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Governor Doyle Announces Planning Grants for 149 Local Governments

MADISON - Governor Doyle today announced "smart growth" comprehensive planning grants for 149 local governments throughout Wisconsin. This funding will help communities develop and adopt locally-created plans to address long-term needs, promote economic development, and guide future land use decisions.

"These grants help local citizens and governments draw a roadmap for their future growth and development," Governor Doyle said. "Comprehensive plans help local governments to sit down with their neighbors and develop common goals and plans for the future, helping to make government more efficient and save taxpayer money at the same time that it helps grow the economy and protect important natural areas and farmland."

Grants were awarded to eleven applicants that included participation of 149 counties, cities, villages, towns, and tribes, as well as a regional planning commission.

The Comprehensive Planning Grant Program began in 2000, and since that time 1,113 local and regional governments have received grants to develop comprehensive plans. The Comprehensive Planning Grant Program is designed to encourage intergovernmental cooperation and requires public participation in the development of local plans.

Grants are awarded on a competitive basis and administered by the Wisconsin Department of Administration. The projects require local matching contributions. The department will host a series of comprehensive planning grant workshops this summer for communities interested in applying for 2009 grants.

For more information about the Comprehensive Planning Grant Program, please visit www.doa.state.wi.us/compplanning.

A complete list of grantees is below.

2008 Comprehensive Planning Grant Awards

Lead Government	County	Award	Participating Communities
Bayfield County	Bayfield	$198,000	Bayfield County Towns: Barksdale, Bell, Cable, Eileen, Grand View, Hughes, Iron River, Kelly, Keystone, Lincoln, Namakagon, Oulu, Pilsen, Tripp

Village of Bowler	Shawano	$36,000	Villages: Bowler, Eland Town: Aniwa
Buffalo County	Buffalo	$192,000	Buffalo County City: Alma, Buffalo, Fountain City Villages: Cochrane, Nelsen Towns: Alma, Belvidere, Buffalo, Canton, Cross, Dover, Gilmanton, Glencoe, Lincoln, Maxville, Milton, Modena, Mondovi, Montana, Naples, Nelson, Waumandee
Burnett County	Burnett	$186,000	Burnett County Villages: Grantsburg, Webster Towns: Anderson, Daniels, Dewey, Jackson, Oakland, Sand Lake, Siren, Trade Lake, Union, Webb Lake, Wood River
Florence County	Florence	$98,000	Florence County Towns: Aurora, Commonwealth, Fence, Fern, Florence, Homestead
Forest County	Forest	$189,000	Forest County City: Crandon Towns: Alvin, Argonne, Armstrong Creek, Blackwell, Freedom, Hiles, Laona, Lincoln, Nashville, Wabeno Nations: Potawatomi, Mole Lake
Village of Hales Corners	Milwaukee	$20,000	Village: Hales Corners
Jackson County	Jackson	$330,000	Jackson County City: Black River Falls Villages: Alma Center, Hixton, Melrose, Merrillian, Taylor Towns: Adams, Albion, Alma, Bear Bluff, Brockway, City Point, Cleveland, Franklin, Garden Valley, Garfield, Irving, Knapp, Manchester, Melrose, Millston, North Bend, Northfield, Springfield
Sheboygan County	Sheboygan	$238,000	Sheboygan County City: Sheboygan Falls Village: Cascade Towns: Holland, Lima, Plymouth, Scott, Sheboygan, Sheboygan Falls
Waushara County	Waushara	$194,000	Waushara County Villages: Hancock, Lohrville, Coloma Towns: Coloma, Hancock, Leon, Mount Morris, Oasis, Plainfield, Richford, Saxeville, Springwater
West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC)	Barron, Chippewa, Clark, Saint Croix	$687,500	WCWRPC Barron, Chippewa, Saint Croix Counties Cities: Bloomer, Stanley Villages: Boyd, Cadott, Cameron, Deer Park, New Auburn, Woodville Towns: Cady, Dallas, Eagle Point, Emerald, Forest, Lafayette, Lakeland, Maple Grove, Oak Grove, Richmond, Star Prairie, Wheaton, Woodmohr