# From Plymouth DNR Service Center *"The Woodchucks"*







## To Sheboygan County Conservation Association June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023

## From Wildlife Management: Tanner, Jason, Eli

- Construction on the Sheboygan marsh dam is active and will be active throughout the year. The water levels observed on the marsh right now is what can be expected throughout the rest of the year, if not a little bit lower during drier periods.
- Habitat work currently consists of spraying woody vegetation, checking wetland impoundments, mowing cattails and other tasks as they come up.
- Goose banding is underway for wildlife staff. Totals so far include 224 banded in the Oshkosh area and 244 banded in Sheboygan County. Next week our staff will be in Green Bay looking to band close to 800. Mourning Dove banding will start at the beginning of July as well as getting the duck banding site ready to go for banding at the end of July into August.

### From Fisheries: Ben and Tanya

- We've completed our spring bass and panfish electrofishing surveys on Big Cedar Lake, Mauthe Lake, and Crooked Lake.
- Staff assisted with the Midwest Outdoor Heritage Education Expo in Poynette. Fisheries activities included a casting clinic, fish tagging demonstration, fish cooking and filleting, and aquatic invertebrate identification.
- We recently investigated a small fish kill on Pike Lake in Washington County. We typically see an uptick in fish die-offs during warm weather periods from pathogens such as bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites, as well as environmental issues like low dissolved oxygen levels and thermal stress. If you do observe a fish kill please report it to the local fisheries biologist or the DNR TIP line (1-800-TIP-WDNR/1-800-847-9367). More information on fish kills can be found on the DNR website here: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/newsroom/release/78536

### From Law Enforcement: Juan, Anthony and Josh

• Madeleine has transferred to northwest Wisconsin where she is originally from. We thank her for her service here and wish her well back in her home area.