



David Drewiske - BIO

Dave has deep roots in the Kinni Valley. His mom was raised on a homestead farm south of River Falls. His parents met while his dad attended college at UW-River Falls, where he also graduated with a BS degree in Scientific Land Management. His dad, who was the Pierce County Agricultural Agent for 30 years, started teaching him about watershed management before he started kindergarten. Trout fishing on the lower Kinni has been a passion of his since 1974. He views the river as a national treasure and deeply admires the work so many have done for so many years to protect and enhance the river.

Dave's working career started as a Park Naturalist & Planner on the St. Croix National Riverway. Later, he moved to be a Community & Natural Resource Agent & Business Specialist with the University of Wisconsin Extension system. After earning MS degrees in Urban & Regional Planning and Real Estate Finance from UW-Madison he moved on to a 30 year career managing 3M's global real estate portfolio. Part of that job included managing mining and industrial sites and managing the environmental assessment review process. He takes great pride in his role of converting hundreds of acres of former industrial sites in several states into public parks.

Dave lives 5 miles north of River Falls in a super-insulated, passive solar home which he designed. There he raises English Setters and has an organic garden and multiple perennial flower beds. He and his late wife Karen raised two strong daughters and two good looking sons in that home.

Despite a hectic work and family schedule, Dave has never missed Opening Day of trout fishing, grouse hunting or deer hunting. He is excited to make a contribution to the efforts of the land owners and members of the Kinnickinnic River Land Trust and believes the best is yet to come.