

MONTHLY WORK PROGRAM ACTIVITY REPORT
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MULTI-COUNTY/REGIONAL

- On May 2nd, the Natural Resources Planner attended a Green Bay hypoxia (dead zone) workshop at UW-Green Bay.
- Commission staff participated in a “town hall” meeting regarding WisDOT Secretary Gottlieb’s “Transportation Moves Wisconsin” tour the evening of May 7th at the U.S. Highway 41 project office in Green Bay.
- Commission staff held a teleconference on May 12th with various partner organizations to discuss the opportunity to pursue funding from EDA for a foreign direct investment project that will encompass the New North Region.
- On May 13th, the Community Planner participated in a quarterly conference call with other Wisconsin Brownfields Coalition members.
- The Executive Director met with Dan Glasson of the U.S. Department of Defense on May 14th to discuss how his office would address any future lay-offs at Marinette Marine.
- On May 14-16th, the Natural Resources Planner attended the Great Lakes Trail Conference in Saugatuck, Michigan to represent Wisconsin on future planning for the Lake Michigan Water Trail.
- On May 15th, the Community Planner participated in a Safe Routes to School webinar on Recruiting and Training Volunteers for Long Term Success.
- On May 20th, Natural Resources Planner participated in a meeting of the Lake Michigan Stakeholders Steering Committee in Two Rivers.
- On May 23rd, the Natural Resources Planner participated in a conference call of the Lake Michigan Forum/Lake Michigan Watershed Academy to discuss a new campaign for Lake Michigan called *Love Lake Michigan* and review the new website LoveLakeMichigan.org.
- 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.

BROWN COUNTY

- On May 8th, the Natural Resources Planner participated in a Green Bay and Lower Fox River AOC CAC meeting.
- 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.

DOOR COUNTY

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

FLORENCE COUNTY

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

KEWAUNEE COUNTY

- Commission staff presented to the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors on May 20th.
- The Commission provided technical assistance for the administration and updating of zoning and other ordinances for Kewaunee County; and the Towns of Lincoln and Franklin.

MANITOWOC COUNTY

- WisDOT approved the project contract for an update to the Maritime Metro Transit Development Program (TDP) in a letter dated May 7th. City of Manitowoc staff has been confirming the membership of the Maritime Metro TDP review committee. The first meeting will be called once the full composition of the review committee is known.
- On May 12th, the Natural Resources Planner participated in a meeting with WDNR and East Central Wisconsin RPC to assist communities within the Manitowoc River watershed with addressing flooding issues.
- Commission staff presented to the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors on May 20th.
- Commission staff submitted a draft of the county’s hazard mitigation plan to WEM and FEMA for review and approval.
- Commission staff continued working on an update to the Farmland Preservation Plan for Manitowoc County.

MARINETTE COUNTY

- Commission staff continued to assist the City of Marinette with the administration of its Shared-Ride Taxi Transit Program. Staff attended the city’s quarterly Transportation Committee meeting on May 21st.
- On May 28th, the Commission participated in a meeting of the Town of Wagner Plan Commission to provide technical assistance for the updating of the town’s zoning and other ordinances.
- After a series of meetings during May, the Natural Resources Planner partnered with the UW-Sea Grant Institute to hold a one-day workshop on May 28th at UW-Marinette to demonstrate a watershed planning tool (TippingPointPlanner.org).
- The Commission provided technical assistance for the administration and updating of zoning for Town of Pound and the City of Marinette.
- The Natural Resources Planner continued work on implementation of a beach redesign plan at Red Arrow Park beach.

OCONTO COUNTY

- Commission staff continued work on updating Oconto County’s hazard mitigation plan. The Natural Resources Planner met with the steering committee on May 6th in Oconto.
- On May 7th, the Executive Director met with Paul Ehrfurth, Executive Director of the Oconto County Economic Development Corporation, to discuss funding options for a variety of economic development projects.

- The Executive Director presented to the Oconto County Economic Development Corporation's Advisory Committee at their meeting on May 8th in the Town of Mountain.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

- Commission staff participated in an MPO Directors' meeting at the WisDOT Central Office in Madison on May 1st.
- 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 participated in a National Highway Institute (NHI) course on "Engaging the Private Sector in Freight Planning" in Madison on May 14th. This course was free of charge, and course arrangements were made by WisDOT staff.
- The Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees met jointly on May 22nd.
- The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Wisconsin Division approved the updated functional classification of streets and highways in the post-2010 Census adjusted Sheboygan Urbanized Area in a letter dated May 8th.
- Commission staff conducted a nominal group exercise to establish goals and objectives for the *Year 2045 Sheboygan Area Transportation Plan (SATP)* with members of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their joint meeting on May 22nd. This and other information will be used to prepare Chapter 4 of the *Year 2045 SATP* (Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives).
- Commission staff gave an update on Chapter 5 (Existing Condition of the Transportation Network) of the *Year 2045 SATP* to the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their joint meeting on May 22nd.
- Commission staff continued to prepare Chapter 5 of the *Year 2045 SATP* in May. The narrative for the Transit Network, Intercity Passenger Network, and Freight Networks sections has been completed, while the narrative for the Bicycle Network and Roadway Networks sections is in progress. The narrative for the Pedestrian Network section has not yet been started. Several maps are also part of this chapter. Commission staff plans to present this chapter at the late June meeting of the MPO advisory committees.
- Commission staff provided a small amount of technical assistance to Shoreline Metro during the month of May.
- WisDOT approved a major amendment to the *2013 – 2016 TIP* that was approved by the MPO in late April in a letter dated May 12th.
- Commission staff visited with programming staff at the WisDOT Northeast Region in May to ensure consistency between WisDOT's project schedule and the *2013 – 2016 TIP*.