

**David A. Hart, Ph.D., AICP**  
**Biographical Sketch**

David Hart is a Senior Scientist with the University of Wisconsin Aquatic Sciences Center and serves as the Assistant Director for Extension at the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute. He directs a staff of outreach specialists who extend coastal science throughout Wisconsin, the Great Lakes region and beyond. David is also affiliated with the Department of Urban and Regional Planning and the Land Information and Computer Graphics Facility at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

David's research occurs at the intersection of geographic information science, urban planning, and coastal management. He has developed and tested methods for discovery, acquisition, integration, and analysis of local geospatial data for use in decision-making about natural resource management issues at a regional scale. The quality of David's work was recognized by the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) through receipt of the Walter B. Jones Memorial Award for Excellence in Coastal and Marine Graduate Study, as well as the Great Lakes Sea Grant Network through its Early Career Award.

From 1993 to 2002, David was an Outreach Specialist with the Land Information and Computer Graphics Facility at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he conducted research and outreach in coastal management, land use planning, and nonpoint source pollution modeling. Prior to moving to Wisconsin, David worked in Louisiana in a variety of roles related to urban and environmental planning. While employed by the New Orleans City Planning Commission, he managed a \$4 million multipurpose land information system project funded, in part, by NOAA. The basis of the project was to modernize local government land records in a setting experiencing significant land subsidence and coastal erosion.

David earned his doctorate in Land Resources from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, a Master's of Urban and Regional Planning from the University of New Orleans and a B.S. in Natural Resources from the University of Michigan. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners and the Wisconsin Land Information Association.

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