

CITY OF RACINE BOARD OF HEALTH
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DEPARTMENT: Laboratory Division

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MONTH: May 2025

Highlights

Date	Meeting	Purpose	Outcome
May 2025	Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP)	Dairy Proficiency Testing Results	Laboratory staff passed all dairy proficiency tests and retained accreditation.
May 2025	Root River Council	Native Planting at Clayton Park	Staff provided guidance on planting location, maintenance needs, and logistics to support habitat restoration planning.
May 2025	WTMJ4, Root River Council, and Weed Out! Racine	Interview on Root River Report Card and Environmental Initiatives	Staff featured in TMJ4 segment on the Root River Report Card and local restoration efforts. (https://www.tmj4.com/news/racine-county/racine-nature-lovers-excited-about-tool-to-improve-root-river-water-quality).
May 2025	Internal	Beach Act Monitoring	Quality Assurance/Quality Control completed, supplies procured, and internship onboarding initiated. One intern began in May; a second started in early June.
May 2025	UW-Parkside – Root River Environmental Education Center (REC)	Root River Outfall Monitoring	Coordinated use of REC canoes/kayaks for stormwater outfall monitoring during summer 2025.
May 2025	Youth Employment Program (YEP)	Internship Offers	Internship offers were extended to two students. YEP internships run from June 23rd to August 8th and are 25 hours per week.
May 2025	Great Lakes Community Conservation Corps (GLCCC)	North Beach and Sam Myers Workdays	Four workdays completed: activities included debris removal, willow/dune grass transplanting, and invasive species control.
May 2025	Internal	Invasive Species Treatment – Colonial Park	Laboratory staff conducted herbicide treatment of reed canary grass. Data was submitted to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources per permit conditions.