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State Announces \$1.4 Million in Grants for Wisconsin's Coastal Communities

The Department of Administration (DOA) announces that it is awarding \$1.4 million in grants for 34 coastal projects across Wisconsin. These grants will be used to protect and improve the natural resources, support the quality of life and foster economic development in those areas.

"When you think of Wisconsin, you think of the beautiful land and lakes across our state. These grants help protect or restore our valuable water and coastal resources so that families and Wisconsinites can enjoy them for generations to come," said DOA Secretary Mike Huebsch.

DOA's Wisconsin Coastal Management Program works with state, local and tribal government agencies, along with non-profit organizations to manage the assets and conservation efforts of the Great Lakes and their coastal areas. The grants were awarded to state and local governments, regional planning commissions, universities or nonprofit organizations in the following categories:

- **Natural hazards:** prevent or mitigate damage caused by natural hazards, such as flooding, coastal erosion or damage done to wetlands.
- **Wetland Protection/Habitat Restoration:** acquire, restore, manage or enhance coastal wetlands or other coastal habitat
- **Nonpoint Source Pollution:** address water quality problems in surface and ground-water resources resulting from runoff pollution
- **Coastal Resources and Community Planning:** encourage local governments to develop plans that balance coastal resource protection and economic development
- **Great Lakes Education:** programs and materials that enhance coastal education and encourage stewardship of coastal resources
- **Public Access:** improve public access to the state's beaches and waterways
- **Technical Assistance:** technical assistance, training of citizens and local officials

A complete list of grants is listed below:

2013-2014 Coast Management Grant Awards				
Grantee	County Served	Project Name	Grant	Category
Alliance for the Great Lakes	Milwaukee	Beach Ambassador Trainings	\$8,134	Great Lakes Education

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Association of State Floodplain Managers	Lake Michigan Counties	Identification of Bluff Erosion Hotspots on Wisconsin's Lake Michigan Shoreline	\$26,800	Natural Hazards
Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission	Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Marinette, Manitowoc, Oconto, Sheboygan	Bay-Lake RPC Technical Assistance	\$20,000	Technical Assistance
Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System	Coastwide	Wisconsin Master Naturalist Program: Expanding Great Lakes Literacy and Volunteer Service	\$19,302	Great Lakes Education
Brown County Planning Commission	Brown	Brown County Comprehensive Plan Update	\$30,000	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
Brown County Port & Solid Waste	Coastwide	Wisconsin Commercial Ports Master Plan	\$48,391	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
City of Ashland	Ashland	Prentice Park Trail Accessibility Improvements	\$61,529	Public Access
City of Ashland	Ashland	Bayview Pier Project	\$27,900	Public Access
City of Kenosha	Kenosha	Harbor Sedimentation -- Feasibility Study & Alternatives Analysis	\$50,400	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
City of Manitowoc	Manitowoc	Preliminary Design Report for Sheet Wall and Riverwalk Construction	\$32,000	Public Access
City of Milwaukee Redevelopment Authority	Milwaukee	Reed Street Yards Riverwalk	\$75,000	Public Access
City of South Milwaukee	Milwaukee	South Milwaukee Shoreline Park Plan	\$29,500	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
City of Sturgeon Bay	Door	Sturgeon Bay West Waterfront Redevelopment -- Public Space Design	\$30,000	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
Department of Natural Resources	Kenosha	Chiwaukee Prairie State Natural Area Acquisition	\$25,000	Wetland Protection/Habitat Restoration
Department of Natural Resources	Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas	Supporting DNR and NERR Master Planning Along Lake Superior	\$30,000	Wetland Protection/Habitat Restoration
Department of Natural Resources	Coastwide	Coastal Technical Assistance to Local Government	\$389,641	Technical Assistance
Department of Natural Resources	Douglas	Coastal Wetland Inventory	\$90,789	Technical Assistance

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Door County Land Trust	Door	Conservation Master Plan for Bay Shore Blufflands State Natural Area	\$27,500	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
Friends of Plum and Pilot Islands	Door	Engineering Evaluation - Plum Island Waterside Structures	\$4,250	Public Access
Groundwork Milwaukee	Milwaukee	Harambee Green Infrastructure Plan	\$16,500	Nonpoint Source Pollution
Iron County Land and Water Conservation Department	Iron, Ashland	Groundwater Education and Well Testing Program	\$12,903	Great Lakes Education
Milwaukee County	Milwaukee	Lake Michigan Shoreline Resource Preservation at Bender Park	\$25,000	Wetland Protection/Habitat Restoration
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District	Milwaukee	Burnham Canal Wetland Project Public Access	\$27,000	Public Access
Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin	Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Iron	Migratory Bird Habitat Education Project for Western Lake Superior	\$19,352	Great Lakes Education
Northwest Regional Planning Commission	Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Iron	Northwest RPC Technical Assistance	\$20,000	Technical Assistance
Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department	Ozaukee	Ozaukee County Coastal Resource Open Space Master Planning	\$28,241	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
Ozaukee County Public Health Department	Ozaukee	Enhanced Beach Nowcasting and Sanitary Survey for High-Priority Beaches	\$11,900	Nonpoint Source Pollution
Racine County Economic Development Corporation	Racine	Racine Root River -- Riverfront Promenade Schematic Design	\$30,000	Coastal Resource & Community Planning
Sheboygan County Health and Human Services Department	Sheboygan	Instituting a Two-Tier Nowcast System for City of Sheboygan Beaches	\$4,468	Nonpoint Source Pollution
Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission	Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine	SEWRPC Technical Assistance	\$20,000	Technical Assistance
Town of Jacksonport	Door	Lakeshore Park Expansion	\$55,000	Public Access
Village of Cleveland	Manitowoc	Hika Park Public Access	\$36,000	Public Access
Village of Suamico	Brown	Sensiba Wildlife Area Trail Development Project	\$30,000	Public Access
Wisconsin Wetlands Association	Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Marinette, Oconto	My Healthy Wetlands: A Handbook for Wetland Landowners in Northeast Wisconsin	\$43,216	Great Lakes Education