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Subject: BAD BOY REPORT: STATES WATERS GET FAILING GRADE

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Advocacy group: Water gets failing grade in three states

MADISON, WI — Wisconsin was one of three states to receive an "F" for its overall water policies and needs to pass laws to fully enforce the federal Clean Water Act, a Madison-based advocacy group said in a report cited by the [Green Bay Press-Gazette](#).

Georgia and Michigan also received failing grades for their overall water policies. Florida, North Carolina, Ohio and Pennsylvania scored D's. Washington received a C, and New Jersey received a high B.

The study by the Wisconsin Public Interest Research Group said 40 percent of Wisconsin waters don't meet quality

standards of the act. Wisconsin flunked a review of its reporting, inspection, penalty assessment, mandatory penalties and public accountability policies and received a "C" in the maximum penalties category of the report, "Clean Water Enforcement Report Card: How Nine States' Regulations Measure Up."

Wisconsin does have a maximum penalty of \$10,000 per day and per violation, garnering a "C" grade in one category.

The advocacy group calls for more consistent inspections and reviews of facilities, timely enforcement actions and follow-ups, heavier penalties that remove any economic incentive for polluting and stronger federal and state laws for enforcement, the paper reported.