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Welcome!

As people arrive, let's say hello in the chat!

Please tell us:

- What signs of spring have you seen recently?
- Also, share (if you like), your name, your location, your pronouns, and whether it's your first time here?



Let's take a
moment to take 2
deep breaths
together and
reflect on our ties
to this land we
live on.

Monthly Meeting Code of Conduct

A commonly-used tool for supporting safe and inclusive community spaces - also called a community agreement, or community norms.

Sets aspirational goals for community interactions and how we treat each other, like:

- Show courtesy and respect
- Challenge the idea, not the person.

See the chat for a draft code of conduct. Send comments or questions to the monthly meeting team.

Preview of Evening

7:00 Welcome

7:10 **Agriculture Policies and Practices**
Steve Glass, from 350 WI's Dane County Working Group introduces Michael Friend, co-chair of 350 Wisconsin's Ag Policies and Practices sub-team, and Harry Pulliam, WI Farmer's Union

7:40 Updates and Upcoming Events

8:05 Time to welcome newcomers & have optional breakouts



Agriculture Policy and Practices

How agriculture impacts climate, and what we at 350 WI can do about it.

Before We Begin:

Thanks to Dr. Diane Mayerfield at UW
Madison CIAS!



I want to say a lot more than there is
time to. Join us in the breakout room,
and also watch Kiss the Ground on
Netflix!



Before We Begin:

- **Soil Health:**
 - Healthy soil is full of life! (That's where the carbon is!)
 - Disturb it as little as possible (“no” till)
 - Keep it covered as much as possible.
 - And planted as much as possible
 - With as many different kinds of plants as possible.



- **Co Benefits:** Changing practices needs to make business sense for farmers.
 - Luckily, it can! With benefits for water, biodiversity, and human health too

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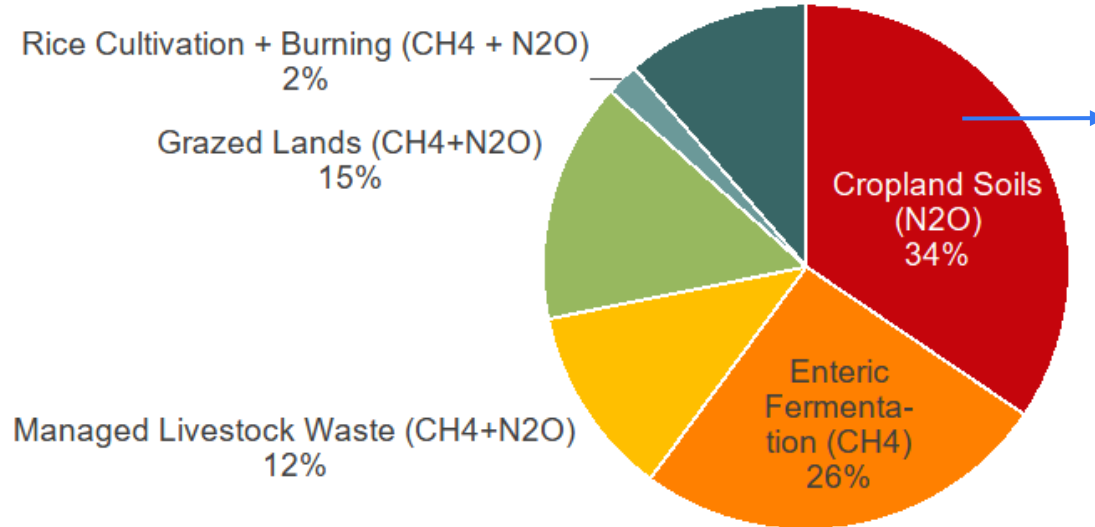
CAFO: Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation

- 1,000+ “Animal Units” (1 animal unit = 1 cow for beef)



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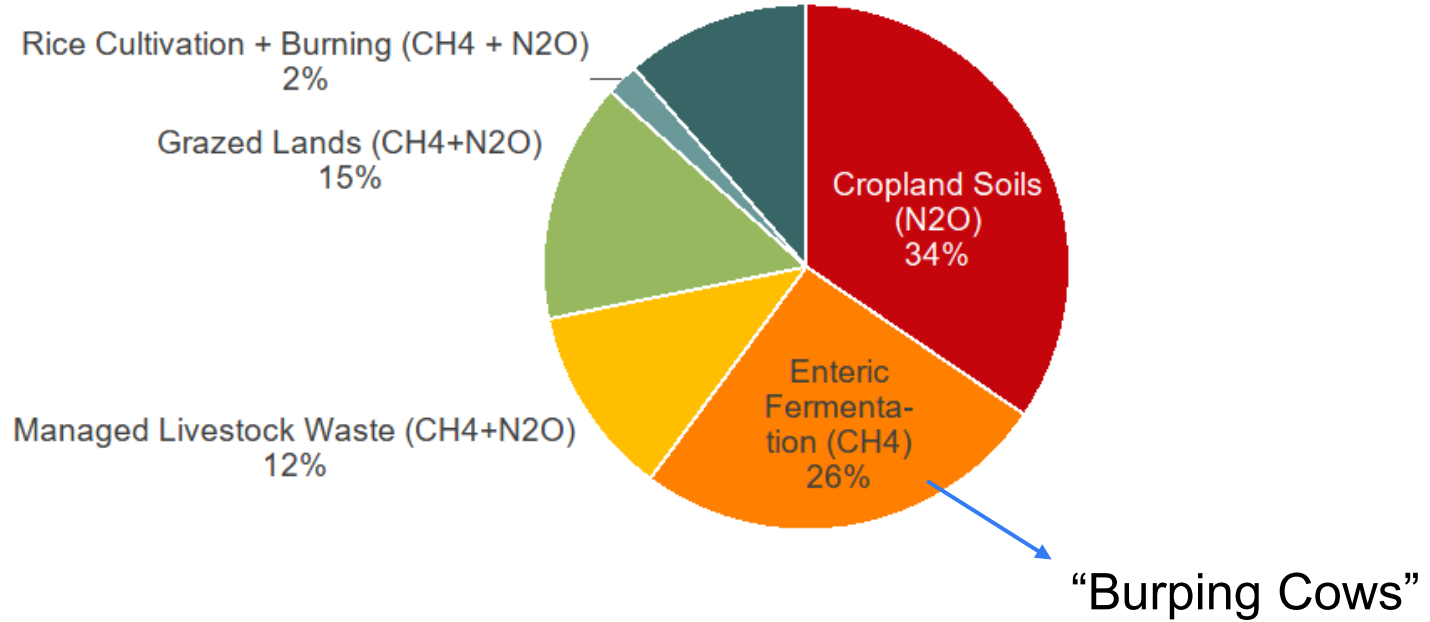
Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Agriculture



- Synthetic N Fertilizers
- Emissions from fertilizer production not pictured
- Tilling
- Monocropping

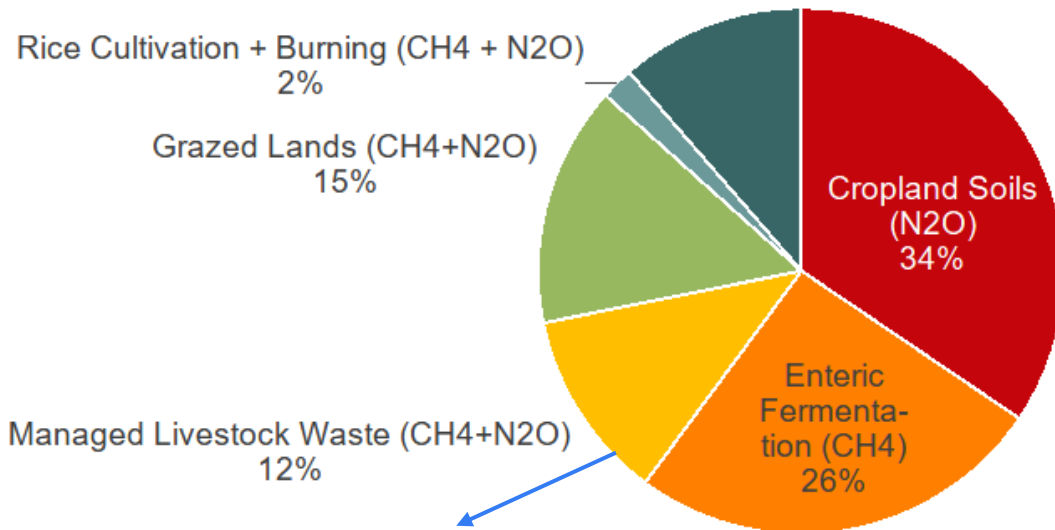
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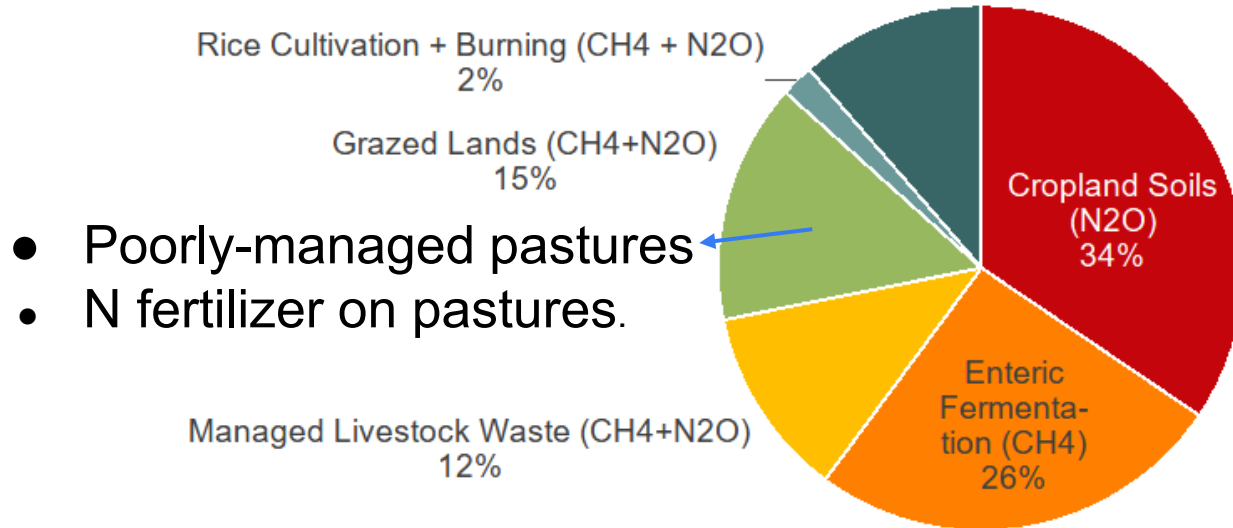
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CAFO liquid manure - additional impacts on water, air, human health, nutrient pollution.

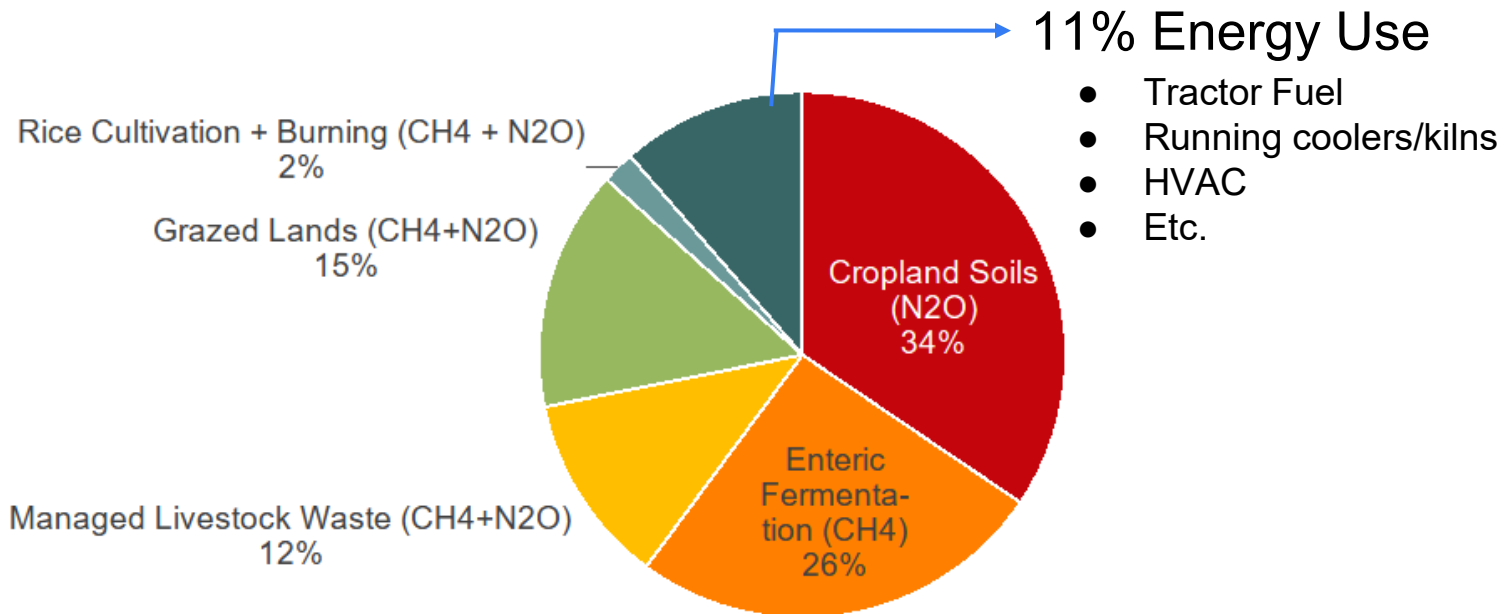
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Changing practices

Adding trees - silvopasture, alley cropping, multi-story farming, windbreaks



Changing practices

Improving Soil Health

- No-till
- Cover Cropping - improve crop performance, reduce application of fertilizers
- Managed Grazing - better animal health, reduces costs for farmers, fertilizes soil and manages weeds by mimicking natural processes.



Changing practices

Improving Ecosystem Health

- Greater diversity of crops.
- Vegetation to protect water - riparian buffers, field borders
- Providing habitat.



What WE Can Do!

- Connect with the Agriculture Policy and Practices team, Wisconsin Farmers Union, Sustain Rural Wisconsin Network
 - APP visiting sustainable growers, pitching media stories.
 - Also looking for Climate Champions candidates!
 - SRWN does lots of work on CAFO's. WFU has made climate a focus, for 2022 and 2023.
- Lead a project group!
 - CAFO's, food purchasing & food waste, policy advocacy, and more!

What WE Can Do!

- Connect with local farmers
 - Buy direct - REAP Food Group Good Food Almanac; Fair Share CSA Coalition.
 - Many in the WFU!
 - Join a tour with APP!
- Use your dollar vote. Demand local, sustainably-produced food.
- Donate to organizations supporting regenerative ag:
 - Savanna Institute
 - Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)
 - Marbleseed
 - Nelson Institute
 - Rodale Institute
- Support Farmer-Led Watershed groups.

Questions!



Action Updates

Celebrating Phyllis Hasbrouck



Sign Phyllis' e-card at <https://tinyurl.com/Card4Phyllis> BEFORE 9 PM CT tonight! Phyllis, don't visit this link :)

Vote tomorrow, April 4th!

- If you've already voted, thank you!
- Polls are open tomorrow from 7 am to 8 pm
- Voting info & sample ballot at myvote.wi.gov
- 350 Wisconsin Action's final phone banking opportunity is tomorrow from 11 am until 1 pm



Photo from our phone bank on March 25th!

350 Wisconsin Annual Meeting

Monday **June 5** at 7PM
(Same time as the regular Monthly
Meeting)

Hybrid: Friends Meeting
House (Madison) and on Zoom

Annual Meeting agenda

- Teams report on their accomplishments in the last year and their priorities going forward.
- Presentation of 350 Wisconsin's new DEIJ plan (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice)
- Announcement of forthcoming staff changes
- Elections to the Board and Coordinating Council

Elections via Zoom and In person

- Board of Directors
- Coordinating Council

To be eligible to vote:

- You must have donated at least \$5 between June 1, 2022 and April 21, 2023.
- Or you must have attended at least 3 Monthly Meetings.
 - Email contact@350wisconsin.org if you would like to be added to the voting list based on Monthly Meeting attendance.

Join us on Earth Day, April 22 at 10am at the Farmers' Market

We'll be at the East Mifflin / North Pinckney / North Hamilton corner of the square with some brand new shenanigans, and we would really appreciate your support. Whether you're able to hand out flyers, staff the 350 WI table, hold a banner or just be a smiling face in the crowd, please join us!

Contact: Russ Bennett
bennett.russ@gmail.com or Dianne Brakash
(movingfromwithin@gmail.com)



April Activities of Divest and Defund Team

- Join us in meeting with George Lakey on April 10
 - He is an 85-year old peace and justice activist who has been active with Earth Quaker Action Team (EQAT) and whose work has inspired our nonviolent direct actions
 - He'll be meeting with 350 Wisconsin at the Friends Meeting House, 1704 Roberts Court, Madison WI
 - 9:30-11 am Monday April 10.
- Join us for Climate Justice and Arts “zap” actions at banks during Earth Week
 - Date and location not shared publicly so contact divest.defund@350wisconsin.org for specifics

Community Climate Solutions Team

Celebration: City of Madison's Common Council just passed

- a **Building Energy Savings** ordinance
- an **Affordable Housing Bonus** (dense and equitable housing for the downtown area)

Are you interested in

- advocating for **electric buses in local school districts?**
- urging local developers to **install geothermal wells** in their next building projects?

Contact sbmillar@gmail.com

Volunteer of the Month

Marian Fredal



Tar Sands Team announces Labor Day Weekend events at Straits of Mackinac, to protect the Great Lakes!

Fri. Sept. 1: **Feast** hosted by Little Traverse Bay band of Odawa Indians + **Light Brigade** display by the Bridge.

Sat. Sept. 2: **Pipe Out Paddle Out** event 8 a.m. - noon & **Water is Life Festival** 12 - 9 p.m.

Sun. Sept. 3: **food, rest, art build, networking.**

Mon. Sept. 4: annual **Labor Day Bridgewalk of 20K+**. led by MI Gov. and Lt. Gov.

The annual Bridgewalk across the Straits of Mackinac



Water is Life video

350 Wisconsin monthly meetings open to all

Monday May 1(virtual)

Learning from Water Protectors in Minnesota

with

Victoria McMillen, Migizi Clan, Anishinaabeg Nagachiwaanog

Jami Gaither, retired metallurgical engineer turned climate justice advocate

Two volunteers with Waadookawaad Amikwag/Those who Help Beaver

Upcoming meetings

Tar Sands: 1st Mondays 5:45–6:45 pm

Contact Phyllis.Hasbrouck@350wisconsin.org

Climate Justice: 2nd Mondays 7:00–8:30 pm

Contact: Marian.Fredal@350madison.org

Communication Action (CAT): 3rd Mondays 7:00-8:30 pm

Contact Emily.Park@350wisconsin.org

Divest & Defund: 4th Mondays 7-8:30 pm

Contact divest.defund@350wisconsin.org

Upcoming meetings

Community Climate Solutions: 3rd Thursdays 5-6 pm
Contact: Susan.Millar@350wisconsin.org

Art Collective:
Contact: Russ Bennett bennett.russ@gmail.com
Dianne Brakarsh movingfromwithin@gmail.com

State Policy: Contact Gail.nordheim@350wisconsin.org

Fundraising: 3rd Wednesdays 7-8pm
Contact stephanie.robinson@350wisconsin.org

Monthly Meeting planning: Contact: Julia.Isaacs@350wisconsin.org

Want to learn more about our teams?

Contact a team leader

Contact Nikki Darga, Nikki.Darga@350wisconsin.org

Meet and chat with Nikki now by staying in the main room.

Other Breakouts:

Join room 1 for Q&A with the speakers

Join room 2 for April Actions