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stewardship of  
the land  
and waters.*

## **Two Water Quality Monitoring Trainings on April 29<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup>**

*Become a citizen scientist water quality monitor.*

Valley Stewardship Network and Crawford Stewardship Project will be hosting two free training events for volunteer water quality monitoring. The first event will take place on April 29<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm at Nature Nooks Retreat S4878 County Road S, Viroqua, WI 54665. The second event will be May 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm at Mother Earth Green Center 48193 County Road E, Steuben, WI 54657. Identical trainings will be provided at these two different events, volunteers only need to attend one training. Volunteers will be trained in methods of the statewide Water Action Volunteers (WAV) Stream Monitoring Program that is run through the Wisconsin DNR and University of Wisconsin Extension (<http://watermonitoring.uwex.edu/wav/>). Landowners and community members are encouraged to come and learn about this unique citizen science opportunity. Volunteering only requires one hour a month from May to October! Topics covered include: stream ecology, water quality measurements, macroinvertebrate diversity, and data submission. Monitoring equipment will be loaned to interested volunteers. We will provide snacks and refreshments but please bring your lunch, water, hip boots/waders if you have them, a pencil, and clipboard. The training is free, and will include both indoor and outdoor components. To register for this training please contact Meg Wise via email: [mwise@crawfordstewardship.org](mailto:mwise@crawfordstewardship.org) or by phone: 608-632-9410. You can also register online at: <http://valleystewardshipnetwork.org/solutions/workshops/>

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