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This series of six WisLine programs is designed to provide information to county, city, village, and town officials charged with adopting and administering land use planning and regulatory programs.

Program hosts are James H. Schneider, J.D., Local Government Specialist, Local Government Center; UW-Extension-Madison; and Brian W. Ohm, Land Use Law Specialist, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, UW-Extension Madison.

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November 9, 2005 (Wednesday), 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. - BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (BID) DEVELOPMENT IN WISCONSIN - The state of Wisconsin continues to have an impressive track record in both the creation and impacts resulting from Business Improvement Districts (BIDs). There are currently 76 BIDs operating in the state and this year will likely see the creation of several new districts. This program will provide an important opportunity to learn more about these special assessment districts, how they are created, administered and operated. Presenter: Charles S. Law, Local Government Center.

December 14, 2005 (Wednesday), 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. - THE ROLE OF SUBDIVISION REGULATION - The regulation of subdivisions and land divisions is an important, though often misunderstood, implementation tool in land use planning. This session will address the statutory authority for subdivision review in Wisconsin, highlighting the various jurisdictional roles of counties, cities, villages, towns, and the state. The session will also cover the basic components of a subdivision ordinance and recent case law related to these ordinances. Finally, the session will explore issues related to condominium plats and techniques for innovation such as conservation subdivisions. Moderated by James H. Schneider, Local Government Center; presented by Brian Ohm, Department of Urban & Regional Planning, and other speakers to be announced.

January 25, 2006 (Wednesday), 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. - SITTING LIVESTOCK OPERATIONS - 2003 Wisconsin Act 235 made important changes to local regulation of the siting and expansion of livestock facilities and directed the Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection (DATCP) to develop administrative rules to implement the new law. This program will discuss the new law, the proposed administrative rules (ATCP 51), and options and issues for local implementation. Moderated by James H. Schneider, Local Government Center; presented by Richard Stadelman, Wisconsin Towns Association, Mark O'Connell, Wisconsin Counties Association, and DATCP staff.

February 22, 2006 (Wednesday), 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. - GROWING COMMUNITIES, GREENING COMMUNITIES: MANAGING IMPACTS ON WETLANDS - "Avoid, Minimize, Mitigate" is standard protocol for wetland impacts. This session will provide an overview of issues related to wetland impacts in Wisconsin along with tools and resources for reducing wetland impacts. Topics include: relevant state and federal laws, computer-based mapping resources, and an introduction to the Practicable Alternatives Analysis. Moderated by Elaine Andrews, UWEX Environmental Resources Center; speakers to be announced.

April 26, 2006 (Wednesday), 10:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. - GROWING COMMUNITIES, GREENING COMMUNITIES: ENDANGERED RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY PLANNING - Community development may result in changes to Wisconsin's natural communities. DNR resources allow you to identify and map local natural resource areas, identify community goals for rare species and biodiversity issues, and incorporate ecologically-significant sites within the comprehensive plan. This is a hands-on Wisline Web course (featuring Internet access) that will introduce you to tools and techniques for planning for endangered resources. This course will also be offered in the traditional Wisline audio format for those sites where Wisline Web is not available. Please contact the site for more information. Moderated by Elaine Andrews, UWEX Environmental Resources Center; presented by Betty Les and Andy Galvin, Natural Heritage Inventory Program, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.