

MONTHLY WORK PROGRAM ACTIVITY REPORT
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MULTI-COUNTY/REGIONAL

- The Natural Resources Planner was interviewed by UW Sea Grant Institute on August 5th for an article about the Tipping Points project.
- On August 12th, the Executive Director attended the US Highway 141 Planning Session in Lena that was facilitated by WisDOT staff. The study area extends from the US Highways 41/141 split in Abrams north to the Town of Beaver in Marinette County.
- Commission staff attended WisDOT's Grants Management System Training in Keshena on August 13th. This training will assist with the development of the 2015 WisDOT 5311/85.20 applications.
- On August 14th, the Natural Resources Planner gave a presentation on the Commission's beach work at the first annual Lake Michigan Day in Manitowoc.
- The Natural Resources Planner participated in a meeting of the Lake Michigan Stakeholders on August 21st to plan the annual fall meeting to be held in Green Bay.
- On August 21st, the Executive Director participated in the Global Trade Steering Committee meeting teleconference to continue the implementation of the strategies outlined in the *2012 Global Trade Strategy Report*.
- On August 27th, the Natural Resources Planner provided EPA staff with a tour of some of the beaches that were part of the Commission's beach study.
- The Natural Resources Planner met with the NEW Wilderness Alliance in Green Bay on August 27th.
- Commission staff completed review of the projects submitted by communities and counties as part of the 2014 Community Project Survey. Some of the projects will be added to the Commission's *2015-2016 Work Program*.
- Commission staff continued updating the inventory portion of the Transportation Element of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's Regional Comprehensive Plan.
- 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 prepared the minutes of the July 9th meeting of the Northeast Wisconsin Regional Access to Transportation Committee (NEWRATC) in August.

BROWN COUNTY

- The Executive Director attended the monthly meeting of the Olde Main and Downtown Green Business Development committee on August 7th.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the Bay Beach improvement project.

- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on the City of Green Bay EAB mitigation project.
- The Commission submitted a GLRI grant application to treat Phragmites in the Green Bay and Lower Fox River AOC.

DOOR COUNTY

- No County specific activities during this period. See “Multi-County/Regional” above.

FLORENCE COUNTY

- Commission staff met with staff from Florence County Zoning and Land Conservation on August 18th to discuss an update to the County’s Farmland Preservation Plan.

KEWAUNEE COUNTY

- The Commission provided technical assistance for the administration and updating of zoning and other ordinances for Kewaunee County, and for the towns of Lincoln, Red River, Luxemburg, and Pierce.
- The Commission partnered with UW-Oshkosh to submit a GLRI grant application to implement beach improvements at Crescent Beach in Algoma.

MANITOWOC COUNTY

- On August 11th, the Natural Resources Planner met with Manitowoc County to provide information about updating the County’s Outdoor Recreation Plan and submitting a WCMP grant application to fund a portion of it.
- On August 28th, Commission staff facilitated a meeting of the Maritime Metro Transit Development Program (TDP) Review Committee at City Hall in Manitowoc. The main agenda items at this meeting included: election of a committee chairperson and vice chairperson to run meetings; distribution and review of draft Chapter 3 of the *2015 – 2020 TDP* (Transit System Overview); and distribution of the goals, objectives and standards from the *2010 – 2014 Maritime Metro TDP*. Commission staff worked on draft Chapter 3 of the TDP during much of August, and also prepared minutes of the July 15th meeting of the Maritime Metro TDP Review Committee.
- Commission staff continued working on an update to the Farmland Preservation Plan for Manitowoc County.
- Commission staff continued work on the county’s hazard mitigation plan, which received approval from FEMA in August.

MARINETTE COUNTY

- The Commission provided technical assistance for the administration and updating of zoning and other ordinances for the City of Marinette; and the Towns of Wagner and Pound.
- Commission staff began work on the City of Marinette’s 2015 Shared Taxi Application.
- Commission staff compiled an economic summary report for Marinette County Association for Business and Industry, Inc. (MCABI) on the Menominee-Marinette Twin County Airport utilizing EMSI Analyst.

OCONTO COUNTY

- Commission staff continued work on updating Oconto County's hazard mitigation plan. The Natural Resources Planner met with the steering committee on August 28th.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

- Commission staff attended the quarterly MPO Directors' meeting in Madison on August 5th.
- Commission staff provided a tour of development issues and Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Program (NMTTP) projects in the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area for the WisDOT Central Office's new liaison to the MPO as well as for WisDOT Northeast Region programming staff recently assigned to the MPO. The Director of the Sheboygan County Planning and Conservation Department assisted with narrating this tour, which took place the morning of August 28th.
- The Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees met jointly on August 28th.
- Commission staff prepared draft Chapter 4 (Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives) of the *Year 2045 Sheboygan Area Transportation Plan (SATP)* in August. This draft chapter was presented at the August 28th joint meeting of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees.
- Commission staff presented the final portions of draft Chapter 5 (Existing Condition of the Transportation Network) of the *Year 2045 SATP* at the August 28th joint meeting of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees.
- 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 August. Some of these visualization applications could also be transferred to other Commission-led planning efforts in the region.
- Commission staff participated in a meeting to discuss quantification of emission reduction benefits of Sheboygan County NMTTP projects implemented between 2011 and 2014 for inclusion in a State Implementation Plan (SIP) update that is being prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Bureau of Air Management on August 20th. Quantification of such benefits for projects implemented in or prior to 2010 has already taken place. Other meeting participants included Sheboygan County Planning and Conservation Department staff and WDNR Bureau of Air Management staff (via teleconference).
- Commission staff provided a small amount of technical assistance to Shoreline Metro during the month of August.
- Commission staff prepared a minor amendment to the *Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Improvement Program: Calendar Years 2013 – 2016* in August. This amendment added a project requested by the WisDOT Northeast Region. The project involves a sequencing and prioritization study for various future projects on Interstate Highway 43 in Sheboygan, Manitowoc and Brown counties. The Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees recommended approval of this minor amendment at their August 28th joint meeting, and the Commission is scheduled to take action on the amendment at its September 12th meeting.