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E-Newsletter

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BLRPC Executive Director Moving On

After 10+ years working for the regional planning commission, with the last 5 years serving as the executive director, I will be leaving Northeast Wisconsin for a position in Arizona. Over the past decade, I have formed a lot of valuable friendships with many of the individuals who I have had the opportunity to work with during this time. I am truly grateful to have had the unique opportunity to work on a variety of projects throughout the region that are continuing to have a positive impact on communities and counties. As I move on to the next chapter of my life and career, I want to take this time to thank you for the past 10 years. The Commissioners will be starting the hiring process later in May to find my successor who will continue leading the organization in a positive direction for many years into the future. Best wishes to all of you and Go Pack Go!!



Richard Heath

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WDNR Small Business Assistance



In Wisconsin, small businesses play a particularly important role in the economy, accounting for more than 97 percent of all employers and providing jobs for slightly more than half of the private sector labor force. As part of the DNR's continued commitment to support small businesses in Wisconsin, the agency has expanded its Small

Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAP), which serves as a resource and partner for small businesses throughout the state. The SBEAP mission: "We are a non-regulatory program aimed at



getting small businesses the information and contacts they need for all their environmental questions so they can do the right thing for the environment and their business."

Details can be found on the [website](#), calling 855-889-3021 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or via [email](#).



Pavement Rating Assistance

Wisconsin State Statute 86.302 (2) requires each municipality and county to submit surface condition ratings for all local roads under their jurisdiction to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) every two years. The next submissions to WisDOT are due by December of this year.



Just as was done in 2013, Commission staff will be providing assistance to communities to meet the pavement rating requirement. A majority of these services will be free of charge to Commission members, while non-member communities will be charged time and materials. If your community would like to use the services of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission for pavement rating assistance, please contact [Brandon Robinson](#).

Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Activities

The draft *Year 2045 Sheboygan Area Transportation Plan (SATP)* has been released for a 30-day public comment period that runs through May 29, 2015. More information on the draft plan can be found on our [website](#).

A public hearing on the draft *Year 2045 SATP* will be held on May 19, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., at the Sheboygan County Administration Building (Room 302), 508 New York Avenue, Sheboygan.

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

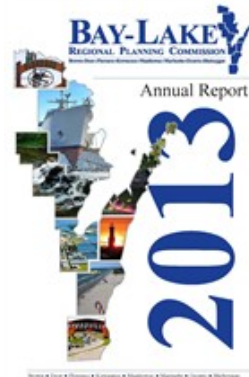
Available Grant Opportunities



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.

- [Recreational Boating Facilities](#), June 1, 2015
- [Neighborhood Builders](#), June 1, 2015

2013 Annual Report



Brochure



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

[EMSI Request Form](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 27, 9AM
[Lake Michigan Stakeholders Spring Conference](#), Racine

June 12, 10AM

- [National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program](#), June 26, 2015
- [Safe Drinking Water Loan Program](#), June 30, 2015
- [Tourist Information Center \(TIC\) Grant Program](#), July 1, 2015
- [Forest Fire Protection Grant](#), July 1, 2015
- On-going or Various deadlines throughout the year:

Full Committee Meeting, Art Garage, Green Bay

American Honda Foundation	BayCare Clinic Foundation Grants
Ben & Jerry's Foundation Grants	Cedar Tree Foundation Grants
Charles Stuart Mott Foundation Environmental Grants	Cornell Douglas Foundation Grants
CN Stronger Communities Fund	Costco Wholesale Grants
Doris Duke Charitable Foundation	EcoTech Grants - The Captain Planet Foundation
Environmental Research & Education Foundation Grants	Gannett Foundation Grants
Georgia-Pacific Foundation Grants	ING Foundation Grants
International Paper Grants	Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) Grant
Kinder Morgan Foundation Grants	Kodak American Greenways Grants
Laura Jane Musser Fund	Lawrence Foundation Grants
Lego Children's Fund Grants	MeadWestvaco Foundation Grants
Meetings Mean Business! Grant	Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas Grants
MLB Baseball Tomorrow Fund	Patagonia Environmental Grants
RGK Foundation Education Fund	Rockefeller Family Fund
US Soccer Foundation Grant	Waste Management Charitable Giving
Wisconsin Humanities Council Grant	

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