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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 | | | | |
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| 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 |