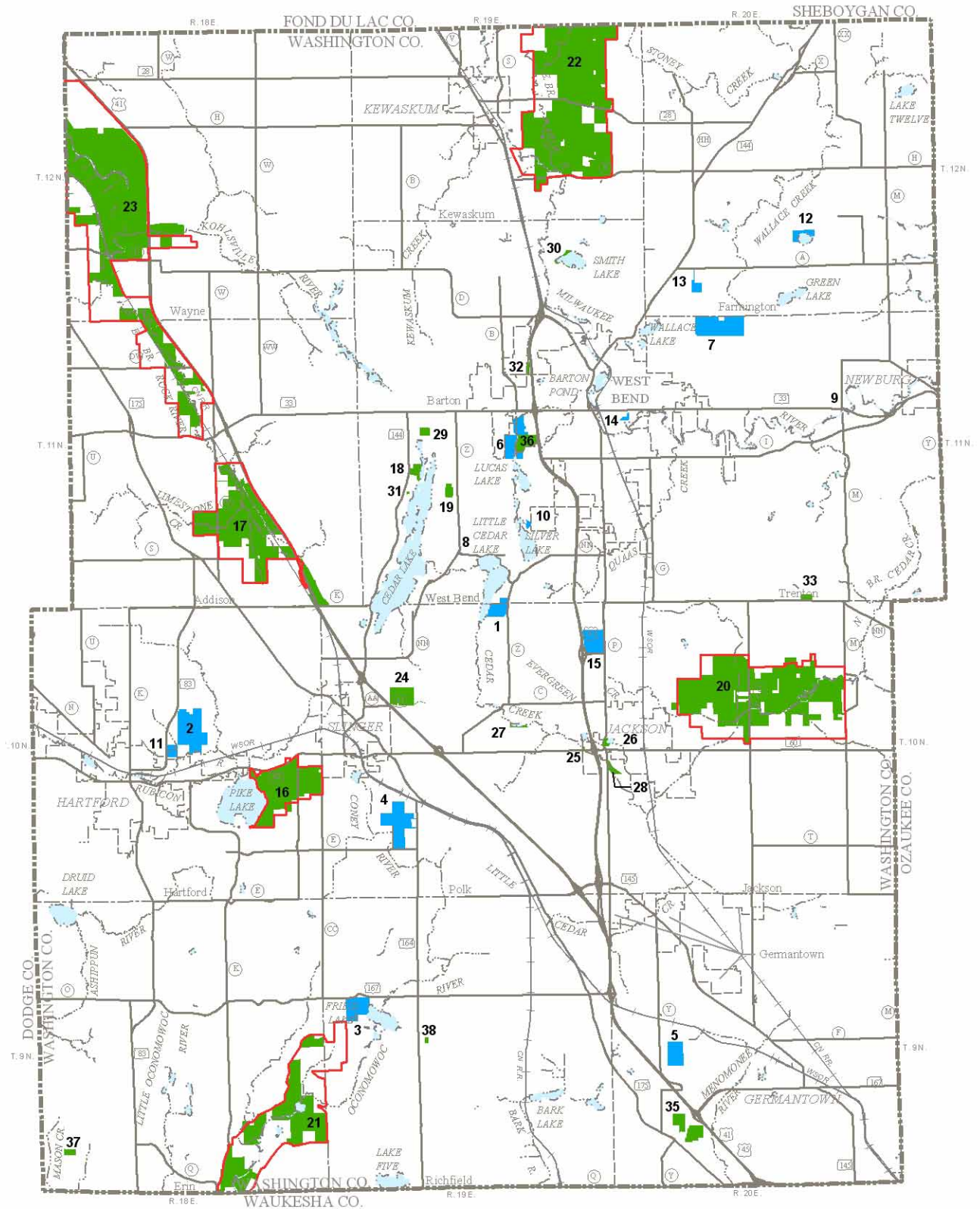
Park and open space sites owned by Washington County in 2002 are shown on Map 8 and listed on Table 11. In 2002, Washington County owned 15 such sites, including seven major² parks encompassing 1,245 acres; six other

¹The regional park and open space plan is documented in SEWRPC Planning Report No. 27, A Regional Park and Open Space Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin: 2000, November 1977.

²Major parks are defined as large, publicly owned outdoor recreation sites containing significant natural resource amenities which provide opportunities for such resource-oriented activities as camping, golfing, picnicking, and swimming. Major parks include both Type I, or regional parks, which are those having an area of 250 acres or more, and Type II, or multi-community parks, which are those having an area of generally 100 to 250 acres.

Map 8

WASHINGTON COUNTY AND STATE OF WISCONSIN PARK AND OPEN SPACE SITES: 2002



- STATE OWNED SITES
- WASHINGTON COUNTY SITES
- WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT BOUNDARY

10 REFERENCE NUMBER (SEE TABLE 11 AND TABLE 13)

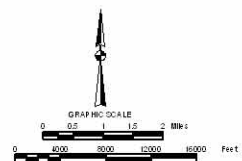


Table 11

PARK AND OUTDOOR RECREATION SITES OWNED BY WASHINGTON COUNTY: 2002

Number on Map 8	Site Name	Location ^a	Size (acres)
1	Major Parks		
2	Ackerman's Grove County Park.....	T10N, R19E, Section 3	78
3	Family Park/Washington County Golf Course.....	T10N, R18E, Section 15	283
4	Glacier Hills Park	T9N, R19E, Section 18	140
5	Heritage Trails Park	T10N, R19E, Section 29	234
6	Homestead Hollow Park.....	T9N, R20E, Section 20	105
7	Ridge Run Park.....	T11N, R19E, Section 15	148
7	Sandy Knoll Park	T11N, R20E, Section 5	257
--	Subtotal –7 Sites	--	1,245
8	Other Park and Outdoor Recreation Sites		
9	Cedar Lake Wayside	T11N, R19E, Section 28	3
10	Goeden Park.....	T11N, R20E, Section 14	4
11	Henschke Hillside Lake Access	T11N, R19E, Section 27	9
12	Joseph P. Marx Woods and Nature Preserve	T10N, R18E, Section 16	40
13	Leonard J. Yahr Park.....	T12N, R20E, Section 27	38
13	Lizard Mound Park.....	T12N, R20E, Sections 31, 32	31
--	Subtotal –6 Sites	--	125
14	Special Outdoor Recreation Sites		
15	Hughes Burckhardt Field ^b	T11N, R19E, Section 13	12
15	Washington County Fair Park	T10N, R19E, Section 1	129
--	Subtotal –2 Sites	--	141
--	Total –15 Sites	--	1,511

^aIndicates location given in U.S. Public Land Survey Township, Range, and Section.

^bHughes Burckhardt Field is on County-owned land leased by the County to the West Bend Little League.

Source: Washington County Planning and Parks Department and SEWRPC.

park and outdoor recreation sites encompassing 125 acres; and two other special outdoor recreation sites, not considered part of the County park system, encompassing 141 acres. In all, these 15 sites encompass 1,511 acres or about 0.5 percent of the total area of the County.

The seven existing major parks are Ackerman's Grove County Park and Heritage Trails Park in the Town of Polk, Family Park/Washington County Golf Course in the Town of Hartford, Glacier Hills Park in the Town of Richfield, Homestead Hollow Park in the Village of Germantown, Ridge Run Park in the City and Town of West Bend, and Sandy Knoll Park in the Town of Trenton.

In addition to the existing major parks, the County also owns six other park and outdoor recreation sites which include: Cedar Lake Wayside, Goeden Park, Henschke Hillside Lake Access, Joseph P. Marx Woods and Nature Preserve, Leonard J. Yahr Park, and Lizard Mound Park.

Special outdoor recreation sites owned by the County, but not part of the County park system, include the Washington County Fair Park in the Town of Polk; and the Hughes Burckhardt Field, which is located on the County administrative center grounds in the City of West Bend and leased to the West Bend Little League.

Selected outdoor recreation facilities within the County park system in 2002 are listed in Table 12. As indicated in that table, four parks within the County system currently provide playfields, one park provides a golf course, 10 parks provide picnic areas, three parks provide a swimming beach, seven parks provide trails, and three parks provide a boat launch.

Park and Open Space Sites Owned by the State of Wisconsin

As indicated in Table 13 and shown on Map 8, in 2002 there were 23 State-owned park and open space sites in Washington County, encompassing 11,655 acres, or about 4 percent of the total area of the County. Of these 23 sites, 17 sites encompassing 11,318 acres were owned by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; three sites, encompassing 274 acres were owned by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation; and three sites, encompassing 63 acres, were owned by the University of Wisconsin.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has acquired large areas of park and open space lands in Washington County for a variety of resource protection and recreational purposes. Sites acquired for natural resource preservation and limited recreational purposes include the Loew Lake and Northern Units of the Kettle Moraine State Forest and the Allenton, Jackson Marsh, and Theresa Marsh Wildlife Areas. The Department owns two sites in the Town of West Bend, acquired primarily for resource preservation purposes, one adjacent to Gilbert Lake and one adjacent to Hacker Road. Other open space sites acquired by the State include three sites in the Town of Polk, one site in the Village of Jackson, one site in the Town of Jackson, one site in the Town of West Bend, and one site in the Town of Barton.

Department-owned sites associated with more intensive recreational activities include the Ice Age Trail Corridor, a boat access site on Big Cedar Lake, and the Pike Lake Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest. The Pike Lake Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest is classified as a major park site, and provides a swimming beach, picnicking facilities, family campsites, and hiking and cross-country ski trails.

Map 8 also reflects project boundaries approved by the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board for State forests, parks, and wildlife areas within the County. Lands within the approved project boundaries have been identified by the Board as appropriate additions to adjacent forests, natural areas, or wildlife areas and are intended to be acquired by the Department of Natural Resources, on a “willing seller-willing buyer” basis, for recreational or open space purposes as funding permits.

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation in 2002 owned three wetland mitigation sites within the County, which are being restored or enhanced as wetlands. They are located in the Towns of Addison and Trenton, and the Village of Germantown.

University of Wisconsin

In 2002 there were three open space sites affiliated with the University of Wisconsin. The site of the University of Wisconsin Center-Washington County in West Bend encompasses about 75 acres, of which 36 acres are used for recreational or open space purposes. The site, although managed by the University, is owned jointly by Washington County and the City of West Bend. The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee owns two open space sites in the County, a 20 acre site in the Town of Erin and a seven acre site in the Town of Richfield.

Park and Open Space Sites Owned by Local Governments or Public School Districts

In addition to the County- and State-owned park and open space sites in Washington County, in 2002 there was a total of 136 sites owned by local units of government or public school districts. Those sites, listed on Table A-1 and shown on Map A-1 in Appendix A, encompass 2,724 acres, or about 1 percent of the total area of the County. Local governments own 99 park and open space sites, and public school districts own 37 sites. The acreage attributed to school district sites includes only those portions of the site used for recreational or open space purposes.

Table 12

SELECTED OUTDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES WITHIN WASHINGTON COUNTY PARKS: 2002

Number on Map 8	Site Name	Size (acres)	Playfield	Golf Course	Picnic Area	Swimming Beach	Trails	Boat Launch
1	Ackerman's Grove County Park	78	--	--	X	X	--	X
2	Family Park/Washington County Golf Course	283	X	X	X	--	--	--
3	Glacier Hills Park	140	--	--	X	X	X	--
4	Heritage Trails Park	234	--	--	X	--	X	--
5	Homestead Hollow Park	105	X	--	X	--	X	--
6	Ridge Run Park	148	X	--	X	--	X	X
7	Sandy Knoll Park	257	X	--	X	X	X	--
8	Cedar Lake Wayside	3	--	--	X	--	--	--
9	Goeden Park	4	--	--	X	--	X	X
10	Henschke Hillside Lake Access	9	--	--	--	--	--	--
11	Joseph P. Marx Woods and Nature Preserve	40	--	--	--	--	--	--
12	Leonard J. Yahr Park	38	--	--	--	--	--	--
13	Lizard Mound Park	31	--	--	X	--	X	--
--	Total -13 Sites	1,370	--	--	--	--	--	--

Source: SEWRPC.

It should be noted that one site, Riverside Park, owned by the City of West Bend, meets the criteria for a major park, because of its size, about 100 acres, and the resource-oriented outdoor recreational facilities provided at the park, which include picnicking facilities, a canoe access to the Milwaukee River, and a trail system through the park and along the river. Two other municipal park sites, Glacial Blue Hills Recreation Area, a 209 acre park owned by the City of West Bend, and Wilderness Park, a 203 acre site owned by the Village of Germantown, are over 100 acres in size, but serve primarily as open space sites for resource-protection purposes rather than as major parks. The Lac Lawrann Conservancy Area, a 105 acre site owned by the City of West Bend, serves as an outdoor education center and nature preserve.

Private and Public-Interest Resource-Oriented Park and Open Space Sites

The 2002 inventory of park and open space sites also identified a total of 47 privately owned resource-oriented recreation sites and 28 sites owned by private organizations for natural resource protection purposes. Those 75 sites are listed on Table A-2 and shown on Map A-2 in Appendix A. Together they encompassed 7,072 acres, or about 3 percent of the total area of the County.

The 47 privately owned recreation sites encompass 5,411 acres and include 10 hunting clubs, 11 golf courses, six boat access sites, four group camps, three family campgrounds, four ski hills, two swimming beaches, three retreat centers, two open-space areas, and two special-use recreation areas. The 28 sites owned for resource preservation purposes encompass 1,661 acres and include sites owned by the Friends of Nature Association, Friends of WI Preservation, Murphy-McConville Lake Natural Area, The Nature Conservancy, Wildlife Incorporated, Big Cedar Lake Protection Rehabilitation District, Ice Age Trail Foundation, Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation, and The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation, and The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust have acquired easements at 30 locations. Those sites, listed on Table 14 and shown on Map 9, encompass 953 acres. The easements are intended to help protect water quality and fish and wildlife habitat. The easements are for natural resource-protection purposes only and do not include any provision for public access.

Table 13

STATE OF WISCONSIN RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE LANDS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY: 2002

Number on Map 8	Site Name	Location ^a	Size (acres)
16	Department of Natural Resources Major Parks Kettle Moraine State Forest-Pike Lake Unit.....	T10N, R18E, Sections 23-26	705
--	Subtotal - 1 Site	--	705
17	Department of Natural Resources Open Space Sites Allenton Wildlife Area	T11N, R18E, Sections 22, 26-28, 34	1,160
18	Gilbert Lake Open Space Site	T11N, R19E, Section 20	35
19	Hacker Road Bog Natural Area.....	T11N, R19E, Section 20	28
20	Jackson Marsh Wildlife Area	T10N, R20E, Sections 8-11, 14-17	2,196
21	Kettle Moraine State Forest-Loew Lake Unit	T9N, R18E, Sections 13, 24-27, 34-36	1,086
22	Kettle Moraine State Forest-Northern Unit.....	T12N, R19E, Section 1, 2, 10-15, 22-24	2,828 ^b
23	Theresa Marsh Wildlife Area	T12N, R18E, Sections 7, 17-20, 28-32; T11N, R18E, Sections 4, 5, 9, 16	3,074 ^b
24	WI DNR Site	T10N, R19E, Section 8	116
25	WI DNR Site	T10N, R19E, Section 13	2
26	WI DNR Site	T10N, R19E, Section 13	3
27	WI DNR Site	T10N, R19E, Section 14	17
28	WI DNR Site	T10N, R20E, Section 19	23
29	WI DNR Site	T11N, R19E, Section 17	20
30	WI DNR Site	T12N, R19E, Section 26	15
--	Subtotal - 14 Sites	--	10,603
31	Department of Natural Resources Boat Access Sites Public Access-Big Cedar Lake	T11N, R19E, Section 19	2
--	Subtotal - 1 Site	--	2
32	Department of Natural Resources Trail Corridor ^C Ice Age Trail Corridor	T11N, R19E, Section 10	8
--	Subtotal - 1 Site	--	8
33	Department of Transportation Sites WI DOT Mitigation Site	T11N, R20E, Section 34	21
34	WI DOT Mitigation Site	T11N, R18E, Section 35	136
35	WI DOT Mitigation Site	T9N, R20E, Section 29	117
--	Subtotal - 3 Sites	--	274
36	University of Wisconsin Sites University of Wisconsin Center-Washington County.....	T11N, R19E, Section 15	36 ^d
37	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Land	T9N, R18E, Section 31	20
38	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Land	T9N, R19E, Section 16	7
--	Subtotal - 3 Sites	--	63
--	Total - 23 Sites	--	11,655

^aIndicates location given in U.S. Public Land Survey Township, Range, and Section.

^bIncludes only those lands located in Washington County.

^cIncludes only those lands specifically acquired for trail purposes. The Ice Age trail in Washington County also extends through the Loew Lake and Northern units of the Kettle Moraine State Forest, through County and local park lands, and on easements across privately-owned lands. The location of the Ice Age trail is shown on Map 10.

^dThe University of Wisconsin Center-Washington County is located on lands managed by the University but owned jointly by Washington County and the City of West Bend. The entire site encompasses 60 acres, of which 36 acres are in recreational or open space use.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, City of West Bend, Town of Polk, and SEWRPC.

Table 14

**STATE OF WISCONSIN AND NONPROFIT CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION
CONSERVATION EASEMENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY: 2002**

Number on Map 9	Site Name	Location ^a	Size (acres)
	Department of Natural Resources Easements		
1	DNR Easement	T11N, R18E, Section 5	1
2	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T11N, R19E, Section 2	1
3	DNR Easement	T11N, R19E, Section 17	2
4	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T11N, R20E, Section 12	4
5	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T11N, R20E, Section 15	3
6	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T11N, R20E, Section 16	43
7	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T11N, R20E, Section 18	12
8	DNR Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 18	10
9	DNR Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 19	13
10	DNR Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 19	22
11	DNR Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 28	94
12	DNR Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 29	22
13	DNR Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 30	25
14	DNR Easement	T12N, R19E, Section 3	9
15	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T12N, R19E, Section 6	9
16	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T12N, R19E, Section 7	43
17	DNR Easement	T12N, R19E, Section 26	27
18	DNR Easement	T12N, R19E, Section 26	3
19	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T12N, R20E, Section 25	5
20	DNR Streambank Easement.....	T12N, R20E, Section 36	30
--	Subtotal - 20 Sites	--	378
	Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation Easements		
21	Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation Easement	T11N, R19E, Section 17	7
22	Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation Easement	T11N, R19E, Section 28	15
23	Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation Easement	T11N, R19E, Section 31	1
24	Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation Easement	T11N, R19E, Section 34	148
--	Subtotal - 4 Sites	--	171
	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easements		
25	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easement	T9N, R18E, Section 14	40
26	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easement	T10N, R18E, Section 22	36
27	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easement	T10N, R18E, Sections 28 and 29	53
28	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easement	T11N, R20E, Section 26	170
29	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easement	T12N, R18E, Section 5	48
30	The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust Easement	T12N, R20E, Section 8	57
--	Subtotal - 6 Sites	--	404
--	Total - 30 Sites	--	953

^aIndicates location given in U.S. Public Land Survey Township, Range, and Section.

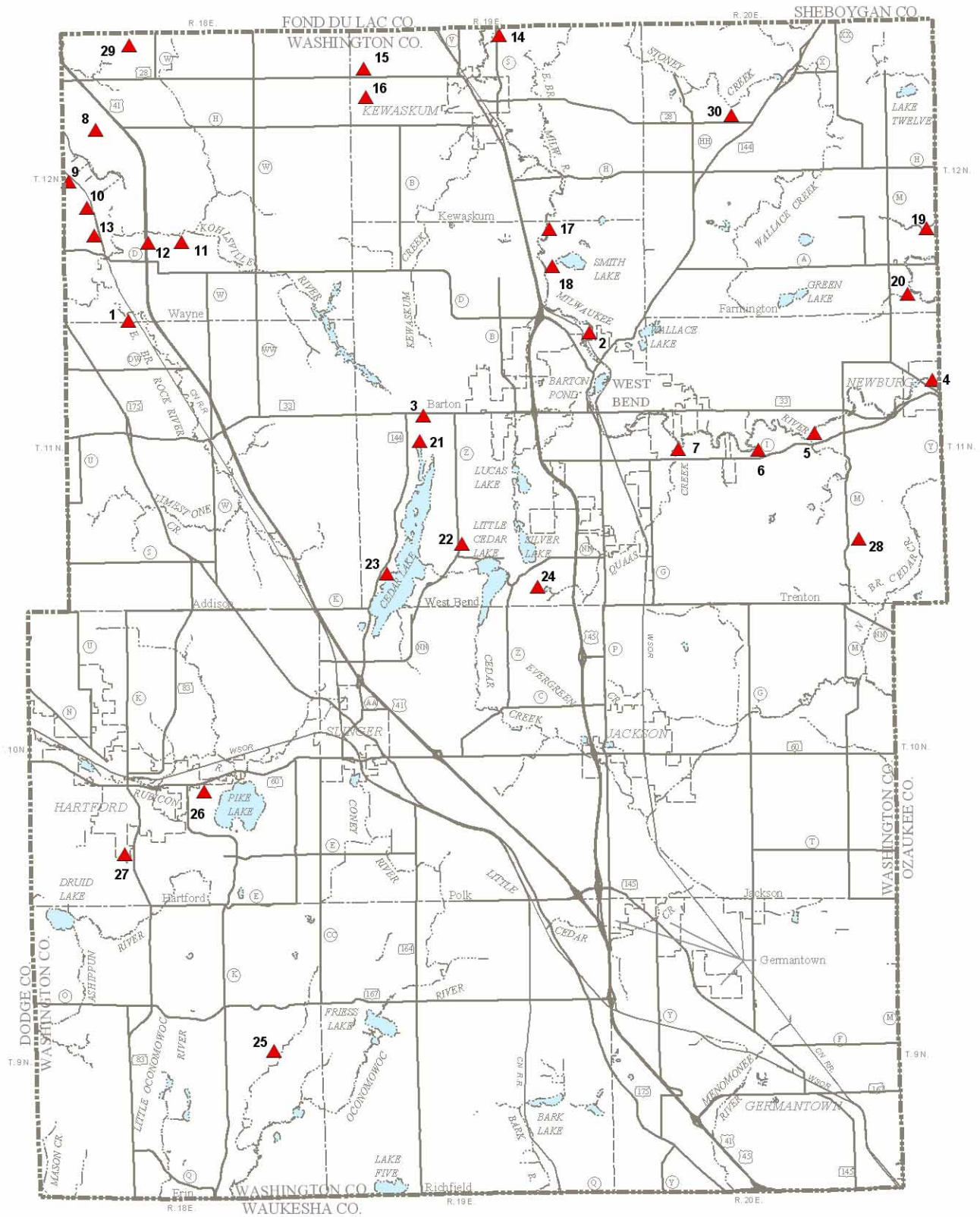
Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation, The Ozaukee/Washington Land Trust, and SEWRPC.

LAKE AND RIVER ACCESS SITES

Lakes and rivers constitute a particularly valuable part of the natural resource base of the County. Lakes and rivers enhance the aesthetic quality of the County and are focal points for water-related recreational activities, including such active uses as swimming, boating, and fishing, and passive uses such as walking, or viewing along

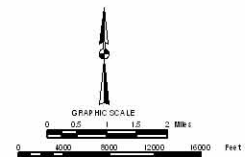
Map 9

STATE OF WISCONSIN AND NONPROFIT CONSERVATION
ORGANIZATION CONSERVATION EASEMENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY: 2002



- ▲ CONSERVATION EASEMENTS
- 10 REFERENCE NUMBER (SEE TABLE 14)

Source: SEWRPC.



the water's edge. Boat access sites, both public and nonpublic, provide opportunities for persons who do not own land on a body of water to participate in water-related recreational activities. The regional park and open space plan recommends that rivers and major lakes, defined as lakes with a surface area of 50 acres or more, be provided with adequate public access, including boat access, consistent with safe and enjoyable participation in water-related activities. There are 13 major lakes located entirely within Washington County: Bark Lake, Barton Pond, Big Cedar Lake, Little Cedar Lake, Druid Lake, Friess Lake, Green Lake, Lucas Lake, Pike Lake, Silver Lake, Smith Lake, Lake Twelve, and Wallace Lake. An additional major lake, Lake Five, is located partially within Waukesha County.

Publicly owned access sites for motor-boating purposes in Washington County are provided at the following major lakes: Big Cedar Lake, Little Cedar Lake, Druid Lake, Pike Lake, Smith Lake, and Wallace Lake. Privately owned access sites for motor-boating on major lakes are also provided at Big Cedar Lake, Little Cedar Lake, Friess Lake, Pike Lake, and Silver Lake. Public access to major lakes for carry-in boating is provided on Barton Pond and Pike Lake. Canoe access to the Milwaukee River is provided at a number of locations in the County. There are also numerous other sites that provide access for carry-in boating, fishing, and passive enjoyment to minor lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams in Washington County.

TRAILS AND BICYCLE WAYS

The regional park and open space plan, adopted in 1977, recommended the development of an approximately 440-mile network of hiking and bicycling trails. Most of the trails recommended in the regional plan were proposed to be located in areas having natural resource values of regional significance, such as the Lake Michigan shoreline, the Kettle Moraine, and the riverine areas of the Milwaukee, Fox, and Root Rivers. The regional park and open space plan, including the recreation trail component, was subsequently refined through the preparation and adoption of park and open space plans by each of the counties in the Region.

The year 2000 park and open space plan for Washington County recommended the development of the Ice Age Trail and the development of a trail along the Milwaukee River. The year 2010 park and open space plan for Washington County reaffirmed these recommendations, calling for a total of 52 miles of trails along the Ice Age Trail Corridor and along the Milwaukee River. Of the 52 miles of trails to be provided, about 27 miles currently exist in Washington County as part of the Ice Age Trail and the Milwaukee River recreation corridor.

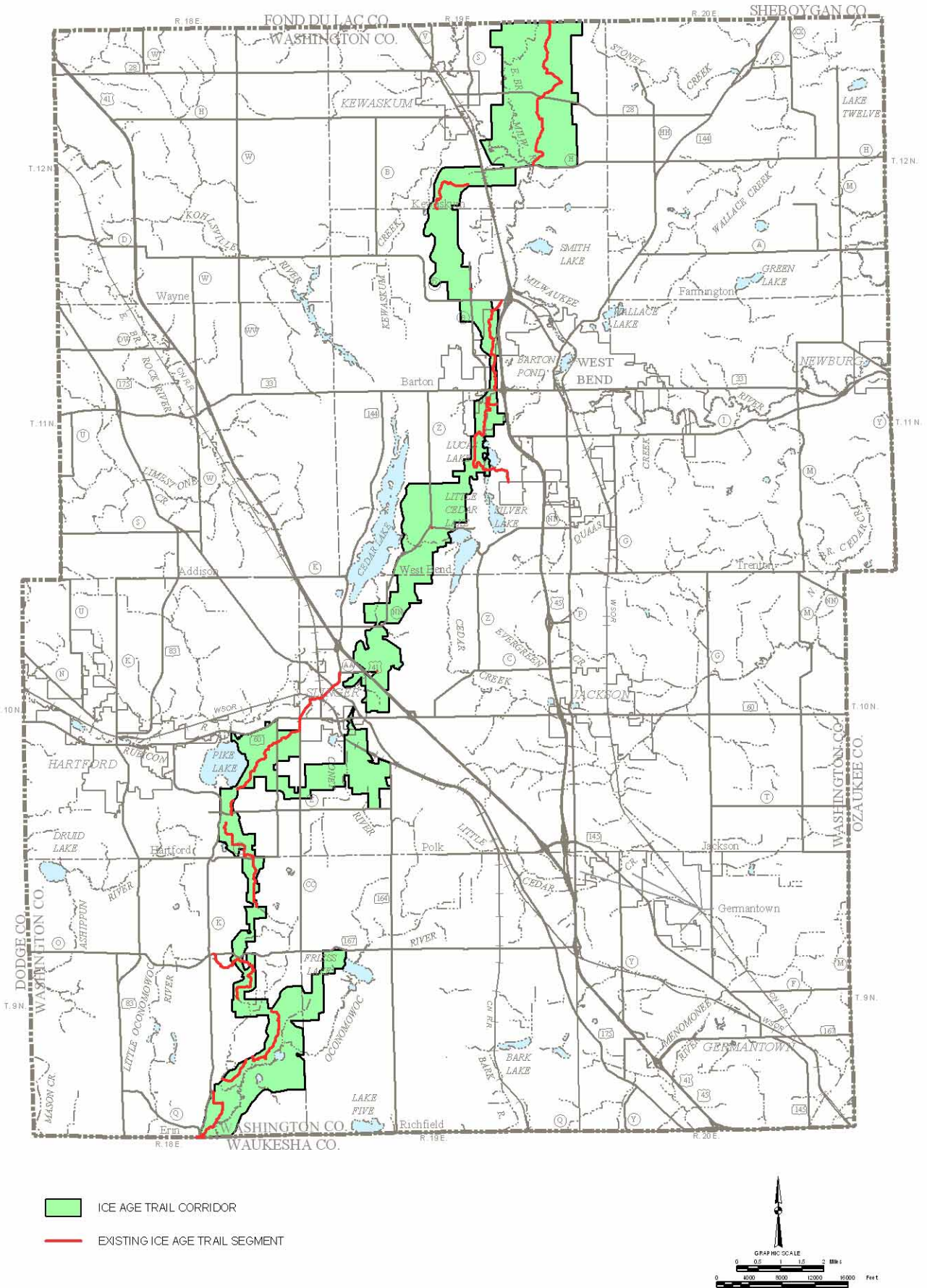
The Ice Age Trail, which is planned to extend approximately 1,000 miles across the State of Wisconsin along the terminus of the continental glacier, was designated as a National Scenic Trail by the United States Congress in 1980. The Trail is administered by the National Park Service in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Ice Age Trail Park and Trail Foundation. In Southeastern Wisconsin, the Trail is located or is proposed to be located in the western portions of Walworth, Waukesha, and Washington Counties. About 25 miles of the proposed 37-mile length of the Trail within Washington County had been completed by 2002. Existing segments of the Ice Age Trail in the County, as well as the Ice Age Trail corridor adopted by the three managing agencies, are shown on Map 10. Existing segments of the Trail are open to pedestrian travel only, which includes hiking, snowshoeing, and limited cross-country skiing. Such uses as biking, horseback riding, and snowmobiling are not permitted.

The regional bicycle and pedestrian plan adopted by the Commission in 1995 and subsequently amended in 2001 recommends a network of on- and off-street bicycle ways within the County.³ Map 11 depicts the regional bicycle and pedestrian plan as that plan pertains to Washington County.

³*Documented in SEWRPC Planning Report No. 43, A Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities System Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin—2010, January 1995, and Amendment to the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin—2020, December 2001.*

Map 10

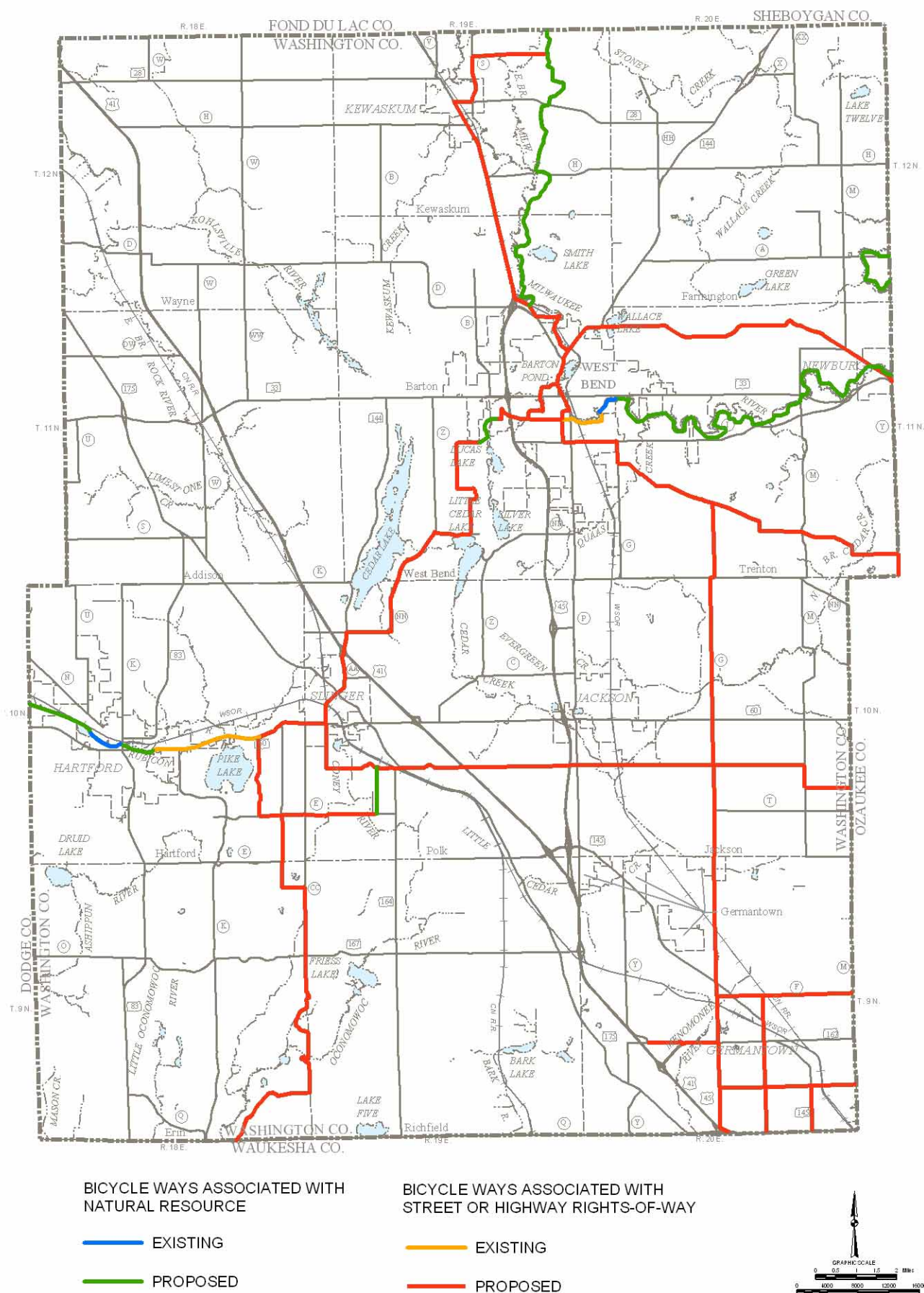
ICE AGE TRAIL CORRIDOR AND EXISTING TRAIL SEGMENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY: 2002



Source: SEWRPC.

Map 11

ADOPTED YEAR 2020 BICYCLE WAY SYSTEM PLAN FOR
SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN AS IT RELATES TO WASHINGTON COUNTY



For purposes of this report, the term “trails” refers to off-street paths and the term “bicycle way” refers to facilities for bicycle travel associated with street rights-of-way, including signed bicycle routes, striped and signed bicycle lanes, and separate bicycle paths within a highway right-of-way. Bicycle paths generally accommodate both foot and bicycle travel, while on-street bicycle routes and lanes generally accommodate bicycle travel only.

Bicycle use can and does legally occur on many public roadways in the Region that are not specifically designated for such use. State law permits bicycle use on all public roadways, except expressways and freeways, and on those roadways where the local government concerned has acted to prohibit bicycle use by ordinance.

HISTORIC SITES

Historic sites in Washington County often have important recreational, educational, and cultural value. A number of inventories and surveys of potentially significant historic sites have been conducted by various units and agencies of government in Washington County since the completion of the regional park and open space plan in 1977. The results of these inventories and surveys, on file at such agencies as The Wisconsin Historical Society, indicate that there are more than 500 historic sites in Washington County.

Certain sites of known historic significance are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In 2002, there were 16 individual sites and four historic districts⁴ within the County listed on the National Register. The location of sites and districts in Washington County listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2002 are presented on Table 15 and on Map 12, respectively.

SUMMARY

This chapter has presented the findings of an inventory of existing outdoor recreation and open space sites in Washington County, including existing parks, other open space sites, lake and river access sites, recreation trails and bicycle ways, and historic sites. The key findings are as follows:

1. In 2002, Washington County owned 15 park and open space sites, which collectively encompassed 1,511 acres, or about 0.5 percent of the total area of the County.
2. The State of Wisconsin owned 23 park and open space sites, encompassing 11,655 acres, or about 4 percent of the total area of the County. Of these 23 sites, 17 sites encompassing 11,318 acres were owned by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; three sites encompassing 274 acres were owned by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation; and three sites, encompassing 63 acres, were owned by the University of Wisconsin.
3. Local units of government and school districts owned 136 park and open space sites, encompassing 2,724 acres, or about 1 percent of the total area of the County.
4. In 2002, a total of 75 privately owned resource-oriented recreation and natural resource protection sites encompassing 7,072 acres were located in Washington County.

⁴A historic district is a geographically definable area, urban or rural, that contains a concentration of significant historic sites or structures from the same period of time.

Table 15

**HISTORIC SITES AND DISTRICTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES: 2002**

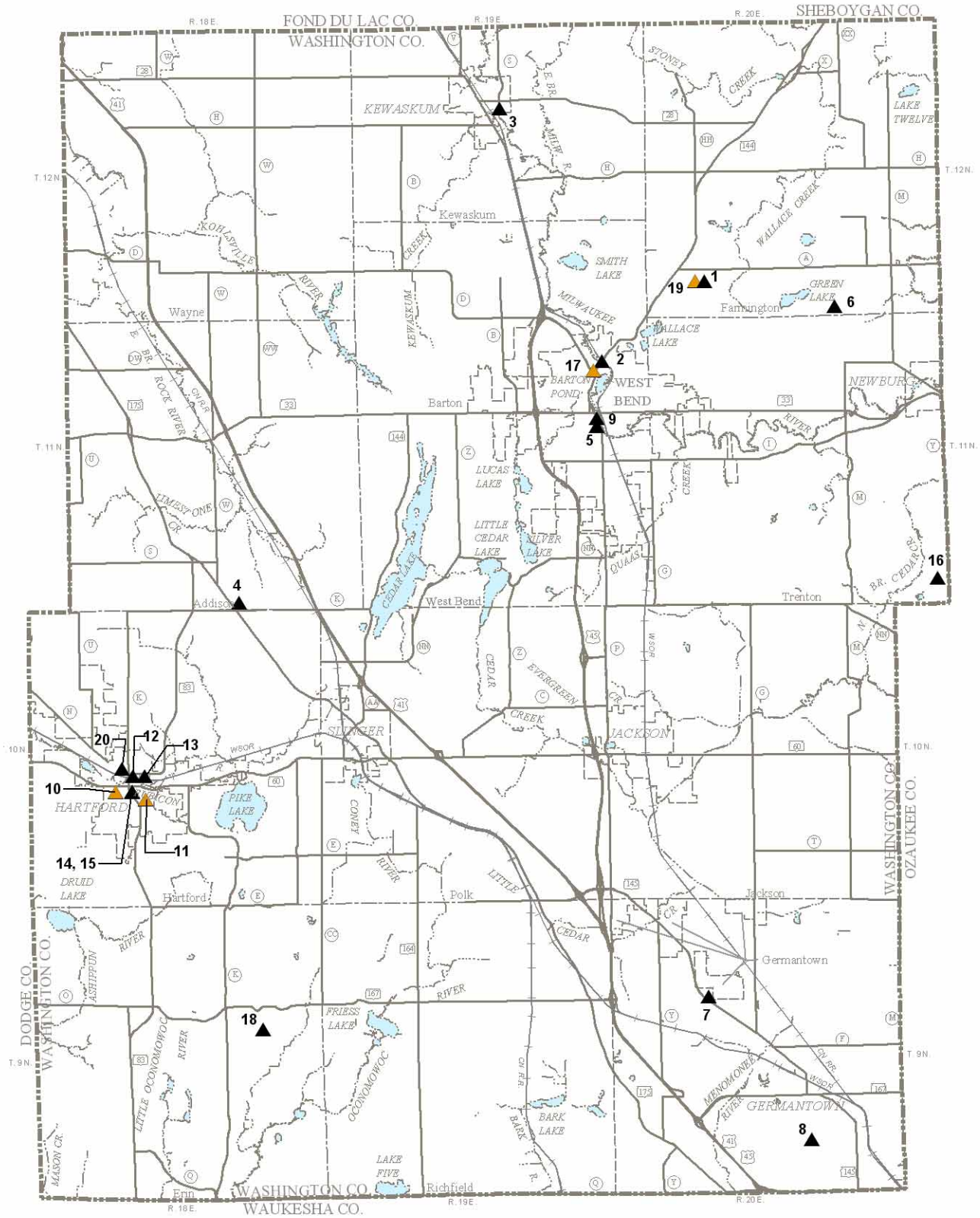
Number on Map 12	Site Name	Location ^a	Civil Division	Year Listed
1	Lizard Mound Park.....	T12N, R20E, Section 32	Town of Farmington	1970
2	Gadow's Mill.....	T11N, R19E, Section 1	City of West Bend	1974
3	St. John of God Roman Catholic Church, Convent, and School.....	T12N, R19E, Section 10	Village of Kewaskum	1979
4	Ritger Wagonmaking and Blacksmith Shop.....	T11N, R18E, Section 34	Town of Addison	1982
5	Washington County Courthouse and Jail.....	T11N, R19E, Section 14	City of West Bend	1982
6	St. Peter's Church.....	T12N, R20E, Section 34	Town of Farmington	1983
7	Christ Evangelical Church.....	T9N, R20E, Section 9	Village of Germantown	1983
8	Jacob Schunk Farmhouse.....	T9N, R20E, Section 26	Village of Germantown	1983
9	Leander F. Frisby House.....	T11N, R19E, Section 14	City of West Bend	1985
10	Kissel's Addition Historic District.....	T10N, R18E, Section 20	City of Hartford	1988
11	Kissel's Wheelock Addition Historic District.....	T10N, R18E, Section 21	City of Hartford	1988
12	George A. Kissel House.....	T10N, R18E, Section 21	City of Hartford	1988
13	Louis Kissel House.....	T10N, R18E, Section 21	City of Hartford	1988
14	Otto P. Kissel House.....	T10N, R18E, Section 21	City of Hartford	1988
15	William L. Kissel House.....	T10N, R18E, Section 21	City of Hartford	1988
16	St. Augustine Catholic Church and Cemetery.....	T11N, R20E, Section 25	Town of Trenton	1990
17	Barton Historic District.....	T11N, R19E, Section 11	City of West Bend	1992
18	Holy Hill.....	T9N, R18E, Section 14	Town of Erin	1992
19	Washington County "Island" Effigy Mound District.....	T12N, R20E, Sections 29, 32, 33	Town of Farmington	1996
20	Schwartz Ballroom.....	T10N, R18E, Section 21	City of Hartford	1998

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Source: The Wisconsin Historical Society and SEWRPC.

5. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Cedar Lakes Conservation Foundation, and The Ozaukee Washington Land Trust held conservation easements at 30 locations, encompassing 953 acres.
6. Public and private sites for boating access to major lakes was available on Barton Pond, Big Cedar Lake, Little Cedar Lake, Druid Lake, Friess Lake, Pike Lake, Silver Lake, Smith Lake, and Wallace Lake. Canoe access was provided to the Milwaukee River.
7. In 2002, 16 individual sites and four historic districts in Washington County were listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

LOCATIONS OF HISTORIC SITES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES: 2002



- ▲ HISTORIC SITE
- ▲ HISTORIC DISTRICT
- 15 REFERENCE NUMBER (SEE TABLE 15)

