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## **Governor Walker Announces \$1.2 Million in Grants for Wisconsin's Coastal Communities**

**MADISON** – Governor Scott Walker announced \$1.2 million in grants today to foster economic development projects, improve the Great Lakes resources, and support the quality of life of those in Wisconsin's coastal communities. Administered by the Wisconsin Department of Administration's Wisconsin Coastal Management Program, the 36 grants will be used by local and state governments, regional planning commissions, universities and nonprofit organizations to assist with projects totaling nearly \$3.0 million.

"Wisconsin's Great Lakes are an important economic, cultural, and natural resource," said Governor Walker. "Lake Michigan and Lake Superior provide the people of Wisconsin with drinking water, commerce and recreation, and are a reason so many people live and visit the state."

The intergovernmental and private sector collaborations aided by the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program advance Wisconsin and regional Great Lakes priorities such as enhancing public access, sustainable use practices, community development, habitat restoration, and pollution control.

Recipients for this year's grants were recommended by the Wisconsin Coastal Management Council, a Governor-appointed citizen, and governmental advisory group. The funds are part of Wisconsin's federally-funded Coastal Management Program.

The Wisconsin Coastal Management Program balances natural resource protection and sustainable economic development along Wisconsin's Great Lakes coasts. The program awards federal funds from the Office for Coastal Management in the U.S. Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to local governments and other entities for innovative coastal initiatives.

Next year's grant application will be available the first week of August 2018. Staff will be holding application workshops in September where attendees will learn about the program, application process and discuss project ideas, the application deadline will be the first week in November 2018. Additional information about the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program can be found at <http://coastal.wisconsin.gov>.

A complete list of grants is attached.

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**Bay-lake Region (Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto, and Sheboygan Counties)**

**Project Name** Ahnapee River Water Trail and Olson Park Master Plan  
**Applicant** Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission  
**Grant Amount** \$5,589  
**Category** Land Use & Community Planning  
**Contact** Angela Kowalzek-Adrians (920) 448-2820

This project will assess public access locations to the Ahnapee River from Lake Michigan to the Forestville Dam, and will develop a water trail plan and a master plan for Olson Park in the City of Algoma.

**Project Name** City of Oconto River Public Access Project  
**Applicant** City of Oconto  
**Grant Amount** \$100,000  
**Category** Public Access  
**Contact** Sara Perrizo (920) 834-7711

This project will transform an abandoned site into a community greenspace and public access point to the Oconto River.

**Project Name** Collaborative Native Orchid Conservation and Restoration Project within Coastal Wetlands Across Wisconsin  
**Applicant** Sheboygan County  
**Grant Amount** \$31,500  
**Category** Restoration:Habitat  
**Contact** Aaron Brault (920) 459-3060

This project will identify threats to native orchid species with an emphasis on understanding recovery and conservation potential as part of a large-scale collaborative effort.

**Project Name**            **Kewaunee Master Harbor Plan**  
Applicant                City of Kewaunee  
Grant Amount            \$25,000  
Category                Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                 Fred Schnook (920) 388-5000

This project will create a Master Harbor Plan addressing public shore and lake access, river dredging, habitat restoration, and harbor infrastructure.

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**Project Name**            **Manitowoc County Comprehensive Plan Update**  
Applicant                Manitowoc County  
Grant Amount            \$15,164  
Category                Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                 Tim Ryan (920) 683-4185

This project will modernize and update the County Comprehensive Plan.

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**Project Name**            **Peshtigo River Fish Viewing Platform (Phase II)**  
Applicant                City of Peshtigo  
Grant Amount            \$100,000  
Category                Public Access  
Contact                 Cathi Malke (715) 732-3041

This project will construct an ADA accessible fish viewing platform that will reach 160 feet over the Peshtigo River.

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**Project Name**            **Renard Island End-Use Plan**  
Applicant                Brown County Port & Resource Recovery Department  
Grant Amount            \$44,000  
Category                Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                 Mark Walter (920) 492-4962

This project will develop an End-Use Plan for Renard Island, an island that was constructed of contaminated dredged sediments between 1978-1997, in Brown County.

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**Project Name**            **The Advance of Knowledge: A Foundation for Sharing Wisconsin's Maritime History**  
Applicant                Wisconsin Historical Society  
Grant Amount            \$32,084  
Category                Great Lakes Education  
Contact                 John Broihahn (608) 264-6496

This project will conduct a field training school for avocational archaeologists and local diver volunteers in a Phase II archaeological survey of the barge Advance in Door County.

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**Project Name**            **Town of Sevastopol Comprehensive Plan Update**  
Applicant                Town of Sevastopol  
Grant Amount            \$7,500

Category Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact Amy Flok (920) 746-1230

This project will update to the Town of Sevastopol's Comprehensive Plan.

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**Project Name** Two Rivers South Breakwater Public Access Project  
Applicant City of Two Rivers  
Grant Amount \$48,000  
Category Public Access  
Contact Gregory Buckley (920) 793-5532

This project will construct a quarter mile paved trail that will greatly enhance public access to the south breakwater, via a route that is safe, visible and handicapped accessible.

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<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Technical Assistance</b>
Applicant	Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission
Grant Amount	\$20,000
Category	Technical Assistance/Outreach
Contact	Angela Kowalzek-Adrians (920) 448-2820

This project supports coastal management activities and technical assistance to local governments in the Bay-lake region.

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### **Southeast Region (Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, and Racine Counties)**

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Adopt-A-Storm Drain: Storytelling and Public Involvement in Southeastern Wisconsin</b>
Applicant	Southeastern Wisconsin Watersheds Trust, Inc.
Grant Amount	\$10,000
Category	Great Lakes Education
Contact	Jacob Fincher (414) 382-1766

This project will further develop, expand, and deliver an Adopt-A-Storm Drain program in southeastern Wisconsin.

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<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Branch Out Milwaukee</b>
Applicant	Milwaukee Water Commons
Grant Amount	\$19,612
Category	Land Use & Community Planning
Contact	Ann Brummitt (414) 763-6199

This project will create a plan addressing the extensive loss of tree canopy due to the Emerald Ash Borer.

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<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Century City II - Collaborative Stormwater Infrastructure Study</b>
Applicant	Northwest Side Community Development Corporation
Grant Amount	\$55,000
Category	Cumulative & Secondary Impacts:Nonpoint
Contact	Sarah Bregant (414) 444-8200

This project will develop a planning and engineering design alternatives for a resilient green infrastructure solution to contaminated stormwater on Capitol Drive and the Century City II business park.

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<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Community Rivers Program</b>
Applicant	Riveredge Nature Center
Grant Amount	\$21,908
Category	Great Lakes Education
Contact	Mandie Zopp (262) 375-2715

This project will expand and implement the Community Rivers Program, an approach to transforming the Upper Milwaukee River Watershed through engaging rural communities in Ozaukee County.

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**Project Name**                    **Design Development - Proposed Lakeshore State Park Visitor and Education Center**  
Applicant                            Friends of Lakeshore State Park  
Grant Amount                       \$29,500  
Category                            Public Access  
Contact                              Robert Gosse (414) 273-1173

The project will complete civil engineering and architectural design activities for the planned Visitor and Education Center and associated amenities.

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**Project Name**                    **FORB (Fostering Our Riparian Biodiversity)**  
Applicant                            River Revitalization Foundation  
Grant Amount                       \$30,000  
Category                            Great Lakes Education  
Contact                              Kimberly Gleffe (414) 271-8000

This project will support the volunteer recruitment and education program, Fostering Our Riparian Biodiversity, in engaging the community in the Milwaukee River corridor.

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**Project Name**                    **Grand Trunk Green Infrastructure and Habitat Improvements**  
Applicant                            Harbor District, Inc.  
Grant Amount                       \$26,970  
Category                            Cumulative & Secondary Impacts:Nonpoint  
Contact                              Lindsay Frost (414) 643-1266

This project will develop design and engineering plans for two green infrastructure practices adjacent to the Grand Trunk Wetland in Milwaukee.

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**Project Name**                    **Kemper Center Shoreline Protection**  
Applicant                            Kenosha County Division of Parks  
Grant Amount                       \$48,592  
Category                            Public Access  
Contact                              Matthew Collins (262) 857-1850

This project will complete a coastal engineering study to improve public access to the shore, enhance shoreline protection, and prepare construction designs.

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**Project Name**                    **Kenosha Harbor/North Pier Bulkhead Reconstruction and Improvements**  
Applicant                            City of Kenosha  
Grant Amount                       \$50,000  
Category                            Public Access  
Contact                              Brian Cater (262) 653-4050

This project will construct a concrete walkway to connect the pier to the west parking lot.

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**Project Name**                    **Neighborhood Environmental Education Project Water Programming**  
Applicant                            Urban Ecology Center  
Grant Amount                       \$20,000  
Category                             Great Lakes Education  
Contact                               Gillian Spence (404) 964-8505

This project will implement Neighborhood Environmental Education Project water-based learning lessons, primarily taught at the Milwaukee River, Menomonee River, and Washington Park branches.

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**Project Name**                    **Ozaukee County Ecological Prioritization GIS Tool Refinement and Development**  
Applicant                            Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department  
Grant Amount                       \$29,978  
Category                             Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                               Andrew Struck (262) 238-8275

This project will refine and develop the Ecological Prioritization Tool, used to improve decision-making regarding land protection and restoration and included in the County's Park and Open Space Plan.

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**Project Name**                    **Water History and Coastal Transformation Stories through the Milwaukee Community Map**  
Applicant                            Reflo, Inc.  
Grant Amount                       \$25,000  
Category                             Great Lakes Education  
Contact                               Michael Timm (414) 378-0945

This project will support the enhancement of the Milwaukee Community Map with new content and capabilities that highlight the historical transformation of Milwaukee's coastal assets.

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**Project Name**                    **Watershed Alive - Water Education for Teachers**  
Applicant                            UW Milwaukee School of Freshwater Sciences  
Grant Amount                       \$29,250  
Category                             Great Lakes Education  
Contact                               Elizabeth Sutton (414) 382-1718

This project will implement the Watershed Alive: Water Education for Teachers program, a professional development program that facilitates integration of watershed education across curricular areas.

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**Project Name**                    **Technical Assistance**  
Applicant                            Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission  
Grant Amount                       \$20,000  
Category                             Technical Assistance/Outreach  
Contact                               Thomas Slawski (262) 547-6721

This project supports coastal management activities and technical assistance to local governments in the Southeast region.

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## **Lake Superior Region (Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, and Iron Counties)**

**Project Name**            **City of Ashland Planning: Update of the Waterfront Development and Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans**  
Applicant                 City of Ashland  
Grant Amount             \$29,500  
Category                 Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                    Sara Hudson (715) 685-1644

This project will update the City of Ashland's Waterfront Development and Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans.

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**Project Name**            **Developing a Nine Key Element Plan for the Western Douglas County Portion of the Lake Superior Basin**  
Applicant                 City of Superior  
Grant Amount             \$27,350  
Category                 Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                    Andrea Crouse (715) 394-0392

This project will develop an EPA Nine Key Element Plan for watersheds in Western Douglas County through research and stakeholder engagement.

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**Project Name**            **Developing a Numerical Model to Understand Water Flow in Chequamegon Bay**  
Applicant                 Northland College  
Grant Amount             \$29,553  
Category                 Cumulative & Secondary Impacts:Nonpoint  
Contact                    Matt Hudson (715) 682-1481

This project will develop a numerical model to describe nearshore water movement in Chequamegon Bay and movement between the Bay and Lake Superior.

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**Project Name**            **Saxon Harbor Marina Reconstruction - Beach Access Design**  
Applicant                 Iron County Forest Department  
Grant Amount             \$10,000  
Category                 Public Access  
Contact                    Eric Peterson (715) 561-2697

This project will develop designs for resilient beach access from the marina parking lot.

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**Project Name**            **Technical Assistance**  
Applicant                 Northwest Regional Planning Commission  
Grant Amount             \$20,000  
Category                 Technical Assistance/Outreach  
Contact                    Jason Laumann (715) 635-2197

This project supports coastal management activities and technical assistance to local governments in the Lake Superior region.

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## **Coastwide**

**Project Name**            **A Conservation Planning Tool for Migratory Bird Conservation Along Lake Michigan**  
Applicant                 Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin  
Grant Amount             \$23,920  
Category                  Restoration:Habitat  
Contact                    Caitlin Williamson (608) 266-1430

This project will develop a comprehensive report featuring conservation profiles for 42 high-priority stopover sites used by more than 100 bird species during their migration.

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**Project Name**            **Analysis of 2017 Lake Michigan Shoreline Oblique Air Photos, Door County to Illinois State Line**  
Applicant                 Association of State Floodplain Managers, Inc.  
Grant Amount             \$20,000  
Category                  Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                    David Mickelson (608) 257-1825

This project will document the changes in the number and location of erosion control structures by qualitatively mapping the condition of erosion-susceptible shorelines in 2017 compared to its condition in 1976 and 2007.

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**Project Name**            **Delivering a Collective Message for a Healthy Lake Michigan**  
Applicant                 Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership  
Grant Amount             \$39,400  
Category                  Great Lakes Education  
Contact                    Jim Kettler (920) 304-1919

This project will develop a collaborative water quality message to raise awareness about stormwater and nonpoint pollution and its impact on local watersheds and Lake Michigan.

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**Project Name**            **Educating Communities on Protecting Coastal Waters and Residents from Toxic PAHs**  
Applicant                 Clean Wisconsin  
Grant Amount             \$49,774  
Category                  Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                    Mark Redsten (608) 251-7020

This project will engage and educate municipal, community, health care, and business leaders on the risks posed by PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons) from tar-based pavement sealants.

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**Project Name**            **Enhancement of the Wisconsin Coastal Guide**  
Applicant                 The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System  
Grant Amount             \$29,820  
Category                  Land Use & Community Planning  
Contact                    David Hart (608) 262-6515

This project will update and enhance the Wisconsin Coastal Guide, a web mapping site that encourages exploration of coastal heritage tourism attractions along the Great Lakes Circle Tour.

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<b>Project Name</b>	<b>New Tools to Promote Wetland Literacy Across Audiences</b>
Applicant	Wisconsin Wetlands Association
Grant Amount	\$29,425
Category	Great Lakes Education
Contact	Katie Beilfuss (608) 250-9971

This project will develop short videos highlighting the importance of wetlands, the consequences of wetland loss, and opportunities to protect and restore wetlands to solve problems.

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