

Statewide applications for frac sand mines.....over 100. For La Crosse County? Zero. County Planner, Nathan Sampson says that may be because the sand is not found in large quantities in the county or maybe the strict zoning regulations. But he says it's not like they don't want frac sand mining in the county.

Some communities have readily welcomed frac sand mining for economic reasons. Others, including Buffalo, Dunn, Eau Claire and Pepin counties and a handful of towns, slapped on temporary moratoriums to give them time to review and update their land-use regulations.