



**LAND
STEWARDSHIP
PROJECT**

Citizens' Frac Sand Summit

Strengthening the movement to keep frac sand mining from harming our communities

Reviewing Grassroots Victories

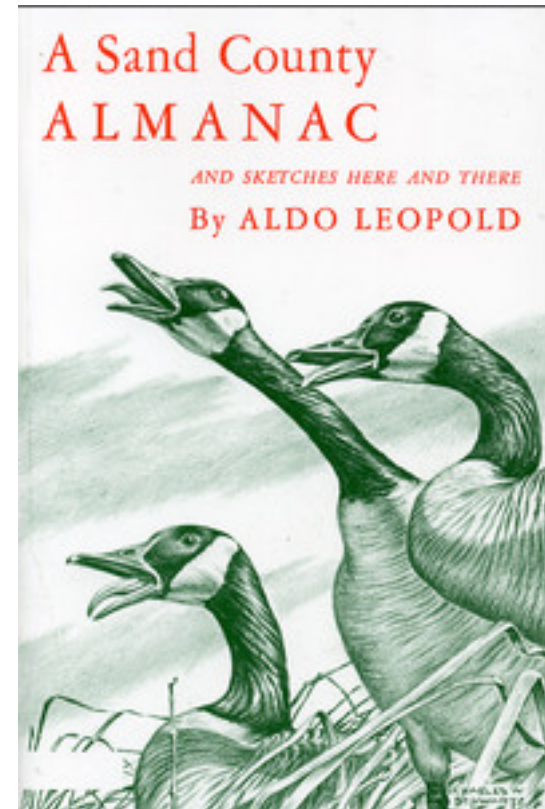
Marilyn Frauenkron Bayer

Houston County, Minnesota

The Land Ethic:

“A thing is **right** when it tends to preserve the integrity, stability, and beauty of the biotic community. It is **wrong** when it tends otherwise”

- Aldo Leopold,
A Sand County Almanac
(Sauk County, Wisconsin)



Powerful Grassroots Organizations Taking Action!

- Allamakee County Protectors
- Audubon Minnesota
- Buffalo County Defenders
- Citizens Against Silica Mining (CASM), Winona, MN
- Concerned Citizens of St. Charles, MN
- Crawford Stewardship Project, Crawford County, WI
- Family Farm Defenders, WI
- Friends of Wabasha, MN
- Houston County Protectors, MN
- Land Stewardship Project
- Maiden Rock Concerned Citizens, WI
- Minnesota Trout Unlimited
- Preserve Trempealeau County, WI
- Save Our Knapp Hills Alliance, Dunn County, WI
- Save the Bluffs Goodhue County, MN
- Save Our Town, Whitehall, WI
- Save the Hills Alliance, Inc., Chippewa Falls, WI
- Winneshiek County Protectors, IA
- Wisconsin Farmers Union
- Winona Catholic Worker

Grassroots Victories

Making a Difference in Our Communities

MINNESOTA

- Environmental Impact Statement ordered on 11 proposed frac sand mines in SE MN
- STOPPED: Minnesota Sands Frac Sand Processing Facility in St. Charles, MN
- Moratoriums passed in 5 SE counties – Winona, Goodhue, Wabasha, Houston, and Fillmore
- Houston County moratorium currently in place and citizens working for a ban

The People's EIS Scoping Report

Citizen Comments on the Necessary Scope and Depth
of the Environmental Impact Statement
on the Minnesota Sands Frac Sand Proposal



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Compiled by the Land Stewardship Project
from the comments of the 100 attendees
of the People's EIS Kickoff Meeting,
July 9, 2013, Rushford, Minnesota



Grassroots Victories Making a Difference in Our Communities

MINNESOTA

- MN Legislation passed requiring “Trout Stream Setback Permit” for frac sand mines within 1 mile of a trout stream.
- MN Legislation passed to create air and water quality standards for frac sand facilities



Grassroots Victories

Making a Difference in Our Communities

MINNESOTA

- MPCA installs air monitors in the city of Winona
- City of Red Wing ordinance passed keeping frac sand mining/processing out of the city
- Mayor of Red Wing forced to resign after accepting job as full time frac sand lobbyist



Photo Credit: Brian Peterson, The Star Tribune

Grassroots Victories Making a Difference in Our Communities

MINNESOTA

- Governor Mark Dayton advocating a ban in SE MN and strong standards for the whole state
- Strong township ordinances in Preble Township (Fillmore County); Hay Creek Township (Goodhue County); and a BAN in Florence Township (Goodhue County)
- Citizens confront the frac sand industry directly in Winona



Grassroots Victories Making a Difference in Our Communities

MINNESOTA

- Goodhue County ordinance enacted prohibiting frac sand operations within 1 mile of cities and high water mark of the Mississippi; bans chemical washing of frac sand
- Fillmore County ordinance limiting the number of frac sand mines and banning frac sand processing
- Documentary: "The Price of Sand" debuted



Photo Credit: The Republican Eagle

And many victories in Wisconsin. Despite this guy.

“I would like to thank God and the glaciers”
for leaving behind the right kind of sand for fracking.

– Governor Scott Walker



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Grassroots Victories

Making a Difference in Our Communities

WISCONSIN

- STOPPED – Glacier Sand Frac Sand Processing Facility in Fountain City
- STOPPED – Muskie Holdings trans-load station in the city of Eau Claire
- STOPPED – Muskie Holdings moving into Stockholm
- STOPPED – Frac sand mine near Hoffman Hills recreational area in Dunn County
- DNR air monitors at mining sites/processing plants in the Chippewa Falls area

Grassroots Victories Making a Difference in Our Communities

WISCONSIN

- Bill to weaken local control (SB 349) stalled and movement building to kill it
- Current moratorium in Trempealeau County
- Pepin County ordinance protecting the Great River Road and makes frac sand companies pay for road damage.
- Dunn County enacts local ordinance to regulate frac sand mining



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Wisconsin Center for Investigative Journalism

Grassroots Victories

Making a Difference in Our Communities

IOWA

- STOPPED – Frac sand processing facility proposed by Reilly Construction in Allamakee County
- STOPPED – Frac sand re-load facility in Dunn County
- Moratorium in Allamakee County for 18 months until July 2014
- Winneshiek County 18 month moratorium on frac sand permits
- WI Farmers Union and county Health Department create “Community Based Air Sampling Project” in cooperation with University of Iowa

Conclusion:

We are **powerful**
& we are **committed**
to building more power
to **protect** our **communities**
from the devastation
of frac sand mining.