

U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

LA CROSSE FISH HEALTH CENTER

November Station Highlights



The La Crosse Fish Health Center (LFHC) is located in Onalaska, Wisconsin and is responsible for fish health management within the Big Rivers/Great Lakes region of the upper Midwest. Primary responsibilities include inspection, certification and diagnostic services for federal hatcheries, providing inspection and laboratory services for state, federal and tribal agencies, surveillance of target pathogens as part of the National Wild Fish Health Survey, providing training in fish health management, monitoring use of drugs and chemicals for national fish hatchery use, researching fish health management and assisting in design and implementation of surveillance, and control of invasive aquatic pathogens in cooperation with state, tribal, federal and non-governmental agencies.

LABORATORY TESTING SERVICES

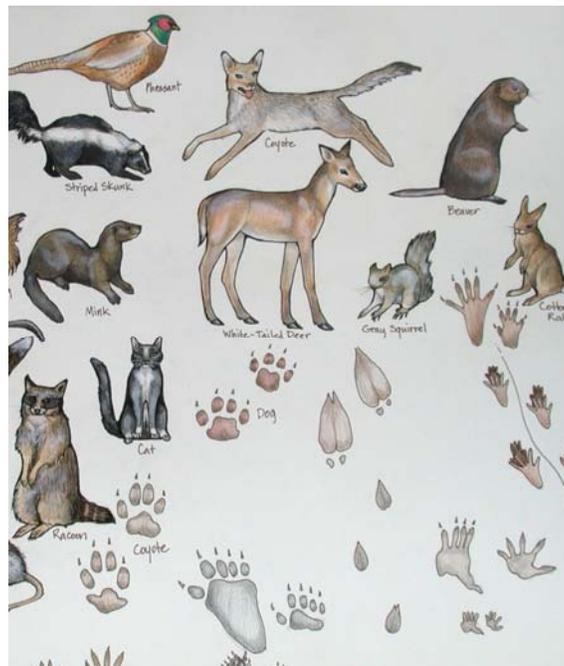
The La Crosse Fish Health Center provided laboratory testing services in November to: Lake Superior State University, Big Green Lake (Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources), London State Fish Hatchery (Ohio Department of Natural Resources), Iron River National Fish Hatchery (USFWS), Neosho National Fish Hatchery (USFWS), Genoa National Fish Hatchery (USFWS), Red Cliff Tribal Fish Hatchery, and the White Earth Tribe Natural Resources. (by Julie Teskie)



PUBLIC USE
**La Crosse Fish Health Center Staff Volunteers to Create Out-
reach Materials**



Julie Teskie of the La Crosse Fish Health Center volunteered to create this illustration for the Upper Mississippi Wildlife Refuge La Crosse District as part of the new Brownsville Overlook interpretive kiosk. The work shows the benefits of planted trees as windbreaks for wildlife and river quality.



She also volunteered her time to create a one-page animal track guide for an interpretive kit for young children. The kit was compiled by Heidi Keuler from the La Crosse Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office and Sarah Bauer from the La Crosse Fish Health Center and contains educational materials and project

ideas. It will be in circulation at local libraries and is available for purchase by outdoor education groups. (by Julie Teskie)

