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The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission has received a \$100,000 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative grant from the U.S. Forest Service to assist communities, counties, and tribes with mitigating Emerald Ash Borer impacts. The funding will be provided to Wisconsin jurisdictions and tribes within the Great Lakes Basin that

are under an EAB quarantine (see table below). Funded projects will be selected through a mini-grant process utilizing an advisory panel made up of representatives from Southeastern Wisconsin RPC, East Central Wisconsin RPC, North Central Wisconsin RPC, Northwestern Wisconsin RPC, and the Wisconsin DNR. The DNR will also assist with helping to get the word out to communities, counties, and tribes that the funding is available. More information will be available in future E-Newsletters as the mini-grant program develops over the next couple months.

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### WI EAB Quarantined Counties within the Great Lakes Basin

Adams	Door	Manitowoc	Racine
Brown*	Douglas	Outagamie	Sheboygan
Calumet	Fond du Lac	Milwaukee	Washington
Columbia	Kenosha	Oneida	Waukesha
Dodge	Kewaunee	Ozaukee	Winnebago

\* Includes Oneida Tribe

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# Regional Comprehensive Plan Update

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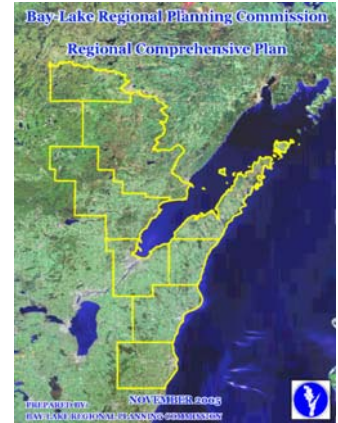
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## BROCHURE

The Commission is in the midst of updating the *Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission Regional Comprehensive Plan*. Since many changes have taken place across northeast Wisconsin when the original plan was completed in 2005, we are in the process of gathering feedback regarding issues or concerns from each of our governmental jurisdictions via an online survey. The survey results, along with updates to the demographics data and inventories of various plan elements, will assist in our ongoing efforts to provide useful guidance to the counties and communities in northeast Wisconsin.



The Regional Plan covers the eight-county Bay-Lake Region in northeastern Wisconsin. It serves as an advisory policy document to guide where future conservation, growth, and development should occur within the region, while keeping with the Commission's planning principles.

A grant award through the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program is assisting with our efforts to update the Natural Resources; Housing; Land Use; and Implementation elements of the existing Regional Plan. The Commission's Regional Transportation Work Program, as well as Economic Development Administration (EDA) funding, are aiding to update the remaining elements of the Regional Plan.

Refer to the [Commission's website](#) and future E-Newsletter articles for upcoming public meetings and to follow the progress of the Regional Plan update. For additional information, please contact [Brandon Robinson](#), Community Assistance Planner.

## Sheboygan MPO



Commission staff presented findings from the passenger opinion survey of Shoreline Metro that was conducted in early December to the Sheboygan Transit Commission in January, as well as to the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their January joint meeting.

Commission staff presented updates to the transportation system performance indicator report for 2015 to the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their January joint meeting. This included updated local pavement rating data, pavement condition index (PCI) data for the state trunk highway network, bridge sufficiency rating

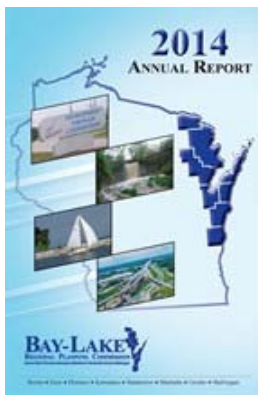


data, and culvert rating data, all within the communities of the Sheboygan metropolitan planning area.

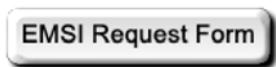
Commission staff distributed final copies of the *Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): Calendar Years 2016 - 2019* to members of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their January joint meeting as well as through the mail. All cities, villages and towns in the metropolitan planning area have received a copy of the 2016 - 2019 TIP. WisDOT and FHWA staff have also received copies of the 2016 - 2019 TIP. In addition, a final copy of the 2016 - 2019 TIP was delivered to the Mead Public Library in Sheboygan.

Please contact [Jeff Agee-Aguayo](#) for additional information.

## ANNUAL REPORT



To submit a request for an EMSI Developer Query, please complete and submit this form:



## Get your application for FREE Technical Assistance in before February 19th!



The Commission will continue accepting applications for free technical assistance projects until **February 19, 2016 at 4:00 PM**. This program provides member counties and communities the opportunity to receive professional planning assistance on small-scale

plans or projects at little or no cost. The application is available on the Commission's [website](#).

Please contact [Cindy Wojtczak](#), Executive Director, if you have any questions or comments.

## National Invasive Species Awareness Week - February 21-27th

Participate in events across the nation to raise awareness and identify solutions to invasive species issues. Locate an invasive species [event](#) or plan your own event using this [toolkit](#).



Additionally, the National Association of Invasive Plant Councils is hosting a series of webinars the last week of February as part of National Invasive

Species Awareness Week. Take a look at the [lineup](#).

## Upcoming Events/Meetings

**February 10-12, 2016**

Wisconsin Land Information Association

Elkhart Lake, WI

**February 23-25, 2016**

Wisconsin Wetlands Association 21st Annual Conference

Green Bay, WI

**March 11, 2016**

Full Commission Meeting

Green Bay, WI

## Available Grant Opportunities



The following is a list of upcoming grant opportunities and their due dates. Please contact the [Commission](#) if you have a project idea, or need assistance with preparing or administering a grant, or if you are interested in partnering with the Commission on a project.

- [North American Wetlands Conservation Act U.S. Standard Grants](#), February 26, 2016
- [Fund for Lake Michigan Pre-Proposal](#), March 1, 2016
- [Great Lakes Fishery Trust Grant Program](#), March 8, 2016
- [Municipal Flood Control Grants](#), March 15, 2016
- [Rural Development Grants](#), March 31, 2016
- [Great Lakes Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Program](#), March 31, 2016
- [Targeted Runoff Management Grant Program](#), April 15, 2016
- [Urban Nonpoint Source & Storm Water Management Grant Program](#), April 15, 2016

[American Honda Foundation](#)

[Ben & Jerry's Foundation Grants](#)

[Charles Stuart Mott Foundation Environmental Grants](#)

[CN Stronger Communities Fund](#)

[Doris Duke Charitable Foundation](#)

[BayCare Clinic Foundation Grants](#)

[Cedar Tree Foundation Grants](#)

[Cornell Douglas Foundation Grants](#)

[Costco Wholesale Grants](#)

[EcoTech Grants - The Captain Planet Foundation](#)

[Environmental Research &  
Education Foundation Grants](#)

[Georgia-Pacific Foundation Grants](#)

[International Paper Grants](#)

[Kinder Morgan Foundation Grants](#)

[Laura Jane Musser Fund](#)

[Lego Children's Fund Grants](#)

[Meetings Mean Business! Grant](#)

[MLB Baseball Tomorrow Fund](#)

[RGK Foundation Education Fund](#)

[US Soccer Foundation Grant](#)

[Wisconsin Humanities Council  
Grant](#)

[Gannett Foundation Grants](#)

[ING Foundation Grants](#)

[Joint Effort Marketing \(JEM\) Grant](#)

[Kodak American Greenways Grants](#)

[Lawrence Foundation Grants](#)

[MeadWestvaco Foundation Grants](#)

[Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation  
for the Americas Grants](#)

[Patagonia Environmental Grants](#)

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