

DNR WILL PRESENT GROUND WATER PLANS: Representatives of the Water Division of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will present plans for studying ground water issues and creating a strategic analysis of ground water management for the Central Sands region at a meeting in Plover Tuesday, Jan. 7.

The DNR representatives will also answer questions from the public at the meeting, scheduled for 6 p.m. in the Community Room of the Plover Village Hall, 2400 Post Road, Plover.

Presenting will be Ken Johnson, DNR Water Division administrator; Dan Helsel, DNR Regional Water Program supervisor; Eric Ebersberger, DNR Water Use Section chief; and Bob Smail, DNR water supply specialist. Also in attendance will be Ken Bradbury of UW-Extension and the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey.

The meeting will be held at the request of a bipartisan group of central Wisconsin legislators, including Sen. Julie Lassa, D-Stevens Point; Sen. Luther Olsen, R-Ripon; Rep. Katrina Shankland, D-Stevens Point; Rep. Scott Krug, R-Wisconsin Rapids; and Rep. Amy Sue Vruwink, D-Milladore.

“With the discussion of so many ground water issues occurring throughout the Central Sands, we thought it would be helpful for all of us to fully understand what the DNR’s current plans are for the Little Plover River Groundwater Flow Modeling Project and the projected Central Sands Groundwater Management and Surface Water Protection Strategic Analysis,” Sen. Lassa said. “This meeting will be a chance for constituents to receive a thorough briefing on those projects and have their questions answered.”