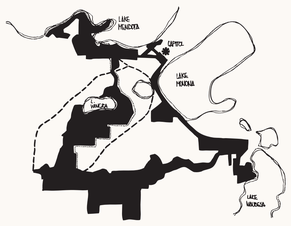
METROPOLITAN MADISON* E-WAY

{* May be coming soon to your city}

MORE THAN THE NINE SPRINGS E-WAY

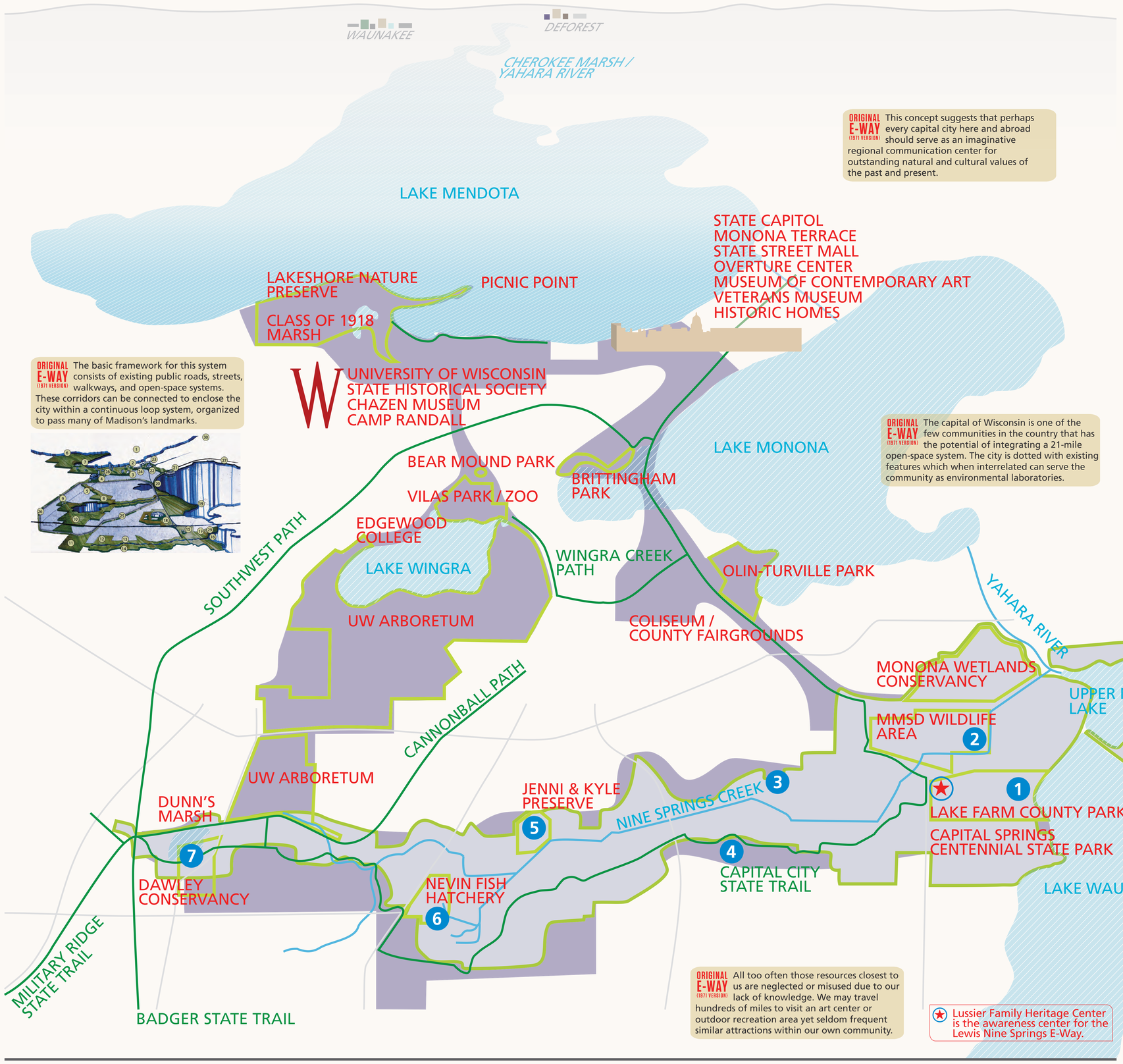
As designed by Phil Lewis, the complete Metropolitan Madison E-Way doesn't terminate at Dunn's Marsh and Lake Waubesa. An eastern wing sweeps up past Olin-Turville park and Monona Bay to the Capitol square. A western wing swings through the UW arboretum and Lake Wingra, Edgewood and UW campuses, and State Street to the capitol. In Lewis's mind, that loop, containing architecture, urban lakefront, and greenspace, is the true E-Way.

THE PLAN



COMPLETING THE CIRCLE

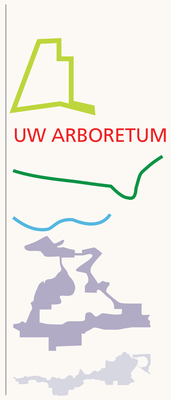
In all, these 21 miles add many features to the Nine Springs E-Way, especially lakeshore natural areas and Madison's best cultural features on the isthmus and university campus. Completing the Metropolitan Madison E-Way doesn't require land acquisition as in the initial phase of Nine Springs E-Way development. Making the 360-degree loop is more a matter of identification and promotion.



E-WAY COMPARISON

NINE SPRINGS E-WAY		METRO MADISON E-WAY
7 miles	LENGTH *of* CORRIDOR	21 miles
1997	YEAR COMPLETED	???
15 mi²	GREENSPACE AREA	35 mi²
1	NUMBER *of* LAKES	4
10	NUMBER *of* NATURAL *and* CULTURAL FEATURES	35

MAP LEGEND



- public greenspace
- natural or cultural feature
- recreational trail
- creek / river
- Metro Madison E-Way
- Lewis Nine Springs E-Way

CREDITS

PHOTOS : TOP TO BOTTOM
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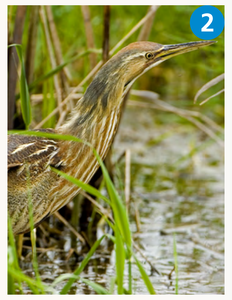
Richard Armstrong : MMSD Wildlife Area
Adam Czuprynski : Nine Springs Creek
Fitchburg Chamber of Commerce : Capital City Trail
Joshua Mayer : Jenni and Kyle Preserve
Wis. Historical Society 23136 : Nevin Fish Hatchery
Jeff Durbin : Dunn's Marsh

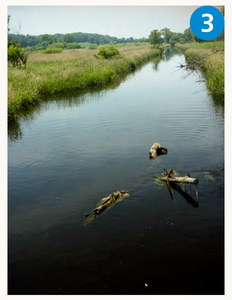
1 LAKE FARM COUNTY PARK

Bordering Lake Waubesa, Lake Farm Park offers a full natural and cultural experience: trails for hiking and cross-country skiing, restored prairie and woodland, and a boat launch. The Native American Archaeological Trail describes the long presence of—and physical evidence for—people in this area. The park also offers a campground, group camp, and shelters. The multi-use Lussier Family Heritage Center stands near the park entrance.



2 MADISON METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT WILDLIFE OBSERVATION AREA

Wildlife watchers and birders visit the 140-acre MMSD Wildlife Observation Area mainly to see waterfowl and wading birds in the lagoons and marshes. This area was once used for wastewater storage. Now reconstructed, water levels are lowered in some ponds to attract migrating shorebirds. Birders find songbirds in the grass and brushy borders.



3 NINE SPRINGS CREEK

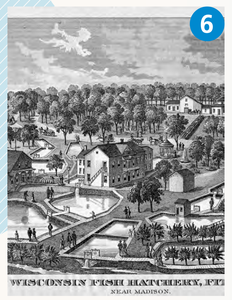
Though most of its length is channelized, Nine Springs Creek is a surprisingly scenic and remote water route across the Lewis E-Way between highway MM and the Yahara River. Canoeists and kayakers can use landings at the end of Anderberg Drive (next to Highway MM), and at the E-Way trailhead on Moorland Road. The Friends of Capital Springs Recreation Area completed this water trail in 2011.

4 CAPITAL CITY STATE TRAIL

Riding or walking (or roller-blading or roller-skiing) along the Capital City State Trail is the perfect way to see landscapes of the Lewis Nine Springs E-Way: creek and sedge meadows, marshes and woods, prairie and savanna. Via the Cap City Trail, you'll understand everything the ***E***-Way stands for: ecological, educational, esthetic, exercise, and environmental. The trail is also a handy east-west connector between parks and other state and city trails.

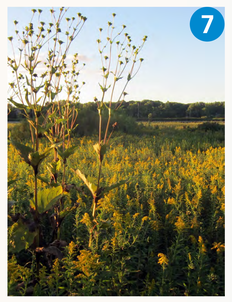
5 JENNI AND KYLE PRESERVE

Fishing ponds in the Jenni and Kyle Preserve are for children 14 and younger, and people with disabilities. Anglers catch trout and panfish in the spring-fed ponds. This park memorializes Jenni and Kyle, grandchildren of the park donors, who died from a degenerative disease. The park also has play and picnic areas, and a shelter. A segment of Nine Springs Creek runs through the preserve.



6 NEVIN STATE FISH HATCHERY

Nevin State Fish Hatchery, established in 1876 as Wisconsin's first hatchery, raises brook, brown, and rainbow trout for stocking lakes and streams in southern Wisconsin. You can tour the fish-rearing ponds, fed by clean, cool water provided by springs and wells. The "nine springs" in the E-Way name (and a total of 14) are on hatchery property. Next to the hatchery is the DNR service center for the south-central region.



7 DUNN'S MARSH / DAWLEY CONSERVANCY

Dunn's Marsh is a 30-acre wetland nestled within sedge meadow, prairie, shrub, and woodland habitats, next to Fitchburg's Dawley Conservancy. The marsh is an important upstream source of Nine Springs Creek. Invasive cattails are crowding out native vegetation, which has affected the marsh's bird diversity. The railroad right of way that bisected Dunn's Marsh is now the Cannonball path.

Lewis E-Way Capital Springs RECREATION AREA

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