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TO: The Wisconsin Legislature, Governing Bodies of the Local Governmental Units, and interested parties within the Bay-Lake Region

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission has been proudly serving the counties and communities of Northeastern Wisconsin since 1972. Each Annual Report provides an in-depth overview of the Commission's five planning programs and the work performed within each of them during the year. This report is provided to the Governor, Wisconsin Legislature, and to the governing bodies of the 185 units of government within the eight-county region in accordance with the requirements of *s.* 66.0309(8)(b), Wis. Stats.

The Commission continues to serve as the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Economic Development District for the Economic Development Administration. Levy funds are utilized to maintain these two programs, along with the Regional Transportation, Wisconsin Coastal Management, and GIS programs. These five combined programs offer the counties and communities a variety of cost-effective services for local initiatives ranging from planning to grant writing.

Staff were busy working on a variety of projects last year that encompassed all areas of the region. Hazard mitigation planning has been a big component of the community assistance work program for the past 10 years. A hazard mitigation plan was completed for Manitowoc County and an updated plan was started for Oconto County. Three good examples of steps to implement local comprehensive plans include an updated sewer service area plan for the Manitowoc, Two Rivers, and Mishicot area; an updated Farmland Preservation Plan for Manitowoc County, and an updated Code of Ordinance for the Town of Wagner. We appreciate the opportunity to work with our state and federal partners to address issues concerning all aspects of Lake Michigan and Green Bay of Lake Michigan. One beneficial partnership lead to assessing and/or upgrading 23 public beaches in the Bay-Lake Region.

At the September 2014 Annual Meeting, I was re-elected as Chairperson of the Commission; Mike Hotz was re-elected Commission Vice Chairperson; and Alice Baumgarten was re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer. I want to thank each staff person and Commissioner for their time and professionalism. Everyone's contributions enables the Commission to be a valuable resource for counties and local municipalities, as well as partner organizations. Thank you for your continued support of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission.

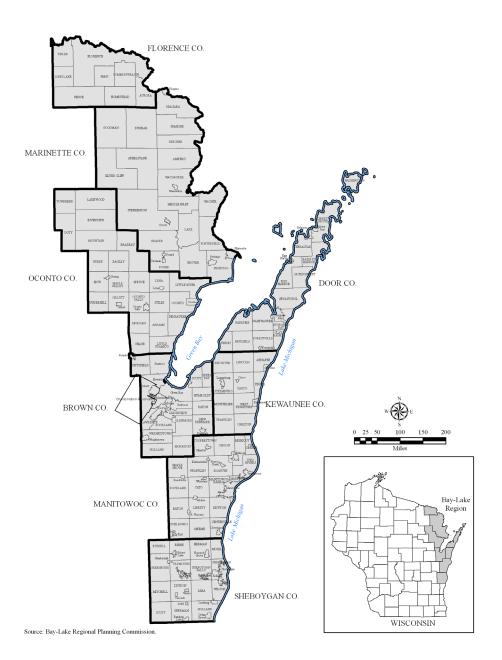
Respectfully,

Wonald C. Marhwardt

Don Markwardt, Chairperson



Communities Within the Bay-Lake Region





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The Commission



CREATION AND AUTHORITY

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission (Commission) was created in 1972 under section 66.0309 of the Wisconsin Statutes as the official area-wide planning agency for northeastern Wisconsin.



AREA SERVED

The Commission serves an eight-county region in northeastern Wisconsin consisting of Brown, Door, Florence, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto and Sheboygan. The Bay-Lake Region is comprised of 185 units of government: eight counties, 17 cities, 40 villages, 119 towns, and the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin. The total area of the region is 5,433 square miles, or 9.7 percent of the area of the State of Wisconsin. The region has over 400 miles of coastal shoreline along Lake Michigan and Green Bay, and contains 12 major watershed areas that drain into those waters.

The Wisconsin Demographic Services Center 2014 population estimate of the region is 582,535 persons, or 10.2 percent of the estimated population of the State of Wisconsin (5,732,981).



ORGANIZATION

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission is governed by Commissioners from each of the eight counties. Commissioners are appointed to serve on the Commission in one of three ways: (1) one Commissioner is appointed by each county board; (2) one Commissioner from each county is appointed by the governor, and (3) one Commissioner is appointed by the governor from a list of nominees provided by the county board. Nine of the 17 voting Commissioners are appointed officials or employees from the public sector, while eight are private citizens who are actively involved in local community affairs.



Community Assistance

The Commission's Community Assistance Program is designed to strengthen local planning activities by providing a variety of professional technical assistance and planning services on a contractual basis. This includes writing and administering grants, preparing comprehensive plans, farmland preservation plans, outdoor recreation plans, hazard mitigation plans, tax incremental financing plans, community development documents, and zoning ordinances. These types of projects help meet local community needs by supplementing and complementing local planning efforts being undertaken by introducing a more regional approach to their projects. For communities where local planning departments do not exist, the Commission's community assistance program has the ability to lead, administer, and implement programs and projects, as requested. In addition to the community assistance provided on a contractual basis, other activities were carried out by the Commission as part of the Commission's GIS Department and through its Economic Development, Coastal Management, Regional Transportation Planning, and Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) programs.



COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission Regional Comprehensive Plan

The regional comprehensive plan covers the eight-county Bay-Lake Region in northeastern Wisconsin. It serves as an advisory policy document in which to guide where future conservation, growth, and development should occur within the Region and in keeping with the Commission's planning principles.

- Updated portions of the inventory section of the Transportation Element of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's Regional Comprehensive Plan as part of the Commission's Regional Transportation Work Program.
- Prepared a Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (WCMP) grant application for updates to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's Regional Comprehensive Plan.

Local Planning Assistance

 Provided technical assistance to many municipal leaders, plan commissions, and plan committees of local jurisdictions from the counties of Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto, and Sheboygan during 2014 to inform them of the process and procedures for updating comprehensive plans.



PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Zoning Assistance

- Completed an update of the Code of General Ordinances for the Town of Wagner in Marinette County.
- Provided technical assistance for zoning ordinances for Kewaunee County and the towns of Ahnapee, Casco, Franklin, Lincoln, Luxemburg, Pierce, and Red River, in Kewaunee County.
- Provided technical assistance on community zoning ordinances for the City of Marinette and the towns of Amberg, Goodman, Pound, and Wagner in Marinette County.
- Provided technical assistance on zoning ordinances for Florence County and Manitowoc County.
- Participated in a workshop about managing urban and rural stormwater runoff in karst environments.



OTHER PLANS

Hazard Mitigation Planning

Hazard mitigation planning represents a shift in emergency management policy from disaster response to mitigation in order to reduce or eliminate long-term risks to life and property from a hazard event. It is a collaborative process involving the identification of hazards affecting the planning area, assessment of vulnerabilities, and reaching consensus on how to minimize or eliminate the effects of these natural hazards

In 2014, the Commission participated in the following hazard mitigation planning activities:

- Completed development of hazard mitigation plan updates for Sheboygan County and Manitowoc County.
- Continued preparation of a hazard mitigation plan for Oconto County.
- Received FEMA funding for Door County and Oneida Tribe to update their hazard mitigation plans.

Farmland Preservation Planning

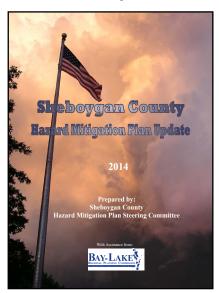
- Provided technical assistance on farmland preservation planning for Oconto County.
- Completed the Manitowoc County Farmland Preservation Plan update to meet the requirements under Chapter 91, Wis. Stats. (i.e., Working Lands Initiative).
- Provided technical assistance for Florence County's Farmland Preservation Planning Grant application.

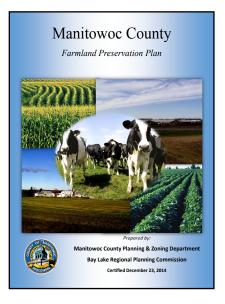
Outdoor Recreation Planning

- Provided technical assistance on outdoor recreation planning for Oconto County, Kewaunee County, and the City of Algoma.
- Completed a northeast Wisconsin coastal cities trail inventory and connectivity study.
- Participated in and provided technical assistance in the Oconto County Trail Summit.

Brownfields Planning

• Served as a member of the Wisconsin Brownfield Coalition facilitated by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

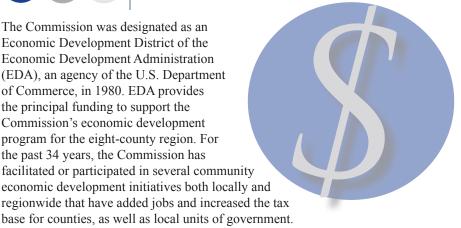






Economic Development

The Commission was designated as an Economic Development District of the **Economic Development Administration** (EDA), an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce, in 1980. EDA provides the principal funding to support the Commission's economic development program for the eight-county region. For the past 34 years, the Commission has facilitated or participated in several community economic development initiatives both locally and regionwide that have added jobs and increased the tax





COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC **DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)**

The Commission adopted its current Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) in 2012 for calendar years 2013, 2014, and 2015. The 2012 CEDS coincides with the 3-year planning grant awarded to the Commission by EDA to fund various activities, including preparing and maintaining a CEDS for the district. The 2012 CEDS was updated in 2014. The annual project solicitation was included as part of the CEDS update and many of the identified projects were included in the Commission's 2014-2015 Annual Work Program and Budget.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The following were key activities conducted within the Economic Development Program during 2014:

- Completed and submitted required mid-year and year-end reports to EDA and participated in EDA's quarterly teleconferences.
- Updated the 2012 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.
- Facilitated an EDA project meeting with Kelly Scott in February.
- Conducted a comprehensive community and economic development project survey of member counties and communities.
- Provided information on community economic development programs and grants to communities and organizations as requested.

- Signed a contract with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to provide economic development data and information utilizing EMSI Analyst software and prepared multiple economic reports and scenarios using the software.
- Presented at the Oconto County Economic Development Corporation's Advisory Committee meeting in May.
- Attended the annual Green Bay Port Symposium held in April.
- Presented at the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation's Economic Development Conference in September and the Representative Ribble Grants Workshop in March.
- Met with Laurie Radke, Executive Director of the Greater Green Bay Chamber, in October to discuss the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and the types of service the Commission can provide to the Chamber.
- Attended the Brown County Labor Force Workshop in March that was sponsored by the Greater Green Bay Chamber.
- Participated in the Economic Development Workshop in July sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.
- Served on the organizing committee for the 10th Annual Sustainable Forestry Conference held in April in Florence County.
- Met with staff with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection in November to discuss co-hosting mini-conferences on the expansion of agriculture and agriculture related business in the region.
- Served on the following business and technical advisory committees:
 - ~ Global New North Stakeholder Committee;
 - ~ Downtown Green Bay, Inc./Olde Main Street Business Development Committee;
 - ~ Marinette County Association for Business and Industry Recreation Strategy Committee; and
 - ~ Northeast Wisconsin Regional Economic Partnership (NEWREP).





Geographic Information Systems

(GIS)

Since 1990, the Commission has collected and maintained digital GIS files for areas in which the Commission undertakes natural resource and planning projects.

The following data is available for most or all areas in which the Commission has completed project work:

- Base Maps
- Land Use Inventories
- Geology
- Soils
- Hydrography
- Watersheds
- Wetlands
- Floodplains
- Natural Areas
- Environmental Corridors
- Shoreland/Floodplain Zones
- Farmland Preservation
- Recreation Facilities

- Transportation Facilities
- Public and Community Facilities
- Past Land Use Plans
- Future Land Use Plans
- Census TIGER Files
- Air Photos
- Zoning

The Commission creates land use inventories, future land use plans, environmental corridors and zoning files for communities throughout the Bay-Lake Region as part of its project work.



DATA SHARING

Data sharing is an important part of the Commission's GIS program. Over the years, the Commission has formed partnerships that allow datasets and technical advice to be shared for projects that affect communities and citizens throughout the region and the state of Wisconsin. Without these partnerships, the Commission would not be able to complete the projects that are so important to the region. Much of the data is obtained through data sharing agreements from other federal or state agencies, counties, and local governments.



GIS ACTIVITIES

- Responded to regional data and aerial photography requests.
- Served on Statewide Wisconsin Geographic Information Coordination uncil (WIGICC) Board.





Natural Resources Planning

The Natural Resources program of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission provides ongoing technical assistance to member counties and communities to preserve, protect, and enhance the Region's natural environment and recreation opportunities. The program is funded in part by the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (WCMP), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the USDA Forest Service.





COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Commission works with the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program in protecting, restoring, and making accessible the natural and cultural resources of Wisconsin's Great Lakes Coasts. The Commission maintains its commitment to improve the management of Wisconsin's Great Lakes coastlines and works cooperatively with WCMP in managing the ecological, economic, and aesthetic assets of Lake Michigan and its coastal areas.

WCMP Technical Assistance Program

Under this program in 2014, the Commission has:

- Completed a northeast Wisconsin coastal cities trail inventory and connectivity study.
- Assisted local communities within the Coastal Zone with preparing grants to WCMP, acquiring information on coastal resources, coastal hazards mitigation planning, and promoting awareness of coastal issues.
- Prepared a grant application for updates to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's Regional Comprehensive Plan.
- Provided technical assistance to WCMP and local, state, and federal governmental units on coastal projects and issues, including the coastal counties of Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto, and Sheboygan.
- Participated on advisory committees for the Green Bay and Lower Fox River Area of Concern (AOC).
- Maintained data, and promoted the principles of the Bay-Lake Regional Environmental Corridor report that defines and delineates the Region's environmental corridors.

Road-End and Public Access Inventory

The Commission maintains a Lake Michigan public access inventory dataset for the Region. The inventory is available for download on the Commission's website.

Wisconsin Lake Michigan Water Trail

The Commission maintains the Wisconsin Lake Michigan Water Trail inventory dataset. The inventory is available for download on the Commission's website. The Water Trail was developed in partnership with the WDNR and the National Park Service to delineate a complete Lake Michigan water trail stretching over 500 miles from the Wisconsin/Michigan border to the Wisconsin/Illinois border.

Regional Environmental Corridor Data Update

The Commission maintains the regional environmental corridor dataset. Reports, maps, and informational materials are available for download on the Commission's website.

Coastal Cities Trail Inventory

The Commission completed work on a GIS/GPS inventory project to map and gather data for all non-motorized trails in the nine coastal cities within the Bay-Lake region. The dataset download is available on the Commission's website.





WATER QUALITY PLANNING

The Commission works with the WDNR and EPA to improve and protect water quality through land use planning and encouraging best management practices. The Commission undertakes water quality management planning cooperatively with local communities and the WDNR; and coordinates beach improvement efforts through EPA.

Water Quality Management (Sewer Service Area) Planning

Under the guidance of NR 121, Wisconsin Administrative Code, the Commission develops and updates water quality management plans and provides review of sanitary sewer extension plans for new or existing development within the areas of the cities of Manitowoc, Two Rivers, and Marinette, the villages of Mishicot and Luxemburg, and the Sheboygan Urbanized Area.

Beach Improvement Planning

The Commission completed work on an EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) project to monitor water quality at over 20 beaches and develop beach

improvement plans for 10 beaches along Lake Michigan in the Bay-Lake Region.

The Commission continued work on an EPA Urban Waters project to monitor water quality at Bay Beach in the City of Green Bay and develop an improvement plan for the beach.



The Commission is partnering with University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh, local communities, and other partners on these projects into 2015.

Beach improvements have been implemented at Red Arrow Beach in the City of Manitowoc, Selner Beach in the City of Kewaunee, and Red Arrow Beach in the City of Marinette.





AREAWIDE LAND USE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANNING

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Mitigation – City of Green Bay, Wisconsin

The Commission continues to work with the City of Green Bay on an effort to mitigate the impacts of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) through a USDA Forest Service grant. The project supports EAB mitigation efforts including ash management, ash tree replacement with non-host species, educational workshops, and providing 100 non-host trees to neighborhood associations.

The Commission partnered with the WDNR to submit two applications to the USDA Forest Service for GLRI funding to provide EAB mitigation assistance to communities throughout Wisconsin.

Niagara Escarpment Resource Network

The Niagara Escarpment Resource Network is a coalition of federal, state, and regional agencies; local and county governments; academia; non-profit organizations; and individual landowners and citizens, whose purpose is to provide a common forum for discussion and action. It is a cooperative effort between the Commission, the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, the WDNR, and the Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership to share and provide information about the Niagara Escarpment. The group works to promote balanced land use decisions and an appreciation for the unique ecological, biological, social, and economic resources of Wisconsin's Niagara Escarpment.

Lake Michigan Watershed Basin Planning

The Commission is part of the Lake Michigan Watershed Academy of the EPA Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO). The Watershed Academy was formed in 2003 to address watershed planning issues cooperatively between regional planning organizations around Lake Michigan. The group focuses on enhancing awareness of critical Lake Michigan issues, and improving the capacity for community-level water quality and habitat restoration and protection efforts.

Lake Michigan Stakeholders

The Commission is a founding and steering committee member of a diverse group of public and private agencies, non-profits, and private interests concerned about the restoration of Lake Michigan. More than 80 groups from throughout Wisconsin are represented. The Lake Michigan Stakeholders was formed in 2005 to address specific restoration activities within the Lake Michigan Basin. Commission staff serves on the Steering Committee that identifies projects and goals for the larger stakeholder group to approve, and helps to guide and shape the collaboration



Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

The Commission continued urban transportation planning activities as the MPO for the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area, with the assistance of local technical and policy advisory committees. Transportation planning is required of metropolitan planning areas as a prerequisite to receiving federal funding for transportation projects. The Commission has served as MPO for the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area since 1982. The MPO program is funded by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), WisDOT, Sheboygan County (local match for non-transit planning activities), and Shoreline Metro (local match for transit planning activities).



were as follows:

PROGRAM SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION

Highlights of the Sheboygan MPO program in 2014

- Conducted ten joint meetings of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees.
- Reported on the status of 2014 work activities at a mid-year review meeting regarding the MPO Work Program with FHWA and WisDOT staff in early June.
- Presented on MPO and other Commission activities to the Sheboygan County Board in mid-June.
- Participated in the annual MPO/RPC/WisDOT transportation planning conference in Janesville in September, and participated in quarterly MPO Directors' meetings.
- Prepared and submitted quarterly invoices and detail to the WisDOT Bureau of Planning and Economic Development.
- Developed and approved the 2015 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Planning Work Program, which is a component of the Commission's overall Work Program.



LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

• Development, quantification and review of three future (2045) land use scenarios to be evaluated in preparing the *Year 2045 Sheboygan Area Transportation Plan (SATP)* as well as selection of one land use scenario to carry forward in the planning process.

- Establishment of goals and objectives for the *Year 2045 SATP*.
- Preparation, review and revision of several draft chapters and some draft appendices of the *Year 2045 SATP*.
- Determined capacity modifying projects to test with the travel demand forecast model, and also determined system preservation and safety projects to include in the draft *Year 2045 SATP*.
- Participated in a meeting with WisDOT Northeast Region staff to review recommendations from the State Highway 23 Corridor Preservation and Freeway Designation Study. Recommendations from this study within the Sheboygan metropolitan planning area were expected to be included as recommendations in the draft Year 2045 SATP.
- Participated in meetings of the Wisconsin DNR Bureau of Air Management's Transportation Conformity Work Group.
- Provided a tour of development issues and transportation projects in the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area for WisDOT staff recently assigned as liaisons to the MPO.



SHORT-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

- Provided technical assistance to Shoreline Metro in preparing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) quarterly progress reports and in preparing a CDBG grant application for the 2015 – 2016 grant period.
- Assisted Shoreline Metro with a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) triennial review
- Completed the Commission's Title VI Program, which covers the agency as a whole, including the Commission's Sheboygan MPO program and Regional Transportation Program, and participated in Title VI training.



TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

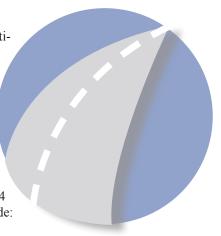
- Several amendments to the 2013 2016 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area TIP were processed in March, April and August; these affected virtually every modal aspect of the TIP.
- The Annual Listing of Obligated Projects for Calendar Year 2013 was placed on the Sheboygan MPO webpage in March, and was reviewed with members of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees in April.
- The 2015 2018 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area TIP was produced in late 2014

This is a summary of key activities in the Sheboygan MPO program in 2014. Additional details regarding MPO work activities (e.g., numerous meetings, training sessions, and smaller tasks) are available from Commission staff.



Transportation Planning

The Commission has provided rural multimodal transportation planning services since 1972 to address both areawide and local transportation issues. The Regional Transportation Work Program is funded by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), and with matching funds from the Commission. Additional revenues to support the program came from local and regional contracts. Highlights from the 2014 Regional Transportation Work Program include:





PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- Prepared and submitted monthly invoices and progress reports to the central office of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.
- Completed the 2015 Regional Transportation Work Program for the Bay-Lake Region.

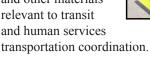


TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ACTIVITIES

Continued to assist the City of Marinette with the administration of the city's Shared-Ride Taxi Program, which included preparation and submittal

of the 2015 application for federal and state assistance to operate the transit system.

Assisted the Mobility Manager for Marinette and Oconto counties by providing background data and other materials relevant to transit and human services



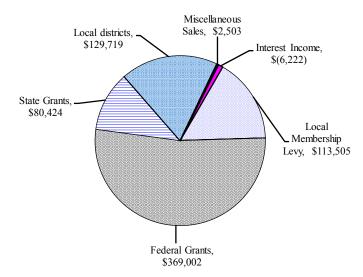


- Facilitated quarterly meetings of the Northeastern Wisconsin Regional
 Access to Transportation Committee (NEWRATC) in cooperation with
 staff of the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. The
 committee was created for the purpose of coordinating and developing a
 regional committee to systematically address access to transportation for the
 at risk populations with special needs.
- Provided technical assistance to Kewaunee County; the towns of Ahnapee, Casco, Franklin, Lincoln, Luxemburg, Pierce, and Red River in Kewaunee County; Manitowoc County; the City of Marinette and towns of Amberg, Goodman, Pound, and Wagner in Marinette County; as well as Florence County with the administration of their respective zoning and land division ordinances with regard to local transportation systems.
- Updated portions of the inventory section of the Transportation Element of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's Regional Comprehensive Plan.
- Assisted WisDOT Central Office staff with arranging meetings to review current (2010) and projected (2040) socioeconomic data for Florence, Marinette, and Oconto counties that will be included in WisDOT's statewide travel demand forecast model; these meetings were held in July and December.
- Started work on a Transit Development Program (TDP) update for Maritime Metro Transit (serving the Manitowoc-Two Rivers area). The TDP Review Committee met five times and reviewed two draft chapters of the TDP in 2014.
- Assisted WisDOT Northeast Region staff with the U.S. Highway 41
 Interstate Conversion Study. This assistance included review of planning documents and participation in meetings to discuss progress on the study.
- Provided technical assistance to WisDOT staff for the US Highway 141
 Planning study, which extends from the US Highways 41/141 split in Abrams (Oconto County) north to the Town of Beaver (Marinette County).
- Attended the Port of Green Bay Symposium in April and Representative Ribble's 2014 Transportation Summit in July.

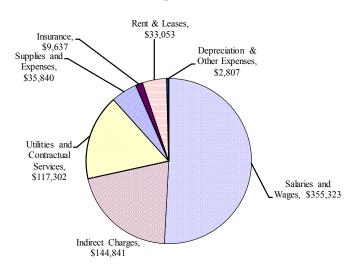


Financial Status Report

Revenues



Expenses



Revenues for 2014 totaled \$688,931 while Expenses totaled \$698,803.



2014 Publications

Publications are available for download on the Commission's website at: http://www.baylakerpc.org/about/publications

Publications can also be found under several of the Commission program elements listed on the Commission's website.

REGION

2013 Annual Report

Northeast Wisconsin Trail Inventory & Connectivity

Town of Wagner Code of General Ordinances

Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission 2014-2015 Affirmative Action Program

Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission 2015 Annual Budget & 2015-2016 Work Program

Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission Title VI and Non-Discrimination Program/Limited English Proficiency Plan

Manitowoc County

Manitowoc County, Wisconsin Hazard Mitigation Plan Manitowoc County Farmland Preservation Plan

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Sheboygan County, Wisconsin Hazard Mitigation Plan

Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): Calendar Years 2015-2018

2015 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Planning Work Program



Administration

Commissioners and staff completed and is now implementing the 2013-2016 Strategic Plan. The plan is to help the Commission better prepare to meet the changing needs of its state and federal partners, as well as counties and communities within the region. The plan identifies four overarching outcomes and a series of objectives in which to reach those goals over the next four years.

Overall Strategic Planning Outcomes:

- A. The Strategic Plan for the Commission provides a well-defined roadmap to strengthen its overall operations incrementally and comprehensively over the next five years.
- B. The plan focuses on avenues in which allows the Commissioners to become more involved using their contacts and areas of expertise; it enables the Commission's programs to grow in width, depth and quality, and strengthens internal policies (including budgets) through continued review and analysis that ensures the Commission is operating in a responsible and forward thinking manner.
- C. The strategies developed highlight methods and actions to ensure all the counties and communities within the region remain engaged and a feeling of ownership is created that allows the Commission to access resources to continually improve services.
- D. The Commission will be recognized as the coordinating entity for all land use and planning activities and initiatives taking place within the eight-county region.

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission maintains its membership with the Wisconsin Association of Regional Planning Commissions (AWRPC). Commission staff attended the organization's bi-monthly meetings to address issues of local, statewide, and nationwide importance.

Commission staff made several presentations to the following county boards of supervisors, Towns Associations, committees, and municipal leaders during 2014 to inform them of the many services provided by the Commission.

 Kewaunee County (March); Sheboygan, Oconto, Marinette, Manitowoc, and Florence counties (June); Door County Planning Committee (June); Oconto County Towns Association (October); Brown County Executive (November); Kewaunee County Towns Association (November); and Marinette County Towns Association (December).

Commission staff met with State Representatives Eric Genrich and John Nygren and Senator Dave Hansen to discuss pending or proposed legislation that would impact planning initiatives within the region.



Digital Orthophotography

(Note: Aerial Photography is available for viewing during office hours.)

- 1992/1998 NAPP for the Bay-Lake Region
- 2000 for Brown, Kewaunee, and Manitowoc Counties
- 2002 for Door County
- 2003 for Sheboygan County
- 2004 for Marinette and Oconto Counties
- 2005 NAIP for the Bay-Lake Region
- 2005 Brown, Florence, and Manitowoc Counties
- 2006 NAIP for the Bay-Lake Region
- 2008 NAIP for the Bay-Lake Region
- 2010 NAIP for the Bay-Lake Region
- 2010 for the Bay-Lake Region
- 2013 NAIP for the Bay-Lake Region

All orders for publications, aerial photographs and maps can be placed by emailing, writing or calling the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission. Each order will be invoiced for the cost of the materials ordered plus postage.

GIS data requests will be fulfilled according to the Commission's GIS Data Sharing Policy. For more information on GIS data and aerial photography available, please visit the Commission GIS webpage at http://www.baylakerpc.org/gis.

*Note: Not all datasets are available for public use and are covered under data and license agreements with the creators and maintainers of the datasets.



Aerial Photography

(Note: Aerial Photography is available for viewing during office hours.)

- Entire Bay-Lake Region by Congressional township (197 photos) 1"=800', May 1975.
- Entire Bay-Lake Region by Congressional township (197 photos) 1"=2000', May 1975.
- Entire Bay-Lake Region by Congressional township (200 photos) 1"=800', November 1980-April 1981.
- Kewaunee and Manitowoc Counties, 1"=800', April 1990.
- Sheboygan County, 1"=400', April 1990.
- Sheboygan County, 1"=400', April 1995.
- Sheboygan County, 1"=400', April 2000.



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