

Septage Disposal

How much septage are we dealing with?

What is the States capacity both public and private?

How is septage being tracked?

Where is the septage going?

Is there any accountability?

POWTS (Septic Systems)

Private Onsite Wastewater Systems



How many are there? ***WE DON'T KNOW!***
How much septage do they produce? ***WE DON'T KNOW!***
What happens to the septage? ***WE DON'T KNOW!***

POTWS (City Treatment Plant)

Publicly Owned Treatment Works



What are the plants capacity to accept septage ?

Where are the plants that accept septage ?

Mr. Kester (DNR) stated that treatment plants won't take septage. ?

Mr. Wagner (Ehlers & Assoc.) stated they will take septage but they don't get it. ?

Land Application



How many sites do we have ?

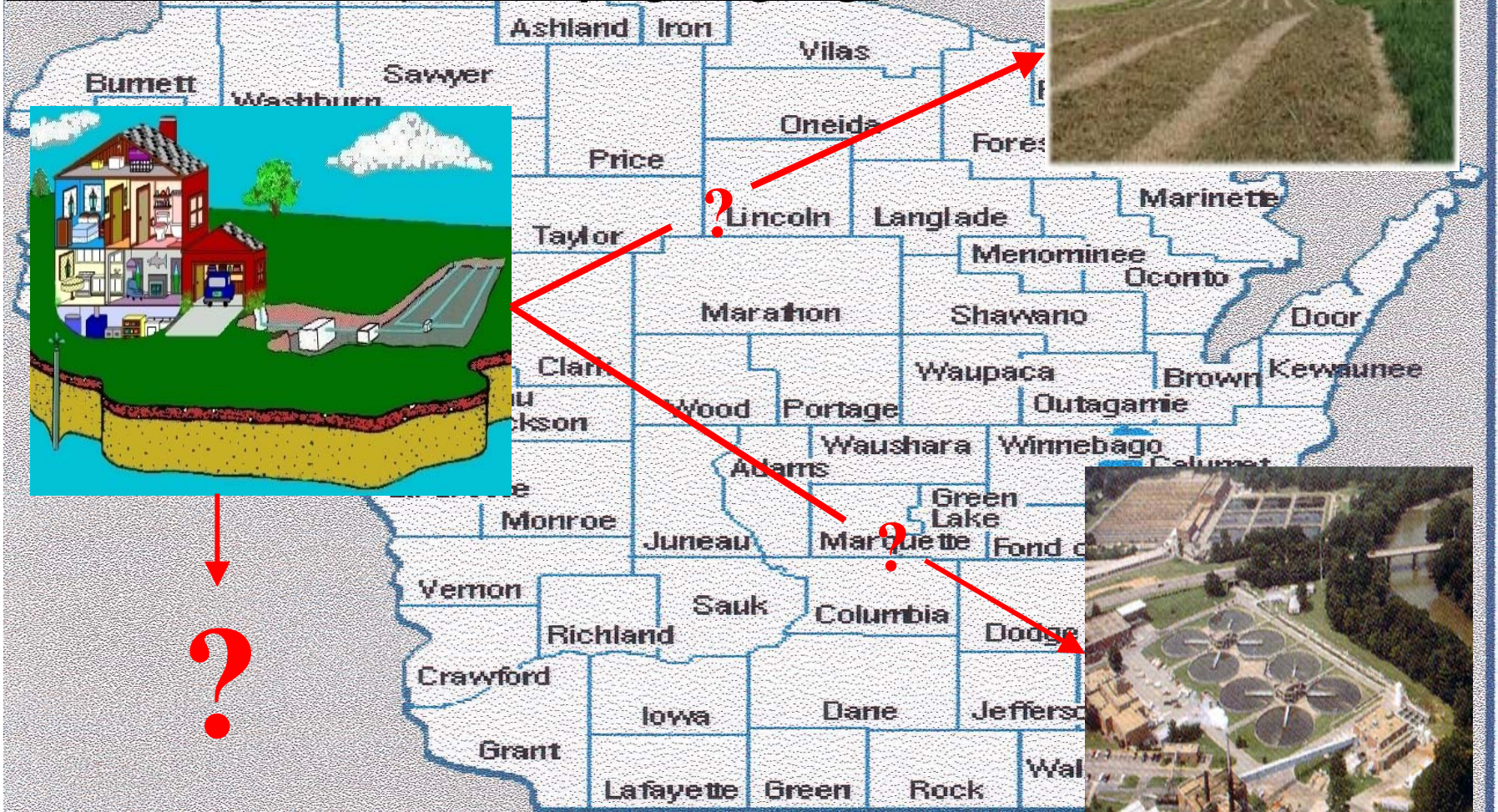
Where are they ?

What is the capacity Winter/Summer ?

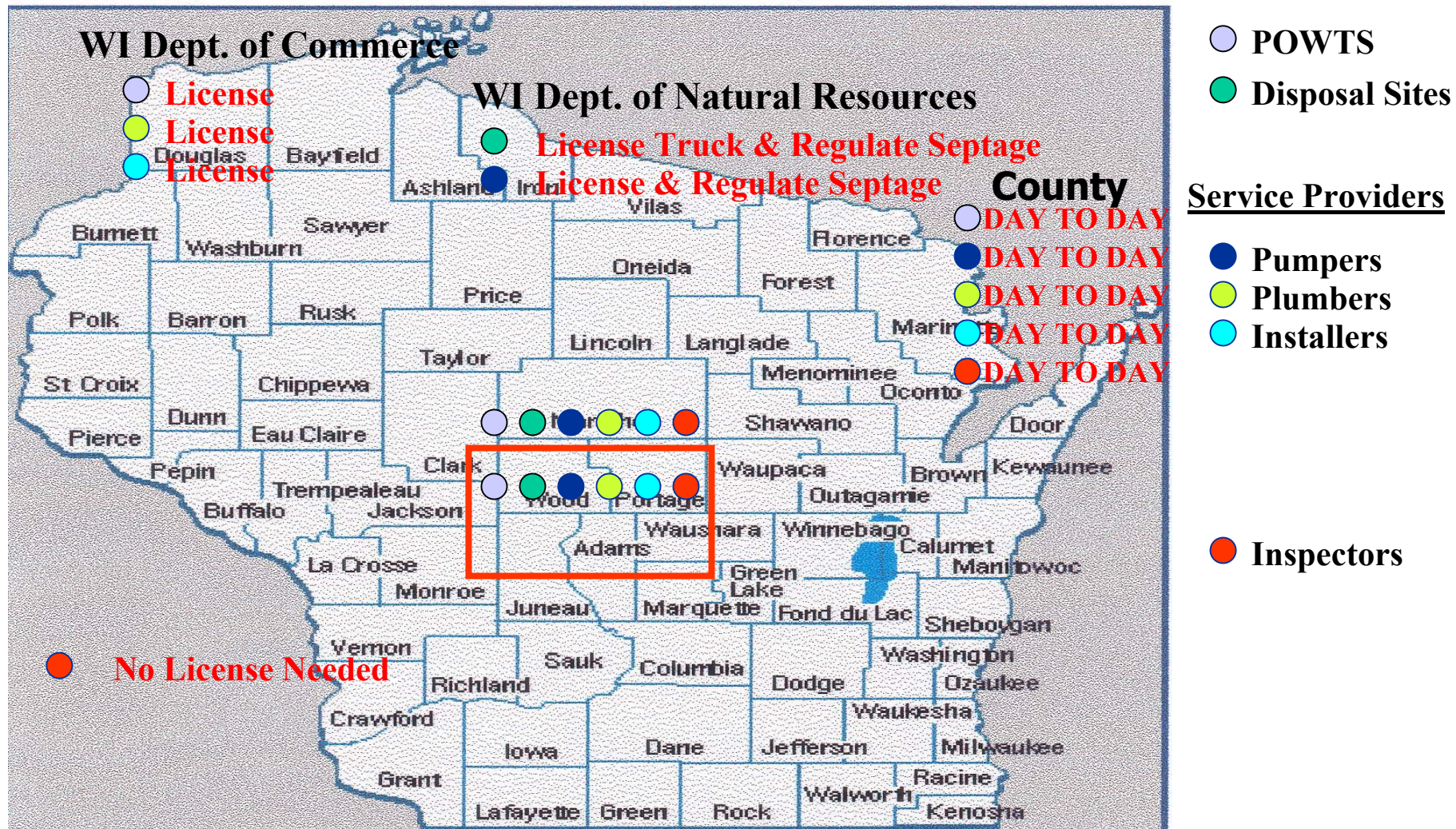
We don't know how many POWTS we have!

We don't know how much septage they produce!

We don't know where the septage is going!



How much money is currently being spent and where's it going?



Inconsistency in Regulation and Enforcement

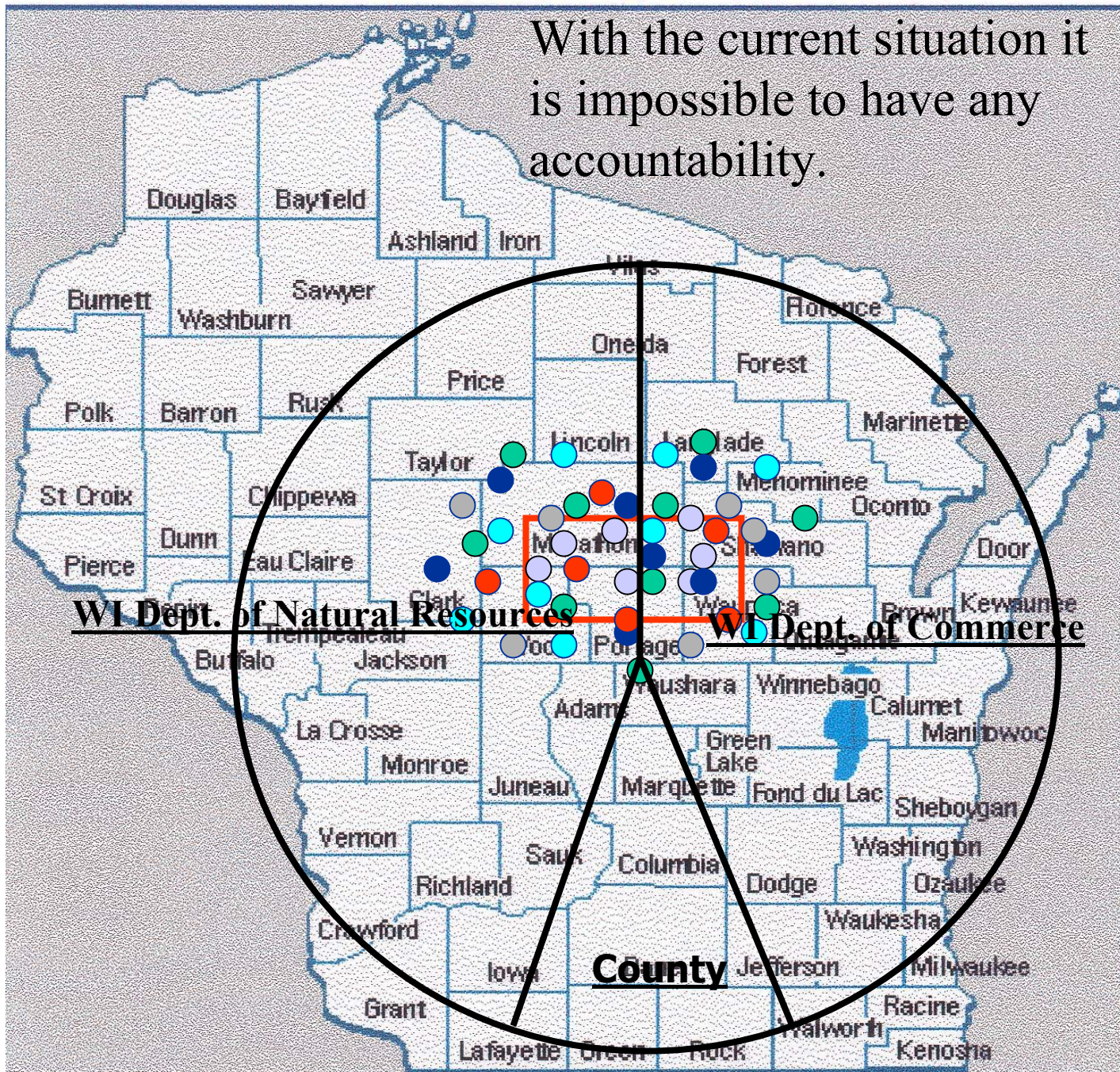
is allowing everyone to get away with SEPTAGE!

With the current situation it is impossible to have any accountability.

- POWTS
- Disposal Sites

Service Providers

- Pumpers
- Inspectors
- Plumbers
- Installers



POWTS (Septic Systems)

Private Onsite Wastewater Systems

*No consistency in regulations!
Some home owners are
required to follow the rules
and some are not!*

POTWS (City Treatment Plant) & Land Application

*Without compliance to
existing regulations how can
we possibly determine
disposal rates or volumes?*



POWTS Owners

No consistency in regulations!

Some POWTS owners are required to follow the rules where others are not!

Septage disposal cost money and POWTS owners are not willing to pay if they don't have to!

Service Providers

Why invest time and money to comply with rules that are not enforced?

Pockets of Enforcement



WE NEED TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF THE PROBLEM.

Are funds available?

The State collects nearly 1.5 million dollars a year from new sanitary permits.

In 1998 the DNR and DCOM detailed the severe problem we have in this industry. Since then nearly 100,000 new sanitary permits were added to the problem generating an est. 7.5 million dollars in fees.

Instead of adding new fees can some of these funds be used?

EASY SOLUTION

Better communication and accountability for existing laws.