

**Steven Bissen** studied forestry and environmental science at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He went on to work for the Forest Service where he monitored trends in wood products used for home construction. Later, he attended SUNY Syracuse College of Environmental Science and Forestry, as a graduate student in Environmental and Resource Engineering with a focus on GIS (Geographic Information Systems). For over 10 years, he has been working with Toxics Targeting Inc., an Ithaca based organization which provides environmental reports and GIS mapping services throughout New York State. Recently, they have also been involved in a national study showing how MTBE (a cancer-causing gasoline additive) is affecting drinking water in some high population areas. Steve lives with his wife and two young sons on Midline Road.