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### E-Newsletter

August 2013

#### The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission is Moving Offices next month!

We will be moving our offices during the first week of October to 425 S. Adams Street, Suite 201, in Green Bay. The office will remain open during the move and every effort will be made to limit the disruption to meeting schedules for projects and ongoing operations. The Commission's phone and fax numbers will remain the same.



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#### 2014-15 Work Program

The Commission is in the process of preparing its *2014-15 Work Program and 2014 Budget*. The Work Program serves as an important communication tool with the region's counties, communities, and partner organizations to help ensure that the Commission is allocating the appropriate resources to assist with the completion and/or implementation of local and regional projects. The recently completed community project survey serves as the basis of the work program. Commission staff will work with the respective municipalities and organizations to identify suitable state and federal technical and financial resources to help complete the projects. The preliminary *2014-15 Work Program and 2014 Budget* will be reviewed and approved in September and the final work program and budget adopted by the Commissioners in December. For more information regarding the Work Program and Budget, please contact [Richard Heath](#).

#### Beach Improvement Update

Selner Park Beach in the City of Kewaunee will be the first beach to implement redesign recommendations developed as part the of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's GLRI grant. The project consisted of routine and annual sampling by UW-Oshkosh over three beach seasons to determine E. coli levels and sources of contamination. Plans were developed by Miller Engineers & Scientists that targeted the contaminations sources and recommended a beach redesign plan aimed at naturally collecting and treating contaminated



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runoff before it reaches the beach and the nearshore splash zone, and improving the natural function and aesthetics of the beach.

Construction to implement the plan is underway. Improvements included bringing in 2,900 yards of sand to raise the beach profile (to reduce wet conditions that create ideal environments for contaminants), adding vegetated swales with wildflowers to catch runoff, adding three cord walks from the parking lot to the beach, moving benches to the beach that were previously along the parking lot edge, and adding a volleyball court and playground equipment. In the fall, dune grass will be planted along the back of the beach to prevent sand loss. The changes have made an additional 150 feet of lake accessible to the public.

By next spring, Selner Park beach will look very different and much improved aesthetically. But more importantly, the beach will be a healthier Great Lakes beach for swimming and recreating.

"We are very happy with the results. This is a great improvement to the City of Kewaunee that tourists and our residents are going to enjoy," City Administrator Brian Kranz said.

#### **BEFORE:**



#### **AFTER (with more improvements to come):**

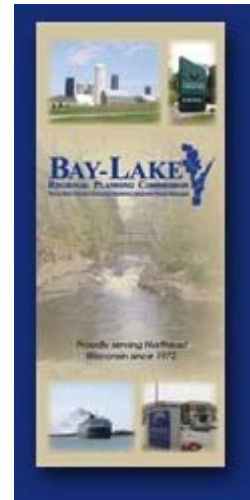
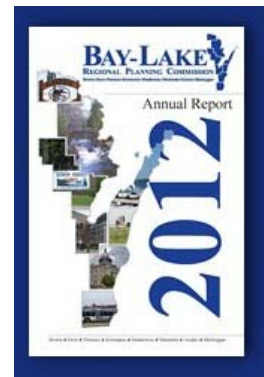


For more information, please contact [Angela Pierce](#).

### **Coordinated Transportation Plans**

Federal transportation law, as amended by SAFETEA-LU in 2005, and continued in [MAP-21](#), requires that projects funded by the [Section 5310, Elderly and Disabled Capital Assistance Program](#) be "derived

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sept 10, 2013**  
[Small Towns Forum,](#)  
Black Creek, WI

**Sept 10-12, 2013**  
[9th Annual Great Lakes Restoration Conference,](#)  
Milwaukee

**Sept 13, 2013**  
Commission Meeting,  
Green Bay

**Sept 14, 2013**  
[Niagara Escarpment Northern Kettle Moraine Ledge Tour](#)

from a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan" and that the plan be "developed through a process that includes representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human services providers and participation by members of the public."

Transportation coordination is a process where human service agencies, transportation providers, consumer groups, and public officials work together to develop and improve services for "transportation disadvantaged individuals" by ensuring that transportation resources funded by different programs are coordinated. "Transportation disadvantaged individuals" are unable to provide their own transportation as a result of disability, age-related condition, or income.

Coordination demands communication, trust, flexibility, and the willingness to focus on client needs. It will:

- Develop and improve transportation options,
- Improve access,
- Minimize service duplication, and
- Facilitate appropriate, cost-effective transportation with available resources.

Commission staff prepared coordinated transportation plans for Sheboygan County (single county plan) and for Manitowoc and Kewaunee counties (two county plan) in 2012. Commission staff amended the Manitowoc and Kewaunee County plan in early 2013.

Commission staff are in the process of developing a two county coordinated transportation plan for Oconto and Marinette counties, as well as developing a single county plan for Florence County. The coordinated transportation planning meeting for Oconto and Marinette counties was held on August 22nd, while the Florence County meeting is scheduled for September 11th. The Sheboygan, Manitowoc and Kewaunee County plans were due at the end of 2012, while the Oconto, Marinette and Florence County plans are due at the end of 2013. For more information, please contact [Brandon Robinson](#).



## Sheboygan MPO Update

Commission staff continue to work on development of the three land use scenarios that are being examined in the completion of the *Year 2045 Sheboygan Area Transportation Plan (SATP)*. The three land use scenarios are Continuation of Existing Trends, Compact/Infill Development, and Corridor Development. The scenarios and their traffic impacts will be presented at a public informational meeting in late 2013.

The MPO advisory committees prioritized four candidate Surface Transportation Program (STP) Urban projects in the Sheboygan Urbanized Area for the 2013-2018 funding cycle, and recommended approval of an amendment to the *2013 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Planning Work Program* at their August 22 joint meeting. MPO staff and the MPO advisory committees will

**Oct 2, 2013**  
WEDA/WDAC  
Region Fall  
Conference, Racine,  
WI

**Oct 15-17, 2013**  
Lake Michigan: State  
of the Lake and Great  
Lakes Beach  
Association Joint  
Conference,  
Sheboygan

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work on updating the functional classification of streets and highways in the Sheboygan Urbanized Area at their joint meeting in October.

For more information, please contact [Jeff Agee-Aguayo](#).

## Available Grant Opportunities



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

- [HUD Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant](#), September 10, 2013
- [Wisconsin Historic Preservation Fund](#), September 13, 2013
- [National Geographic Genographic Legacy](#), September 15, 2013
- [FTA Bus Efficiency Enhancements](#), September 20, 2013
- [Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities](#), September 23, 2013
- [FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant](#), September 23, 2013
- [Target Field Trip Grant](#), September 30, 2013
- [Captain Planet Foundation Grant](#), September 30, 2013
- [Urban Forestry Grant](#), October 1, 2013
- [Freshwater Future Project Grant Program](#), September 30, 2013
- [ATC Tree Planting Program](#), September 30, 2013
- [WDNR Recycling Grant](#), October 1, 2013
- [Land O'Lakes Foundation Rural Communities](#), October 1, 2013
- [US Soccer Foundation Program Grant](#), October 1, 2013
- [US FWL Fish Passage Program](#), October 4, 2013
- [Wisconsin Arts Board Creation & Presentation](#), October 15, 2013
- [Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant](#), October 15, 2013
- [USFS NE Area State & Private Forestry](#), October 15, 2013
- [FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant](#), October 18, 2013
- [Georgia-Pacific Foundation Community Grant](#), October 31, 2013
- [North American Wetlands Conservation Act](#), October 31, 2013
- [Community-based Marine Debris Removal](#), November 1, 2013
- [Idle Industrial Sites Redevelopment Program](#), November 1, 2013
- [Local Roads Improvement Program](#), November 1, 2013
- [Fund for Wild Nature Grant](#), November 1 and May 1
- [Wisconsin Coastal Management Program](#), November 4, 2013
- [Rural Community Development Initiative](#), November 12, 2013
- [Museums<sup>1</sup> for America Grant](#), December 2, 2013
- [Clean Water Fund and Safe Drinking Water Loan](#), December 31, 2013
- [Ray C. Anderson Foundation Environmental Grant](#), through 2013
- [Joint Effort Marketing \(JEM\) Grant](#), various deadlines throughout the year
- [MLB Baseball Tomorrow Fund](#), various deadlines throughout the year
- [US Soccer Foundation Safe Place to Play Grant](#), various deadlines throughout the year
- [Wisconsin Humanities Council Grant](#), various deadlines throughout the year
- [Meetings Mean Business! Grant Program](#), various deadlines throughout the year

1. Museums include, but are not limited to, aquariums, arboretums, art museums, botanical gardens, children's/youth museums, specialized and general museums,

historic houses/sites, history museums, natural history/anthropology museums, nature centers, planetariums, science/technology centers, and zoological parks.

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