

MONTHLY WORK PROGRAM ACTIVITY REPORT
MAY 2013
By County

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MULTI-COUNTY/REGIONAL

- On May 1st, Commission staff participated in the Local Transportation Funding Symposium at the WisDOT Northeast Region office.
- The Natural Resources Planner attended a workshop on TMDL in the Lower Fox River Basin at UWGB on May 7th and a TMDL implementation discussion meeting at East Central WI RPC on May 8th.
- On May 14th, the Executive Director facilitated the Regional RLF Steering Committee meeting.
- On May 14th, the Community Planner participated in a quarterly conference call with other Wisconsin Brownfields Coalition members to discuss funding updates, promotional opportunities, and methods of communication between WDNR and Coalition members.
- On May 21st, the Community Planner presented to the Marathon County Environmental Resources Committee regarding the Commission's work on the Manitowoc County Zoning Ordinance comprehensive revision.
- Commission staff participated in a webinar on May 22nd on making the most of the Transportation Alternatives Program.
- The Natural Resources Planner participated in the Spring Annual meeting of the Lake Michigan Stakeholders in Marinette on May 22nd.
- The Executive Director met with the Global Trade Strategy Committee on May 24th at New North's offices to discuss the implementation of the trade strategies and the formation of a steering committee.
- On May 30th, the Community Planner participated in a Plan Commission Workshop at the Howard Village Hall.
- The Executive Director attended the annual Wisconsin Association of Regional Planning Commission's Annual meeting on May 30th in Madison.
- The Commission held a Personnel Committee meeting on May 31st in Green Bay.
- The Community Planner prepared EMSI summary reports for each of the Commission's eight counties for display on the Commission's website.
- Commission staff continued work to inventory trails in the Region's coastal cities as part of a WCMP project.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the region wide GLRI beach project.

- The Natural Resources Planner conducted sewer service area reviews for the Sheboygan Urbanized Area Sewer Service Area, the Manitowoc-Two Rivers-Mishicot Urbanized Area Sewer Service Area, and the Marinette Areawide Sewer Service Area.
- Commission staff began work on the 2013 Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan for Oconto and Marinette Counties.
- Commission staff continued to work on drafting a lease for possible new office space.

BROWN COUNTY

- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the Bay Beach project.
- The Commission secured a USFS grant \$157,564 for the City of Green Bay to support EAB mitigation efforts in the city.
- Commission staff prepared EMSI summary reports for Brown County and the 54301 Zip Code area for Downtown Green Bay, Inc.
- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in Green Bay as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.

DOOR COUNTY

- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in Sturgeon Bay as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.

FLORENCE COUNTY

- Commission staff began work on the 2013 Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan for Florence County through discussions with the Florence County Aging Resource Center.

KEWAUNEE COUNTY

- The Executive Director participated in the Economic Strategy Committee meeting on May 9th with Dominion Company officials to discuss the closure of the Kewaunee Power Station.
- The Community Planner met with the Town of Franklin on May 22nd to discuss corrections to the Town's Code of Ordinances.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the GLRI beach survey project for Kewaunee County beaches. Implementation is moving forward in Kewaunee at Selner Park Beach. An additional beach at Red Arrow County Park was added for beach sanitary survey work.
- Commission staff continued providing zoning assistance to the Towns of Ahnapee, Luxemburg, Casco, and Pierce.
- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in Kewaunee and Algoma as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.

MANITOWOC COUNTY

- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the GLRI beach survey project for Manitowoc County beaches. Implementation of the plan is moving forward at Red Arrow Beach in Manitowoc.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on updating the county's hazard mitigation plan.

- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in Two Rivers and Manitowoc as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.

MARINETTE COUNTY

- The Community Planner participated in the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on May 15th for the City of Marinette Shared-Ride Taxi Transit Program.
- Commission staff continued updating the *Marinette County Hazard Mitigation Plan*.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the GLRI beach survey project for Red Arrow Beach in Marinette. Implementation of the plan is moving forward. An additional beach at Michaelis Park in the Town of Peshtigo was added for beach sanitary survey work.
- Commission staff continues to work with WisDOT staff and Jewell & Associates staff on the US Highway 141 Corridor Study from STH 64 to Smith Creek Road in Marinette County.
- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in City of Marinette as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.

OCONTO COUNTY

- Oconto City Beach in the City of Oconto was added to the GLRI Beach project and sanitary survey work will begin this summer.
- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in the City of Oconto as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

- Commission staff participated in a mid-year review meeting of the *2013 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Planning Work Program* at the Commission office on May 23rd. Staff from the FHWA Wisconsin Division, WisDOT Central Office and the WisDOT Northeast Region were in attendance at this meeting.
- The Community Planner continued to update the text of the *Sheboygan County Farmland Preservation Plan*.
- Commission staff continued updating the *Sheboygan County Hazard Mitigation Plan*. A draft of the plan has been submitted to FEMA and WEM for review and preliminary approval.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the GLRI beach survey project for Sheboygan beaches.
- Commission staff continued inventorying trails in the City of Sheboygan as part of WCMP Regional Trail project.
- The Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees met jointly on May 30th. Agenda items addressed at this meeting included: election of officers (Chairperson and Vice Chairperson) for the MPO Policy Advisory Committee and the MPO Technical Advisory Committee; discussion pertinent to filling positions representing certain modes of transportation on the MPO Technical Advisory Committee in which there has not been regular attendance in recent months; review of the allocation of population and housing growth by 2045 to traffic analysis zones (TAZs) in Sheboygan County under Scenario #1

(Continuation of Existing Trends); and an update on WisDOT Northeast Region and other MPO planning activities.

- Commission staff submitted GIS shape files depicting the reaffirmed boundaries of the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area to staff of the WisDOT Bureau of Planning and Economic Development in May.
- Commission staff allocated housing and population growth to TAZs under a "Continuation of Existing Trends" growth scenario in May. Countywide housing and population growth were based on preliminary control total population and household projections (including projections of the group quarters population and subtracting it from total projected population to account for only the projected household-based population, along with projected person per household ratios). Commission staff previously determined whether a TAZ was in or out of the "Continuation of Existing Trends" growth scenario, and if partially in the scenario, revised the amount of developable land that was available for allocation. Commission staff utilized a suballocation methodology for the additional households that were projected in Sheboygan County (inside or outside the metropolitan planning area). The majority of staff time involving the Sheboygan MPO program was devoted to this task during the month of May. Additional details regarding the methodology used in this task are available upon request.
- Commission staff continued to meet internally to discuss possible visualization applications (transportation projects and land use scenarios) for the next MPO long-range transportation plan in May. Some of these visualization applications could also be transferred to other Commission-led planning efforts in the region.
- Commission staff provided a limited amount of technical assistance to Shoreline Metro in May. This included production of CD copies of the *Sheboygan Transit Development Program: 2012 - 2016* for all members of the Sheboygan Transit Commission. The copies were delivered to Shoreline Metro staff following the joint meeting of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees on May 30th.
- On May 31st, Commission staff participated in a groundbreaking ceremony for the Union Pacific "rails-to-trails" bicycle and pedestrian trail that will soon be built in the City of Sheboygan. This event celebrated all of the past and upcoming projects and initiatives associated with the Sheboygan County Nonmotorized Transportation Pilot Program (NMTPP). Numerous officials from Sheboygan County, the City of Sheboygan, other local jurisdictions with projects, and state legislators were present at this event, along with U.S. Rep. Tom Petri, who was instrumental in recommending Sheboygan County for the NMTPP in 2005. The Commission has been proud to work with Sheboygan County in planning, programming and implementing NMTPP projects in the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area.