

The Lake Onalaska Protection and Rehabilitation District is a Governmental Unit

The Lake Onalaska Protection and Rehabilitation District (LOPRD) is a Special Purpose Unit of Government (body corporate) under Chapter 33 WI Stats.

The boundaries of the Lake District are described in a legal description contained in the La Crosse County Board Resolution 162-75 of November 13, 1975 establishing the

Being a special purpose unit of government provides recognition by local, state and federal government agencies

The LOPRD offers public events like pontoon tours and socials to provide dialogue between members and agency staff. The LOPRD works to keep members informed about ongoing river and lake plans and projects.

Since establishment by La Crosse County in 1975 LOPRD has provided funding and knowledge to studies, plans, projects and policy deliberations of local, state and federal government agencies.

Links to LOPRD documents and agency Mississippi River plans and studies are found on the Lake Onalaska District website www.lakeonalaska.org.

Donations from the lake district and its members provided funding and in kind contributions to lake and river projects such as dredging for boat access and fish habitat, rock island turtle habitat, Fred Funk boat landing improvement, Brice Prairie Barrier Island Project, Black River hydraulic and sediment study.

--Marc Schultz, November 5, 2025