

Making a Planned Gift to the Wisconsin Wetlands Association

We all understand the importance of planning for a secure future. Wisconsin Wetlands Association has worked for more than 50 years to help people and communities care for wetlands. Planning for a legacy gift now will make a difference for generations to come.

The Wisconsin Wetlands Association currently accepts several types of planned gifts:

Charitable Bequest – listing WWA in your will or living trust

A bequest is a gift made through your will or living trust. There are several types of bequests you can make to ensure your gift will be made in a way that honors your legacy. You can direct a gift of a specific dollar amount, or property such as stock, to be donated to the Wisconsin Wetlands Association, or you can select a percentage of the value of your estate to be given. Your intent to make such a bequest to the Wisconsin Wetlands Association can be made clear in your will or living trust by including the following language:

I bequeath _____ (dollar amount or % of estate) to the Wisconsin Wetlands Association, a nonprofit organization existing under the laws of Wisconsin and with a principal business address of 214 North Hamilton Street, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53703-2106; and a federal tax identification number of 39-1852601.

We request that you share your estate plans with us to ensure that your wishes will be met, so that we may properly express our gratitude during your lifetime, and so that you may assist us with our long-term planning efforts. To document your bequest with the Wisconsin Wetlands Association, please contact our office at 608-250-9971. Please know that documenting your bequest is not binding or irrevocable—you still have the liberty to revise your estate plans as your circumstances change.

Beneficiary Designation

Consider naming the Wisconsin Wetlands Association as a beneficiary of your IRA, pension plan, or donor-advised fund. Retirement plans may be subject to estate taxes after death and income tax as the funds are received by a beneficiary, diminishing the ultimate value of the inheritance. By naming the Wisconsin Wetlands Association as a beneficiary, both of these taxes may be avoided, allowing you to leave your family other assets, which may incur less tax liability.

Please note that the Wisconsin Wetlands Association, like all charitable organizations, is prohibited from giving tax or legal advice. Please consult with your financial or estate advisor about which legacy gift is the best fit for you.

The Wisconsin Wetlands Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

For more information about legacy gifts, please call 608-250-9971 or email info@wisconsinwetlands.org.