



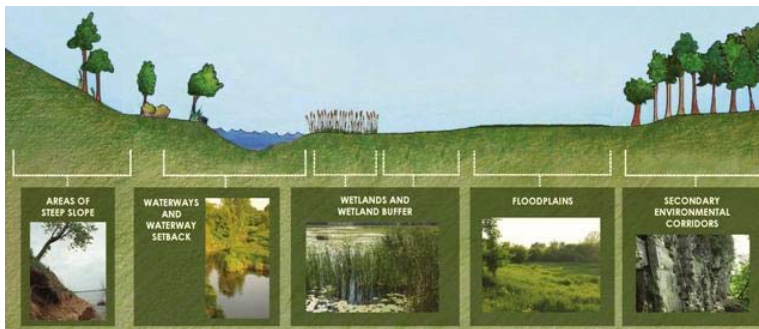
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## Environmental Corridors of the Bay-Lake Region



Over the last year, the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission has gathered data and GIS delineations needed to update its regional environmental corridor dataset. The Bay-Lake Region environmental corridor delineation is comprised of navigable waters with setback, wetlands with buffer, floodplains, steep slopes, and locally significant natural features.

New digital data that has been incorporated includes the new wetland delineations developed by the Wisconsin DNR, and new floodplain mapping developed by FEMA. The new datasets have improved the accuracy of the environmental corridor data available to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission and the counties and communities in northeastern Wisconsin for better comprehensive planning, zoning, sewer service area planning, and conservation work.

As a result of this update, the Commission has also updated its [webpage](#) and regional [brochure](#) on environmental corridor information. The [brochure](#) is available for download on the updated [webpage](#) or contact the Commission if you would like printed copies of brochure.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact [Angela Pierce](#) at the Commission.

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## New Summer Intern

Hi my name is Ken Carlson, the newest intern at Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission. I am a senior at UWGB and will be graduating in December of this year. My major is Environmental Planning with a minor in Environmental Science. I love outdoor sports like hiking, mountain biking, rollerblading, long-boarding and snowboarding.



This is all very exciting for me as I was hired to work on the Trail Connectivity Inventory Project. The project involves locating and collecting geo-physical data on pedestrian trails in the nine coastal cities of Marinette, Oconto, Green Bay, Sturgeon Bay, Algoma, Kewaunee, Two Rivers, Manitowoc, and Sheboygan. I am building a comprehensive GIS database inventory of all trails within the Bay-Lake Region. Once collected, the data will be provided to the Wisconsin Coastal Atlas and Guide and to the Department of Tourism to complete their trail inventories which consist primarily of state trails. The maps will also be made available in Google Earth and accessible by iPhone and Android mobile devices.

I enjoy mountain biking and anything outdoors, so this project is perfect for me. I plan on logging a whole lot of hours on the seat of my mountain bike, using a GPS and mobile GIS unit to record coordinates and data for all off-road, non-motorized trails in the nine cities. If you see me out there, feel free to say hello or ask about the project!

## Hazard Mitigation Project Assistance

Commission staff recently completed a three-day training at Ft. McCoy, Wisconsin that was conducted by staff from Ideation, Inc. The training focused on the five primary mitigation grant programs made available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program, plus outlining the keys to submitting a successful application. The five grant programs are the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP); Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (PDMP); Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA); Repetitive Flood Claims Program (RFC); and Severe Repetitive Loss (SRC). Communities and/or counties are required to have an adopted and current Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to be eligible for these grants. An overview of each of these grant programs is listed on [Wisconsin Emergency Management's website](#).



For more information, please contact [Richard Heath](#) at 920-448-2820.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**July 27, 2012**  
Bay-Lake Regional  
Planning Commission,  
Executive Committee  
Meeting,  
Natural Resource Center,  
Florence, Wisconsin

**October 23 & 24, 2012**  
Save the Date for the  
WLIA Fall Regional  
Meeting!  
The Challenges of Change  
in Land Records,  
Appleton, Wisconsin

**Oct. 23-25, 2012**  
Mark your Calendars!  
The Bay-Lake RPC will  
host the Annual MPO/RPC  
/WisDOT/DOT  
transportation planning  
conference at the Blue  
Harbor Resort in  
Sheboygan, Wisconsin

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## Like us on Facebook!

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission recently launched a [Facebook page](#) where we post interest information and links to happenings in Northeast Wisconsin and upcoming public meetings. Please check it out and



"like" us. **Please help us out, only need 21 more "likes" before we are able to have our own URL associated with the page!**

## Available Grants

The following is a list of upcoming grant opportunities. Please contact the [Commission](#) if you need assistance with preparing or administering a grant, as partnership opportunities are often feasible.



[Rural Energy for America](#), June 29, 2012  
[National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grants](#), June 29, 2012  
[Safe Drinking Water Loan Program](#), June 30, 2012  
[Tourist Information Center \(TIC\) Program](#), July 1, 2012  
[CDBG - Small Cities - Housing](#), July 1, 2012  
[Tourism Cares Worldwide Grant Program](#), July 2, 2012  
[Skatepark Grants](#), July 2, 2012  
[North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grants](#), July 27, 2012  
[CDC Small Communities Health Improvement Grant](#), July 31, 2012  
[Joint Effort Marketing \(JEM\) Program](#), August 1, 2012  
[Wisconsin Humanities Council Mini Grants](#), August 1, 2012  
[Lake Management Planning Grants](#), August 1, 2012  
[Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention & Control Grants](#), August 1, 2012  
[Meetings Mean Business! Grants Program](#), August 1, 2012  
[Community Impact Grants Program](#), August 13, 2012  
[Wisconsin Humanities Council Major Grants](#),

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