

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this section is to inventory existing utilities and community facilities that serve Iowa County jurisdictions. Utilities and community facilities are often referred to as the physical infrastructure that allows a community to function and grow. Community facilities may include libraries, municipal offices, schools, police stations, fire stations, parks, etc. Many of these community facilities are supported by utilities including water services, sewer system, stormwater drainage, electricity, etc. Section D at the bottom of this page includes the requirements according to Wisconsin State Statutes 66.1001.

**Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001(2)(d)****(d) Utilities and Community Facilities**

A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs to guide the future development of utilities and community facilities in the local governmental unit such as sanitary sewer service, storm water management, water supply, solid waste disposal, on-site wastewater treatment technologies, recycling facilities, parks, telecommunications facilities, power-generating plants and transmission lines, cemeteries, health care facilities, childcare facilities and other public facilities, such as police, fire and rescue facilities, libraries, schools and other governmental facilities. The element shall describe the location, use and capacity of existing public utilities and community facilities that serve the local governmental unit, shall include an approximate timetable that forecasts the need in the local governmental unit to expand or rehabilitate existing utilities and facilities or to create new utilities and facilities and shall assess future needs for government services in the local governmental unit that are related to such utilities and facilities.

UTILITIES AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES POLICIES

Table D.1 lists the utility and facility policies (not in order of priority) for Iowa County by jurisdiction. These policies were developed from the responses of the Utility and Community Facilities Worksheet the Plan Commissions completed. The bulleted list beneath each statement indicates those jurisdictions that have included the policy in their plans. Non-participating jurisdictions are the Town of Brigham and the Villages of Barneveld, Cobb, Livingston, Montfort, Muscoda, and Rewey. See Map D.1 at the end of this Section for the locations of the County’s community facilities and utilities.

Table D.1: Utility And Community Facility Policies

<p>1. Remind Town residents to test their wells each year so as to protect their drinking water.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming
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<p>2. Encourage landowners to utilize expertise and programs through Iowa County Land Conservation Department that protect water resources such as well abandonment techniques and manure management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Dodgeville

<p>3. Remind Town residents to do regular maintenance on their septic systems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming
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<p>4. Consider creating a special purpose district to perform specific tasks and oversight essential to the Town, if a need for a special district such as a Utility, Sanitary, or Lake District, is identified.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming
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<p>5. Develop a stormwater management strategy to protect ground and drinking water.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin • Town of Mineral Point 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Moscow • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming
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<p>6. Develop a strategy for siting telecommunication (“cell”) towers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Moscow • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick
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Table D.1 (cont.): Utility And Community Facility Policies

7. Review the Town’s strategy for siting telecommunication (“cell”) towers.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Wyoming

8. Consider implementing a capital improvements program and reviewing it annually and making adjustments to meet the future needs of the town.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming • Village of Arena • Village of Avoca • Village of Highland • Village of Hollandale • Village of Linden

9. Continue to implement your capital improvements program, reviewing it annually and making adjustments to meet the future needs of the Village.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village of Blanchardville 	

10. Ensure that new development bears a fair share of capital improvement costs necessitated by the development.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming • Village of Arena • Village of Avoca • Village of Blanchardville • Village of Highland • Village of Hollandale • Village of Linden

11. Guide new growth to areas that can be most efficiently served with utilities.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow • Town of Pulaski 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming • Village of Arena • Village of Avoca • Village of Blanchardville • Village of Highland • Village of Hollandale • Village of Linden

12. Review new development proposals and carefully examine their impact on city/village services.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Dodgeville • Village of Avoca • Village of Blanchardville • Village of Highland • Village of Hollandale • Village of Linden • Village of Ridgeway 	

Table D.1 (cont.): Utility and Community Facility Policies

13. Consider developing a solid waste disposal program.

- Town of Waldwick
- Town of Wyoming

14. Maintain, operate, and reconstruct the existing utility systems so they can support existing development and redevelopment.

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| • City of Dodgeville | • Village of Highland |
| • City of Mineral Point | • Village of Hollandale |
| • Village of Arena | • Village of Linden |
| • Village of Avoca | • Village of Ridgeway |
| • Village of Blanchardville | |

15. Where possible, when making utility system improvements, relocate water and sewer lines from private to public property.

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| • City of Dodgeville | • Village of Highland |
| • City of Mineral Point | • Village of Hollandale |
| • Village of Arena | • Village of Linden |
| • Village of Avoca | • Village of Ridgeway |
| • Village of Blanchardville | |

16. Discourage utility extensions into areas environmentally unsuitable for urban development due to soils, flooding, topography, etc.

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| • City of Dodgeville | • Village of Highland |
| • Village of Avoca | • Village of Hollandale |
| • Village of Blanchardville | • Village of Linden |

17. Evaluate public utility alternatives and services to reduce the capital facility and operating costs.

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| • City of Dodgeville | • Village of Hollandale |
| • City of Mineral Point | • Village of Linden |
| • Village of Arena | • Village of Ridgeway |
| • Village of Avoca | |
| • Village of Blanchardville | |

18. Ensure that adequate public utilities including system capacity are available before issuing new development permits.

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| • City of Dodgeville | • Village of Highland |
| • Village of Arena | • Village of Hollandale |
| • Village of Avoca | • Village of Linden |
| • Village of Blanchardville | • Village of Ridgeway |

19. Relocate water and sewer lines from private to public property where possible, when making utility system improvements.

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| • Village of Arena | • Village of Hollandale |
| • Village of Blanchardville | • Village of Linden |
| • Village of Highland | |

Table D.1 (cont.): Utilities and Community Facilities Policies

<p>20. Develop a process that informs, notifies, and allows for public participation in all capital facility planning projects and proposals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Dodgeville • City of Mineral Point • Town of Arena • Town of Clyde • Town of Dodgeville • Town of Eden • Town of Highland • Town of Linden • Town of Mifflin • Town of Mineral Point • Town of Moscow 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Pulaski • Town of Ridgeway • Town of Waldwick • Town of Wyoming • Village of Arena • Village of Avoca • Village of Blanchardville • Village of Highland • Village of Hollandale • Village of Linden • Village of Ridgeway
<p>21. Locate development that requires urban services within city/village limits, while discouraging utility extensions into areas environmentally unsuitable for urban development due to soils, flooding, topography, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Dodgeville • City of Mineral Point • Village of Arena • Village of Avoca • Village of Blanchardville 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village of Highland • Village of Hollandale • Village of Linden • Village of Ridgeway
<p>22. Land divisions in the Village of Arena shall be served by public sewer facilities and public water service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village of Arena 		
<p>23. All future land development in the Village of Arena must provide stormwater drainage facilities, including curb-and-gutter, catch basins and inlets, storm sewers, road ditches, and open channels as may be required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village of Arena 		

Table D.2 lists other community facilities within Iowa County jurisdictions that are important to them.

Table D.2: Other Important Community Facilities

Jurisdiction	Other Community Facilities
City of Dodgeville	None listed
City of Mineral Point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural Gas • DSL • Cable TV/High Speed Internet • Satellite System • Internet providers
Town of Arena	None listed
Town of Clyde	None listed
Town of Dodgeville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Churches • Bethel Horizons • Friendship Center Camp • Folklore Village • Governor Dodge State Park • Iowa County Historical Society • Public Library • Dodgeville School District • Stonefield Apartment Community Room • Ley Pavilion at Harris Park • Electric service – Alliant Energy • Telephone service – Verizon and MHTC • Natural Gas service – Alliant • Internet service providers • Cable TV – Charter, local access cable channel • Iowa County Farm (prairie restoration, trails)
Town of Eden	None listed
Town of Highland	None listed
Town of Linden	None listed
Town of Mifflin	None listed
Town of Mineral Point	Iowa County Fairgrounds

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

Table D.2(cont): Other Important Community Facilities

Jurisdiction	• Other Community Facilities
Town of Moscow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mineral Point and Blanchardville public swimming pools; • Several camping sites: Tom’s Campground, Blanchardville McKellar Park, and Governor Dodge and Blue Mound State Parks. Also the Hollandale Park and several parks in the Mt. Horeb area with excellent playgrounds as well as ball fields, tennis courts and basketball courts; • Country Side Lanes bowling alleys and volleyball courts; • Blackhawk Girl Scout Camp; • Yellowstone Park and Lake; • Yellowstone Gold Course.
Town of Pulaski	None listed
Town of Ridgeway	None listed
Town of Waldwick	None listed
Town of Wyoming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town of Wyoming Town Hall is a former schoolhouse built in 1875. It is used for Town Board and Plan Commission meetings, elections, and occasional uses for other public and private meetings. There are folding tables and chairs available for community use. • The DNR Ranger Station in the Tower Hill State Park is used by local DNR personnel and services, provides wildfire control.
Village of Arena	
Village of Avoca	
Village of Blanchardville	
Village of Highland	
Village of Hollandale	
Village of Linden	None listed
Village of Ridgeway	

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

WATER SYSTEMS

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY/MUNICIPAL WELLS

A public water system can either be a community system, like a municipality, mobile home park, or subdivision; or a non-community system, like a school, factory, or wayside. Wisconsin’s Department of Natural Resources (DNR) oversees construction and operation of public water systems to make sure everyone has safe water.

The Iowa County jurisdictions listed in Table D.3 are served by a public water supply via municipal well. Specific information such as well type, capacity, etc is given in each participating jurisdiction’s Section D, Utilities and Community Facilities Element.

Table D.3: Iowa County Communities with Municipal Wells

Cities	Towns	Villages	
Dodgeville Mineral Point	Dodgeville ► Linden ►►	Village of Arena Village of Avoca Village of Barneveld Village of Blanchardville Village of Cobb Village of Highland Village of Hollandale	Village of Linden Village of Livingston Village of Montfort Village of Muscoda Village of Rewey Village of Ridgeway

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet
 ► 30 households – Existing Boundary Agreement, ►► Unincorporated Area of Edmund

PRIVATE WELLS

Groundwater is the source of all Iowa County drinking water. Wells are safe, dependable sources of water if sited wisely and built correctly. Wisconsin has had well regulations since 1936, and today is recognized as a national leader in well protection. NR 812 (formerly NR 112), Wisconsin’s Administrative Code for Well Construction and Pump Installation, is administered by the DNR. The Well Code is based on the premise that if a well and water system is properly located, constructed, installed, and maintained, the well should provide safe water continuously without a need for treatment. The majority of town properties are served by private systems. The Town of Dodgeville and the unincorporated hamlet of Edmund in the Town of Linden are exceptions. Table D.4 below lists the Iowa County jurisdictions served by private wells.

Table D.4: Iowa County Communities with Private Wells

Cities	Towns		Villages
Dodgeville – 3	Arena – all Clyde – all Dodgeville – all ► Eden – all Highland – all Linden – all	Mineral Point – all Moscow – all Pulaski – all Ridgeway – all Waldwick – all Wyoming - all	Arena – 6 Avoca – 11 Highland – 4 Linden – 3 Ridgeway - unknown

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet
 ► Minus 30 households through existing Boundary Agreement

WASTEWATER TREATMENT

Sewerage systems in Wisconsin are subject to the administrative rules of the DNR. A "sewerage system" is the collection of all structures, conduits, and pipes, by which sewage is collected, treated, and disposed of, with the exception of building plumbing and the service pipes from buildings to municipally owned sewers.

The DNR regulates municipal, industrial, and significant animal waste operations discharging wastewater to surface or groundwater through the Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permit program. The DNR also establishes the performance standards for wastewater treatment systems and sets numeric criteria the discharger must meet. Permits are for a maximum five-year time frame and approves discharge of a set quantity of wastewater at a specific location.

Iowa County jurisdictions listed in Table D.5 are served by wastewater treatment facilities. Specific information such as well type, capacity, etc is given in each participating jurisdiction’s Section D, Utilities and Community Facilities Element.

Table D.5: Iowa County Communities with Wastewater Treatment Facilities

Cities	Towns	Villages	
Dodgeville Mineral Point	Dodgeville ►	Village of Arena Village of Avoca Village of Barneveld Village of Blanchardville Village of Highland Village of Hollandale	Village of Linden Village of Livingston Village of Montfort Village of Muscoda Village of Ridgeway

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet
 ► 35 connections through Boundary Agreement with City of Dodgeville

Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems

Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (POWTS) treat domestic wastewater, which includes domestic activities such as sanitary, bath, laundry, dishwashing, garbage disposal, etc. These systems receive domestic wastewater and either retains it in a holding tank, or immediately treats and discharges it into the soil. Any system with a final discharge on the ground surface, or discharging directly into surface waters of the state, is subject to DNR regulation.

POWTS are most commonly used in rural or large lot areas where sanitary sewer is not available. These systems are regulated under WI COMM-83 and permits are issued by the Wisconsin Department of Commerce and the WI-DNR. The majority of towns in Iowa County are served by POWTS. A certain number of private systems exist in cities and villages due to unique circumstances. Iowa County jurisdictions identified in Table D.6 have private septic systems.

Table D.6: Iowa County Communities With Private Septic Systems

Cities	Towns	Villages
Dodgeville – 3 Mineral Point – 10	Arena Clyde Dodgeville Eden Highland Linden	Mifflin Mineral Point Moscow Pulaski Ridgeway Waldwick Wyoming
		Arena – 2 Avoca – 6 Highland – 4 Linden – 3

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Stormwater management involves providing controlled release rates of runoff to receiving systems, typically through the use of detention and/or retention facilities. A stormwater management system can be very simple – a series of natural drainage ways – or a complex system of culverts, pipes, and drains. Either way, the purpose of the system is to store and channel water to specific areas, diminishing the impact of non-point source pollution.

All Iowa County jurisdictions have some type of natural drainage and in some cases, sewered stormwater systems. Specific information such as well type, capacity, etc is given in each participating jurisdiction's Section D, Utilities and Community Facilities Element. (See Section E, Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resource Element for further information on water resources, non-point source pollution, stormwater management, and flooding.) Table D.7 below lists Iowa County jurisdictions and what type of stormwater system, if any, exists in their community.

Table D.7: Stormwater Systems

Jurisdiction	Has Stormwater Management System?	What Type of System?
City of Dodgeville	Yes	Storm sewers, retention ponds, ordinance controlling activities causing or promoting erosion.
City of Mineral Point	Yes	Storm sewers in certain locations in City.
Town of Arena	Yes	Check/detention dams, Ag conservation practices, erosion control waterways.
Town of Clyde	No	
Town of Dodgeville	No	
Town of Eden	No	
Town of Highland	No	
Town of Linden	No	
Town of Mifflin	No	
Town of Mineral Point	No	
Town of Moscow	No	
Town of Pulaski	No	
Town of Ridgeway	No	
Town of Waldwick	No	
Town of Wyoming	No	
Village of Arena	No	
Village of Avoca	No	
Village of Blanchardville	Yes	System of underground storm sewers.
Village of Highland	Yes	Stormwater drain system directs run-off to the creek leading to the Big Rock.
Village of Hollandale	Yes	Storm sewers
Village of Linden	No	
Village of Ridgeway	Yes	Storm sewers and drains although not entirely sufficient for their needs.

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS

A special purpose district is a government entity that is responsible for performing specific tasks and oversight essential to a community's or region's well being. Special districts include sanitary districts, metropolitan sewerage districts, drainage districts, inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts, business improvement districts, tax incremental financing districts, architectural conservancy districts, and port authorities. The following special purpose districts were identified in Iowa County.

Table D.8: Special Purpose Districts

Jurisdiction	Number and Type of Special Purpose Districts
City of Dodgeville	3 – Sanitary Districts
Town of Dodgeville	3 – Sanitary Districts
Town of Linden	1 – Water District (Edmund)
Town of Wyoming	2 – Sanitary Districts
Village of Arena	1 – Sanitary District
Village of Highland	1 – TIF District
Village of Linden	2 – Utility District, Sanitary District

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES**POLICE, FIRE, AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

All Iowa County jurisdictions have police, fire, and emergency services and many communities share these services. Table D.9 lists the police, fire, and emergency services available to each community.

Table D.9: Police and Fire Protection and Emergency Services

Jurisdiction	Police Protection	Fire Protection	Emergency Services
City of Dodgeville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dodgeville Police Dept. Iowa County Sheriff Dept. 	City of Dodgeville Fire Dept.	City of Dodgeville Rescue Squad
City of Mineral Point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mineral Point Police Dept. Iowa County Sheriff Dept. 	Mineral Point / Linden / Dodgeville / Hollandale Fire Depts.	Mineral Point EMTs
Town of Arena	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	Arena Fire Dept.	Arena Rescue Squad
Town of Clyde▶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iowa County Sheriff Dept. Mutual Aid agreements with Dane and Sauk Counties, DNR 	Town of Clyde and Lone Rock Fire Depts.	Town of Clyde and Lone Rock Rescue Squad
Town of Dodgeville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wisconsin State Patrol Iowa County Sheriff Dept. 	Dodgeville Fire Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dodgeville Rescue Mineral Point Rescue
Town of Eden	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	Cobb, Dodgeville, Eden, Highland, Linden, Montfort Fire Depts.	Cobb, Dodgeville, Eden, Highland, Linden, Montfort Rescue Services
Town of Highland	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	Highland Joint Fire District	Highland Joint Rescue Squad
Town of Linden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wisconsin State Patrol Iowa County Sheriff Dept. 	City of Mineral Point, Village of Cobb, City of Dodgeville Fire Depts.	Cities of Mineral Point and Dodgeville, Villages of Cobb, Highland, Montfort and Linden Rescue Services
Town of Mifflin	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	City of Mineral Point, Villages of Livingston, Clifton, Linden, Cobb, and Rewey Fire Depts.	City of Mineral Point, Village of Montfort Rescue Services
Town of Mineral Point	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	City of Mineral Point Fire Dept.	City of Mineral Point Rescue Services
Town of Moscow	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blanchardville Fire Dept. Hollandale Fire Dept. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blanchardville EMS Hollandale First Responders Barneveld EMS UW Med Flights
Town of Pulaski	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	3 Fire Districts	3 Rescue Squads
Town of Ridgeway	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	Ridgeway Fire Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barneveld Rescue Squad Ridgeway First Responders
Town of Waldwick	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mineral Point Fire Dept. Hollandale Fire Dept. 	Mineral Point, Hollandale, Blanchardville Rescue Squads

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet
▶ Part of the IA County 911 telephone system

Table D.9 (cont.): Police and Fire Protection and Emergency Services

Jurisdiction	Police Protection	Fire Protection	Emergency Services
Town of Wyoming	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Green Fire District (north) Dodgeville Fire Dept. (south) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Green Fire District (north) Dodgeville Fire Dept. (south)
Village of Arena▶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iowa County Sheriff Dept. Village of Arena Police Dept. Dane County Sauk County DNR 	Village and Town of Arena Fire Departments	Village and Town of Arena Fire Departments
Village of Avoca▶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iowa County Sheriff Dept. Avoca Law Enforcement Dept. 	Avoca and Rural Fire District and Rescue Squad	Avoca and Rural Fire District and Rescue Squad
Village of Blanchardville*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iowa County Sheriff Dept. Lafayette County Sheriff Dept. Blanchardville Police Dept. 	Blanchardville Fire Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blanchardville Fire Dept. Ambulance Service
Village of Highland▶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iowa County Sheriff Dept. Highland Law Enforcement Dept. 	Highland Joint Volunteer Fire Dept.	Highland Ambulance Service
Village of Hollandale▶	Iowa County Sheriff Dept.	Hollandale Fire District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blanchardville Ambulance Hollandale First Responders
Village of Linden▶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iowa County Sheriff Dept. Part-time Village Law Enforcement Officer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Village of Linden Volunteer Fire Dept. Other Municipalities as needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linden First Responders Mineral Point Rescue Squad
Village of Ridgeway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ridgeway Police Dept. Iowa County Sheriff Dept. 	Ridgeway Fire Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barneveld First Responders Ridgeway First Responders

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet
▶ Part of the IA County 911 telephone system

See Section G, Intergovernmental Cooperation Element per jurisdiction, for specific information on shared police, fire, and emergency services, and mutual aid agreements.

LIBRARIES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

Iowa County is served by the Southwest Wisconsin Library System (SWLS). SWLS is one of seventeen library systems in Wisconsin. It provides a host of resources to its member libraries within its five-county service area. This system increases the type and quality of services the region's twenty-seven public libraries offer to the people of Crawford, Grant, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland Counties. Iowa County residents identified the following libraries as important local resources.

- Avoca Public Library
- Barneveld Public Library
- Belmont Public Library
- Cobb Library
- Dodgeville Public Library
- Livingston Public Library
- Mineral Point Public Library
- Mt. Horeb Public Library
- Muscoda Public Library
- Spring Green Public Library
- SW Wisconsin Library System
- UW-Platteville Library
- Southwest Tech Library

Table D.10 lists municipal buildings such as town or village offices, halls, garages, or community buildings (not including libraries) that are important to Iowa County's jurisdictions.

Table D.10: Municipal Buildings of Iowa County Jurisdictions

Jurisdiction	Municipal Buildings
City of Dodgeville	Dodgeville Municipal Bldg. – Houses Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, City Attorney, and Public Works Director.
City of Mineral Point	None identified
Town of Arena	None identified
Town of Clyde	Clyde Reading Room
Town of Dodgeville	Dodgeville Town Hall, Town Garage
Town of Eden	None identified
Town of Highland	Highland Town Hall, Shop
Town of Linden	Town Shop
Town of Mifflin	None identified
Town of Mineral Point	Mineral Point Town Hall

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

Table D.10 (cont.): Municipal Buildings of Iowa County Jurisdictions

Jurisdiction	Municipal Buildings
Town of Moscow	Moscow Municipal Garage
Town of Pulaski	None identified
Town of Ridgeway	Ridgeway Municipal Bldg., Shop
Town of Waldwick	None identified
Town of Wyoming	Wyoming Town Hall
Village of Arena	Arena Municipal Bldg.
Village of Avoca	Avoca Reading Center, Avoca Municipal Bldg.
Village of Blanchardville	Blanchardville Municipal Bldg. (houses clerk, police, and fire departments)
Village of Highland	Highland Municipal Bldg.
Village of Hollandale	Hollandale Village Garage
Village of Linden	Linden Municipal Bldg.
Village of Ridgeway	Ridgeway Municipal Bldg. (houses fire station, village office, and police station), Village Garage

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

CHILDCARE

Numerous independent providers as well as several formalized day care centers provide childcare in Iowa County. Iowa County is served by Southwestern Wisconsin Child Care Resource & Referral (SW WI CCR&R), which is committed to improving early care and education by providing support and information to families, providers, and the public in order to create and meet a demand for high quality childcare. Services provided include information, education, and referrals for childcare consumers, recruitment, and training for childcare professionals, technical assistance, and support to those in the childcare business, employer assistance in addressing work/family issues, and childcare data for local community planning. Southwestern Wisconsin Child Care Resource & Referral is part of a statewide network of community-based, childcare resource and referral agencies. See Table D.11 below.

Table D.11: Childcare Facilities

Jurisdiction	Childcare facilities that serve the community.
City of Dodgeville	Childcare in Dodgeville is mainly available through independent providers. There are also numerous childcare facilities in surrounding communities.
City of Mineral Point	Kinder Care/Upland Hills/Dodgeville
Town of Arena	Childcare in Arena is available through small, private caretakers
Town of Clyde	The Plan Commission indicated there are no childcare facilities available within the Town of Clyde.
Town of Dodgeville	The Plan Commission indicated there are no childcare facilities available within the Town of Dodgeville.
Town of Eden	There are no childcare facilities within the Town of Eden. However, childcare is available through a variety of area services. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Childcare Resource and Referral (a toll-free service) • Karen's Kids, Mineral Point • Kids Kingdom, Cobb • Kinder Castle, Dodgeville • Mom's Way Childcare, Dodgeville • Precious Time Preschool and Daycare, Montfort • Upland Hills Childcare, Dodgeville
Town of Highland	No childcare facilities are located in the Town of Highland and the Plan Commission did not identify any childcare facilities that serve the Town.
Town of Linden	There are no childcare facilities within the Town of Linden. Childcare facilities available outside Linden were not identified by the Plan Commission.
Town of Mifflin	Childcare facilities within Mifflin are home daycare. Additional childcare needs are served by a variety of area services including Montfort Day Care in Montfort and Kids Kingdom in Cobb.
Town of Mineral Point	There are a variety of childcare services in the Town of Mineral Point.
Town of Moscow	Pecatonica Lutheran Pre-School offers childcare in Moscow.
Town of Pulaski	Childcare facilities in the Town of Pulaski consist of before and after school hour programs at Avoca.
Town of Ridgeway	The Plan Commission did not identify any childcare facilities in or serving the Town of Ridgeway.
Town of Waldwick	Kinder Castle, a private facility in Dodgeville, provides childcare for Town of Waldwick residents.
Town of Wyoming	The Plan Commission did not identify any childcare facilities located in or serving the Town.
Village of Arena	The Plan Commission did not indicate any childcare facilities either in or serving Arena.
Village of Avoca	The Plan Commission did not indicate any childcare facilities either in or serving the Village.
Village of Blanchardville	Childcare in Blanchardville is available from home-based providers only. Outside the Village there are other facilities available, such as the New Glarus Pre-school.
Village of Highland	Childcare in Highland is provided mainly by independent providers, which are listed in the Yellow Pages. There are also childcare facilities in surrounding communities.
Village of Hollandale	The Plan Commission did not indicate any childcare facilities either in or serving the Village.

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

Table D.11 (cont.): Childcare Facilities

Jurisdiction	<i>Childcare facilities that serve the community.</i>
Village of Linden	Childcare is available in surrounding communities such as Dodgeville, Mineral Point, Cobb, and Livingston.
Village of Ridgeway	Independent, in-home providers in the Village.

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Iowa County Pre-K – 12 education is provided by eight public school districts as well as several private schools (which are not listed here). The public school districts serving Iowa County are listed below in Table D.12, along with their 2004 enrollment numbers. See Map D.2 for all Iowa County school districts.

Table D.12: Iowa County Public School Enrollment

School District	2004 Enrollment
Barneveld	427
Dodgeville	1,284
Highland	310
Iowa – Grant	938
Mineral Point	812
Pecatonica Area	482
Riverdale	890
River Valley	1,451
Wisconsin Heights	1,062
Barneveld	427

(Source: 2004 Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction)

HIGHER EDUCATION

County residents listed several regional institutions of higher education as important educational facilities offering a wide variety of educational opportunities including certificates, technical diplomas, associate, bachelor, and master's degrees. The nearest colleges and universities are located in Fennimore (Southwest Wisconsin Technical College), Platteville (University of Wisconsin - Platteville), Madison (Edgewood College, UW-Madison, Madison Area Technical College), Richland Center (University of Wisconsin - Richland), and Monroe (Blackhawk Technical College). See Table D.13 for a list of the higher education facilities that are either located in or serve the jurisdictions of Iowa County.

Table D.13: Higher Education Facilities

Jurisdiction	<i>"Indicate higher education facilities that serve your community."</i>
City of Dodgeville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • Madison (Edgewood College, UW Madison, MATC) • UW Platteville
City of Mineral Point	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UW Platteville • UW Madison • MATC • Southwest Tech, Fennimore
Town of Arena	None identified.
Town of Clyde	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • Madison (Edgewood College, UW Madison, MATC) • UW Platteville
Town of Dodgeville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • Madison (Edgewood College, UW Madison, MATC) • UW Platteville
Town of Eden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • Madison (Edgewood College, UW Madison, MATC) • UW Platteville
Town of Highland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • UW Platteville • UW Richland Center

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

Table D.13 (cont.): Higher Education Facilities

Jurisdiction	<i>“Indicate higher education facilities that serve your community.”</i>
Town of Linden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nearby colleges and universities include: • University of Wisconsin, Platteville • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • University of Wisconsin, Madison • Edgewood College, Madison • Madison Area Technical College, Madison • Upper Iowa University, Fayette, IA • University of Dubuque, Dubuque, IA
Town of Mifflin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • UW Platteville
Town of Mineral Point	Southwest Tech, Fennimore
Town of Moscow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • Madison, MATC • UW State Schools
Town of Pulaski	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • UW Platteville • UW Richland Center
Town of Ridgeway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • UW Madison • UW Platteville
Town of Waldwick	Southwest Tech, Fennimore
Town of Wyoming	None identified
Village of Arena	None identified
Village of Avoca	Southwest Tech, Fennimore
Village of Blanchardville	There are a wide variety of area colleges, universities, and technical colleges offering educational opportunities including certificates, technical diplomas, associate, bachelor, and master's degrees.
Village of Highland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • MATC • UW System
Village of Hollandale	None identified
Village of Linden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest Tech, Fennimore • UW Platteville
Village of Ridgeway	Southwest Tech, Fennimore

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

Numerous healthcare facilities serve Iowa County. A number of facilities exist within Iowa County communities, but there are also facilities identified outside the County. Table D.14 below indicates the health care facilities identified by Iowa County residents. See also Map D.3 at the end of this Section for healthcare facilities in the region.

Table D.14: Local Health Care Facilities

Hospitals	Medical Clinics	Other Medical Facilities
Finley Hospital, Dubuque	Barneveld Medical Clinic	Bloomfield Manor
Grant Regional Health Center	Blackhawk Area Health	Chiropractic Clinics
Memorial Hospital, Darlington	Blanchardville Branch Clinic	Counseling Center of SW WI
Mercy Health Hospital, Dubuque	Dean Medical Center	Dentists
Meriter Hospital, Madison	Doctors Park Physicians	Eye doctors
Monroe Hospital	Dodgeville Medical Center	Greenway Manor
Prairie du Chien Memorial	Family Practice Associates	Highland Pharmacy
Richland Center Hospital	Mazomanie Clinic	Home Care
Sauk Prairie Memorial Hospital	Mineral Point Medical	Hospice
Southwest Health Center	Monroe Clinic	IA County Health Dept.
St Mary's Hospital, Madison	Mt. Horeb Clinic	Lancaster Care Center
Upland Hills Health Hospital	Muscoda Health Center	Mineral Point Care Center
UW Hospital, Madison	Prairie Medicine LTD	Orthodontists
VA, Madison	Richland Medical Center	Riverdale Manor
	River Valley Clinic	Sienna Crest
	Sauk Prairie Memorial Clinic	Unified Community Services
	SW CAP Reproductive Center	Upland Hills Nursing and Rehab
	Spring Green Medical Center	

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

All jurisdictions in Iowa County except the Town of Waldwick have some form of solid waste (garbage) collection within their jurisdiction. Some communities have curbside pick-up while others are serviced by a centralized drop off location. Table D.15 indicates what type of solid waste disposal and recycling programs that exist in each community.

Table D.15: Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling Programs

Cities	Towns	Villages
Dodgeville▶ Mineral Point▶	Arena▶ Clyde Dodgeville Eden Highland Linden Mifflin Mineral Point▶ Moscow Pulaski Ridgeway▶ Wyoming	Arena▶ Avoca Blanchardville▶ Highland▶ Hollandale Linden▶ Ridgeway▶

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet
▶ Has curbside pick-up.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Public open space lands such as parks are important to a community's quality of life. These lands serve multiple functions including outdoor recreation, outdoor education, buffers, flood and stormwater control, habitat preservation, air and surface water quality improvement, protection of groundwater recharge areas, and aesthetics. See Tables D.16, D.17, and D.18 for information on parks, outdoor recreation amenities, and for future needs for parks in Iowa County.

Table D.16: Recreational Amenities

Jurisdiction	<i>"Does your jurisdiction offer recreational amenities to campers, hunters, anglers, etc.? What available recreational resources are in your jurisdiction?"</i>
City of Dodgeville	Yes • Bike trails and hiking trails
City of Mineral Point	Yes • Campgrounds • Cheese Country Trail
Town of Arena	No
Town of Clyde	Yes • Hunting • Fishing
Town of Dodgeville	Yes • Camping (private-Hideaway Acres, public – Governor Dodge State Park (GDSP), Youth camps – Bethel Horizons, Friendship Center • GDSP – Camping, fishing, hiking, bird watching, swimming, sunbathing, horseback riding, etc • Horse back riding stables – Dolly Stables • Biking – Military Ridge State Trail, Town roads • Trout streams • Scenic drives, fisheries tours, historical interests, mineral museum, hunting, snowmobile, • Harvesting – nuts, berries, mushrooms • Pleasant Ridge Store – volley ball, horse back riders, outdoor relaxing • Bed and Breakfast - motels
Town of Eden	Yes • Blackhawk Lake • A snowmobile club trail • Fishing, bird watching and hiking • Bicyclists enjoy Eden Township roads; some are quite challenging
Town of Highland	Yes • Blackhawk Lake Recreation Area

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Natural Resources Element Worksheet

Table D.16 (cont.): Recreational Amenities

Jurisdiction	<i>“Does your jurisdiction offer recreational amenities to campers, hunters, anglers, etc.? What available recreational resources are in your jurisdiction?”</i>
Town of Linden	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Farm pond is open to the public and offers canoeing, swimming, and fishing • Fishing in the creeks, but no public access • Private snowmobile and horse trails
Town of Mifflin	No <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private snowmobile trails maintained by a club
Town of Mineral Point	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snowmobile trail • Cheese Country Trail • New Hwy 151 bike trail • Hiking
Town of Moscow	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snowmobile trails and horse riding trails on private land • Through the State of Wisconsin DNR they have easement rights to trout streams • Hunting by private land owners permission • ATV trails were publicly abused
Town of Pulaski	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizen access granted to public lands to provide recreational opportunities
Town of Ridgeway	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bikers, snowmobile trails, bird watchers • Camp grounds • Hyde Mill and Dam attracts many tourists • DNR land is open to hunters and bird watchers • Many streams • Folklore Village attracts thousands of tourists and classes
Town of Waldwick	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camping • Bird watching • Bicyclists • Snowmobiling • 4-wheelers • Horseback riding • Hunting, fishing
Town of Wyoming	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tower Hill State Park • Lower WI State Riverway • Bike trail along Hwy 23 • Self guided natural trail on grounds of American Players Theatre • Endless Valley Stables • Rush Creek Sportsman's Club • Hiking and cross-country ski trails at the House on the Rock Resort • Marked snowmobile trail on private property by local snowmobile club
Village of Arena	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snowmobilers • Bikers • Fishing and boating
Village of Avoca	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campground • Avoca Lake • Avoca Prairie Land
Village of Blanchardville	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campground • End of Lafayette County ATV trail • Fishing pier (accessible) • Fishing from banks and bridge • Canoe outtake, put-in
Village of Highland	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bikers • Snowmobilers and horseback riders are visible in the Village of Highland • Village does not allow overnight campers in the Village Park, although the Misfits-in-Time Rendezvous with several lodges were on site July 26 & 27, 2003
Village of Hollandale	No
Village of Linden	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snowmobile trail per ordinance

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Natural Resources Element Worksheet

Table D.16 (cont.): Recreational Amenities

Jurisdiction	<i>“Does your jurisdiction offer recreational amenities to campers, hunters, anglers, etc.? What available recreational resources are in your jurisdiction?”</i>
Village of Ridgeway	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Military Ridge Bike Trail • Bathrooms • Depot and Park

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Natural Resources Element Worksheet

Table D.17: Natural Resources Promotion

Jurisdiction	<i>“Does your jurisdiction actively promote its natural resources to recreational visitors? How?”</i>
City of Dodgeville	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks • Walking/bike trails (through chamber)
City of Mineral Point	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsoring of bike trips and hosting such trips • Chamber of Commerce
Town of Arena	No
Town of Clyde	No
Town of Dodgeville	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Town web site with tourism links • Member and seat on local Chamber of Commerce • Promote local recreation with brochures in Town office • Allow and encourage development of recreational based business in Town
Town of Eden	No
Town of Highland	No
Town of Linden	No
Town of Mifflin	No
Town of Mineral Point	No
Town of Moscow	No
Town of Pulaski	No
Town of Ridgeway	No
Town of Waldwick	No
Town of Wyoming	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tourist entities in Town promote available recreational activities • Town government gives financial Support to the Spring Green Area Visitors Guide
Village of Arena	No
Village of Avoca	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web Page • Camper magazines • Village Signs
Village of Blanchardville	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotional brochures feature park, campground, and location of Pecatonica River • Special events are hosted in park near river
Village of Highland	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotes natural resources through locally sponsored rabbit hunt run • Through numerous picnics in the Village Park
Village of Hollandale	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Pecatonica River skirts the town; we encourage use of the river for canoeing and fishing
Village of Linden	No
Village of Ridgeway	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sell passes to trail • Promotes restoration of depot for trail tourism

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Natural Resources Element Worksheet

Table D.18: Parks and Recreational Space Needs Assessment

Jurisdiction	<i>“Does your jurisdiction have enough parks, trails, and other outdoor recreation spaces to meet the needs of residents and visitors?” “If not, what types are needed, where should they be located, and how big?”</i>
City of Dodgeville	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural areas Walking areas
City of Mineral Point	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Tower Park – Picnic Shelter, play equipment Jerusalem Park – Playground, basketball court Galle Park – Shelter, basketball court, play lot Soldier’s Memorial – Tennis court, baseball diamond, swimming pool, shelters Opera House Plaza – Gazebo, benches Library Park – Park benches, tables Whitford/Skidmore – Shelter, tables
Town of Arena	Yes
Town of Clyde	Yes
Town of Dodgeville	No <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledging the need may exist ATV trails in the county – to be determined but to connect to other locations Golf Course – to be determined Biking/walking trails - to be determined Roads, expand widen shoulders Outdoor recreation outfitter – to be determined e.g. guides, supplies, etc.
Town of Eden	Yes
Town of Highland	Yes
Town of Linden	The Town does not have enough outdoor recreation spaces, but it is not feasible to develop any more because of lack of land and financial resources.
Town of Mifflin	Yes
Town of Mineral Point	No <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Township park is being considered (grills, picnic tables, shelter)
Town of Moscow	Yes
Town of Pulaski	Yes
Town of Ridgeway	Yes
Town of Waldwick	Yes
Town of Wyoming	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Handicap accessible facilities
Village of Arena	Yes
Village of Avoca	No <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ATV trail – Hwy 133 and in Village limits Bike and Walking Trail – from Avoca Park to Prairieland at Hay Lane Rd (2 miles)
Village of Blanchardville	No <ul style="list-style-type: none"> River walk, banks of Pecatonica (.24 mile) Expanded campground, banks of Pecatonica adjacent to existing area (10-15 spaces)
Village of Highland	Yes - the Village is blessed with a beautiful, large Village Park
Village of Hollandale	Yes
Village of Linden	No - Expansion of existing Park for parking/recreational, Franklin Street (10-20 acres)
Village of Ridgeway	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small playground greenspace, In future development (1-2 acres)

Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Natural Resources Element Worksheet

TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS

Telecommunication towers, specifically cellular phone towers, are on the rise with increased use of cellular phone. Radio towers such as the towers for WHHI in Highland and WDMP near Dodgeville are also “cell” towers. A number of jurisdictions in Iowa County already have some type of tower either as a co-location tower (e.g. on top of a building or water tower) or a free-standing tower. Table D.19 below indicates jurisdictions with one or more types of communication towers in the County.

Table D.19: Iowa County Telecommunication Towers

Jurisdiction	Number of Towers	Has a Location Strategy?
City of Dodgeville	3 – One antenna is located on the water tower for emergency services.	No
City of Mineral Point	0	No
Town of Arena	0	No
Town of Clyde	0	No
Town of Dodgeville	2	No
Town of Eden	1	No
Town of Highland	1	No
Town of Linden	0	Yes
Town of Mifflin	0	No
Town of Mineral Point	3	Yes
Town of Moscow	0	No
Town of Pulaski	1	No
Town of Ridgeway	0	Yes
Town of Waldwick	0	No
Town of Wyoming	0	Yes
Village of Arena	1	No
Village of Avoca	0	No
Village of Blanchardville	0 – There is a cell tower in the Town of Blanchard, Lafayette County, just feet from Village limits.	No
Village of Highland	Did not answer	
Village of Hollandale	Did not answer	
Village of Linden	No towers yet but have a signed agreement with TowerLink America, LLC, to help get collocation antennas on the Village water tower.	Yes
Village of Ridgeway	0	No

(Source: 2003 Iowa County Comprehensive Planning Utilities and Community Facilities Element Worksheet)

OTHER UTILITIES

Iowa County has other utilities available including cable television, electric, Internet services, telephone, and cellular services. Independent providers, such as Alliant Energy, Verizon, and Charter Communications, provide these services. Current rate information and specific services can be obtained by contacting the independent carriers.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

A CIP is a multi year scheduling of physical public improvements based on the examination of available fiscal resources, as well as the prioritization of such improvements. Capital improvements are those that include new or expanded physical facilities that are relatively large in size, expensive, and permanent. Street improvements, public libraries, water and sewer lines, and park and recreation facilities are common examples of capital improvements.

Only a few jurisdictions have a formal CIP, but several have identified upcoming capital projects. Some projects identified include: construction of a new water tower, construction of a new park, expansion of town hall or municipal building, replace existing bridge, widen local roads, drill new wells, etc. The specific CIPs were not included in this plan but are available by contacting each jurisdiction independently.

UTILITY AND COMMUNITY FACILITY AGENCIES AND PROGRAMS

There are a number of available state and federal agencies and programs to assist communities with public works projects. Below are brief descriptions of various agencies and programs. Contact information has been provided for each agency. To find out more specific information or which program best fits your needs contact the agency directly.

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – RURAL DEVELOPMENT (USDA-RD)
COMMUNITY FACILITIES DIRECT GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM**

The community facilities grant program provides grants to assist the development of essential community facilities in rural areas and towns of up to 20,000 people. The objective of the agency is to construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential services to rural residents. This can include the purchase of equipment required for a facility's operation. All projects that are funded by the RHS grant program must be for public use.

**USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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COMMUNITY FACILITIES GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM

The community facilities loan program is similar to the grant program in that it provides funding for essential community facilities, such as schools, roads, fire halls, etc. Again local jurisdictions must have a population of less than 20,000 to be able to apply. Applications are funded based on a statewide priority point system. For more information on the loan program log on to the USDA-RD website or call the office listed above.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE (RUS)

There are a number of available programs through USDA-RUS as part of the Water and Environmental Programs (WEP). WEP provides loans, grants, and loan guarantees for drinking water, sanitary sewer, solid waste, and storm drainage facilities in rural areas and cities and towns of 10,000 or less. Public bodies, non-profit organizations and recognized Indian Tribes may qualify for assistance. WEP also makes grants to non-profit organizations to provide technical assistance and training to assist rural communities with their water, wastewater, and solid waste programs. Some of the available programs include:

- Water and Waste Disposal Direct and Guaranteed Loans
- Water and Waste Disposal Grants
- Technical Assistance and Training Grants
- Solid Waste Management Grants
- Rural Water Circuit Ride Technical Assistance

More detailed information can be obtained on any of the above programs by contacting USDA Rural Development Office. The contact information is listed above.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA), NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS), UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (US EPA), COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH EDUCATION EXTENSION SERVICE (CSREES)

FARM*A*SYST

Farm*A*Syst is a national program cooperatively supported by the above agencies. The program enables you to prevent pollution on farms, ranches, and in homes using confidential environmental assessments. This program can help you determine your risks. A system of fact sheets and worksheets helps you to identify the behaviors and practices that are creating risks. Some of the issues Farm*A*Syst can help you address include:

- Quality of well water, new wells, and abandoned wells
- Livestock waste storage
- Storage and handling of petroleum products
- Managing hazardous wastes
- Nutrient management



Farm*A*Syst is a voluntary program, so you decide whether or not to assess your property. This program has been nationally and internationally recognized for its common-sense approach to managing environmental risks. Contact the Farm*A*Syst office for more information on available programs.

HOME*A*SYST

Also available through the cooperative efforts of USDA, NRCS, CSREES, and US EPA is the national Home*A*Syst program. This program is very similar to the Farm*A*Syst program explained above, but instead is specific to your home. The program begins with a checklist to identify risks including safety of drinking water, use and storage of hazardous chemicals, and lead based paint. The program can help you develop an action plan to reduce your risks. Contact the Home*A*Syst program to find out more information and to obtain worksheets to begin your assessment today.

FARM*A*SYST HOME*A*SYST

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, BUREAU OF COMMUNITY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (DNR-CFA)

The Bureau of Community Assistance administers a number of grant and loan programs. The Bureau supports projects that protect the public health and the environment and provide recreational opportunities. The Bureau has three major areas of programs, which include the following:

- **Environmental Loans:** This is a loan program for drinking water, wastewater, and brownfield projects.
- **Environmental Financial Assistance Grants:** This is a grant program for non-point source runoff pollution, recycling, lakes, rivers, municipal flood control and well compensation.
- **Land & Recreation Financial Assistance Grants:** This is a grant program for conservation, restoration, parks, stewardship, acquisition of land and easements for conservation purposes, recreational facilities and trails, hunter education, forestry, forest fire protection, gypsy moth, household hazardous waste collection, dam rehabilitation and abandonment, dry cleaner remediation, and urban wildlife damage.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (WI-DNR)

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These programs listed above are the major program headings. There are numerous programs available for specific projects within these umbrella programs. For example, under the Environmental Loans Program, there is the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP). The SDWLP provides loans to public water systems to build, upgrade, or replace water supply infrastructure to protect public health and address federal and state safe drinking water requirements. For more detailed information on other available programs, contact the Wisconsin DNR or visit the website listed above.

WISCONSIN WELL COMPENSATION GRANT PROGRAM

Another program available through the Wisconsin DNR is the Well Compensation Grant Program. To be eligible for a grant, a person must own a contaminated private water supply that serves a residence or is used for watering livestock. Owners of wells serving commercial properties are not eligible, unless the commercial property also contains a residential unit or apartment. The Well compensation grant program provides partial cost sharing for the following:

- Water testing if it shows the well is contaminated
- Reconstructing a contaminated well
- Constructing a new well
- Connecting to an existing private or public water supply
- Installing a new pump, including the associated piping
- Property abandoning the contaminated well
- Equipment for water treatment
- Providing a temporary bottled or trucked water supply

WI-DNR staff is available to help explain the requirements of any of the above programs. Contact your local DNR office for more information.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM PUBLIC FACILITIES (CDBG-PF)

This program is designed to assist small communities with public facility improvements. Eligible activities would include publicly owned utility system improvements, streets, sidewalks, disability accessibility projects, and community centers. Local governments including towns, villages, cities, and counties are eligible. Entitlement cities, over 50,000 in population, are not eligible. Federal grant funds are made available on an annual basis. The maximum grant for any single applicant is \$750,000. Grants are only available up to the amount that is adequately justified and documented with engineering or vendor estimates.

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WISCONSIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM PUBLIC FACILITIES (CDBG-PFED)

This program helps underwrite the cost of municipal infrastructure necessary for business development. This program requires that the result of the project will ultimately induce businesses, create jobs, and invest in the community. More information is available from the Wisconsin Department of Commerce.