



AGENDA
OZAUKEE COUNTY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024 – 9:00 AM
ADMINISTRATION CENTER - ROOM A-204
121 W. MAIN STREET, PORT WASHINGTON, WI 53074

THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS WILL BE BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD FOR INITIATION, DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE FORMAL ACTION:

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[County Board Live Stream](#)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 6 and 20 2024

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Legislative Update

Chairperson's Proclamation

5. COMMUNICATIONS

6. CLAIMS

7. REPORT OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

a. County Administrator's Report December 2024

8. RESOLUTIONS

a. RES. 24-35: Allocation of an additional \$44,000 Project Fund funding to the Solar PV Project.

b. RES.24-36: Wisconsin Counties Association & National Association of Counties 2025 Membership Dues

c. RES.24-37: Transfer of Funds – Remaining ARPA Funds to 2024 General Fund Expenses

d. RES.24-38: Increase of Revenue - Special Revenue Projects Fund

e. RES.24-39: Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks

f. RES.24-40: Cancellation of 2022 Outstanding Orders

g. RES.24-41: Amending Chapter 3.01 of the Policy and Procedure Manual - Creation of a Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator Position

h. RES.24-42: Adoption of Park and Open Space Plan 2025 4th Edition

9. ORDINANCES

- a. ORD.24-12: Amending Section 2.24 (2) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances Pertaining to Fees for Copies and Services
- b. ORD.24-13: Creating Sections 8.36 and 8.37 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances Prohibiting Possession of Marijuana or Synthetic Cannabinoids and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- c. ORD.24-14: Amending The Forfeiture Deposit Schedule for Possession Of Marijuana And Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia in Section 8.18 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances
- d. ORD.24-15: Amending Section 3.07 (1) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances Pertaining to the All-Terrain Vehicle Code

10. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND SUPERVISOR ANNOUNCEMENTS****12. ADJOURNMENT**

Ozaukee County Board

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	County Clerk
DIRECTOR:	Kellie Kretlow
PREPARER:	Kellie Kretlow

Agenda Summary November 6 and 20 2024

November 6, 2024

<https://www.ozaukeecounty.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Minutes/_11062024-3496>

November 20, 2024

<https://www.ozaukeecounty.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Minutes/_11202024-3504>

OZAUKEE COUNTY BOARD

Ozaukee County Board**AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET**

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Administrator
DIRECTOR:	Jason Dzwinel
PREPARER:	Jason Dzwinel

Agenda Summary County Administrator's Report December 2024

ATTACHMENTS:

- County Administrator's Report December 2024 (PDF)

OZAUKEE COUNTY BOARD



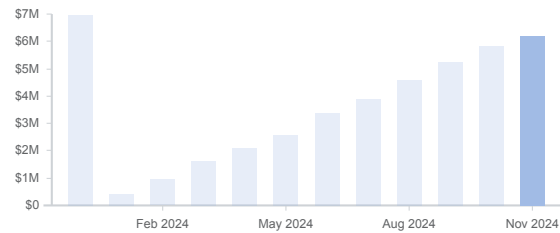
County Administrator's Report

December 4, 2024

FINANCE

- Sales tax was \$1,093,359, compared to \$1,104,714 last November.

Finance Committee



\$6,191,670.19

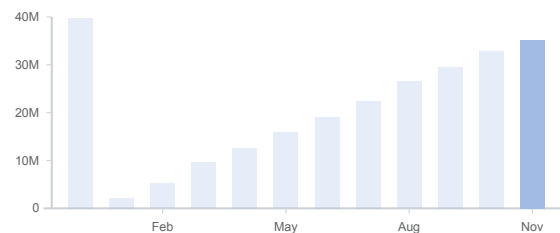
Expenses in Nov 2024

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

- Committee reviewed CBRF Design
- CBRF budget impacted by new site \$500,000 in additional costs
- Human Services Director Interviews with Committee in December

Health and Human Services Committee

Health and Human Services Committee



\$35,300,344.18

in Nov

NATURAL RESOURCES

- Reviewed Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance
- Interurban Trail projects for repaving and STH 60 construction delayed for Union Pacific Railroad review of trail crossings



PUBLIC SAFETY

- Committee discussed creation of a second Co-Responder Team in partnership with City of Mequon Police Department



PUBLIC WORKS

- Reviewed planning for CTH E & Jay Road Intersection





RESOLUTION NO. 24-35

ALLOCATION OF AN ADDITIONAL \$44,000 PROJECT FUND FUNDING TO THE
SOLAR PV PROJECT.

WHEREAS, The Ozaukee County Board allocated \$400,000 for Solar Electric PV Systems in its Capital Projects fund for 2024; and

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County released a Request for Proposals in October for three Solar Electric PV Systems on the rooftops of the Administration Center, Highway Department, and Justice Center, ranging in size from 98 kW, 70 kW, and 166 kW respectively, producing 397,000 kWh annually.

WHEREAS, These three systems are estimated to offset 6% of the County's electrical use annually, 23% of the Administration Center, 68% of the Highway Department Building, and 7% of the Justice Center's annual electrical usage.

WHEREAS These three systems are estimated to save the county in total, approximately \$40,000 annually, with an ROI of approximately 11 years, for the County's costs to the project.

WHEREAS, The Focus on Energy incentives reduced substantially from the 2022 analysis, after Capital Project Funds were allocated; and.

WHEREAS This reduction in Focus on Energy incentives require an additional \$44,000 in County costs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors that an additional \$44,000 of Project Fund funding be allocated to account 401-1-01-60000-037 Solar Electric PV Systems: \$400,000 for a total of \$444,000

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Allocation of \$44,000 of Project Fund funding to to account 401-1-01-60000-037 Solar Electric PV Systems.

VOTE REQUIRED: Two-thirds

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Administrator
DIRECTOR:	Jason Dzwinel
PREPARER:	Jason Dzwinel

Agenda Summary Allocation of an additional \$44,000 Project Fund funding to the Solar PV Project.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Allocation of an additional \$44,000 Project Fund funding to the Solar PV Project.

ANALYSIS: The Focus on Energy incentives reduced substantially from the 2022 analysis, after Capital Project Funds were allocated. This reduction in Focus on Energy incentives require an additional \$44,000 in County costs. Approximately, \$211,000 in direct tax credits (Inflation Reduction Act) and Focus on Energy (FOE) incentive funding would reimburse approximately 33% of the project, with approximately 67% coming from the County project fund. and only make up approximately 2.5% of costs, at \$16,759, credited at \$50 rebate per kW size system which means the payback would take 11 years, instead of 10 years that was originally anticipated. Over the 25-year warrantied life of the system, the County will accrue \$1,000,000 in savings, a gain of \$556,000, and an ROI of 125%, an annualized rate of return of 3.3%.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$44,000 of Project Fund funds.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff respectfully requests that the Executive Committee approve a \$44,000 allocation of the Project Fund to complete the Solar PV project.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Solar_Capital Project Request Form_Revised 2024 (PDF)

Project Reserve Information Sheet			
Project Name:	Solar Electric PV System - Admin Ctr, Justice Ctr, Hwy Shop		
Requested By:	Facilities MGT/DOA		
Project Owner:	Facilities MGT/DOA		
Start Date:	Summer/Fall 2024		
Project Costing - Detail Project Costs			
Funding Source (Please Check All that Apply):			
☒	Project Fund	☒	Grants
☐		☐	Dept. Reserve
☐		☐	Other
List All Funding Sources Selected:			
Source	Amount	Grant Information	
IRA 30% Tax Credit	\$213,000	N/A	
Focus on Energy	\$95,000	N/A	
Project Fund	\$400,000	N/A	
		N/A	
		N/A	
		N/A	
		N/A	
TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$708,000		
Offsetting Revenue or Savings (If Applicable):			
Source	Amount		
Electrical Cost Savings - Annually	\$40,000/year		
	TOTAL	\$1,000,000 (25 Years)	
Provide a narrative of project costs:			
The estimated cost to design-build three Solar PV Systems, on the flat roofs of the Admin Center (98 KW), Justice Center (166 KW), and Hwy Department (70 KW) is approximately \$708,000. \$400,000 is requested from the County project fund; \$213,000 will be applied for from the Inflation Reduction Act's "Elective Pay" provision, which allows municipalities to be eligible for a 30% tax credit; and \$95,000 will be obtained from Focus on Energy's (FOE) renewable energy incentive program. The \$308,000 in tax credit and FOE incentive funding would reimburse approximately 43% of the project, with approximately 57% coming from the County project fund. The County will accrue electrical cost savings of approximately \$40,000 annually. After ten years, the County will have recovered the \$400,000 investment through cost savings. Over the 25 year warrantied life of the system, the County will accrue \$1,000,000 in savings, a gain of \$600,000, and an ROI of 250%, an annualized rate of return of 3.75%.			

Project Narrative - Define the Current State

Describe the need, urgency, or gap in service and risk of delay from a customer perspective:

The three solar pv systems would produce 397,000 kWh annually, offsetting approximately 23% of the Admin Center, 68% of Hwy, and 7% of the Justice Center's electrical use. This project would save approximately \$40,000 annually, and has a 10 year payback of project funds requested, and a 25 year cash flow of \$1,000,000. 397,000 kWh produced annually would offset approximately 277 metric tons CO2 producing greenhouse gas emissions.

Describe how the project impacts the department's level of service:

The project would offset 5.6% of the County's electrical use, saving approximately \$40,000 annually. This cost savings could be used to increase capacity for the Facilities Management Dept.

Project Recommendation - Define the Suggested Course of Action

Define the project scope and why the project is an innovative solution:

Facilities Mgt and DOA propose to implement three Solar PV Systems on the County's main campus buildings. DOA would administer the tax credits, and incentive compliance, and bid solicitation, while Facilities Mgt would manage the construction. The project would leverage \$95,000 in prescriptive Focus on Energy funds (non-competitive, but based on fund availability), and a 30% tax credit, typically not available to municipalities, but was made available in the Inflation Reduction Act. \$40,000 saved annually - \$1,000,000 saved 25 years.

Describe how the project addresses Department objectives or countywide strategy:

"Encourage the use of alternative energy sources", is an objective of the County's Energy & Sustainability Plan, adopted by Resolution 15-49, by the County Board in February, 2016. Evaluating solar at County facilities is explicitly recommended. The Sustainability Plan was a result of the Energy Action Team formation, and subsequent Energy Action Commission tasked with developing a plan of action to implement prioritized energy-related projects and initiatives.

Describe the project's impact on quality of life:

Ozaukee County was formerly designated a non-attainment area for National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone, carbon monoxide or particulate matter as recently as 2011 by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Ozaukee County is currently designated a maintenance area by the EPA. Three solar pv systems will directly offset our local demand for electricity from the WE Energies power plant located in Ozaukee County.

Describe the project's impact on health and safety:

Offsetting our own energy demands, and contributing renewable energy into the public grid is one small step towards reducing the negative environmental externalities of our own energy demand. The impacts of energy-use are far reaching environmentally. As we reduce or offset our demand, we also become more resilient financially, leading to a more fiscally healthy County and Facilities Mgt Dept.

Describe how the project impacts department operations using business objectives:

The expected payback time for the \$400,000 County investment in the solar pv systems is 10 years. This is a simple payback calculation taking the project fund costs of \$400,000, divided by the annual savings of \$40,000. A savings of 1,000,000 over 25 years, is a 250% ROI, and an annualized Rate of Return of 3.75%. Solar Site Assessments have been obtained by Arch Solar.

BUSINESS OBJECTIVE EXAMPLES – Description will define performance measures

Business Goal/Objective	Description
Increase Revenue	Describe impact on revenue and timelines
Control Costs	Describe impact on costs and timelines
Customer Deliverables	How does the project meet customer expectations
Partnerships	Describe how the project leverages internal and external partnerships
Customer Service	How does the impact improve customer service internally and externally
Investment in Innovation	What is innovative about the approach
Reduce Errors	How will the project reduce errors in work
Improve Safety	How will the project improve safety
Impact on Energy Usage	What is the impact of energy usage
Streamline Business Process	Define efficiencies in process
Ensure Compliance	How does the project ensure legal/policy compliance
Improve Reporting or Transparency	How will the project impact the dissemination of information
Improve Community Outreach	Define impacts on community partnerships
Improve Staff Skills	How will the project improve the analytical or technical skills of staff
Build Performance Measures	How will the project allow for improved reporting of performance
Improve Productivity and Performance	How will the project impact staff output and goal attainment
Development of Leaders	How will the project assist with stability and succession

RESOLUTION NO. 24-36

WISCONSIN COUNTIES ASSOCIATION & NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES

RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors per Wis. Statutes §59.52(22), that the County Clerk be authorized to submit payment to the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) in the amount of \$11,312 and the National Association of Counties (NACo) in the amount of \$1,830 or the 2025 annual membership dues of Ozaukee County.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Membership dues to WCA and NACo.

VOTE REQUIRED: Two-Thirds Members Elect

11/22/24

Finance Committee APPROVED

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: T. Richart, Supervisor District 12
SECONDER: J. Arnett, Supervisor District 17
AYES: T. Richart, J. Arnett, E. Stelter
ABSENT: D. Clark
EXCUSED: D. Larson

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	County Clerk
DIRECTOR:	Karen Niemuth
PREPARER:	Kellie Kretlow

Agenda Summary WISCONSIN COUNTIES ASSOCIATION & NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES 2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES

RESOLUTION NO. 24-37

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – REMAINING ARPA FUNDS TO 2024 OZAUKEE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SALARY AND BENEFIT EXPENSES

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County received \$17,330,133 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding; and

WHEREAS, The full amount of the Ozaukee County allocation has been determined to fall under the Lost Revenue Category of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, The county has disbursed \$10,320,326.70 to date; and

WHEREAS, The county has \$7,009,803.30 allocated, but yet to be disbursed; and

WHEREAS, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds are required to be spent or obligated by December 31, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors that the \$7,009,803.70 shall be allocated to the salary and benefit expenditures of the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December, 2024

SUMMARY: Allocating \$7,009,803.70 of undisbursed American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to the salary and benefit expenditures of the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Administrator
DIRECTOR:	Jason Dzwinel
PREPARER:	Jason Dzwinel

Agenda Summary Transfer of Funds – Remaining ARPA Funds to 2024 Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department Salary and Benefit Expenses

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: ARPA Spending Plan for the end of the Spending Period

General Information:

- The County Received \$17,330,133 in total General ARPA Funding in 2021 & 2022
- The County has disbursed \$10,320,326.70 to date
- \$7,009,803.30 is still to be disbursed
- ARPA fund need to be spent or obligated by 12/31/24
- 100% of the County's allocation is classified under the Lost Revenue Category which means the County can spend it on any governmental related expenditure except the restricted areas (debt payments, unfunded pension liabilities, reserve fund balance, lobbying against COVID policies)

ANALYSIS: Since the County's total allocation is under the Lost Revenue Category, Administration is proposing that we spend the remaining balance on Sheriff Salaries in order to use of the remaining balance and not go through the process of Obligating the remaining balance in the hope that it all gets spent on the obligated projects. After December 31, 2024, the County can not change the projects or amount obligated. Thus, if a project cost less than obligated the unspent portion would be returned to the Federal Government. By spending the remaining unspent \$7,009,803.30 on the Sheriff, we avoid that possibility.

By moving the revenue to the sheriff budget, that would generate a surplus in the General Fund at the end of 2024 of an equal amount. The second half of this recommendation would to then transfer \$7,009,803.30 to the ARPA fund to complete the projects already approved but without the time restriction to make sure all the funds are spent and without the risk of unspent funds if a project is under budget. It also alleviates the reporting requirements beyond 2024.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff respectfully requests that the committee approve the transfer of the remaining ARPA funds to the Sheriff's 2024 Budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

- ARPA Funds Analysis (PDF)
- Budget Amendment Form - Finance (ARPA Allocation to Sheriff) (PDF)

Ozaukee County
Use of ARPA Funds
11/18/2024

	Budget	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total to Date	Remaining Budget	
COVID Related Expenditures	254,074.53	235,258.71	18,815.82	-	-	254,074.53	-	219-1-01-59201-000
EMS Grants to Municipalities	3,028,711.60	-	-	1,512,000.00	1,516,711.60	3,028,711.60	-	219-2-01-58000-000
Jail Camera Project	80,645.00	-	80,645.00	-	-	80,645.00	-	219-1-01-60000-001
Jail Uninterrupted Power Supply	90,000.00	-	45,366.83	37,652.87	-	83,019.70	6,980.30	219-1-01-60000-002
Sheriff Outdoor Range Building	300,245.47	-	11,657.00	288,588.47	-	300,245.47	-	219-1-01-60000-003
Justice Center Tuck Pointing	75,000.00	-	-	70,308.90	-	70,308.90	4,691.10	219-1-01-60000-004
Boiler Replacement-Admin	600,000.00	-	226,978.00	354,885.13	36,775.00	618,638.13	(18,638.13)	219-1-01-60000-005
Fairgrounds Pavilion Repair	155,000.00	-	134,301.66	10,278.65	-	144,580.31	10,419.69	219-1-01-60000-006
Fairgrounds Wheel Loader	85,000.00	-	84,740.00	-	-	84,740.00	260.00	219-1-01-60000-007
Lasata Care Cntr Chiller	325,000.00	-	305,000.00	-	-	305,000.00	20,000.00	219-1-01-60000-008
Property Appraisal Services	30,000.00	-	12,000.00	-	-	12,000.00	18,000.00	219-1-01-60000-009
SAN Replacement	731,451.76	-	727,570.51	3,881.25	-	731,451.76	-	219-1-01-60000-010
Electric Gates - Parks	116,712.63	-	34,489.73	82,222.90	370.00	117,082.63	(370.00)	219-1-01-60000-011
Maint Building Repair Mee Kwon	40,000.00	-	8,234.00	31,766.00	-	40,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-012
Waubedonia Caretakers Roof	40,000.00	-	40,000.00	-	-	40,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-013
County Park Security Camera's	40,000.00	-	236.97	39,763.03	-	40,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-014
Clean Farm Incentives	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	-	-	30,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-015
Air Flow Cover Crop Seeder	30,000.00	-	28,300.00	-	-	28,300.00	1,700.00	219-1-01-60000-016
Tractor with Cab - Parks	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	-	-	30,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-017
Contingency	246,783.00	-	-	-	-	-	246,783.00	219-1-01-60000-018
Employee Onboarding-HR	43,065.65	-	43,065.65	-	-	43,065.65	-	219-1-01-60000-019
Transfer - Sheriff Building	1,111,631.00	-	180,544.00	931,087.00	-	1,111,631.00	-	219-1-01-81100-405
Tower	1,500,000.00	-	-	692,679.54	48,115.00	740,794.54	759,205.46	219-1-01-60000-020
Ozaukee Interurban Trail	300,000.00	-	-	-	58,561.54	58,561.54	241,438.46	219-1-01-60000-021
HH Building	150,000.00	-	-	150,000.00	-	150,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-022
JC Fire Panel	250,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	250,000.00	219-1-01-60000-023
Highway Salt Brine Building	600,000.00	-	-	13,914.28	654,920.76	668,835.04	(68,835.04)	219-1-01-60000-024
Advocates of Ozaukee	150,000.00	-	-	150,000.00	-	150,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-025
Ozaukee Family Sharing	80,000.00	-	-	80,000.00	-	80,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-026
Ozaukee Family Services	200,000.00	-	-	200,000.00	-	200,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-027
Ozaukee Food Alliance	150,000.00	-	-	150,000.00	-	150,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-028
Ozaukee Not for Profit Center	200,000.00	-	-	200,000.00	-	200,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-029
Portal Incorporated	200,000.00	-	-	200,000.00	-	200,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-030
United Way of Northern Ozaukee	100,000.00	-	-	100,000.00	-	100,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-031
CBRF	4,500,000.00	-	-	-	24,011.00	24,011.00	4,475,989.00	219-1-01-60000-032
Pro Phoenix EMS Software	225,000.00	-	-	63,409.93	161,590.07	225,000.00	-	219-1-01-60000-033
Dispatch Remodel	1,200,000.00	-	-	-	179,629.90	179,629.90	1,020,370.10	219-1-01-60000-034
	17,288,320.64	235,258.71	2,041,945.17	5,362,437.95	2,680,684.87	10,320,326.70	6,967,993.94	
Total County Allocation	17,330,133.00							
Budgeted Projects	17,288,320.64							
Remaining Unbudgeted Funding	41,812.36							
Total County Allocation	17,330,133.00							
Total Spent thru 10/31/24	10,320,326.70							
Remaining Unspent Balance	7,009,806.30							



Budget Amendment Request Committee Approval Form

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TO: **Executive Committee**

FROM: **Finance Department**

Department Name

Date of Request: **December 2, 2024**

Resolution No: _____

Period Transfer Recorded: _____

Type of Budget Amendment (check one)

Increase of Revenue: **X**

Fund Transfer: _____

Supplemental Appropriations: _____

Debit / Expense			Credit / Revenue		
Acct #		\$	A/C #	112-1-01-42151-000	\$ 7,009,806
		/			/
	<i>Pre-request Account's Budget</i>	<i>Changed To</i>		<i>Pre-request Account's Budget</i>	<i>Changed To</i>
Cost Ctr & A/C Desc			Cost Ctr & A/C Desc		
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Cost Ctr & A/C Desc			Cost Ctr & A/C Desc		
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Total Debits: -			Total Credits: 7,009,806		

Reason for Request (Be Specific). Also fill out Support Document for County Board.

Record remaining ARPA funds that are classified as lost revenue under the ARPA guidelines to offset Sheriff wages in 2024. This will bring the ARPA allocation down to zero at the end of 2024.

Department Head Signature

Oversight Committee Members

TYPE IN Oversight Committee Chairperson's Name

Finance Committee Members

Date of Meeting

Date of Meeting

Date Amended:

Budget Amended By:

RESOLUTION NO. 24-38

INCREASE OF REVENUE - SPECIAL REVENUE PROJECTS FUND

RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors, that budgets be increased in the accounts as follows:

Department / Program

	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
General Fund				
Expense	101-0-00-81000-219	Operating Transfer to Special Revenue Projects Fund	\$7,009,806	
Revenue	219-1-1-71100-101	Operating Transfer from General Fund		\$7,009,806

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Operating Transfer from General Fund to Special Revenue Projects Fund

VOTE REQUIRED: Two-Thirds of Members Elect

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Administrator
DIRECTOR:	Jason Dzwinel
PREPARER:	Jason Dzwinel

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue - Special Revenue Projects Fund

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Transfer of General Fund Revenue to Special Revenue Project Fund 219.

ANALYSIS: This transfer will move the excess General Fund revenue to the Special Revenue Project Fund 219 where it can be expended.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff respectfully requests that the committee approve the transfer.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Budget Amendment Form - Finance (Transfer to Fund 219 from GF) (PDF)



Budget Amendment Request Committee Approval Form

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TO: **Executive Committee**

FROM: **Finance Department**

Department Name

Date of Request: **December 2, 2024**

Resolution No: _____

Period Transfer Recorded: _____

Type of Budget Amendment (check one)

Increase of Revenue: _____

Fund Transfer: **X**

Supplemental Appropriations: _____

Debit / Expense			Credit / Revenue		
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Reason for Request (Be Specific). Also fill out Support Document for County Board.

Transfer funds from the General Fund to Fund 219 to complete prior approved projects.

Department Head Signature

Oversight Committee Members

TYPE IN Oversight Committee Chairperson's Name

Finance Committee Members

Date of Meeting

Date of Meeting

Date Amended:

Budget Amended By:

RESOLUTION NO. 24-39

INCREASE OF REVENUE 2024 - PLANNING & PARKS

RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors, that budgets be increased in the accounts as follows:

<i>Department / Program</i>					
		<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Planning & Parks					
	Expense	221-01-01-53601-000	Other Material Supplies	\$2,000	
	Revenue	221-01-01-42310-000	State Aid - WDNR CCA HHGC & Tendick Prairie		\$2,000
	Expense	221-01-01-54501-000	Purchased Services - Construction	\$249,690	
	Revenue	221-01-01-42310-000	State Aid - WDNR STU HH Campground		\$249,690
	Expense	221-01-01-51101-000	Regular Salaries and Wages	\$62,500	
	Expense	221-01-01-53601-000	Other Material Supplies	24,000	
	Expense	221-01-01-55103-000	Highway - Grounds Maintenance/Construction	164,499	
	Revenue	221-01-01-42310-000	State Aid - WDNR STU CBCGNP Improvements II		\$249,999
	Expense	221-01-01-51101-000	Regular Salaries and Wages	\$125,000	
	Expense	221-01-01-52002-000	Travel/Mileage	2,500	
	Expense	221-01-01-53601-000	Other Material Supplies	22,500	
	Expense	221-01-01-55103-000	Highway - Grounds Maintenance/Construction	350,000	
	Revenue	221-01-01-42110-000	Fed Aid - NFWF SOGL - CBCGNP Middle Third		\$500,000
	Expense	222-01-01-51101-000	Regular Salaries and Wages	\$75,000	
	Expense	222-01-01-52002-000	Travel/Mileage	500	
	Expense	222-01-01-53601-000	Other Material Supplies	1,500	
	Expense	222-01-01-54106-000	Professional Services	25,000	
	Expense	222-01-01-55103-000	Highway - Grounds Maintenance/Construction	248,000	
	Revenue	222-01-01-42110-000	Fed Aid - WDNR OGW - Tendick Creek		\$350,000

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids at Hawthorne Hills Golf Course & Tendick Nature County Park - \$2,000, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance Program at Hawthorne Hills County Park Campground - \$249,690, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance Program at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve - \$249,999, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Sustain Our Great Lakes at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve (CBCGNP) - \$500,000, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Office of Great Waters - USEPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative at Tendick Creek - \$350,000.

VOTE REQUIRED: Two-Thirds of Members Elect

11/22/24

Finance Committee APPROVED

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: T. Richart, Supervisor District 12
SECONDER: J. Arnett, Supervisor District 17
AYES: T. Richart, J. Arnett, E. Stelter
ABSENT: D. Clark
EXCUSED: D. Larson

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	County Clerk
DIRECTOR:	Karen Niemuth
PREPARER:	Karen Niemuth

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks

ATTACHMENTS:

- Planning and Parks (PDF)

Natural Resources Committee

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: November 7, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Parks
DIRECTOR: Andrew Struck
PREPARER: Andrew Struck

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Conservation Aids Grant for Prairie Restoration Activities in Hawthorne Hills County Park and Golf Course and Tendick Nature County Park

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Ozaukee County - Planning and Parks Department (Department) was awarded a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) County Conservation Aids (CCA) grant program to support County-sponsored fish and wildlife habitat restoration projects. Specifically, this grant will support County activities to restore a total of 2.5 acres of turf grass to native warm-season prairie at Hawthorne Hills County Park and Golf Course (1.3 acres) and Tendick Nature County Park (1.2 acres) in the Town of Saukville. The Department has been intensely managing the Hawthorne Hills County Park and Golf Course and Tendick Nature County Park for invasive species, restoring woodlands, wetlands and grasslands with native vegetation and providing bird habitat through bird box installation. The WDNR CCA grant will support additional Department activities to purchase seed and restore turf grass to native prairie to provide habitat for grassland bird species and pollinators (e.g. bees and butterflies) within each park. The diversity of plant species will also provide an attractive display of flowers and grasses, further beautifying the park spaces. Project activities will be completed by Department staff.

ANALYSIS: The WDNR CCA grant award is \$2,000. The Ozaukee County Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the submittal and acceptance of the WDNR CCA grant at its August 8, 2024 meeting (Ayes: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow) and the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved Resolution 24-18 at its September 4, 2024 meeting (Ayes - 24, Nays - 0, Absent - 2). The required 1:1 matching funding will be provided by the Department budget through in-kind staff time, equipment, supplies and mileage (\$3,357) for a total project cost of \$5,357. The original WDNR CCA grant program request was \$2,775. WDNR CCA grant program revenue comes from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and state sales tax on hunting and fishing equipment. Funding allocations for Wisconsin's southeast region typically totals approximately \$8,457, and the total grant award is dependent on the number of awarded grants and overall project budget. Thus, the actual WDNR CCA grant award (\$2,000) was lower than the original request amount (\$2,775), but significantly more than the minimum County allocation.

FISCAL IMPACT: Balance Current Year: NONE

Next Year's Estimated Cost: NONE (Additional Program Revenue - \$2,000)

FUNDING SOURCE: County Levy: X Non-County Levy: X

Indicate source: WDNR CCA grant and in-kind Department staff time, travel/mileage, equipment and supplies.

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve and recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors the budget amendment for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources - County Conservation Aids Program grant to support prairie restoration activities in Hawthorne Hills County Park and Golf Course and Tendick Nature County Park in the Town of Saukville.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS]** **Next: 11/22/2024 8:00 AM**

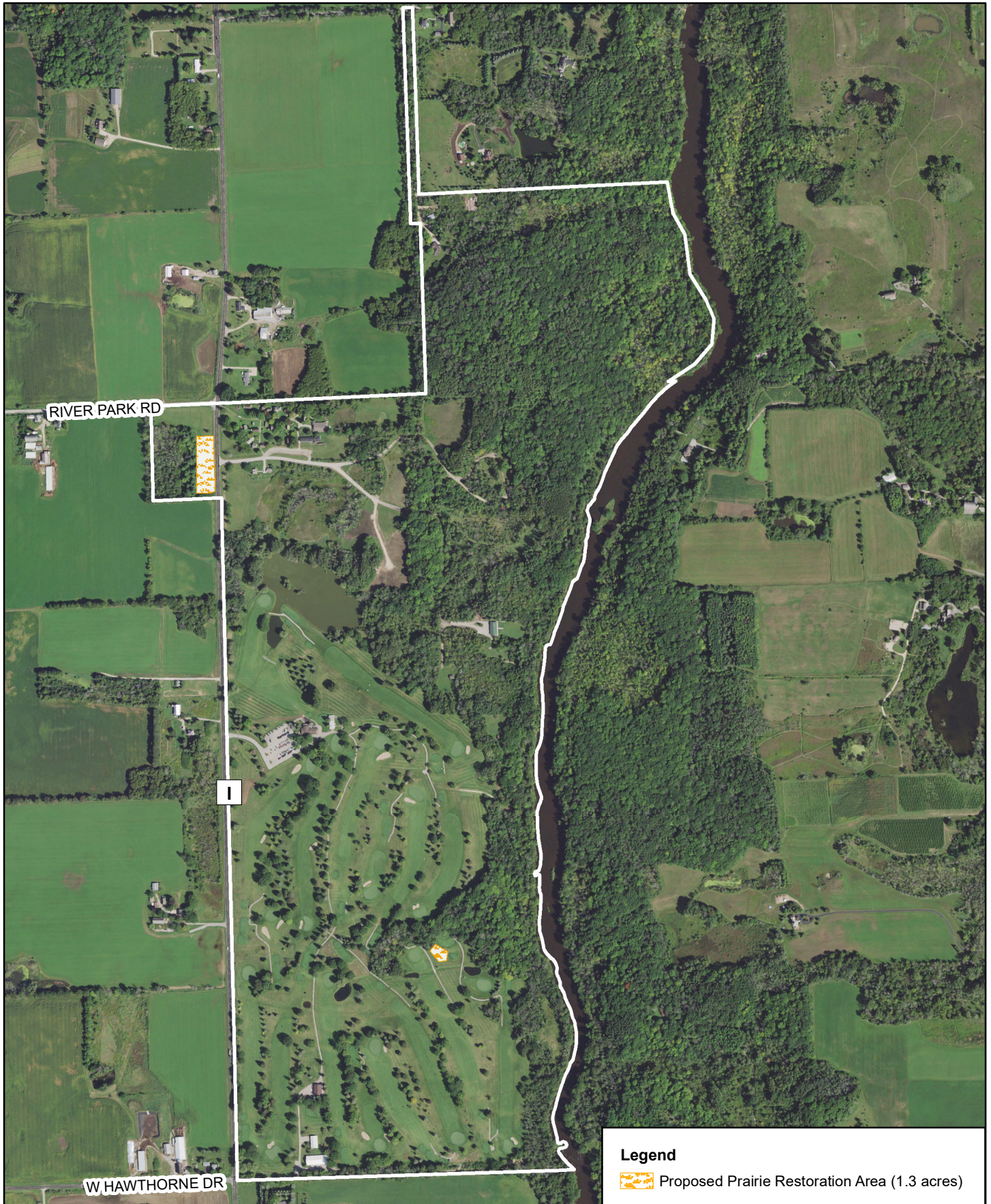
MOVER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

SECONDER: K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

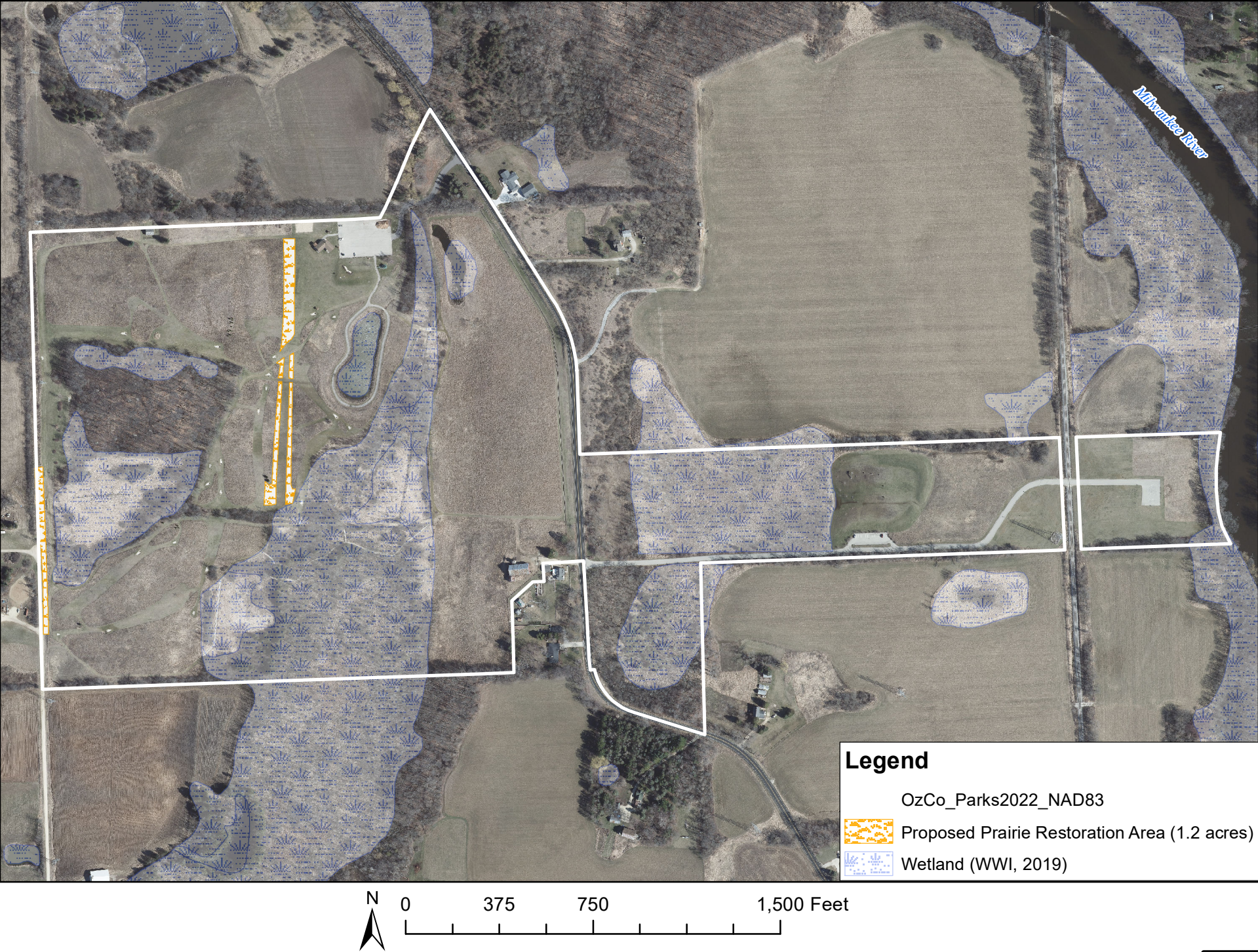
Attachment: Planning and Parks (RES.24-39 : Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks)

Hawthorne Hills County Park and Golf Course - Proposed Prairie Restoration (2025)



Attachment: Planning and Parks (RES.24-39 : Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks)

Tendick Nature County Park - Proposed Prairie Restoration (2025)



Natural Resources Committee

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: November 7, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Parks
DIRECTOR: Andrew Struck
PREPARER: Andrew Struck

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance Grant for Campground Development and a Bathroom Facility at Hawthorne Hills County Park

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Ozaukee County - Planning and Parks Department (Department) was awarded a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance (Stewardship) grant program to support Phase I campsite development and construction of a public bathroom facility at Hawthorne Hills County Park in the Town of Saukville. Public bathrooms and showers in the upper level of the Hawthorne Hills County Park Multi-Purpose Maintenance Building will serve the Phase II campsite area currently used by the Sugar Maple Nature School (SMNS). Per Wisconsin Administrative Code § ATCP 79.16 2023, an additional bathroom facility is required to serve the Phase I campsite area currently under development. WDNR Stewardship funding would support the design and construction of the bathroom facility and secured County Project Reserve (Capital) funding and in-kind Department staff time, travel, equipment and supplies would support development of the Phase I campground area including water and electric service for RV sites, road paving and shouldering, and individual campsite development items.

ANALYSIS: The WDNR Stewardship grant award is \$249,690. The Ozaukee County Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the submittal and acceptance of the WDNR Stewardship grant at its March 7, 2024 meeting (Ayes: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow) and the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved Resolution 24-3 at its May 1, 2024 meeting (Ayes - 23, Nays - 0, Absent - 3). The required 1:1 matching funding will be provided by secured County Project Reserve (Capital) funding (\$225,000), which was unanimously approved by the Ozaukee County Natural Resources Committee at its February 8, 2024 meeting (Ayes: Holyoke, Matera, Schoessow; Excused: Jobs, Ross) (\$225,000) and approved by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors (Resolution 23-62) at its April 3, 2024 meeting (Ayes - 22, Nays - 1, Abstain - 1, Absent - 2) and in-kind Department staff time, travel, equipment and supplies (\$24,999) for a total project cost of \$499,689.

FISCAL IMPACT: Balance Current Year: NONE

Next Year's Estimated Cost: \$24,999 (Additional Program Revenue of \$249,999)

FUNDING SOURCE: County Levy: Non-County Levy: X

Indicate source: Awarded WDNR Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grant, secured County Project Reserve (Capital) funding and in-kind Department staff time, travel, equipment and supplies.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve and recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors the budget amendment for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance Program grant to fund County activities for campsite development and construction of a public bathroom facility at Hawthorne Hills County Park.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS]** **Next: 11/22/2024**

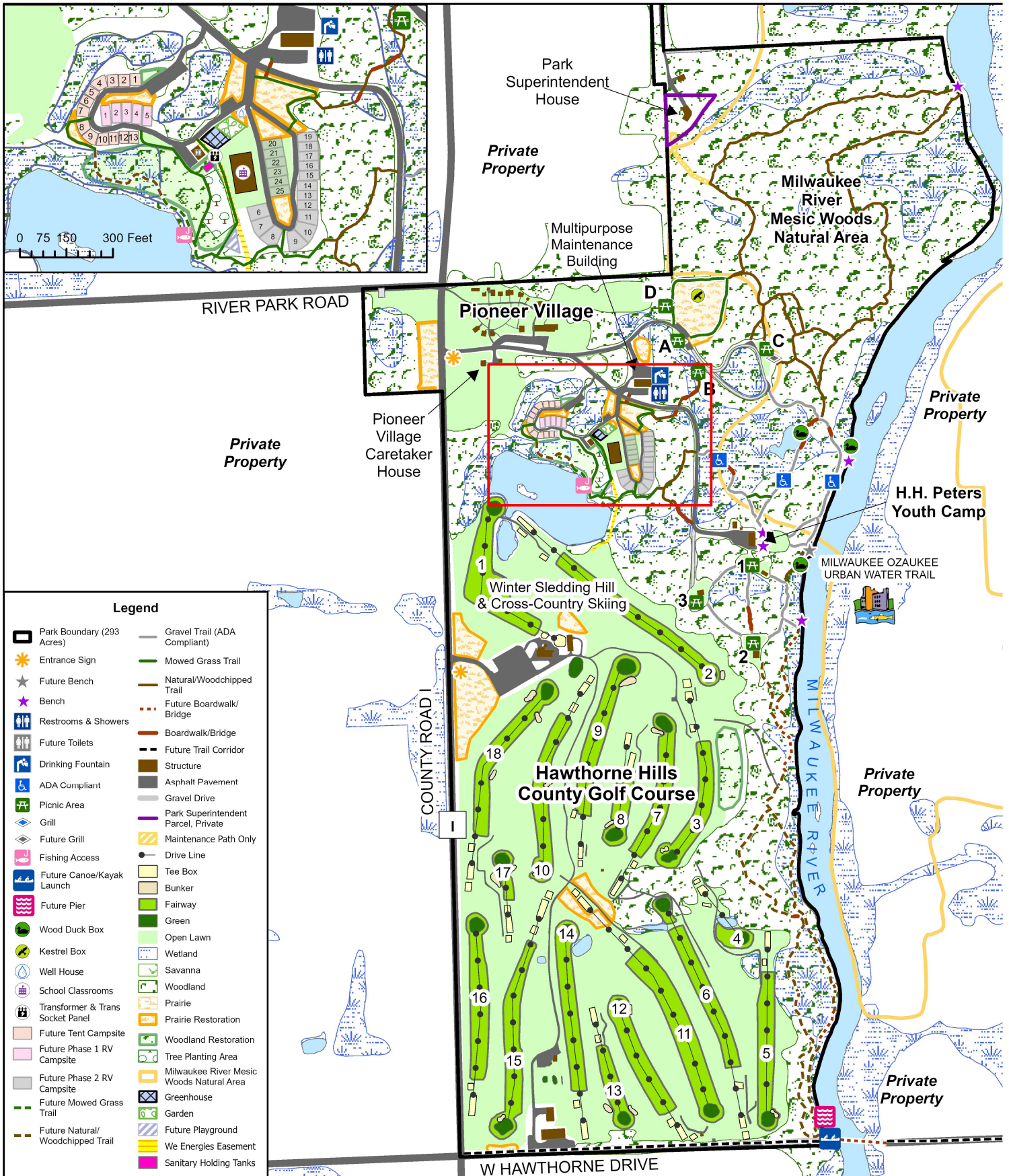
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MOVER: K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23

SECONDER: B. Ross, Vice-Chairperson

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

4880 County Highway I, Saukville, WI 53080



Attachment: Planning and Parks (RES.24-39 : Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks)



Natural Resources Committee

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: November 7, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Parks
DIRECTOR: Andrew Struck
PREPARER: Andrew Struck

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance Grant for Habitat Restoration and Public Access Improvements at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve - Phase II

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Ozaukee County - Planning and Parks Department (Department) was awarded a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance (Stewardship) grant program to fund County activities to continue habitat restoration activities and improve public access at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park (Nature Preserve). The Department in conjunction with the Ozaukee Washington Land Trust recently acquired the 134-acre Clay Bluffs Nature Preserve in fall 2022 with the support of Ozaukee County, multiple direct federal and state grants and contributions from local partners and private donors. The Nature Preserve, located on the Lake Michigan shoreline, is undeveloped and there is significant public interest in habitat restoration and improving public access both throughout the new park and to Lake Michigan. In addition, habitat restoration and public access improvements projects are part of the goals and requirements of several of the acquisition grants as well as the Park Master Plan and OWLT conservation easement. A Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (WCMP) Coastal Resiliency grant was awarded in 2020 to support development of a Master Plan for the Nature Preserve. The Master Plan includes native restoration of the existing marginal farmland to prairie/grassland, forest (e.g., coastal lake forest) and wetlands, addressing Lake Michigan bluff erosion and stability through restoration, management of invasive species, passive recreational use and access to Lake Michigan, and enhancement and restoration of the existing coastal forest and wetland habitat. WDNR Stewardship and associated match grant funding would support the design and construction of wetland, native prairie and forest restoration and pedestrian trail loop with boardwalks on the middle third acreage of the Nature Preserve. The Department also received multiple grants in 2023 (WCMP and WDNR Stewardship, southern third acreage) and 2024 (National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) Sustain Our Great Lakes (SOGL), middle third acreage) for similar public access and habitat restoration activities in the Nature Preserve and this project represents a continuation of these efforts.

ANALYSIS: The WDNR Stewardship grant award is \$249,999. The Ozaukee County Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the submittal and acceptance of the WDNR Stewardship grant at its March 7, 2024 meeting (Ayes: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow) and the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved Resolution 24-2 at its May 1, 2024 meeting (Ayes - 23, Nays - 0, Absent - 3). The required 1:1 matching funding will be provided by an awarded NFWF SOGL (\$500,000) grant and/or pending Fund For Lake Michigan (FFLM) (\$250,001) grants for a total project cost of \$1,000,000. There have been no changes to the budget or project scope since grant submittal.

FISCAL IMPACT: Balance Current Year: NONE

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Next Year's Estimated Cost: NONE (Additional Program Revenue \$249,999)

FUNDING SOURCE: County Levy: Non-County Levy: X

Indicate source: Awarded WDNR Stewardship and NFWF SOGL grants and pending FFLM grants.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve and recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors the budget amendment for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Local Assistance Program grant to fund habitat restoration and public access improvements at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS]** **Next: 11/22/2024**
 8:00 AM

MOVER: T. Matera, Supervisor District 7

SECONDER: B. Ross, Vice-Chairperson

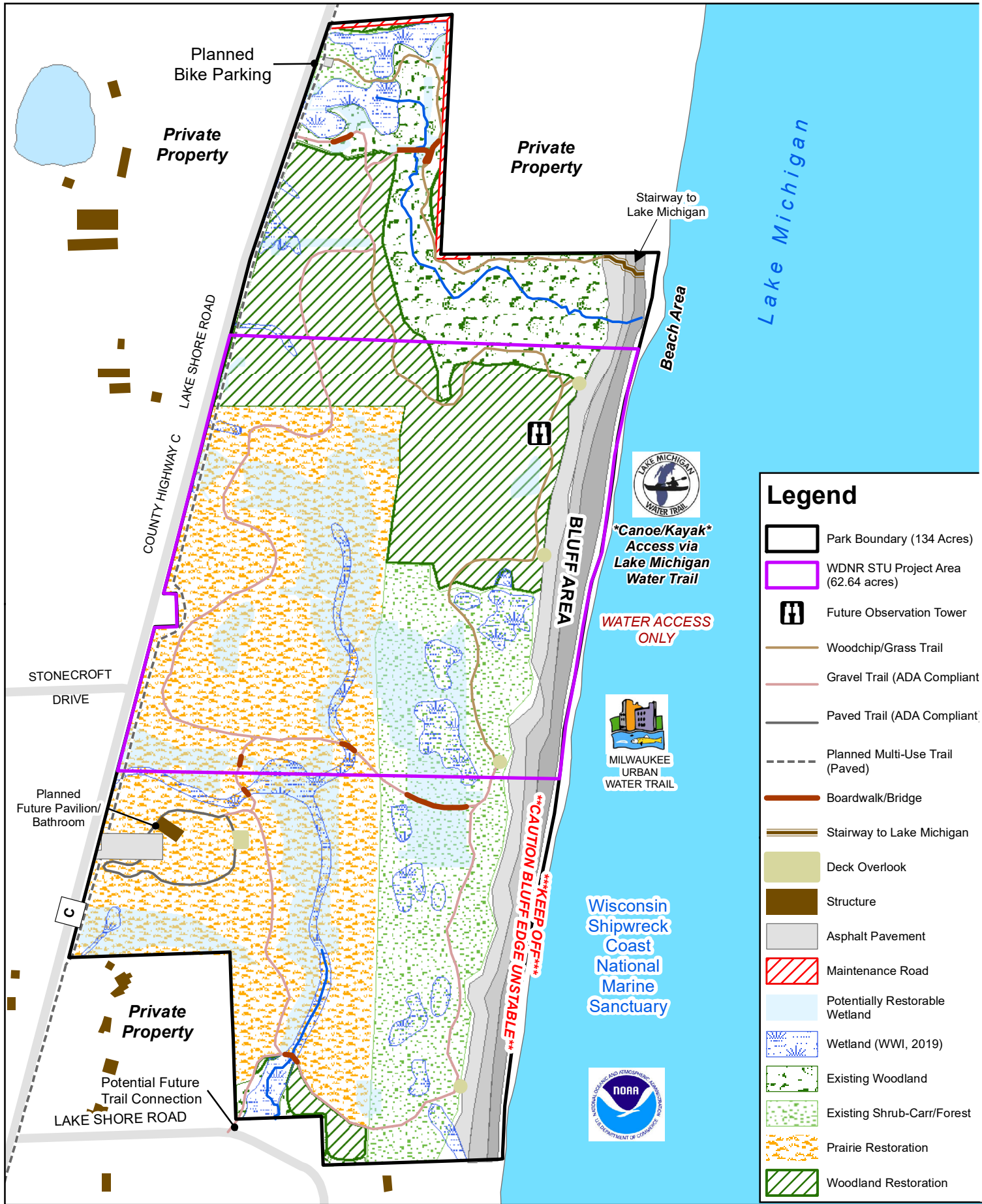
AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

Attachment: Planning and Parks (RES.24-39 : Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks)

Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve

Lake Shore Road, Grafton, WI 53024

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Legend

- Park Boundary (134 Acres)
- WDNR STU Project Area (62.64 acres)
- Future Observation Tower
- Woodchip/Grass Trail
- Gravel Trail (ADA Compliant)
- Paved Trail (ADA Compliant)
- Planned Multi-Use Trail (Paved)
- Boardwalk/Bridge
- Stairway to Lake Michigan
- Deck Overlook
- Structure
- Asphalt Pavement
- Maintenance Road
- Potentially Restorable Wetland
- Wetland (WWI, 2019)
- Existing Woodland
- Existing Shrub-Carr/Forest
- Prairie Restoration
- Woodland Restoration

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	November 7, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Planning and Parks
DIRECTOR:	Andrew Struck
PREPARER:	Andrew Struck

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – Sustain Our Great Lakes Grant for Habitat Restoration and Public Access Improvements at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve - Phase II

The Ozaukee County - Planning and Parks Department (Department) was awarded a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) Sustain Our Great Lakes (SOGL) grant program to fund County activities to continue habitat restoration and improve public access at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park (Nature Preserve). The Department in partnership with the Ozaukee Washington Land Trust recently acquired the 134-acre Clay Bluffs Nature Preserve in fall 2022 with the support of Ozaukee County, multiple direct federal and state grants and contributions from local partners and private donors. The Nature Preserve, located on the Lake Michigan shoreline, is undeveloped and there is significant public interest in restoration and improving public access both throughout the new park and to Lake Michigan. In addition, habitat restoration and public access improvements are part of the goals and requirements of several of the acquisition grants as well as the Park Master Plan and OWLT conservation easement. A Wisconsin Coastal Management Program grant was awarded in 2020 to support development of a Master Plan for the Nature Preserve. The Master Plan includes native restoration of the existing marginal farmland to prairie/grassland, forest (e.g., coastal lake forest) and wetlands, addressing Lake Michigan bluff erosion and stability through restoration, management of invasive species, passive recreational use and access to Lake Michigan, and enhancement and restoration of the existing coastal forest and wetland habitat. NFWF SOGL and associated match grant funding will support design and construction of wetland, native prairie and forest restoration and a pedestrian trail loop with boardwalks on the middle third acreage of the Nature Preserve. The Department received a NFWF SOGL grant in 2023 for similar wetland habitat restoration work at Virmond County Park. The Department also received multiple grants in 2023 (WCMP and WDNR Stewardship, southern third acreage) and 2024 (WDNR Stewardship, middle third acreage) for similar public access and habitat restoration activities in the Nature Preserve and this project represents a continuation of these efforts.

ANALYSIS: The NFWF SOGL grant award is \$500,000. The Ozaukee County Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the submittal and acceptance of the NFWF SOGL grant at its March 7, 2024 meeting (Ayes: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera, Schoessow). The recommended 1:1 matching funding will be provided by an awarded WDNR Stewardship (\$249,999) and pending Fund for Lake Michigan (FFLM) (\$250,001) grants for a total project cost of \$1,000,000. There have been no changes to the budget or project scope since grant submittal.

FISCAL IMPACT: Balance Current Year: NONE

FUNDING SOURCE: County Levy: Non-County Levy: X

Indicate source: Awarded NFWF SOGL and WDNR Stewardship and pending FFLM grants.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve and recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors the budget amendment for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation - Sustain Our Great Lakes grant to fund habitat restoration and public access improvements at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park.

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS]** **Next: 11/22/2024**
 8:00 AM

MOVER: B. Ross, Vice-Chairperson

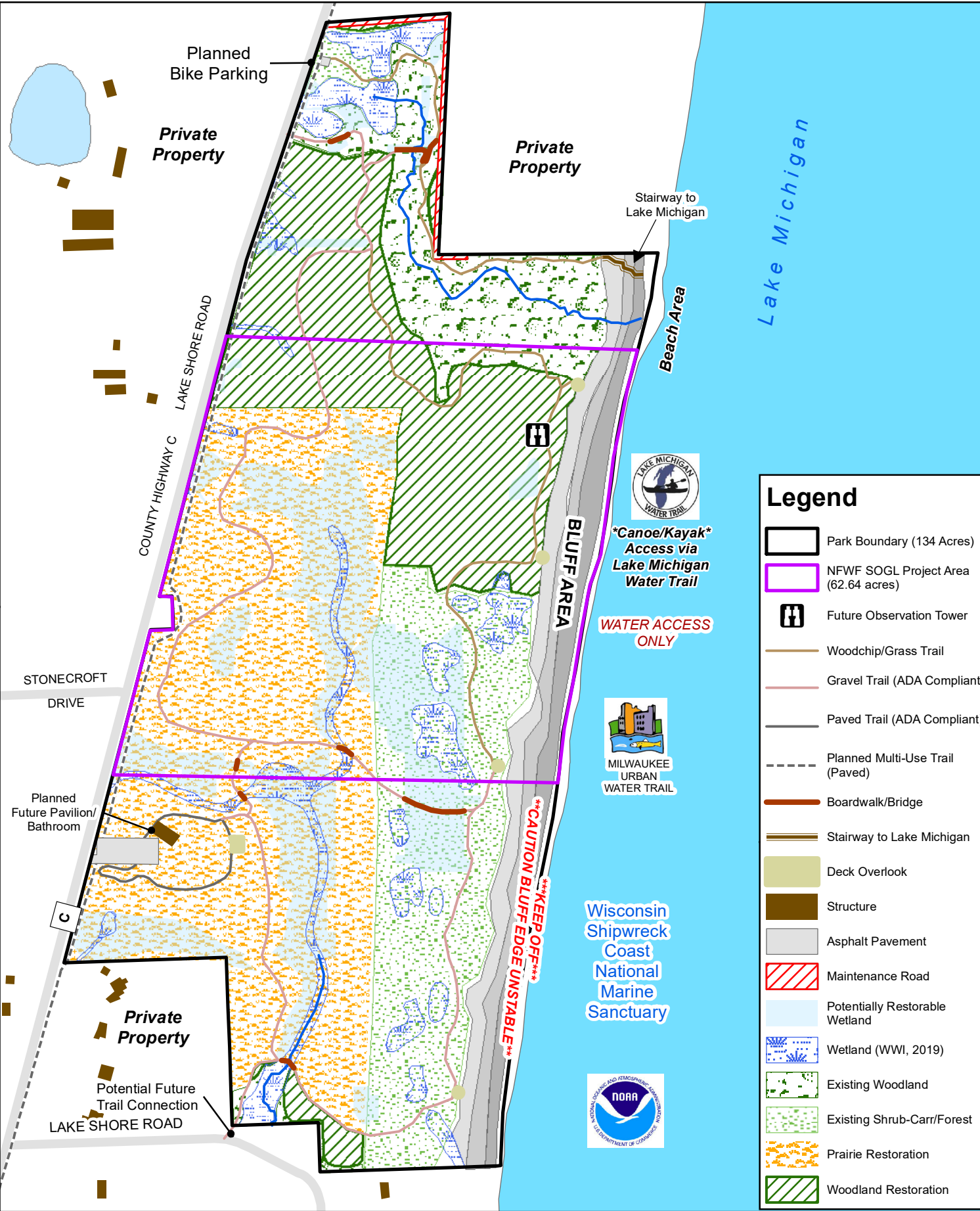
SECONDER: T. Matera, Supervisor District 7

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve

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Natural Resources Committee

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: November 7, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Parks
DIRECTOR: Andrew Struck
PREPARER: Andrew Struck

Agenda Summary Increase of Revenue Budget Amendment for a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Office of Great Waters Grant to Support Stream and Wetland Restoration Activities at Tendick Nature County Park

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Ozaukee County - Planning and Parks Department (Department) was awarded a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Office of Great Waters (OGW) (pass through USEPA - Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) grant) to support County-sponsored fish and wildlife habitat restoration projects. Specifically, this grant will support County activities to conduct stream and wetland restoration activities on Tendick Creek at Tendick Nature Park in the Town of Saukville. Secured Fund for Lake Michigan (FFLM) funding has supported design and engineering and construction activities for five completed fish passage impediment removal or restoration projects on Tendick Creek. The Department has also worked with consultants to complete design and engineering plans for overall stream and wetland restoration and enhancement work on Tendick Creek as an essential next step in improving the overall ecological diversity and sustainability of the watershed. The WDNR OGW grant will fund activities to re-meander and restore a reach of degraded stream channel on Tendick Creek in Tendick Nature Park upstream of County Trunk Highway O to provide in-stream diversity and a suitable gradient in conjunction with wetland and floodplain reconnection and restoration. The Department received additional WDNR Surface Water Restoration grants in 2024 to support the project. Department staff and the Ozaukee County Highway Department will complete construction and restoration activities.

ANALYSIS: The WDNR OGW grant award is \$350,000. The Ozaukee County Natural Resources Committee unanimously approved the submittal and acceptance of the NOAA BILIRA grant at its December 7, 2023 meeting (Ayes: Holyoke, Jobs, Ross, Matera; Excused: Schoessow). No formal match is required, though the Department will leverage two secured WDNR Surface Water Management (SWM) grants (\$75,000) and a FFLM grant (\$25,000). There have been no changes to the budget or project scope since grant submittal; however, WDNR OGW requirements include completion of an archeological study for the project area prior to construction, which will be supported by the WDNR OGW grant per the attached budget amendment (e.g., professional services).

FISCAL IMPACT: Balance Current Year: NONE

Next Year's Estimated Cost: NONE (Additional Program Revenue - \$350,000)

FUNDING SOURCE: County Levy: Non-County Levy: X

Indicate source: WDNR OGW, WDNR SWM and FFLM grants (secured).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve and recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors the budget amendment for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Office of Great Waters grant to support stream and wetland restoration activities in Tendick Nature County Park.

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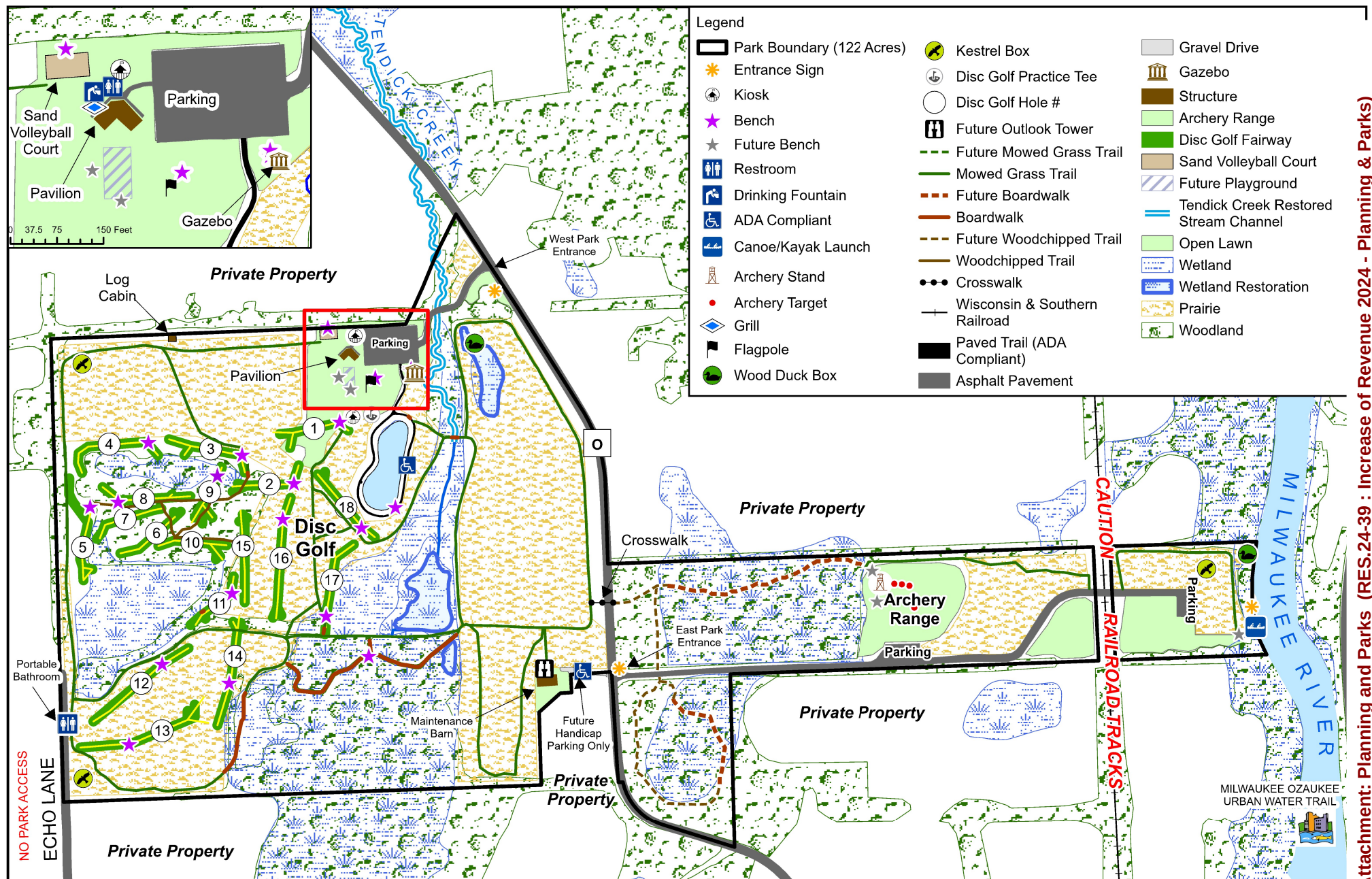
RESULT: **APPROVED AND FORWARDED [UNANIMOUS]** **Next: 11/22/2024**
 8:00 AM

MOVER: K. Schoessow, Supervisor District 23

SECONDER: B. Jobs, Supervisor District 3

AYES: Holyoke, Ross, Jobs, Matera, Schoessow

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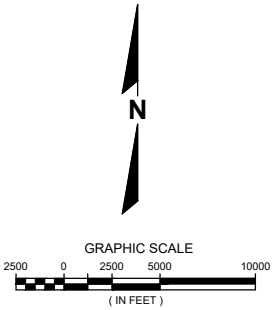
OZAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

FISH PASSAGE RESTORATION

TENDICK CREEK

AT: ~750' DOWNSTREAM & ~2,000' UPSTREAM OF CTH O

SEC 14, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 21 EAST,
TOWN OF SAUKVILLE, OZAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN



Project Quantity Table			
Item	Unit	Phase 1 Quantity	Phase 2 Quantity
6"x6" Box Culvert	LF	-	48
12" Box Culvert End Section	EA	-	2
Box Culvert Drop Wall	EA	-	1
72" Dia. Corrugated Metal Pipe	LF	-	54
Trackout Control Device	EA	1	3
Silt Fence	LF	1,453	593
Medium Riprap	CY	-	103
Channel Bed Material	CY	80	160
Culvert Bed Material	CY	-	50
Non-woven Coir Fabric (North American Green C125BN, Nedia C400B, or equivalent)	SY	2890	1,110

Project Earthwork Table			
Existing Stream Length	LF	494	1,417
Proposed Stream Length	LF	624	1,688
Disturbance Area	SF	211,676	126,544
South Wetland Scrape Earthwork	CY	182 (Cut)	-
North Wetland Scrape Earthwork	CY	1,434 (Cut)	-
Stream Earthwork (17+00-23+50)	CY	1,822 (Cut)	-
Stream Earthwork (10+00-17+00)	CY	-	1,285 (Cut)
Stream Earthwork (6+00-10+00)	CY	-	251 (Cut)
Stream Earthwork (0+00-6+00)	CY	-	292 (Cut)

Potential Fill Areas*			
East-West Path Between Wetland Scapes	CY	126 (Fill)	-
North-South Path Along North Wetland Scrape	CY	290 (Fill)	-
CTHO Embankment (West)	CY	1,260 (Fill)	-
CTHO Embankment Fill (East)/East Park Parcel	CY	2,271 (Fill)	-
Archery Range (East Park Parcel)	CY	-	2,433 (Fill)

*Fill areas to be used as needed. Any additional fill will be trucked to Hawthorne Hills County Park. All volumes assume 1:1 ratio. No shrink or swell factors are associated with volumes. Contractor to use discretion for fill locations and amount.



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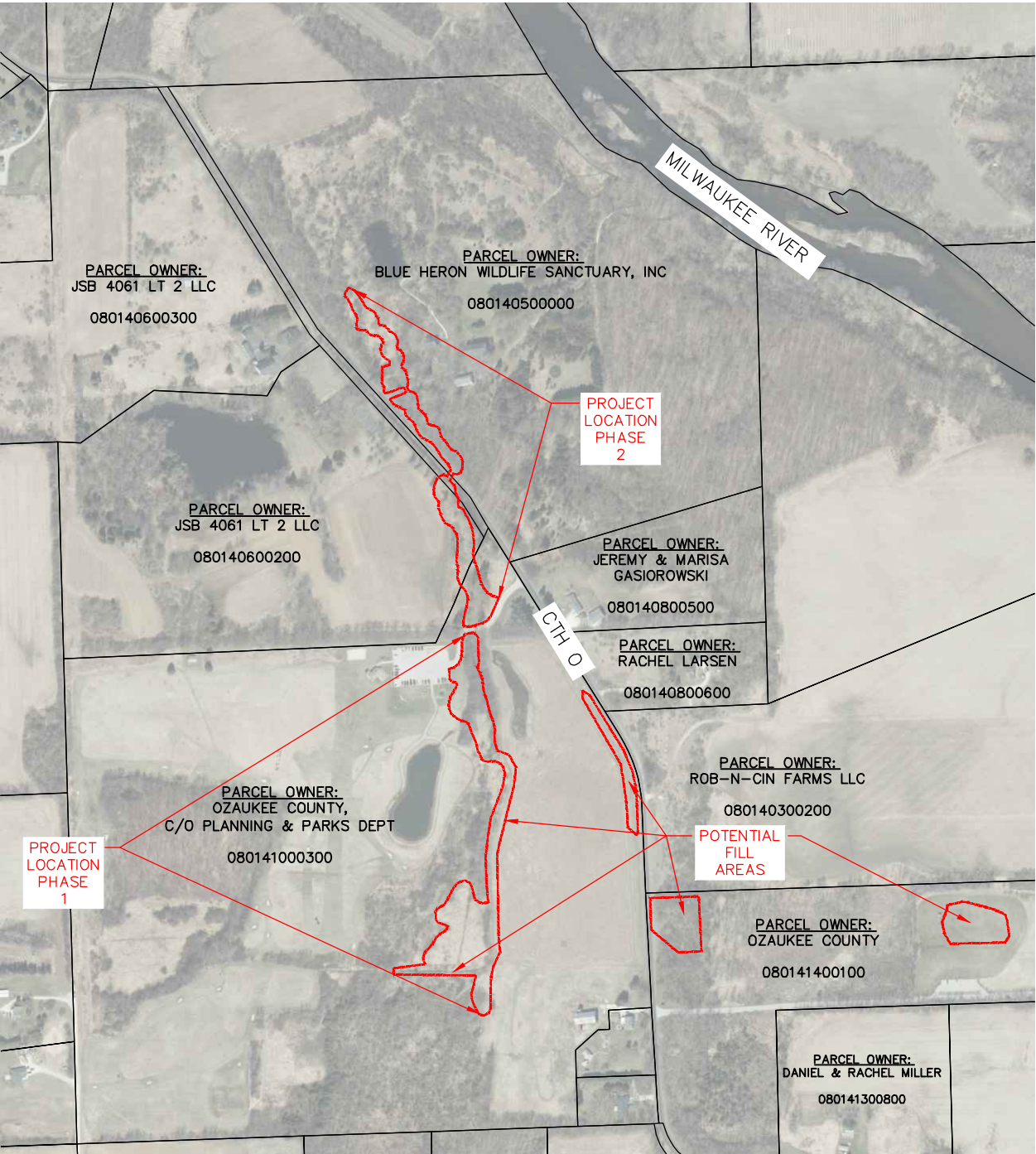
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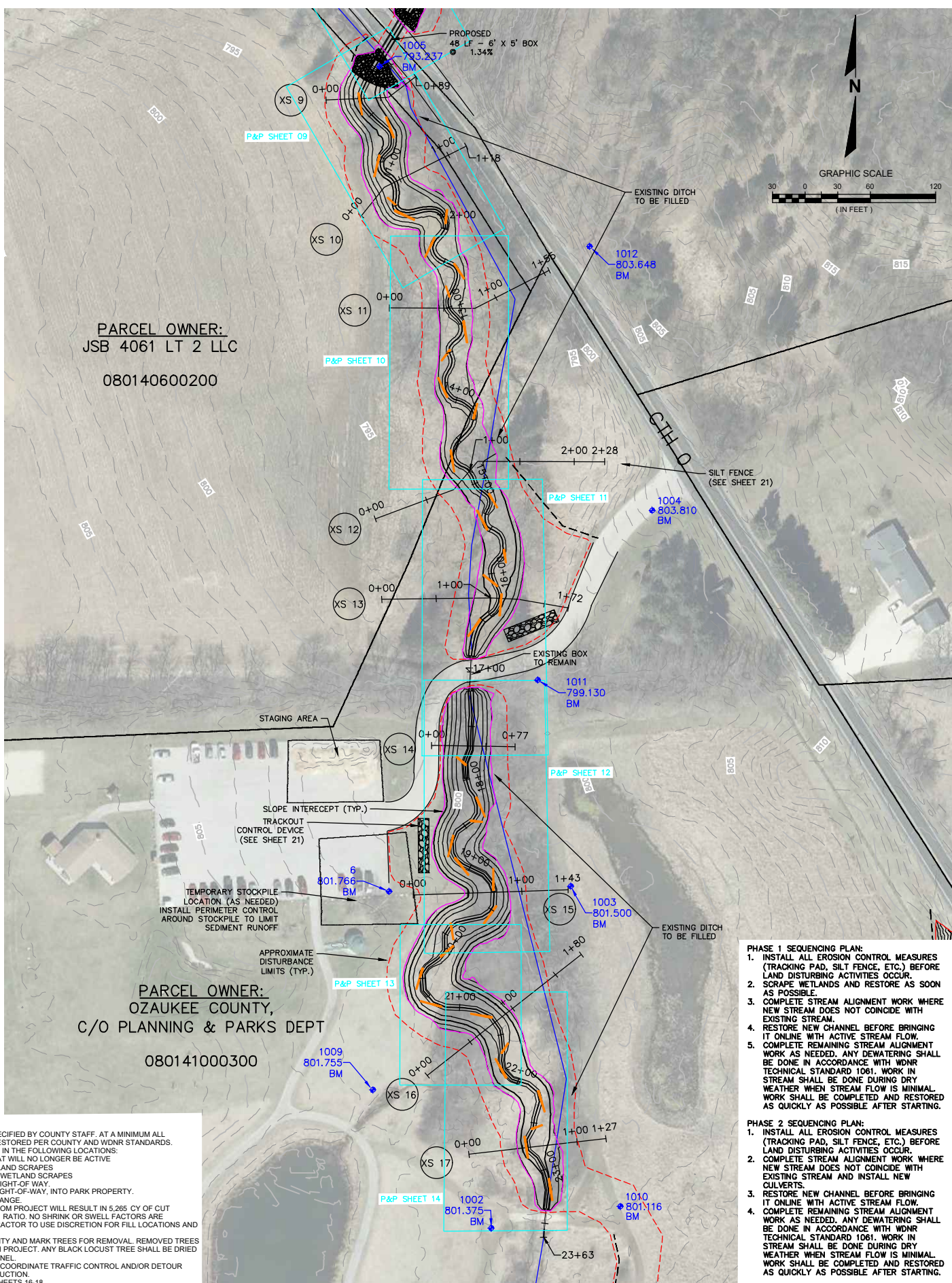
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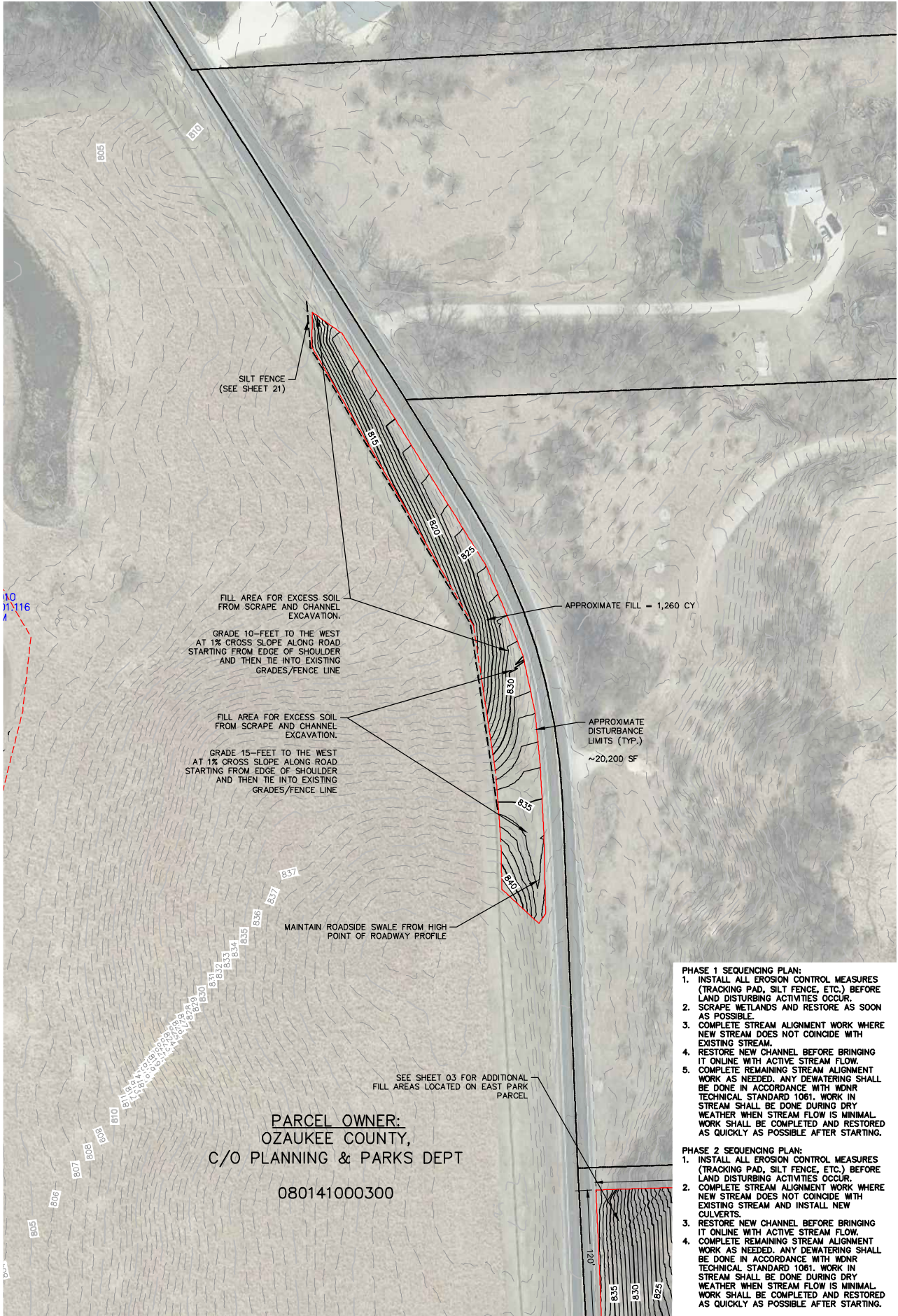
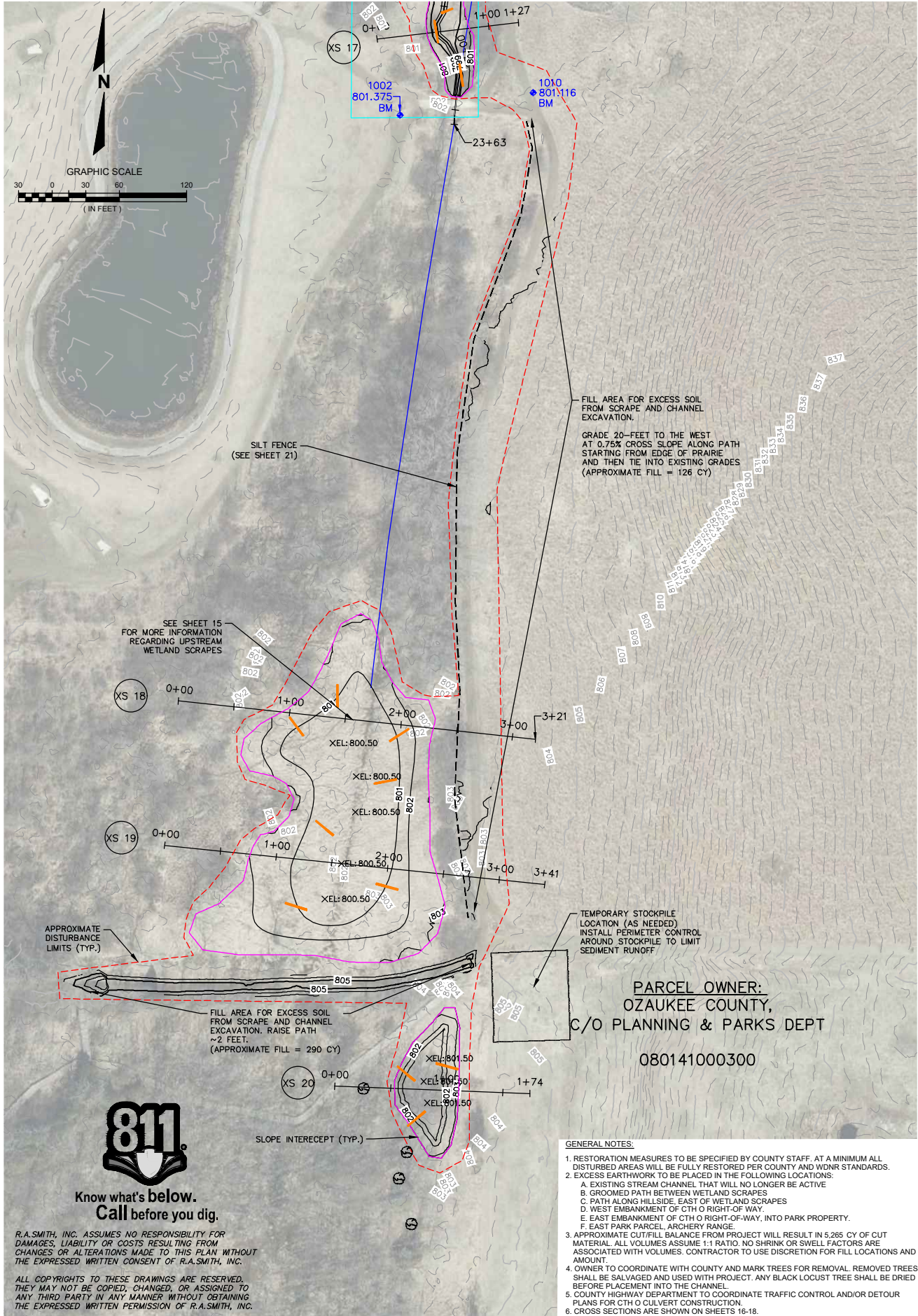


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Attachment: Planning and Parks (RES.24-39 : Increase of Revenue 2024 - Planning & Parks)

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1. RESTORATION MEASURES TO BE SPECIFIED BY COUNTY STAFF. AT A MINIMUM ALL DISTURBED AREAS WILL BE FULLY RESTORED PER COUNTY AND WQNR STANDARDS.
2. ALL EARTHWORK TO BE PLACED IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:
 - A. EXISTING STREAM CHANNEL THAT WILL NO LONGER BE ACTIVE
 - B. GROOMED PATH BETWEEN WETLAND SCRAPES
 - C. PATH ALONG HILLSIDE, EAST OF WETLAND SCRAPES
 - D. WEST EMBANKMENT OF CTH 0 RIGHT-OF-WAY
 - E. EAST EMBANKMENT OF CTH 0 RIGHT-OF-WAY, INTO PARK PROPERTY.
 - F. EAST PARK PAVEMENT, ARCHERY RANGE.
3. APPROXIMATE CUT/FILL BALANCE FROM THIS PROJECT WILL RESULT IN 5,285 CY OF CUT MATERIAL AND 1,000 CY OF FILL. CONTRACTOR TO NOT SHRINK OR SWELL FACES AND ADJUST WITH VOLUMES. CONTRACTOR TO USE DISCRETION FOR FILL LOCATIONS AND AMOUNT.
4. OWNERS TO COORDINATE WITH COUNTY AND MARK TREES FOR REMOVAL. REMOVED TREES SHALL BE SALVAGED AND USED WITH PROJECT. ANY BLACK LOCUST TREE SHALL BE DRIED BEFORE PLACEMENT INTO THE CHANNEL.
5. COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TO COORDINATE TRAFFIC CONTROL AND/OR DETOUR PLAN FOR CTH 0 CULVERT CLOSURE.
6. CROSS SECTIONS ARE SHOWN ON SHEETS 16-18.

- PHASE 1 SEQUENCING PLAN:**
1. INSTALL ALL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES (TRACKING PAD, SILT FENCE, ETC.) BEFORE LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES OCCUR.
 2. SCRAPE WETLANDS AND RESTORE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
 3. COMPLETE STREAM ALIGNMENT WORK WHERE NEW STREAM DOES NOT COINCIDE WITH EXISTING STREAM.
 4. RESTORE NEW CHANNEL BEFORE BRINGING IT ONLINE WITH ACTIVE STREAM FLOW.
 5. COMPLETE REMAINING STREAM ALIGNMENT WORK WHERE NEEDED. RESTORATION SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH WNR TECHNICAL STANDARD 1061. WORK IN STREAM SHALL BE DONE DURING DRY WEATHER WHEN STREAM FLOW IS MINIMAL.
 6. WETLANDS SHALL BE COMPLETED AND RESTORED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AFTER STARTING.
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1. INSTALL ALL EROSION CONTROL MEASURES (TRACKING PAD, SILT FENCE, ETC.) BEFORE LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES OCCUR.
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RESOLUTION NO. 24-40

CANCELLATION OF 2022 OUTSTANDING ORDERS

WHEREAS, the following orders, issued by the County of Ozaukee, remain outstanding after the 2 year deadline prescribed in Section 59.64(4)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes:

<u>CO ORDER NO.</u>	<u>DATE ISSUED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>ISSUED TO</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
535016	1/14/2022	\$16.00	Abigail Montemayor W341 N6678 Lancelot Dr Oconomowoc, WI 53066	Witness Fees
535022	1/14/2022	\$59.95	No-Till Farmer Subscription Department PO Box 1024 Skokie, IL 60076-9903	1 Year Subscription
535534	2/11/2022	\$28.06	Kevin P. Schowalter	Jury Fees
537632	5/27/2022	\$9.00	Linda A. Jahn 372 N Mill St #8 Saukville, WI 53080	Copay Reimbursement
537710	6/3/2022	\$35.91	Marc Goodman	Jury Fees
537725	6/3/2022	\$38.26	Nicholas Allen Miller	Jury Fees
537738	6/3/2022	\$40.91	Timothy Thomas Zimmerman	Jury Fees
537961	6/10/2022	\$2.00	Kashuwan A. Milton-Hollins W65 N447 Westlawn Ave Cedarburg, WI 53012	Copay Reimbursement
538275	7/1/2022	\$26.43	Jordan David Kittson	Jury Fees
538471	7/8/2022	\$25.00	Amy Gaebel 3480 County Rd I Saukville, WI 53080	Respite H. Stelling
538624	7/15/2022	\$5.50	Michael Giotis 23 Red Tail Dr Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047	Overpaid account GIO004
539078	8/5/2022	\$5.00	Department of Motor Vehicles Public Operations - G199	Invoice 2022CF173 Certified Copy LA Perea

			PO Box 944247 Sacramento, CA 94244-2470	
539514	8/19/2022	\$37.60	Kristine Schneider 2506 Circle Dr Watertown, WI 53094	#21CF254 Witness Fees
539842	9/9/2022	\$35.20	River Robert Kremer	Jury Fees
540069	9/16/2022	\$6.09	Michael Keller N87 W6891 Evergreen Ct Cedarburg, WI 53012	Overpayment Tax Parcel 131520004002
540449	10/7/2022	\$97.44	Taylor Jae Witte	Jury Fees
540961	10/28/2022	\$7.00	PNP7 LLC 1314 Lee Ave West Bend, WI 53090	Overpayment Tax Parcel 140270600500 2021
541569	11/25/2022	\$4.00	Shelly Teske 5022 Pioneer Red Cedarburg, WI 53012	Overpayment S. Teske
541570	11/25/2022	\$218.00	Thomas Jefferson Middle School 1403 N Holden St Port Washington, WI 53074	School Fees Cory/Chase Riel
541784	12/9/2022	\$2.00	Robert S. David 10025 W Fiebrantz Ave Milwaukee, WI 53222	Copay Reimbursement
541828	12/9/2022	\$1.75	Lori Kelinhans 1806 W Center Rd Saukville, WI 53080	Overpayment Tax Parcel 080141100100
542125	12/23/2022	\$35.20	Christopher M. Jacoby	Jury Fees
542127	12/23/2022	\$28.98	Joseph E. Kapitz	Jury Fees
542135	12/23/2022	\$32.14	Lauren Elizabeth Lopez	Jury Fees
441505	2/4/2022	\$12.86	Kira L. McGee 4104 N 27th St Milwaukee, WI 53216-1806	Payroll
441632	10/14/2022	\$44.41	Jason Patt W70 N423 Cedar Pointe Ave	Payroll

Cedarburg, WI 53012

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Treasurer be instructed to cancel and stop payment on the foregoing orders and return the applicable amounts to the County Treasurer, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the person in whose favor the order was drawn may upon application to the Chairperson of the Board and County Clerk, made within 6 years from the date of the order, have a new order issued for the amount of the original, without interest.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Cancellation of Orders that remain outstanding after the two-year deadline.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

11/22/24 Finance Committee APPROVED

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: E. Stelter, Chairperson

SECONDER: J. Arnett, Supervisor District 17

AYES: T. Richart, J. Arnett, E. Stelter

ABSENT: D. Clark

EXCUSED: D. Larson

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Treasurer
DIRECTOR:	Sandi Tretow
PREPARER:	Kristine Morano

Agenda Summary Cancellation of 2022 Outstanding Orders

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Annual cancellation of outstanding orders per WI Statutes 59.64(4)(e).

ANALYSIS: \$821.69 will be credited back to the general fund where appropriated or to the respective departments where applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT: return of \$821.69

Balance Current Year: \$821.69 Next Year's Estimated Cost: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve cancellation of outstanding payment orders.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 24-41

AMENDING CHAPTER 3.01 OF THE POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL - CREATION
OF A LEAD MEDICOLEGAL DEATH INVESTIGATOR POSITION

RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors, that Chapter 3 of the Ozaukee County Policy and Procedure Manual be amended, effective January 1, 2025, to read:

Current Job Title	Department	FLSA	Grade	Head Count	FTE
Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator	Medical Examiner	Non-Exempt	11	1	0.8 1.0
Deputy Medical Examiner Medicolegal Death Investigator	Medical Examiner	Temporary	11	AS FUNDED	

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Amending Chapter 3 of the Policy and Procedure Manual to Create a Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator and re-title the paid on call Deputy Medical Examiner positions to Medicolegal Death Investigators.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

11/22/24 **Finance Committee APPROVED**

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: E. Stelter, Chairperson
SECONDER: J. Arnett, Supervisor District 17
AYES: T. Richart, J. Arnett, E. Stelter
ABSENT: D. Clark
EXCUSED: D. Larson

12/04/24 **Finance Committee**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Administrator
DIRECTOR:	Jason Dzwinel
PREPARER:	Jason Dzwinel

Agenda Summary Amending Chapter 3.01 of the Policy and Procedure Manual - Creation of a Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator Position

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This action was approved by the County Administrator and recommended to the Executive Committee, however, the item was omitted from the final 2025 Budget as approved by the County Board on November 6, 2024. This action will amend the 2025 Budget to create a Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator position in the Medical Examiner's Office and retitle the Deputy Medical Examiner to Medicolegal Death Investigators. Ozaukee County recently shifted from a Coroner system to a Medical Examiner system, with careful consideration given to assessing community needs. This transition has expanded death investigations procedures in the county to meet national standards, requiring increased support in investigations and administrative tasks. Real-time, comprehensive, multi-disciplinary death investigations will enhance community health and wellness. Upgrading the 0.80 FTE Deputy Medical Examiner to a 1.0 FTE Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator not only ensures stability in the role but also establishes a crucial continuity plan for the Medical Examiner's Office.

ANALYSIS: The amendment will move currently budgeted per diem expenses to fund the position and have no levy impact. The Medical Examiner's Office has \$51,000 of per diem expenses budgeted for 2025. The Medical Examiner has controlled these expenses since taking office and they have totaled less than \$9,000 since May of 2024.

FUNDING SOURCE: Currently budgeted per diem expenses.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Staff respectfully requests that the committee approve the amendment to the 2025 Budget creating a Lead Medicolegal Death Investigator position in the Medical Examiner's Office

ATTACHMENTS:

- Chief Deputy Medical Examiner (PDF)

OZAUKEE COUNTY EXPANSION REQUEST

DEPARTMENT:	Medical Examiner
DIVISION OR PROGRAM:	
REQUEST TITLE:	Chief Deputy Medical Examiner

REQUEST DESCRIPTION:

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PRIORITY: Desired (dropdown menu for priority)

DESCRIBE THE PRIORITY LEVEL:

BUDGET IMPACT:

EXPENSES:	\$ -	(What is the total budgetary impact of this request?)
REVENUE:	\$ -	(Are there revenues available for this expansion request?)
TAX LEVY REQUESTED:	\$ -	(Formula taking the difference between Expense and Revenue)
REVENUE SOURCE IS GUARANTEED:	Yes No N/A	

NEW POSITIONS REQUESTED: (List all of the new positions, including position changes, that are requested)

<u>Position Title</u>	<u>Position Expenses</u>	<u>PCR Form</u>
Chief Deputy Medical Examiner	\$ 93,163	

STRATEGIC PLAN AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

The additional support this position will bring to the ME office can be linked to sections I and IV of the Ozaukee County Strategic Plan. The ability to develop statistics derived from the death investigations will enhance public health, specifically preventative deaths. We are able to support not only the Substance Misuse Task Force by providing toxicological and forensic results from those who died as a result of drug intoxication, but furnish information on other preventable deaths to aid the county-wide behavioral health stigma reduction campaign. The statistical data will also promote community-wide engagement when shared on our website.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 24-42

ADOPTION OF A PARK AND OPEN SPACE PLAN FOR OZAUKEE COUNTY: 2050 (4TH EDITION)

WHEREAS, a Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County was included as part of the first regional park and open space plan, Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) Planning Report No. 27, *A Regional Park and Open Space Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin: 2000*, which was adopted by SEWRPC on December 1, 1977; and

WHEREAS, the regional park and open space plan as it relates to Ozaukee County was subsequently refined in 1978 as documented in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 23, *A Park and Recreation Plan for Ozaukee County*; and

WHEREAS, A Park and Recreation Plan for Ozaukee County was further refined in 1987 as documented in the first edition of this report, SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133, *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County*, adopted in July 1987; and

WHEREAS, the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors, acting on the recommendation of the Land Conservation Committee, adopted Resolution 98-10 on June 3, 1998, adopting the *Regional Natural Areas and Critical Species Habitat Protection and Management Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin* and subsequent *Amendment* (December 1, 2010) (Resolution 11-48); and

WHEREAS, in 1998, the Ozaukee County Parks Commission again requested that SEWRPC assist the County in refining and updating the park and open space plan as it applied to Ozaukee County and the resulting plan is documented in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (2nd Edition), *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2020*, adopted by the County Board of Supervisors in June 6, 2001 (Resolution 01-13) and SEWRPC on September 12, 2001. This park and open space plan incorporated recommendations for the preservation of natural areas and critical species habitat derived from the *Regional Natural Areas and Critical Species Habitat Protection and Management Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin* completed by SEWRPC in 1997 and adopted by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors on June 3, 1998 (Resolution 98-10) and endorsed the subsequent *Amendment* (December 1, 2010) on December 7, 2011 (Resolution 11-48); and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2008, Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department requested that SEWRPC assist the County in the preparation of a new Park and Open Space Plan for the year 2035; and

WHEREAS, the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department, in conjunction with SEWRPC, UW – Extension and the Ozaukee County Land Preservation Board, with oversight by the Comprehensive Planning Board undertook the development of *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035* during 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 59.69 and 66.1001(4)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors adopted the County comprehensive plan

embodied in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 285, *A Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035* on April 2, 2008 and subsequent Amendment 2009-01 on May 6, 2009 and Amendment 2013-01 on May 1, 2013, which included incorporation of the *Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County*; and

WHEREAS, the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors adopted *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035* on June 1, 2011 (Resolution 11-14); and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2017, Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department requested that SEWRPC assist the County in the preparation of a new *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)*; and

WHEREAS, this park and open space planning process started prior to the COVID pandemic (2020) with several public input meetings and surveys including a countywide public opinion survey (2019-2020) and was subsequently delayed and extended past the COVID pandemic years for additional public involvement and final plan development; and

WHEREAS, the new park and open space plan was to be prepared within the framework of the *Multi-jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035* and is based upon the recommended development pattern set forth in the County comprehensive plan and will refine and detail the park and open space-related recommendations of the County comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the new park and open space plan updated information relating to land use, population levels, anticipated growth and development, natural resources, and park and open space acquisition and development; and

WHEREAS, throughout the development of the plan, Ozaukee County solicited public input and provided numerous opportunities for public involvement to ensure the public had ample opportunity for participation in the development of *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)*; and

WHEREAS, the new park and open space plan complies with State and Federal requirements, will guide the implementation of the Ozaukee County Park System and is further intended to maintain County eligibility to apply for and receive Federal and State aids in partial support of the acquisition and development of park and open space sites and facilities; and

WHEREAS, copies of the park and open space plan report were available for public review in the County Clerk's office, the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department office and on the County website; and

WHEREAS, the County has duly noticed a public hearing on *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)* and the Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Board held the public hearing on November 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department has prepared, in conjunction with SEWRPC, with oversight by the Comprehensive Planning Board, *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County* for the planning design year 2050, with this plan being embodied in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (4th Edition), *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050*; and

WHEREAS, the Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Board at its meeting on

November 20, 2024, acted to recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors adoption of *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)* as set forth in the aforementioned SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (4th Edition);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors acting on the recommendation of the Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Board, hereby adopts *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)*, embodied in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (4th Edition); and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)*, embodied in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (4th Edition) shall serve as a guide for implementation of park and open space resources in the County; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, SEWRPC and Ozaukee County Local Governments.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December, 2025.

SUMMARY: Adoption of A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County (4th Edition): 2050

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING BOARD

OZAUKEE COUNTY BOARD

Ozaukee County Board
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Planning and Parks
DIRECTOR:	Andrew Struck
PREPARER:	Kellie Kretlow

Agenda Summary Adoption of A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department (Department) has finalized an update to the Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2035. A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County was included as part of the first regional park and open space plan, Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) Planning Report No. 27, A Regional Park and Open Space Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin: 2000, which was adopted by SEWRPC on December 1, 1977. The regional park and open space plan as it relates to Ozaukee County was subsequently refined in 1978 as documented in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 23, A Park and Recreation Plan for Ozaukee County.

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ANALYSIS: On August 2, 2017, the Department requested that SEWRPC assist the County in the preparation of a new A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition). This park and open space planning process started prior to the COVID pandemic (2020) with several public input meetings and surveys including a countywide public opinion survey (2019-2020) and was subsequently delayed and extended past the COVID pandemic years for additional public involvement and final plan development. The new park and open space plan was prepared within the framework of the Multi-jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Ozaukee

County: 2035 and is based upon the recommended development pattern set forth in the County comprehensive plan and will refine and detail the park and open space-related recommendations of the County comprehensive plan. The new park and open space plan updated information relating to land use, population levels, anticipated growth and development, natural resources, and park and open space acquisition and development.

Throughout the development of the plan, Ozaukee County solicited public input and provided numerous opportunities for public involvement to ensure the public had ample opportunity for participation in the development of the A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition). The new park and open space plan complies with State and Federal requirements, will guide the implementation of the Ozaukee County Park System, guide implementation of park and open space resources in the County, and is further intended to maintain County eligibility to apply for and receive Federal and State aids in partial support of the acquisition and development of park and open space sites and facilities. Copies of the park and open space plan report were available for public review in the County Clerk's office, the Department's office and on the County website. The County has duly noticed a public hearing on the A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition) and the Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Board held the public hearing on November 20, 2024. The Ozaukee County Comprehensive Planning Board also acted to recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors adoption of A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition) as set forth in the aforementioned SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (4th Edition) at its meeting on November 20, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve and recommend to the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors the adoption of A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County: 2050 (4th Edition), embodied in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 133 (4th Edition).

ATTACHMENTS:

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Members of the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors,

The Comprehensive Planning Board (CPB) presents to you, *A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County, 4th Edition*. The complete document is quite comprehensive with narrative, tables and maps. We recommend you start with the Executive Summary and referenced maps and tables.

Required by the State of Wisconsin, this update represents over eight years of effort by the County's Planning and Parks Department Staff, SEWRPC Staff and the CPB. Preparation of this 4th Edition included review of the current POSP, including accomplishments and adjustments due to the continued growth and development of Ozaukee County. Citizen input came from multiple surveys and meetings conducted via mail and from park users by direct interviews and printed questionnaires.

The CPB spent considerable time identifying the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT) to our parks and open spaces. This 4th Edition of the POSP reflects our review and priorities for our future.

The current POSP was the foundation for Ozaukee County's success in growing, maintaining and improving our park system. Section 3.7 of Chapter 3 (p. 85) and Appendix D summarizes the investments made possible by the last POSP. For every county dollar invested, six dollars were received via grants and other outside donations.

In summary, while the POSP provides a foundation for natural resources and open space preservation and park and outdoor recreation planning, only the County Board can determine what the county will look like in 20 years. Interim steps will include proposed actions by the Natural Resources Committee, the County Board's Strategic planning process and individual Board approvals as opportunities and priorities become available.

It is the Comprehensive Planning Board's hope that you will adopt this plan.

Sincerely,

The Comprehensive Planning Board

A PARK AND OPEN SPACE PLAN FOR OZAUKEE COUNTY: 2050 (4TH EDITION)

**REVIEW DRAFT
NOVEMBER 2024**

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A PARK AND OPEN SPACE PLAN FOR OZAUKEE COUNTY

Executive Summary

Ozaukee County contains numerous parks and conservancy areas with various natural amenities and recreational facilities where residents and visitors alike can explore scenic landscapes and enjoy miles of trails, including the Ozaukee Interurban Trail. This Ozaukee County Park and Open Space Plan will help the County promote the stewardship of its natural resources and assess current and future outdoor recreational and open space needs.

This Plan also ensures that the County remains eligible to apply for and potentially receive Federal and State aids through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) to support acquiring and developing park and open space sites and facilities. To become or remain eligible for available Federal and State outdoor recreation grants, the WDNR typically requires a plan that is adopted within five years preceding the submittal of any grant application.

Ozaukee County has a long history of park and open space planning, going back to the 1970s. A park and open space plan for Ozaukee County was included as part of the first regional park and open space plan, which was adopted by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (RPC) in 1977. The initial park and open space plan for Ozaukee County was approved in 1987. The plan was revised and updated in 1998, 2001, and 2011. The plan was once again revised and updated in 2024. This plan is the fourth edition and has a design year of 2050.

PLAN CONTENT

This Ozaukee County Park and Open Space Plan is comprised of six chapters and 18 appendices. The first five chapters provide background information about the County and how the plan was developed, provides the implementation status of the recommendations from the previous County park and open space plan, and identifies the objectives, principles, and standards used to guide this plan. The sixth

chapter includes updated park, outdoor recreation facility, trail, and open space recommendations for County-owned sites and facilities and future sites and facilities. It also provides recommendations for the various park and open space sites and facilities owned by Federal and State public entities located within the County. This plan update was developed under the guidance of the County Comprehensive Planning Board. This plan was approved by the County Comprehensive Planning Board on October 16, 2024, and was adopted by the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors on December 4, 2024.

This Plan provides existing demographic and economic characteristics, existing land uses, and natural resources, all of which are used to determine the need for additional park and open space sites and facilities and for designing a plan to meet those needs. Information relative to the County includes:

- Based on the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the 2020 population for Ozaukee County was 91,503 persons, an increase of about six percent since 2010 (86,395 persons)
- In 2020, there were 39,086 households in Ozaukee County, an increase of about 14 percent since 2010 (34,228 households)
- In 2020, urban land uses in Ozaukee County—consisting of residential, commercial, industrial, governmental and institutional, recreational, and transportation, communication and utility uses—comprised about 25 percent of the total area of the County, while rural land uses—consisting of agricultural land, wetland, woodland, surface water, landfill and extractive, and other open land uses—comprised about 75 percent of the County
- Significant water features in Ozaukee County include about 25 miles of Lake Michigan shoreline, 94 miles of streams and rivers (including the Milwaukee River and Cedar Creek), and three major lakes—lakes of 50 or more acres (Lac du Cours, Mud Lake, and Spring Lake)
- Environmental corridors and isolated natural resource areas provide concentrations of the best remaining elements of the natural resource base in Ozaukee County, combined primary and secondary environmental corridors and isolated natural resource areas encompass about 21 percent of the County

- Natural areas are tracts of land or water that contain intact native plant and animal communities believed to be representative of the landscape before European settlement, and in 2023, totaled 53 sites encompassing 7,711 acres
- Critical species habitat sites are those areas, outside of natural areas, where the chief value lies in their ability to support rare, threatened, or endangered species, and in 2023, totaled 34 sites encompassing 2,258 acres
- In 2020, agricultural uses comprised about 43 percent of the County, including those lands identified as prime agricultural lands—lands, which in terms of soil characteristics and other factors, are best suited for the production of food and fiber

This Plan update also includes all park and open space sites owned by a public agency (Federal, State, County, MMSD, and local units of government and school districts), lands held in conservation easements, and outdoor recreation sites that are privately owned. A summarized inventory of park and outdoor recreation sites includes:

- State of Wisconsin owned nine park and open space sites, encompassing 3,285 acres, including one major park—Harrington Beach State Park
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service owned six open space sites, encompassing 715 acres
- Bureau of Land Management has regulatory authority of nine sites (12 islands) within the Milwaukee River, encompassing about 27 acres, three islands are owned by other public entities and 13 islands are privately-owned
- The Ozaukee County park system consists of 18 sites (Ansley Family Nature Preserve, Covered Bridge County Park, Ehlers County Park, Harborview County Park, Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve, Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve, Ozaukee County Interurban Trail Pocket Park, Ozaukee County Interurban Trail Wayside Park, River Oaks County Park, Trail Bridge Park, Ulao Creek Nature Preserve, Virmond County Park, and Waubedonia County Park), including four major parks—Hawthorne Hills County Park, Mee-Kwon County Park, Tendick Nature Park, and the combination of Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve/Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve; all 18 sites encompassing 1,304 acres

- Ozaukee County owns three additional sites/properties (Ozaukee County Fair Grounds, Guenther Farmstead, and the Bee Keeper Bog property), totaling 312 acres
- Sites owned by local units of government, school districts, or other public entities within the County used for outdoor recreation or natural resource preservation purposes included 186 sites encompassing 3,042 acres
- Private resource-oriented outdoor recreational uses included 145 sites encompassing 6,141 acres
- Private conservation organizations owned 22 sites encompassing 1,516 acres for resource protection purposes
- Lands protected under conservation easements encompass 2,460 acres
- Existing trails include the 30-mile Ozaukee Interurban Trail, segments of the Route of the Badger trail system, numerous trails within WDNR and County lands, local trails consisting of on- and off-street segments; about 116 miles of snowmobile trails; and an ATV/UTV route system utilizing local and County roads in the Towns of Belgium, Fredonia, Port Washington, and Saukville and the Village of Belgium
- Ozaukee County contains two water trails—the State-designated Lake Michigan State Water Trail and the locally-recognized Milwaukee/Ozaukee Urban Water Trail
- The Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary on Lake Michigan includes 10 “known” shipwrecks within Ozaukee County waters for those persons interested in exploring the maritime heritage

Ozaukee County also conducted and implemented various ecological and recreational improvements at County parks and habitat restoration areas, including the management of forests/woodlands; stream, wetland, and floodplain restoration; prairie establishment and management; invasive species management; and habitat improvement for fish, wildlife, and birds. The County has compiled an inventory detailing the management of these improvements at County parks or properties over the last decade.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND SWOT ANALYSIS

To ensure the public is acquainted with this planning process, the public participation efforts carried out during the preparation of this Plan included a statistically significant countywide public opinion survey concerning parks, recreation, natural areas, coastal resources, farmland, and open space preservation; two periods of onsite park user surveys with questions focusing on the number of parks visited, frequency of park use, desired park amenities and potential new uses, new parks, and park satisfaction; three public visioning sessions, and a strength, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) analysis completed and compiled by the Comprehensive Planning Board.

The SWOT analysis reflects the current assets and liabilities and trends that might have a positive or negative impact pertaining to, but not limited to, parks, trails, recreation, culture, and open space in Ozaukee County. The SWOT includes a listing and analysis of 12 strengths, seven weaknesses, 16 opportunities, and six threats without a priority ordering. The summary of SWOT items is shown in Figure 4.2 in Chapter 4. Each strength, weakness, opportunity, and threat includes a corresponding item summary with supporting data and information as shown on a table as part of Figure 4.2. The Planning and Parks Department also tracks multiple Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) as part of Planning and Parks Department operations and the County's Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).

Overall, the SWOT analysis showed that many of the goals, objectives, programs, policies, and action items since the last adopted Park and Open Space Plan have received significant attention and many have been accomplished or significantly accomplished. The SWOT also demonstrated efficiency and effectiveness in accomplishing these goals, objectives, programs, policies, and action items as shown in Appendix D, the Outcomes, Accomplishments, and Funding table. The SWOT identified many strengths within the Ozaukee County Park System and associated managed open space including a well-respected, well managed, and successful Planning and Parks Department that prioritizes parks and trails for everyone with a diversity of amenities, activities, partnerships, natural features, and geography with an emphasis on connectivity (e.g. Ozaukee Interurban Trail) and its unique location on Lake Michigan. The SWOT weaknesses also demonstrated that these accomplishments might not be broadly known or appreciated as demonstrated by County awareness and funding (inclusive of capacity, staff, maintenance, and capital funding). Other weaknesses included a lack of camping sites, lack of hunting areas, and lack of boat and fishing access to inland lakes and Lake Michigan. The SWOT also demonstrated that there are several opportunities within the Ozaukee County Park System and associated managed open space including expansion of existing

and new parks, golf courses, trails (Ozaukee Interurban Trail and Route of the Badger), facilities (e.g. Visitor Center), ecological and habitat restoration, and farmland preservation. In addition, recent opportunities since the last adopted Park and Open Space Plan include capitalizing on new Parks such as Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve, Ansay Family Nature Preserve, Ulao Creek Nature Preserve, Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve, and Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve and the newly designated Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary and other Lake Michigan assets like the Lake Michigan Water Trail. Opportunities were also identified for further coordination, engagement, and community support through communication, marketing, integration, partnerships, and funding. Several threats were identified to monitor and address including negative impacts of invasive species, bluff erosion dynamics, unmanaged development, degradation of water quality, increased park visitation, and lack of funding (maintenance and capital) for the Ozaukee County Park System.

PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommendations included in this Park and Open Space Plan are the most important output of this planning effort, providing guidance to the County as it seeks to maintain a high-quality park system that meets the needs of County residents and visitors and enhances and protects the natural resource base in the County. Plan recommendations consist of an open space preservation element and an outdoor recreation element. Some of the key findings and recommendations include:

- Approximately 38,125 acres of open space lands, or about 25 percent of Ozaukee County, are recommended to be protected through a combination of public or nonprofit conservation organization ownership, through conservation easements, or through the application of protective zoning
- Lands in existing public ownership, nonprofit conservation organization ownership, under conservation easements, or in compatible private outdoor recreation uses totaled 13,029 acres, or about 34 percent of all the open space lands
- Various public agencies or nonprofit conservation organizations acquire over 9,300 acres for natural resource protection, open space preservation purposes, or public park or trail use, particularly lands associated with environmental corridors and isolated natural resource areas

- Placing almost 15,800 acres within protective zoning districts to prevent incompatible development and resource protection, particularly lands associated with environmental corridors and isolated natural resource areas
- Of the 87 natural areas and critical species habitat sites identified in the County, totaling 9,969 acres, it is recommended that 79 of these areas, encompassing 9,584 acres, be protected through ownership by public agencies, nonprofit conservation organizations, or private organizations, and the other eight sites, encompassing 385 acres, be protected through appropriate zoning
- Providing five existing major parks, one owned by the WDNR and four owned by Ozaukee County, including the combination of Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve, Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve, and Ansay Family Nature Preserve as one major park
- Top priority identified by Ozaukee County during this planning process is the acquisition of 3,191 acres of additional lands within planned County Project Areas, as shown on Map 6.1 in Chapter 6, which are mostly adjacent to or near existing County parks or properties
- County identifying 15 County Project Areas and acquiring additional lands at 14 existing parks within the County park system, acquiring lands at three proposed parks to be added to the County park system, and acquiring lands for two other proposed County-owned lands; acquiring lands for two proposed County parks to be added to the County park system; and adding three existing County-owned lands to the County park system
- County continuing development or improvement of facilities at 18 existing parks currently part of the County park system, including all of the County-owned major parks, and the development of facilities at four existing County-owned properties and four other properties to be added to the County park system, as shown in Table 6.4 in Chapter 6
- County providing a 99-mile Countywide trail system, including the existing Ozaukee Interurban Trail, two proposed recreation corridors, and five trail corridors, to enable participation in such activities as bicycling, hiking, nature study, and ski touring
- County continuing to coordinate with the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, the Wisconsin Bike Federation, and the Regional Planning Commission to implement and develop the trail network proposed by the Route of the Badger regional trail system

- County coordinating with the WDNR and Sheboygan County for the development of a public boat access site on Spring Lake that will meet WDNR standards for boat access sites on major inland lakes, as well as look at other opportunities for boat access on inland lakes and Lake Michigan in Ozaukee County
- Continued development of a water trail system with canoe/kayak access sites on the Milwaukee River and Cedar Creek and the continued support of providing or improving canoe/kayak access sites along Lake Michigan for the Lake Michigan State Water Trail
- Pursuing opportunities to provide additional access to inland lakes for boating, beach swimming, shore fishing, and passive recreational activities
- Prioritizing projects for restoration and preservation using County GIS Tools which allows planners and decision makers to identify and prioritize areas where the investment of limited conservation dollars will provide maximum benefit to the most critical fish and wildlife species based on species' habitat requirements with examples including the successful, ongoing preservation and restoration projects at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve and the Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park

IMPLEMENTATION AND COSTS

The Outcomes, Accomplishments, and Funding of Implementing the Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County (2010–2023) table, as shown in Appendix D of this report, includes pertinent information to address progress on several recommendations in the previous POSP. Specifically, the table is organized by project, with columns to address relevance to the Park and Outdoor Recreation Element, Park and Open Space Preservation Element, Plan Implementation, Acquisition and Development Priorities, and reference to specific POSP numbers and recommendations. Additionally, the table in Appendix D includes project and project site details, year complete, total project cost, revenue information (e.g., non-county tax dollars or county tax dollars amounts), funding source for non-county tax dollars, and associated metric outcome. Projects include various capital improvements within the Ozaukee County Park System and fish passage and ecological restoration projects completed under the Planning and Parks Department's Ecological Division. The Appendix D table notes that approximately \$6 of outside funding is received for every \$1 of levy to advance the last POSP (project costs between 2010-2023 totaled \$31,006,676 with non-county tax dollars totaling \$26,411,061 and tax dollars (levy) totaling \$4,593,614).

The Appendix D table includes 243 projects ranging from \$145 to \$5,001,480 with a mean cost of \$127,599 and a median cost of \$15,435. Project totals in the Ozaukee County Park System included: Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve (2); Covered Bridge County Park (11); Ehlers County Park (7); Harborview County Park (4); Hawthorne Hills County Park and Golf Course (inclusive of HH Peters Youth Camp and Shady Lane) (37); Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve (17); Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve (5); Mee-Kwon County Park and Golf Course (21); Ozaukee County Administration Building (1); Ozaukee County Fairgrounds (1); River Oaks County Park (6); Tendick Nature Park (20); Trail Bridge Park (2); Ulao Creek Nature Preserve (2); Virmond County Park (23); and Waubedonia County Park (22). Additional projects were completed on the Ozaukee Interurban Trail (15) and many fish passage and habitat restoration projects on 25 different creeks and the Milwaukee River. Additional Planning and Parks Department metrics are included in the Outcomes, Accomplishments, and Funding table, as show in Appendix D, and Key Performance Indicators as part of Planning and Parks Department operations and the County's Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).

Average annual per park maintenance across all parks has increased between 2009 to 2023. Specifically, average maintenance costs of all parks per park was approximately \$28,520 (including salaries and fringe benefits) or \$11,126 (excluding salaries and fringe benefits) in 2009, and approximately \$40,701 (including salaries and fringe benefits) or \$19,691 in 2023.

In 2015, the Public Policy Forum, as detailed in Appendix I of this report, released a report entitled "Open Spaces, Cultural Places" (wispolicyforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/WOWCountiesCultureRecreation.pdf) that explored culture and recreation funding in Waukesha, Ozaukee, and Washington Counties between 2010-2014. The report noted that that Ozaukee County spent \$26.1 million during the study period on culture and recreation (both operations and capital needs), or an average of about \$5.2 million annually. This represented about 6 percent of total annual average County spending during the five-year period. Average annual spending on operations was \$3.5 million, while average capital spending was \$1.7 million. It is important to note that these totals are skewed by one-time spending at the fairgrounds, most of which (\$4.6 million) occurred in 2012. Only a small portion of the monies spent on culture and recreation were derived from the County's property tax levy. In fact, the two major areas of spending—water projects and golf courses—were fully funded by outside revenues (public and private grants for water projects and green fees and related revenues for golf courses).

Overall, \$2.4 million of property tax levy was used to support culture and recreation in the five-year period, or an average of about \$472,000 per year out of a total annual County property tax levy of about \$20 million. Most of Ozaukee County's property tax levy support for the culture and recreation function was directed toward its parks, with \$567,441 in levy budgeted for that purpose in 2014. Non-levy revenues to support the parks were budgeted at about \$131,000 and included a \$35,000 payment in lieu of taxes from each of the two golf courses. Average tax levy percent from 2020-2023 for Planning and Parks Department operating expenditures in the Parks, Recreation, and Culture areas for all Counties in the Regional Planning Commission's seven-county region included: Waukesha – 45 percent; Kenosha – 20 percent; Walworth – 59 percent; Racine – 57 percent; Washington – 20 percent; Milwaukee – 28 percent; Ozaukee – 25 percent.

The Ozaukee County Park and Open Space Plan can be accessed online at:

www.sewrpc.org and

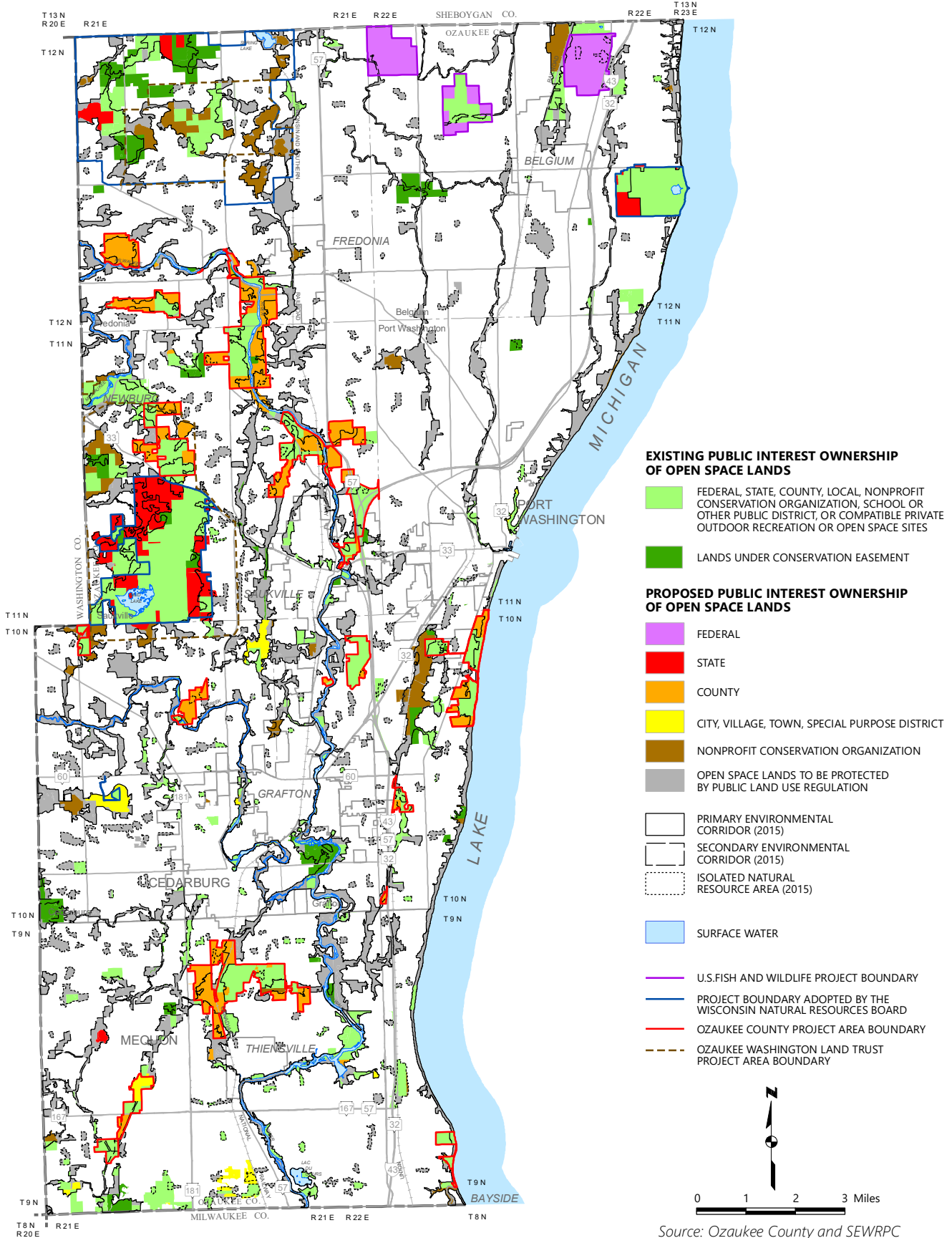
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Map 6.1

Open Space Preservation Element of the Ozaukee County Park and Open Space Plan: 2050



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Table 6.4**Estimated Development Costs for County Parks Under the Recommended Park Plan**

County Park	Proposed Facility Development	Cost (\$)
Major Parks		
Clay Bluff Gedar Gorge Nature Preserve/ Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve	Clay Bluff Gedar Gorge Nature Preserve Hiking/Walking/Nature trails, including universally accessible trails and boardwalks; Paved parking; Permanent year-round restrooms; Pavilion/Visitor/Nature center; Outlook viewing platform; Observation tower; Bicycle parking; Pedestrian bridge over the gorge; Lake Michigan access (stairway) and overlook areas; Maintenance access roads; Educational, entrance, and wayfinding signage; Benches; Installing public art; Signage for the Lake Michigan Water Trail; Park kiosk; Prairie and native landscaping	2,281,000
	Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve Additional trails with land acquisition; Observation tower; Educational signage; Signage for the Lake Michigan Water Trail, Additional land/easement for permanent entrance signage near CTH C; Additional benches; Paved multi-use trail connector to Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve and the Ozaukee Interurban Trail	542,000
Hawthorne Hills County Park	Campground with RV and tent sites and associated facilities/infrastructure, including permanent restroom facilities; Additional hiking/walking/nature trails and boardwalks/bridges; Upgrades to the golf course clubhouse and golf course infrastructure; Driving range near the golf course; Nature-based playground facilities; Canoe/Kayak launch and pier on the Milwaukee River; Pedestrian bridge over the Milwaukee River to connect to the Ozaukee Interurban Trail; Signage for the Milwaukee/Ozaukee Urban Water Trail; Fishing pier at the pond; New pavement for the park road; Additional benches; Additional picnic facilities, including new grills; Install public art; Flagpole; Park informational kiosk; New park entrance signage; Sand volleyball court or other recreational amenities associated with the campground and/or school	1,526,000
Mee-Kwon County Park	Additional hiking/walking/nature trails and boardwalk/bridges; Permanent restroom facilities; Additional benches; New entrance signage for the southern entrance; Driving range/Fairway/Practice area expansion; Golf course maintenance building expansion; New pavement for the park roadway; Seasonal beer garden; Fishing pier/Access to pond	891,000
Tendick Nature Park	Additional hiking/walking/nature trails and boardwalk/bridges; Playground facilities; Seasonal beer garden; Additional benches and picnic tables; Upgrades and better signage for disc golf; Upgrades to the archery range; Install outdoor public art; Additional drinking water fountain; Stripe the parking lot; Additional grills; Additional bathroom facilities and maintain restrooms; Maintain the existing gazebo; New cold storage building and/or rehabilitate the existing barn; Improve the canoe/kayak launch; Observation tower with ADA considerations; Ice skating facility	1,298,000
Subtotal – Four Sites		6,538,000
Other Existing County Parks		
Ansley Family Nature Preserve (County Park)	Hiking/walking/nature trails; Boardwalks, Fishing/Overlook pier(s); Paved road and parking area; Permanent restroom facilities and picnic shelter(s); Visitor/Nature center; Park entrance, boundary, and regulation signage; Information kiosk; Educational signage; Drinking water fountain; Grills; Benches	1,261,000
Covered Bridge County Park	Improve canoe/kayak launch, including a pier; Additional hiking/walking/nature trails; Additional benches; Paved parking areas; Gazebo; New park entrance signage; Maintain the historic covered bridge; Additional bird nest boxes; Seasonal beer garden; Signage for the Milwaukee/Ozaukee Urban Water Trail; Sand volleyball court	511,000

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Table 6.4 (Continued)

County Park	Proposed Facility Development	Cost (\$)
Other Existing County Parks (continued)		
Ehlers County Park	Permanent restroom facilities; Drinking water fountain; Playground facility; Additional grills; Additional benches; Kayak/Canoe pier; Paved northern park road and parking area; Dog park with property additions/expansion; Additional bird nest boxes; Fishing pier	502,000
Harborview County Park	Educational signage	2,000
Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve	Hiking/Walking/Nature trails; Boardwalks; Overlook viewing platform; Pedestrian bridge over the Little Menomonee River; Picnic area; Additional bird nest boxes; Benches; Entrance signage; Portable bathroom shelter; Park kiosk; Paved multi-use trail connecting to the proposed Little Menomonee River Recreation Trail; Paved multi-use trail connecting to the City of Mequon's bike routes	383,000
Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve	Hiking/Walking/Nature trails and boardwalks/bridges; Paved parking lot; Fishing access; Pier; Canoe/Kayak launch; Bird nest boxes; Informational kiosk; Educational signage; Benches; Signage for the Milwaukee/Ozaukee Urban Water Trail; Paved multi-use trail along CTH W from STH 33 to the Village of Saukville's Schowalter Park	206,000
Ozaukee Interurban Trail Pocket Park	Routine maintenance	5,000
Ozaukee Interurban Trail Wayside Park	Picnic Facilities; Informational kiosk; Educational signage	39,000
River Oaks County Park	Picnic facilities; Portable restrooms; Informational kiosk; Educational signage; Fishing access and pier to the Milwaukee River; Hiking/Walking/Nature trails, including boardwalks and bridges; Sand volleyball court; Canoe/Kayak launch; Horseshoe pits; Additional benches; Pedestrian bridge	220,000
Trail Bridge Park	Walking/Nature Trail; Park kiosk; Prairie Restoration	21,000
Ulao Creek Nature Preserve	Hiking/Walking/Nature trails; Boardwalks/Bridges; Gravel/Paved parking area; Install bird nest boxes, educational signage, park entrance signage, Benches; and park kiosk	86,000
Virmond County Park	Soccer and baseball field improvements; Barn restoration; Additional gravel/paved parking; Pickleball courts; Horseshoe pits; Seasonal beer garden; Improvements and addition to the park caretaker house; Gazebo; Replace park entrance signage; Bridges/Boardwalks; Flagpole; Educational signage about the public access stairway to Lake Michigan; Expand existing playground; Additional public outdoor art; Additional benches; Observation tower; Motus Wildlife Tracking System radio telemetry tower; Beach walking connection to Ozaukee Washington Land Trust-owned properties and a stormwater wetland	1,613,500
Waubedonia County Park	Additional hiking/walking/nature trails; Additional grills; Boardwalks/Bridges; Improve canoe/kayak launch and pier; Shower facilities and additional permanent restrooms; Gazebo; Flagpole; Year-round bathrooms and drinking water fountains; Historic farm equipment display; Improve playground equipment/playground; Park road repaving; Additional parking; Additional benches; Additional campsites; Improvements and an addition to the caretaker house	1,177,000
Subtotal – 13 Sites		6,026,500
Proposed County Parks		
Bee Keeper Bog Property	Picnic facilities; Hiking/Walking/Nature trails; Boardwalks/Bridges; Education signage; Information kiosk; Portable restrooms	94,000
City of Cedarburg Property (Proposed County Park)	Hiking/walking/nature trails; Boardwalks, Fishing/Overlook pier(s); Kayak/Canoe launch/pier(s); Paved public access road and parking area; Permanent restroom facilities and picnic shelter(s); Access road to the park; Park entrance, boundary, and regulation signage; Information kiosk; Educational signage; Drinking water fountain; Grills; Bird nest boxes; Benches	540,000
Fredonia Old Mill and Button Factory	Remove non-conforming structures/buildings; Parking area; Canoe/Kayak launch; Fishing access	97,000

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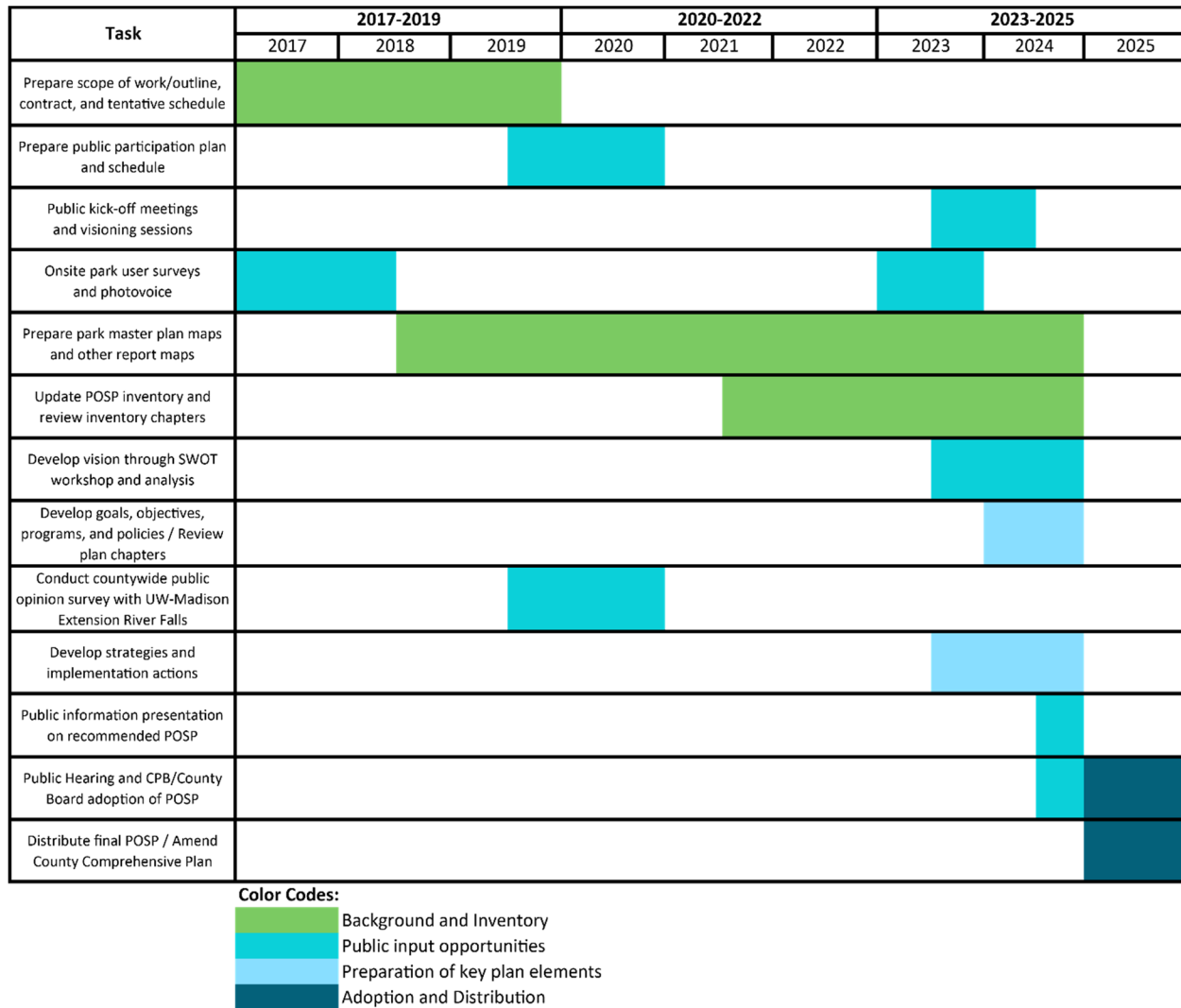
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County Park	Proposed Facility Development	Cost (\$)
Proposed County Parks (continued)		
Guenther Farmstead Property/Payne and Dolan Property/Other County-owned and Town of Saukville-owned Properties	Picnic facilities; Mountain bike trails; Nature/Educational center; Information kiosks; Educational signage; Hiking/Walking/Nature trails; Boardwalk/Bridges; Parking; Park entrance signage; Restrooms; Fishing and inland lake access; Boating; Hunting; Other passive use recreational activities, including maintaining existing snowmobile trails	1,092,000
Moldenhauer Lake Property	Signage; Access area	7,000
Oakland Green Park	Viewing and fishing platform; Woodchipped/Natural trail; Park signage; Picnic tables; Pedestrian bridge	171,000
Ozaukee Interurban Trail Campground	Bike packing campsites and related facilities	10,000
Pinnacle Property	Picnic facilities; Hiking/Walking/Nature trails; Boardwalks/Bridges; Park entrance signage; Parking; Mountain bike trails; Information kiosk; Educational signage; Portable restrooms	319,000
Subtotal – Eight Sites		2,330,000
Trails		
Ozaukee Interurban Trail Recreation Corridor	2.4 miles of additional trail (all paved)	316,800
Lakefront Trail Corridor	3.8 miles of trails (all paved)	501,600
Little Menomonee River Recreation Corridor	6 miles of trails (all unpaved)	475,200
Little Menomonee River – East-West Extension	5 miles of trails (all paved)	660,000
Milwaukee River Recreation Corridor	18 miles of trails (3.25 miles paved; 14.75 miles unpaved)	1,598,000
Saukville Rail Trail Corridor	15 miles of trails (all paved)	1,980,000
STH 60 Trail Corridor	3.7 miles of trails (all paved)	488,400
Hawthorne Hills – Ozaukee Interurban Trail Corridor	7 miles of trails (signed, on-road)	100,000
Subtotal – Eight Sites		6,120,000
Total – 33 Sites		21,014,500

Note: Cost estimates are expressed in 2023 dollars.

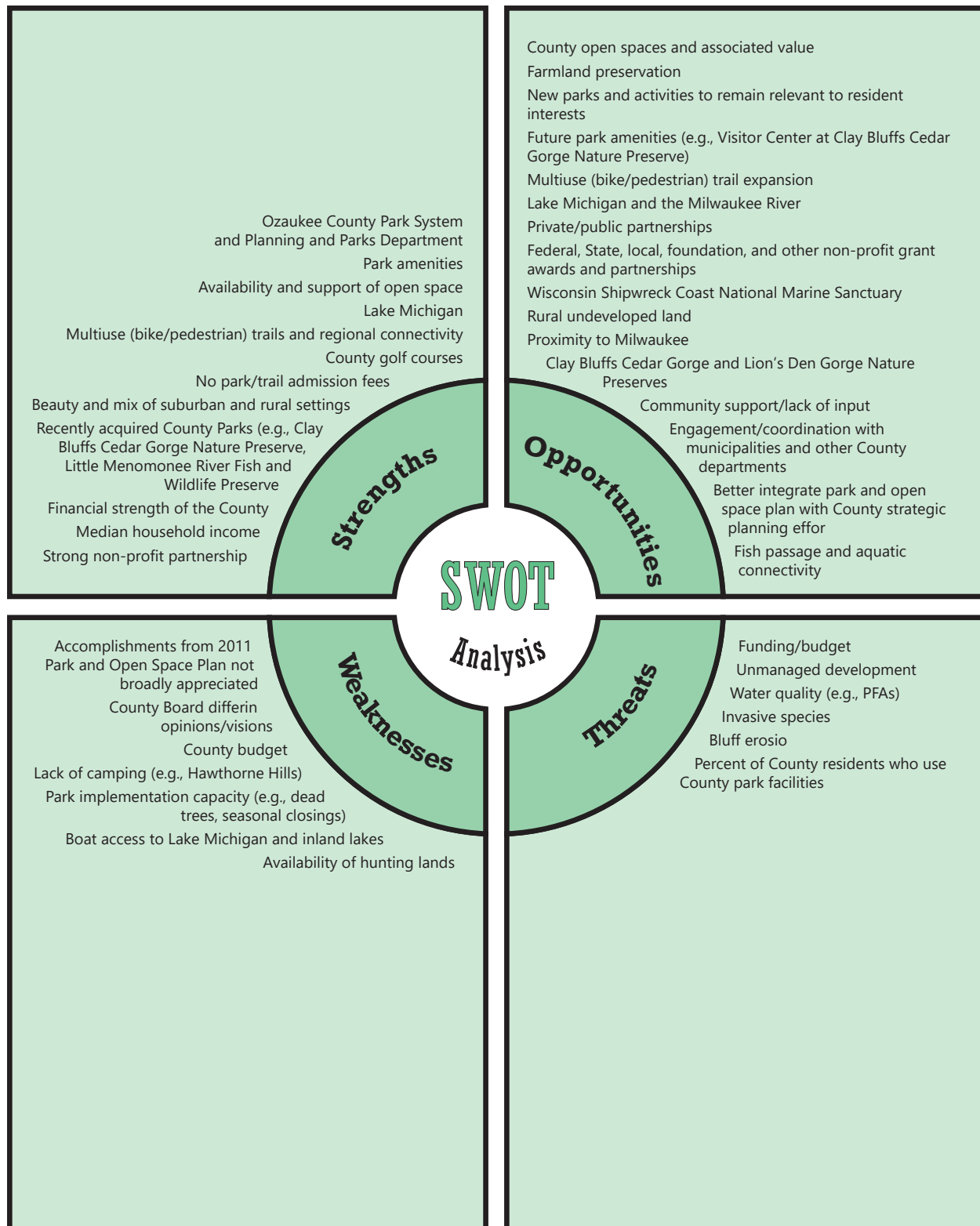
Source: Ozaukee County and SEWRPC

Figure E.1
Ozaukee County Park and Open Space Plan Timeline



Source: Ozaukee County and SEWRPC

Figure 4.2
Results of Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT)
Analysis for the Ozaukee County Park and Open Space Plan



Source: Ozaukee County and SEWRPC

Park and Open Space Plan
SWOT, Reconsidered
Updated 11/22/2024

STRENGTHS

	Item Summary	Supporting Information and Data
STRENGTH Ozaukee County Park System and Planning and Parks Department	There is a good variety and number of county parks. They are well-run, well-maintained and well serve the interests of residents and visitors. Our parks department is well-managed and well-respected. Parks are well-maintained with good amenities. Its forward thinking, creative solutioning and ability to deliver on grant commitments has yielded trust in the granting community that benefits Ozaukee taxpayers and parks users.	The POSP Park user surveys (2010, 2017-2018, 2023) indicated that 33% of respondents thought the park they were visiting was “it’s great as it is” when asked about any additional improvements, additional facilities, or new recreational opportunities they’d like to see at the park. The tables below show acreage and number of parks per capita and county park and open space land use as a percentage of county land use. Also see the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table. The Department has also received several state and national awards for its environmental enhancement and restoration work throughout Ozaukee County and the Ozaukee County Park System, including: Sweetwater Watershed Champion Award (2016 – Planning and Parks Department / Fish Passage Program), Wisconsin Urban Forestry Council Project Partnership Award (2016 – Ozaukee County Fish Passage Program / Ulao Creek Habitat Restoration), Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Outside Cooperator of the Year Award (2016 – Ecological Restoration), Bluebird Restoration Association of Wisconsin Achievement Award (2020 – bluebird boxes, habitat restoration, education and outreach), National Association of Counties Achievement Awards (2011 – Fish Passage for the Milwaukee River Watershed, 2021 – Ecological Prioritization GIS Tool Refinement and Development, 2022 – Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park Restoration and 2023 – Mineral Springs Creek Restoration), National Association of County Park and Recreation Officials (2021 – Planning Initiative – Ecological Prioritization GIS Tool, 2023 – Park and Recreation Class I Category - Resilient Lake Michigan Public Access Stairway Construction at Virmond County Park, 2024 – Conservation - Mineral Springs Creek Corridor Restoration). The Planning and Parks Department has effectively managed each park in the Ozaukee County Park System, averaging an average maintenance cost of \$49/acre in 2023. Between 2010-2023, the Department received 84 federal, state, and local non-profit organization grants totaling approximately \$5,642,000 to support land acquisitions, capital improvements and holistic ecological restoration and enhancement throughout the Ozaukee County Park System. The Department also tracks multiple Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).

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STRENGTH Park Amenities	Amenities that support park visitors are of good quality and enhance the visitor experience, as referenced in Chapters III, V and VI.	The POSP Park user survey indicated that 33% of respondents thought the park they were visiting was “it’s great as it is” when asked about any additional improvements, additional facilities, or new recreational opportunities they’d like to see at the park. A listing of recent amenities is included in the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table, which notes that approximately \$6 of outside funding is received for every \$1 of levy to advance the last POSP (total project costs between 2010-2023 = \$31,006,676; non-county tax dollars total amount = \$26,411,061, tax dollars (levy) amount = \$4,593,614). Average tax levy percent from 2020-2023 for Department operating expenditures in the Parks, Recreation and Culture area for all Counties in the SEWRPC region includes: Waukesha – 45%; Kenosha – 20%; Walworth 59%; Racine – 57%; Washington – 20%; Milwaukee – 28%; Ozaukee – 25%. Additional tax levy comparison data is included in the 2015 Public Policy Forum Report “Open Spaces, Cultural Places: Exploring Culture & Recreation Funding in Waukesha, Ozaukee, and Washington Counties” (https://wispolicyforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/WOWCountiesCultureRecreation.pdf). See also individual Park Master Plans in the appendix for additional details.																																								

<u>STRENGTH</u> Availability and Support of Open Space	The 2020 Countywide Public Opinion Survey is included as an appendix in this POSP. Also, see Chapter II and VI for priority open space availability.	Countywide Public Opinion Survey results include: Top Priorities for Future Funding: • Maintaining Ozaukee Interurban Trail (44%-2010, 86%-2020) • Maintenance & upkeep of existing park facilities (76%-2010, 85%-2020) • Preserving open space, protecting natural resources & wildlife habitat (74%-2010, 85%-2020) • River restoration projects (71%-2010, 82%-2020) • Preserving historic structures & archeological sites (65%-2010, 68%-2020) • Public access to rivers, streams and lakes, including Lake Michigan (48%- 2010, 66%-2020) • Protecting natural areas adjacent to County parks (55%-2010, 65%-2020) • Preservation of farmland (rural character) (52%-2010, 56%-2020) • Expanding Ozaukee Interurban Trail (41%-2010, 54%-2020) • Acquiring parkland for passive uses (38%-2010, 52%-2020) Source: UW River Falls – Public Opinion Survey for Ozaukee County 2010 and 2020
<u>STRENGTH</u> Lake Michigan	Lake Michigan is a unique and beautiful resource that enhances the Ozaukee experience.	25 miles of Lake Michigan shoreline is a significant county asset. Only 15 (of 72) counties in Wisconsin have Great Lake shoreline, providing a unique and beautiful resource that enhances the Ozaukee experience. Three existing parks along Lake Michigan include Virmond County Park, Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve and Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve, with plans to expand as well. The Countywide Public Opinion Survey results indicated that public access to rivers, streams and lakes, including Lake Michigan (48%-2010, 66%-2020) was a top priority for future funding.
<u>STRENGTH</u> Multiuse (Bike/Pedestrian) Trails and Regional Connectivity	Ozaukee's extensive Interurban [bike] Trail connects communities to provide an alternative transportation corridor, a welcome exercise venue and an important tourism attraction.	The Ozaukee Interurban Trail connects directly to the Brown Deer Recreation Trail and the Oak Leaf Trail in Brown Deer and the City of Milwaukee respectively and to the north directly to the Sheboygan Interurban Trail (please see new Trail map for the OIT). The OIT has been a critical piece of trail for the Route of the Badger, primarily as it was one of the first continuous, long trail segments in the region. The Route of the Badger is a regional partnership between Southeastern Wisconsin Counties, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, and other stakeholders working towards the vision of a 700-mile plus regional trail system/destination in region connecting existing infrastructure with new construction. The Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department has been involved with this coalition since its inception. The Ozaukee Interurban Trail is a 30-mile, paved, mostly off-road (90%), multi-use transportation and recreation trail that crosses the County from north to south passing through eight of Ozaukee County's sixteen communities. The Trail not only accommodates all season, non-motor vehicle recreational uses such as: hiking, walking, running, biking, in-line skating, wildlife viewing, and skiing, but also is an integral feature in connecting Ozaukee County's commuters to places of employment, business, industry, historic places and commerce. In fact, the Ozaukee Interurban Trail is a key element in Ozaukee County's overall transportation plan for the County. The trail follows the old railway bed of the Interurban Electric Railway

and therefore is relatively flat with only a few steeper gradients like going into and out of the City of Port Washington. The Trail is a 10-foot-wide asphalt paved trail with one foot shouldering on both sides (in most locations). See also the Trail map on the website including an elevation profile.

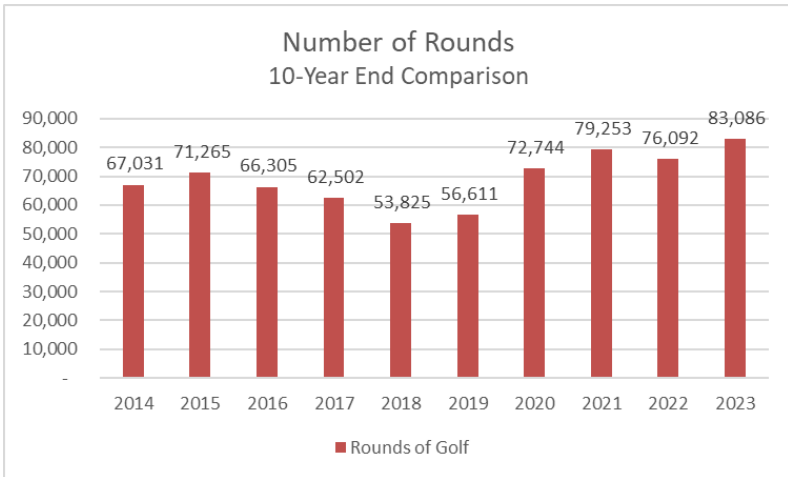
As a part of this plan update, the Department partnered with UW River Falls in 2020 to conduct a statistically significant countywide public opinion survey. Results of the survey showed 72% of respondents were in favor of the County applying for State or Federal grants and seeking private donations to support the expansion of a Countywide network of bike and pedestrian trails.

The Ozaukee Interurban Trail Advisory Council (OITAC) was formed in 2001 to assist in the planning and implementation of the Ozaukee Interurban Trail. The Advisory Council's mission is *to promote, facilitate and manage the safe public use and development of the Ozaukee Interurban Trail for transportation, recreation, health, education, economic development, and enjoyment of Ozaukee County's unique cultural, historical and natural resources*. The Advisory Council is a diverse representation of all areas of the community including: chamber of commerce representatives, tourism officials, business owners, elected officials, governmental staff, running club representatives, bike club representatives, concerned citizens, sheriff's department representatives, park commission members, local municipalities, University of Wisconsin-Extension representatives, national park service representatives, local power utility representatives (We Energies), bird club members, representatives from the countywide economic development corporation and landowners. The original membership of the Advisory Council was 35 volunteers, which has quickly grown to over 50 members as the trail began to develop and work on improvement projects. The Advisory Council has also established several committees to serve as "working groups" to assist in the implementation of the Trail, including the following committees: Rules and Ordinance Development Committee, Sustainability Committee, Trailside Facilities Committee, and Trail Promotion Committee. In addition to the volunteers that serve on the Advisory Council, many youth and service organizations have volunteered their time and talents for the Trail. Numerous Boy Scouts have achieved the rank of Eagle Scout by completing projects for the Advisory Council, such as constructing benches along the Trail, a picnic table/kiosk and sign posts. Other service projects include the construction of a comfort station with restrooms, the construction of an information kiosk, clean-up activities along the Trail and the completion of Trail user counts in-person at two locations on the Trail. The OITAC has achieved a great deal in a short amount of time. With the support of these dedicated volunteers, the Trail has become a popular attraction for county residents and tourists in alike.

The Department and the Ozaukee County Tourism Council (OCTC) understand the importance of the Ozaukee Interurban Trail and its corresponding market impact to the County. In 2019, the Department was awarded a Wisconsin Department of Tourism Joint Effort Marketing (JEM) Grant to develop and implement a marketing strategy promoting usage of the OIT during the fall and winter shoulder seasons, a time when

		Trail visitation numbers often decrease from their summer highs. This grant allowed Ozaukee County to develop an engaging branding campaign and website (www.interurbantrail.com) that provided for consistency throughout trail communities, as well as a means of understanding both existing and projected number of visitors to the trail and their corresponding market impact.^[1] The JEM project was a partnership with the Planning and Parks Department, OCTC, OITAC, and area Chambers of Commerce, including Grafton, Cedarburg, Mequon-Thiensville, Port Washington and Belgium. The JEM grant led to a significant increase of trail users accessing the OIT. Usage increases can also be attributed to increased interest in outdoor recreation since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic. Based on these usage increases, it is estimated the JEM project resulted in between \$7.8 and \$13.8 million in actual visitor spending. Additionally, the 2016 University of Wisconsin Extension Ozaukee Interurban Trail User Summary study showed about one third of trail users reported spending money on restaurants, taverns or fast food. The Trail is used for both outdoor recreation and tourism and as a commuter route for employment, businesses, industry and commerce. A 2009 survey of 403 trail users conducted by the Department found that about 50% of users were not local residents. A follow-up trail survey of 498 trail users conducted in 2013-2014 found that of those users who traveled more than 50 miles, approximately 70% lived elsewhere in Wisconsin and the remaining 30% lived outside of Wisconsin. Since then, both interest in the Trail and ridership have increased steadily. For example, ridership at the I-43 Interurban Trail Bridge (a previous capital project of the OITAC) increased 172% between 2013 and 2016. Specifically, in 2019, a daily average of 1,204 people utilized the trail (345,116 total counted trips). In 2020, trail usage rose by 45% (compared to 2019) with a daily average of 1,408 people utilizing the Trail, and a record annual count of 514,162 people on the Trail based on the County's 4 trail counters. In 2021, a daily average of 942 people used the Trail, with an annual count of 343,772. In 2022, a daily average of 862 people used the trail, with an annual count of 301,962. In 2023, a daily average of 872 people used the trail, with an annual count of 317,845. The Route of the Badger is a regional partnership between Southeastern Wisconsin Counties, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, and other stakeholders working towards the vision of a 700-mile plus regional trail system/destination in region connecting existing infrastructure with new construction. The Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department has been involved with this coalition since its inception. Additional planned multi-use trails connecting to the OIT include an off-road, 1.6-mile trail within the State HWY 60 right-of-way connecting 1st Avenue in the Village of Grafton to Washington Avenue in the Town of Cedarburg at Five Corners for future connection west to Washinton County. The Department is planning for a 0.73 mile paved multi-use trail segment within the County Highway C right-of-way adjacent to Clay
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^[1] For more information, please visit <https://www.interurbantrail.com/other-initiatives>

		Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve in the City of Port Washington connecting to the OIT north in the City of Port Washington and to Lion’s Den Gorge Nature Preserve to the south, In addition, the Department is planning for: 1) a 0.27 mile multi-use trail along the eastern side of the Little Menomonee River within Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park connecting to the 2011 A Park and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County’s Little Menomonee River Planned Recreation Trail; and 2) a 2,250-foot multi-use trail along the southern property boundary of the Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park connecting to W. Mequon Road and Poplar Drive. This proposed multi-use trail can serve as an east/west connection for the City of Mequon’s Bikeway System Plan existing and planned routes. Additional trail usage metrics are included in the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table and Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).																						
<u>STRENGTH</u> County Golf Courses	Ozaukee’s two golf course are well run, popular and profitable.	Golf Digest has given Mee-Kwon Golf Course a 3.5-star rating and Hawthorne Hills Golf Course a 4-star rating. The 2023 golf season produced 83,086 rounds of golf with \$2,749,068 in gross revenue collected. The final numbers for 2022 were 76,092 rounds of golf played and \$ 2,391,804 collected. A 10% increase in rounds played and 15% increase in gross revenue. We experienced 13 more golf days in 2023 than in 2022. Record monthly revenue was recorded at both facilities in May, June, July, August, and September 2023. Between 2020 through June 2024, approximately 14% of rounds were played by non-resident golfers and 86% of rounds were played by resident golfers. The golf courses are received as a great value – good price for excellent quality. Additional golf course metrics are tracked and included in the Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai). Number of Rounds 10-Year End Comparison <table><thead><tr><th>Year</th><th>Rounds of Golf</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2014</td><td>67,031</td></tr><tr><td>2015</td><td>71,265</td></tr><tr><td>2016</td><td>66,305</td></tr><tr><td>2017</td><td>62,502</td></tr><tr><td>2018</td><td>53,825</td></tr><tr><td>2019</td><td>56,611</td></tr><tr><td>2020</td><td>72,744</td></tr><tr><td>2021</td><td>79,253</td></tr><tr><td>2022</td><td>76,092</td></tr><tr><td>2023</td><td>83,086</td></tr></tbody></table>	Year	Rounds of Golf	2014	67,031	2015	71,265	2016	66,305	2017	62,502	2018	53,825	2019	56,611	2020	72,744	2021	79,253	2022	76,092	2023	83,086
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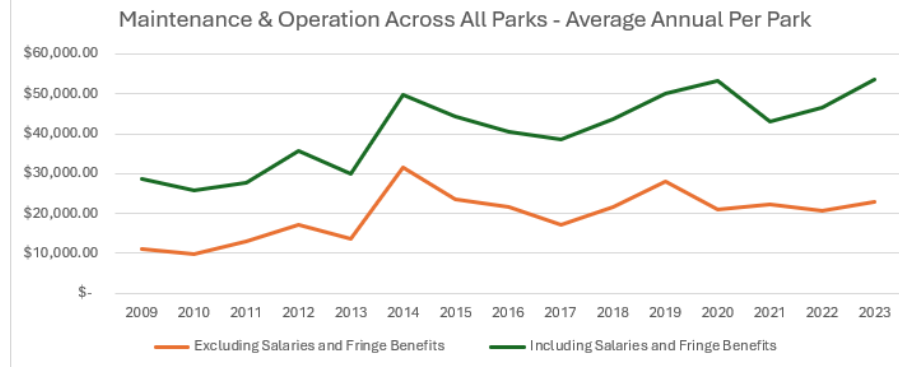
STRENGTH No Park / Trail Admission fees	Because admission or use fees are not charged, parks are more likely to be used by citizens and visitors.	Ozaukee County does not have overall entrance fees for parks as found in adjacent counties (e.g., Washington, Waukesha), but there are some user fees in the Ozaukee County Park System for reservations (pavilions, camping, firewood), special uses (cross country meets, Ozaukee Interurban Trail group use) and for disc golf and regular golf. Visitation to the Ozaukee County Parks System generates tourism dollars from visitors outside the county. The Travel Wisconsin Economic Impact Report (https://www.industry.travelwisconsin.com/research/economic-impact/) estimated that tourism related activities represented an economic impact of approximately \$230 Million in 2022 and \$240 Million in 2023 in Ozaukee County (2.8% increase). The report also estimated that tourism related activities generated state and local tax revenues of approximately \$12.9 Million in 2022 and \$13.2 Million in 2023 (2.4% increase).
STRENGTH Beauty and mix of suburban and rural settings	Ozaukee's natural beauty includes bucolic agricultural, rural and natural landscapes that all residents and visitors enjoy.	Per Table 2.5 in Chapter III, "Rural" land uses comprise approximately 74.5% of existing County land uses (agricultural – 42.7%, woodlands – 5.6%, wetlands – 13.1%, water – 1.7%, landfill and extractive – 0.4%, and other open lands – 11%). Urban land uses comprise approximately 25.5% of the remaining County land uses.
STRENGTH Recently acquired County Parks (e.g., Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge NP, LMRFWP, River Oaks)	Newly acquired lands are a blank slate for park development and can help absorb county and visitor growing demand.	For example, Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve is the most highly visited park in the Ozaukee County Park System (approximately 211,737 visitors with a daily average of 580 visits in 2023), and the new, adjacent Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve acquired in 2022 will absorb some of this demand. Between 2019 – 2023, an additional ~260 acres were added to the Park System (River Oaks County Park, Little Menomonee Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park, Ulao Creek Nature Preserve County Park, Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve County Park, Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve County Park). A listing of the new County Parks is included in Chapter III and recommendations for these parks is in Chapter VI.
STRENGTH Financial strength of the county	Ozaukee County government has a strong tax base and is fortunate to be well-funded through a modest levy and other taxes.	In 2023, Sales Taxes (16%) and Property Taxes (29%) represented approximately 45% of all revenues received for Governmental Activities. Ozaukee County has an A + + + bond rating (highest possible) and was the only county in Wisconsin to receive the Government Finance Officers Association's 2023 "Triple Crown" Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (18 consecutive years), Popular Annual Financial Reporting Award, and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. Ozaukee County is one of the few counties in WI that prepares its own CAFR. 30% of the County's operating expenditures are held in a reserve fund, ensuring financial stability and good fiscal health, and the County has a low debt load with significant capital planning.
STRENGTH Median household income	High medium household incomes help fund County Government.	Per U.S. Census Bureau, median household income in Ozaukee County from 2018-2022 (in 2022 dollars) was \$92,258, within the top 3 counties in Wisconsin. This helps fund County government and parks at a high level. It may also mean residents have higher expectations for the County Park System and its amenities.

<u>STRENGTH</u> Strong non-profit partnerships	Synergistic relationships between county parks and local non-profits have developed over years to accomplish shared goals.	For example, acquisition of Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve with the OWLT in 2022, planned Sugar Maple Nature School (nature-based charter elementary school) at Hawthorne Hills County Park, and ongoing, long-term coordination with the Ozaukee County Historical Society (e.g., Pioneer Village), Ozaukee County Tourism Council, and Ozaukee Economic Development. A full list of non-profit partners is included in the POSP Table 6.7.
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WEAKNESSES

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<u>WEAKNESS</u> Accomplishments from 2011 POSP not broadly appreciated	The significant accomplishments resulting from the previous POSP may not be broadly appreciated but would highlight the potential impact and importance of this POSP.	Per the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table, approximately \$6 of outside funding is received required for every \$1 of levy to advance the last POSP (total project costs between 2010-2023 = \$31,006,676; non-county tax dollars total amount = \$26,411,061, tax dollars (levy) amount = \$4,593,614). Average tax levy percent from 2020-2023 for Department operating expenditures in the Parks, Recreation and Culture area for all Counties in the SEWRPC region includes: Waukesha – 45%; Kenosha – 20%; Walworth 59%; Racine – 57%; Washington – 20%; Milwaukee – 28%; Ozaukee – 25%. Additional tax levy comparison data is included in the 2015 Public Policy Forum Report “Open Spaces, Cultural Places: Exploring Culture & Recreation Funding in Waukesha, Ozaukee, and Washington Counties” (https://wispolicyforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/WOWCountiesCultureRecreation.pdf). The Department also tracks multiple Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).
<u>WEAKNESS</u> County Board differing opinions / visions	Absent an effective strategic plan that reflects county board priorities, the County Board has not often spoken with a unified, consistent voice in support of the importance of the park system.	This may be somewhat enabled by our significant dependence on outside funding in that county board does not need to focus on park funding supported by levy. This POSP offers an opportunity to better engage supervisors to engage on park issues and priorities from a strategic / policy level.
<u>WEAKNESS</u> County Budget	The County Board has not prioritized routine, consistent investment in parks properties—no stable funding stream. This creates a dependence on outside funding which may not always be available.	Per the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table, approximately \$6 of outside funding is received required for every \$1 of levy to advance the last POSP (total project costs between 2010-2023 = \$31,006,676; non-county tax dollars total amount = \$26,411,061, tax dollars (levy) amount = \$4,593,614). Average tax levy percent from 2020-2023 for Department operating expenditures in the Parks, Recreation and Culture area for all Counties in the SEWRPC region includes: Waukesha – 45%; Kenosha – 20%; Walworth 59%; Racine – 57%; Washington – 20%; Milwaukee – 28%; Ozaukee – 25%. Additional tax levy comparison data is included in the 2015 Public Policy Forum Report “Open Spaces, Cultural Places: Exploring Culture & Recreation

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WEAKNESS
Boat access to Lake Michigan and Inland Lakes

Despite having 25 miles of Lake Michigan Shoreline, boat access is quite limited to one lakeside launch in Port Washington.

Ozaukee County does not have many large inland lakes but has several small inland lakes and there is a WDNR standard for providing access to inland lakes. Public access points on inland lakes in Ozaukee County include Watts Lake at the Cedarburg Bog Natural Area, Hurias Lake (semi-public as OWLT property) and Hawthorne Hills Lake (Hawthorne Hills County Park) Recommendations in Chapter VI specifically address inland lake public access.

WEAKNESS
Availability of hunting lands

Establish and enhance hunting and fishing opportunities within the county.

The Planning and Parks Department has received public comments requesting more hunting opportunities in Ozaukee County. The Department has also received comments that expressed gratitude for the current existing hunting opportunities.

Available Lands for Hunting in Each Southeastern Wisconsin County

County	Federal-Owned Land Acreage*	State-Owned Land Acreage*	Other-Ownership Land Acreage, Purchased with WDNR Knowles Nelson Stewardship Grant Funding**	Total Acres in County	Total Available Hunting Acres	Percent of Acres Available for Hunting
Ozaukee	715	3,285	1,589	150,400	5,589	3.70%
Kenosha	0	7,519	702	177,920	8,221	4.60%
Milwaukee	0	6	317	154,560	323	0.20%
Racine	0	3,863	442	212,864	4,305	2.00%
Waukesha	0	21,071	5,164	371,200	26,235	7.10%
Walworth	86	15,603	1,012	355,456	16,701	4.70%
Washington	0	13,311	2,382	275,584	15,693	5.70%

*Hunting is allowed on most federal and state-owned lands.

**Lands purchased with Stewardship funds must be open to the public for nature-based outdoor activities, including hunting, fishing, and trapping. WDNR allows a prohibition of one or more of these activities if the Natural Resource Board determines the prohibition is necessary.

OPPORTUNITIES

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<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> County Open Spaces and Associated Value	Become more effective in leveraging community support for open spaces within the board and externally with community / partners.	A full listing of non-profit partners is included in the POSP (Table 6.7). Examples of successful partnerships include OWLT (acquisition of CBCGNP with a conservation easement), Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD, acquisition and preservation of lands), Ducks Unlimited (DU, funding and technical support for habitat restorations), Village of Saukville (Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve), Town of Grafton (River Oaks County Park, Lion’s Den Gorge Nature Preserve) and Sugar Maple Nature School (SMNS – a nature-based charter elementary school at Hawthorne Hills County Park).																																																							
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<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> New Parks and activities to	Experiment with new offerings to engage citizens and visitor interests.	A listing of the new County Parks is included in Chapter III and recommendations for these parks is included in Chapter VI. The Department has incorporated new activities in the Parks System including Pickleball Courts (Virmond County Park (1) and Waubedonia County Park (2)), ongoing disc golfing																																																							

remain relevant to resident interests		(Tendick Nature Park), a new Lake Michigan access stairway at Virmond County Park, a new trail and observation platform at the USFWS Ulao WPA/Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve, and additional campsites at Waubedonia County Park. In addition, increased access to new and existing parks (e.g., new trail systems at Covered Bridge County Park, Hawthorne Hills County Park and MeeKwon County Park). See County Project Areas map (Map 6.1 in Chapter VI) and individual Park Master Plans in the appendix for additional details.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Future Park amenities (e.g., visitor Center at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve)	Develop and support amenities on County Park "blank slates", (e.g., Visitor Center at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve), as noted in the Chapter VI recommendations.	See also planned lookout tower at Tendick Nature County Park and Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve and planned Lake Michigan access stairway at Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve. See all future planned park amenities for existing parks per Park Master Plan Maps in POSP.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Multiuse (Bike and Pedestrian) trail expansion	Expand interurban trail to connect new parks and other attractions.	Regional connections (existing and proposed) are part of Vision 2050 (SEWRPC) and the Route of the Badger Initiative (ROTB). The Ozaukee Interurban Trail connects directly to the Brown Deer Recreation Trail and the Oak Leaf Trail in Brown Deer and the City of Milwaukee respectively and to the north directly to the Sheboygan Interurban Trail (please see new Trail map for the OIT). The OIT has been a critical piece of trail for the Route of the Badger, primarily as it was one of the first continuous, long trail segments in the region. The Route of the Badger is a regional partnership between Southeastern Wisconsin Counties, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, and other stakeholders working towards the vision of a 700-mile plus regional trail system/destination in region connecting existing infrastructure with new construction. The Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department has been involved with this coalition since its inception. The Ozaukee Interurban Trail is a 30-mile, paved, mostly off-road (90%), multi-use transportation and recreation trail that crosses the County from north to south passing through eight of Ozaukee County's sixteen communities. The Trail not only accommodates all season, non-motor vehicle recreational uses such as: hiking, walking, running, biking, in-line skating, wildlife viewing, and skiing, but also is an integral feature in connecting Ozaukee County's commuters to places of employment, business, industry, historic places and commerce. In fact, the Ozaukee Interurban Trail is a key element in Ozaukee County's overall transportation plan for the County. The trail follows the old railway bed of the Interurban Electric Railway and therefore is relatively flat with only a few steeper gradients like going into and out of the City of Port Washington. The Trail is a 10-foot-wide asphalt paved trail with one foot shouldering on both sides (in most locations). See also the Trail map on the website including an elevation profile. The OITAC was formed in 2001 to assist in the planning and implementation of the Ozaukee Interurban Trail. The Advisory Council's mission is to promote, facilitate and manage the safe public use and

development of the Ozaukee Interurban Trail for transportation, recreation, health, education, economic development, and enjoyment of Ozaukee County's unique cultural, historical and natural resources. The Advisory Council is a diverse representation of all areas of the community including: chamber of commerce representatives, tourism officials, business owners, elected officials, governmental staff, running club representatives, bike club representatives, concerned citizens, sheriff's department representatives, park commission members, local municipalities, University of Wisconsin-Extension representatives, national park service representatives, local power utility representatives (We Energies), bird club members, representatives from the countywide economic development corporation and landowners. The original membership of the Advisory Council was 35 volunteers, which has quickly grown to over 50 members as the trail began to develop and work on improvement projects. The Advisory Council has also established several committees to serve as "working groups" to assist in the implementation of the Trail, including the following committees: Rules and Ordinance Development Committee, Sustainability Committee, Trailside Facilities Committee, and Trail Promotion Committee. In addition to the volunteers that serve on the Advisory Council, many youth and service organizations have volunteered their time and talents for the Trail. Numerous Boy Scouts have achieved the rank of Eagle Scout by completing projects for the Advisory Council, such as constructing benches along the Trail, a picnic table/kiosk and signposts. Other service projects include the construction of a comfort station with restrooms, the construction of an information kiosk, clean-up activities along the Trail and the completion of Trail user counts in-person at two locations on the Trail. The OITAC has achieved a great deal in a short amount of time. With the support of these dedicated volunteers, the Trail has become a popular attraction for county residents and tourists in alike. There is an opportunity to expand the OITAC and improve coordination to support OIT and related connection/expansion projects.

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Additional planned multi-use trails connecting to the OIT include an off-road, 1.6-mile trail within the State HWY 60 right-of-way connecting 1st Avenue in the Village of Grafton to Washington Avenue in the Town of Cedarburg at Five Corners for future connection west to Washinton County. The Department is planning for a 0.73 mile paved multi-use trail segment within the County Highway C right-of-way adjacent to Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve in the City of Port Washington connecting to the OIT north in the City of Port Washington and to Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve to the south, In addition, the Department is planning for: 1) a 0.27 mile multi-use trail along the eastern side of the Little Menomonee River within Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park connecting to the 2011 A Park

		and Open Space Plan for Ozaukee County's Little Menomonee River Planned Recreation Trail; and 2) a 2,250-foot multi-use trail along the southern property boundary of the Little Menomonee River Fish and Wildlife Preserve County Park connecting to W. Mequon Road and Poplar Drive. This proposed multi-use trail can serve as an east/west connection for the City of Mequon's Bikeway System Plan existing and planned routes. Several trail projects are noted and detailed in Chapter VI.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Lake Michigan and the Milwaukee River	Provide more opportunities for citizens and visitors to enjoy Ozaukee's unique Lake Michigan and Milwaukee River natural features.	Chapters II, III and VI all highlight connections and benefits of Lake Michigan and the Milwaukee River. Approximately 32 miles of the Milwaukee River is located in Ozaukee County, with multiple public access points available for fishing, boating, wildlife viewing, etc. Lake Michigan is publicly accessible at multiple points throughout Ozaukee County, including at Virmond County Park, Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve and planned for Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve. Lake Michigan and its shoreline offers hiking, photography, wildlife viewing, swimming and boating. The Ozaukee / Milwaukee Urban Water Trail Map (https://milwaukeekeeper.org/connect/milwaukee-urban-water-trail/), developed in cooperation with Milwaukee Riverkeeper, is a trail and map for canoes, kayaks, and other small non-motorized boats on the "urban" portions of the Milwaukee, Menomonee, and Kinnickinnic Rivers. The Milwaukee Urban Water Trail map includes access points, portages, hazards, and resting sites (e.g. sites accessed only from the water), and also includes information on historic, cultural, ecological, or scenic points of interest along the way. The map now connects a large stretch of the Milwaukee River and its tributaries in Ozaukee County to the more urban stretches of rivers in Milwaukee County. It also connects our three rivers to access points along Lake Michigan, which includes launches that are part of the Lake Michigan State Water Trail in Ozaukee County. The Lake Michigan State Water Trail (https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/parks/watertrails/lakemichigan) is Wisconsin's 523-mile segment of the Lake Michigan Water Trail, a continuous water route paralleling the shores of four states. The entire trail will provide 1,638 miles of scenic recreational opportunities when completed. This trail includes a web-based mapping system that allows paddlers to locate and obtain information for access to Lake Michigan. Additional Lake Michigan access is anticipated as part of the Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary (see #9 below). The Department has also worked with Eagle Scouts to construct canoe and kayak launches at Tendick Nature Park, Ehlers County Park, and River Oaks County Park (planned) for Milwaukee River access. The Department continues to look for new public access areas and facilities.

<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Private / Public Partnerships	Consider and creatively engage or expand a range of public and private partnerships to fund and maintain county parks and upgrades, and to maintain open space.	The Planning and Parks Department have been fostering and expanding partnerships with non-profit and volunteer groups, as referenced in the POSP Table 6.7. Historically, the County has received significant land donations to the Ozaukee County Park System (e.g., Tendick County Nature Park and Virmond County Park) and the Department has received significant donations for multiple projects including the Lake Michigan public access stairway and playground at Virmond County Park.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Federal, State, Local, Foundation and Other Non-profit Grant Awards and Partnerships	Continue to effectively exploit the range of federal, state, and private sector grants to acquire, fund and maintain county parks and upgrades.	See the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table. Since 2009, the Department has secured over \$23 Million in in ecologically focused federal, state, local, and private funding to improve the ecological health of Ozaukee County through large scale aquatic organism passage, floodplain and habitat connectivity projects, invasive species management, habitat restoration (e.g., prairie and wetland restorations), and native tree planting/forestry. Additional grant metrics are included in the Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary	Capitalize on the recent designation of the Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary.	Only 3 counties in the State of Wisconsin hold this designation and there are currently only two National Marine Sanctuaries on the Great Lakes Region. The Sanctuary’s Facility Strategy Plan (2023) provides several recommendations/opportunities including: Leverage Existing Facilities and infrastructure; Create Sanctuary Research, Marine Operations, Visiting Researcher Housing, and Administrative Facilities; Enhance and Build Upon Existing Recreational Trails; Engage with Youth and Educators through Programs and Curriculum; Partner with Local Businesses; Increase Visibility through Participation at Local Festivals and Events; Research; Support and Enhance Digital Outreach; Provide Researchers Access to Advanced Technology; and, Create a Centralized Database. The Department is also developing a new partnership with the Shipwreck Coast Friends group (https://shipwreckcoastfriends.org/). Additional Sanctuary information is available here (https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/wisconsin/) and included in Chapter III.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Rural undeveloped land	Some rural undeveloped land should be considered as “developed for agriculture” and that is the highest and best use.	The Planning and Parks Department completed a Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) analysis in 2007 for the last Farmland Preservation Plan (FPP, currently being updated https://www.ozaukeecounty.gov/871/Farmland-Preservation-Plan), which is provided as an appendix to this POSP (https://www.ozaukeecounty.gov/DocumentCenter/View/745/Land-Evaluation-and-Site-Assessment-LESA-Analysis-2007pdf?bidId=). Not all rural farmlands should be developed, but those lands that have LESA scores below the mean/median of 6.4 are the best candidates. Per Ozaukee County LESA 2007:

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OPPORTUNITY Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge and Lion’s Den Gorge Nature Preserves	Lion’s Den Gorge is the most highly visited park in the Ozaukee County Park System.	Lion’s Den Gorge Nature Preserve is the most highly visited park in the Ozaukee County Park System (approximately 211,737 visitors with a daily average of 580 visits in 2023). Development of public access at the newly acquired Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve will be costly, including amenities to support significant public usage, but will absorb some of this demand from Lion’s Den Gorge Nature Preserve. The Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary (https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/wisconsin/) will provide opportunities for partnership and tourism for these properties as well. Additional detail on the future development and restoration at these properties is included in Chapter VI as well as the individual master plan maps.																																																							

<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Community Support / lack of input	Community support for parks seems significant, but it has not been effectively channeled to be considered in the county board's perspective on parks.	The Department has conducted on-site park user surveys three times (2010, 2017-2018, 2023) and conducted the County-Wide Public Opinion Survey in 2010 and 2020 (with support from UW River Falls) as an evaluation of the Ozaukee County Parks System. Based on a scale of one to five, with five being the most satisfied, the park users surveyed (approximately 384 surveys) scored their visits to the Ozaukee County Parks at a mean of 4.6. The County-wide public opinion survey is included as an attachment to the POSP and additional discussion is provided in Chapter IV.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Engagement / Coordination with Municipalities and Other County Departments	Municipalities and the county have some overlapping interests for park and open space, but different responsibilities and resources. Improved coordination could yield synergies.	Ozaukee County has a cross-county public health department with Washington County and the Planning and Parks Department works closely with the Ozaukee County Highway Department on fish passage, parks development, and habitat restoration and enhancement projects. The Planning and Parks Department also works closely with other Departments (e.g. Land and Water Management - stormwater management, shoreland zoning, etc, Finance – grant administration and financial tracking, etc.) and other municipalities (e.g., Village of Saukville - County Highway W road improvement project and Milwaukee River Oxbow Nature Preserve, Town of Grafton - Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve). The Department is coordinating with the City of Cedarburg for addition of a new County Park on City of Cedarburg land along Cedar Creek and the Milwaukee River.
<u>OPPORTUNITY</u> Better integrate POSP with County Strategic Planning Effort	The renewed County Board interest in strategic planning creates an opportunity to make plans such as this POSP, the Farmland Preservation Plan and the Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan. Opportunities to better integrate by using consistent Key Performance Indicators in all these plans that allow prioritization and resourcing. "What does Ozaukee look like in 20 years, and how do we get there?"	The Department actively tracks key performance indicators and metrics for the County's Strategic Plan (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai), the POSP, and for multiple grants. Also see "Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding" table, which reflects a summary of all project outcomes and accomplishments tracked against the goals, objectives and projects identified in the POSP.

OPPORTUNITY Fish Passage and Aquatic Connectivity	The POSP includes a description of the Ozaukee County Fish Passage Program, which has been actively working to improve aquatic organism and fish passage throughout Ozaukee County since 2008.	High quality habitat for fish spawning remains in Ozaukee County, but access is often impeded or blocked by linear or lateral impediments to aquatic organism passage. Since 2009, the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department has been awarded ~ 88 federal, state, and local non-profit organization grants totaling ~\$14,450,000 to support the Fish Passage Program. The Department and its partners have reconnected over 150 stream miles and thousands of acres of wetland and floodplain habitat to fish and aquatic life passage throughout the Lake Michigan Basin and Milwaukee River Watershed, including 87 stream miles directly tributary to the Milwaukee Estuary AOC. Major projects have included the construction and reconstruction of a nature-like fishway at the Mequon-Thiensville Dam, the removal of two large dams on the Milwaukee River, the removal of a large dam on Mineral Springs Creek (direct tributary to Lake Michigan), the removal or remediation of over 300 impediments to fish and aquatic life passage (approximately 50% of inventoried impediments), comprehensive environmental monitoring, multi-year large-scale habitat restoration projects on Ulao Creek (approximately 2.5 miles), Mole Creek (approximately 1.5 miles), the Little Menomonee River (LMR) (approximately 0.25 miles), and Mineral Springs Creek (approximately 0.1 miles) and development of multiple GIS-based decision support tools to prioritize preservation and restoration. The Department also maintains an inventory of large and small dams in Ozaukee from its Fish Passage Program and the WDNR has a partial inventory of dams, mostly of large dams. Only two large dams currently remain on the Milwaukee River (Mequon-Thiensville Dam and Bridge Street Dam). Additional fish passage metrics are included in the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table and Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).
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THREATS

	Item Summary	Supporting Information and Data
THREAT Funding / Budget	Without a demonstrated Board financial commitment to County parks dependency on outside funding is increased, creating a high vulnerability to loss of that funding.	Per the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table, approximately \$6 of outside funding is received required for every \$1 of levy to advance the last POSP (total project costs between 2010-2023 = \$31,006,676; non-county tax dollars total amount = \$26,411,061, tax dollars (levy) amount = \$4,593,614). Average tax levy percent from 2020-2023 for Department operating expenditures in the Parks, Recreation and Culture area for all Counties in the SEWRPC region includes: Waukesha – 45%; Kenosha – 20%; Walworth 59%; Racine – 57%; Washington – 20%; Milwaukee – 28%; Ozaukee – 25%. Additional tax levy comparison data is included in the 2015 Public Policy Forum Report “Open Spaces, Cultural Places: Exploring Culture & Recreation Funding in Waukesha, Ozaukee, and Washington Counties” (https://wispolicyforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/WOWCountiesCultureRecreation.pdf).

<u>THREAT</u> Unmanaged Development	Development pressures across a patchwork of municipalities will result in a more settled suburban Ozaukee County, without County Board having even considered what they envision the county to look like in, say, 20 years; or taking action to realize that vision.	According to the U.S. Census Bureau and SEWRPC, resident population in Ozaukee County increased 5.9% from 2010 to 2020. For comparison, the SE Wisconsin region experienced an 1.3% population increase and the State of Wisconsin experienced a 3.6% increase in the same timeframe. The Ozaukee County Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan's (https://www.ozaukeecounty.gov/898/Final-County-Comprehensive-Plan---2035) goals, objectives, programs and policies do address future development concerns, which was developed in coordination with all local municipalities (16 total). There is also a future land-use map addresses development in Ozaukee County to the planned design year of 2035. The Ozaukee County Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan will be undergoing an update in the next 5 years.
<u>THREAT</u> Water Quality (e.g., PFAS)	Deteriorating water quality from wells or in our waterways will create quality of life impacts and possibly safety for county residents	The Department has been monitoring water quality over the last several years (see inventory and narrative information in Chapter III, and https://www.ozaukeecounty.gov/DocumentCenter/View/14701/Water-Quality-Monitoring-in-Ozaukee-County.pdf). There is also a State phosphorus standard and several 9-Key element plans that specify reductions in Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), total suspended solids, phosphorus, etc. There are stormwater/nonpoint source pollution regulations (e.g. TMDLs) as well as voluntary goals for farmland runoff. Non-point runoff will continue to challenge the quality of our waterways. The Department has generated a robust source of water chemistry data from the Upper Little Menomonee River, Mole Creek, and Ulao/Kaul Creek Watershed systems. Data collected from Little Menomonee River across all sampling sites in 2017-2023 revealed that 1) mean total phosphorus was above the total maximum daily load Wisconsin water quality standard, established under NR102 (2019), in 64 out of 77 sampling events, (2) mean E.coli was above the Wisconsin State Recreational Use Standards in 25 out of 77 sampling events, and (3) mean specific conductivity was above the USEPA-recommended 500 µS/cm for healthy aquatic ecosystems at all 77 sampling events. The Department is coordinating on water quality monitoring initiatives with multiple partners including SEWRPC, MMSD, SweetWater and Milwaukee Riverkeeper.
<u>THREAT</u> Invasive Species	The continued expansion of non-native species if left unchecked, will displace native species, to the detriment of county open space and parks (greater expense, less attractive, less resilient).	The habitat found throughout Ozaukee County parks and natural areas supports a diversity of threatened, rare and locally significant (Species of Local Conservation Interest – SLCI) plant and animal species. The ecological value and function of these natural areas, however, is under serious threat from invasive species, which leads to the loss of biodiversity, degradation of unique natural resources, negative impacts to recreational opportunities and economic losses. Nearly 40 different invasive species of vegetation have been observed/inventoried throughout the Ozaukee County parks, freeways and highways as of 2023 with several emerging species threats on the horizon. The region is also facing the loss of native ash trees due to the invasive emerald ash borer (EAB) beetle. Ash species historically made up a significant portion of the native tree canopy in Ozaukee County and have been dying at a rapid rate since 2008. The loss of canopy has exposed the ground to more light and heat, stimulating the

		growth of more invasive vegetation and exacerbating the problem. The Department has been addressing invasive vegetation management in the Ozaukee County Parks System and Natural Areas for several years, including management of over 670 acres in invasive vegetation and removal of approximately 1,800 hazardous ash trees between 2019 – 2023. The Department estimates a cost of \$6,500/acre for woody invasive vegetation management and \$1,500/acre for herbaceous invasive vegetation management. Between 2019-2023, the Department has planted approximately 26,500 trees to restore ecologic function throughout the County Park System and Natural Areas as part of invasive species management efforts. See also inventory and narrative information in Chapter III. Additional invasive species metrics are included in the “Outcomes, Accomplishments and Funding” table and Key Performance Indicators as part of Department operations and the County’s Strategic Plan, which are updated annually (https://stories.opengov.com/ozaukeecountywi/published/F0nMUKCai).
<u>THREAT</u> Bluff Erosion	Lake Michigan shoreline is subject to erosion, taking land from private and public landowners and jeopardizing infrastructure, including the county (concerns re: safety, expense).	The Department has been working on public education and outreach on coastal bluff erosion and coastal hazards since 2020. Specifically, Ozaukee County has developed a Hazard Mitigation Plan Update : 2020-2025 (https://www.sewrpc.org/SEWRPCFiles/Publications/CAPR/CAPR-332OzaukeeCountyHMPU.pdf) and Coastal Resilience Self-Assessment to detail risks associated with bluff and coastal erosion, and Department staff participate on the State of Wisconsin Coastal Hazards Advisory Council. The Department has also partnered with multiple agencies on research for coastal and bluff erosion dynamics, including SEWRPC, the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, the Department of Geoscience / Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey and the Environmental Fluid/Ecological Mechanics and Coastal Sustainability Lab at UW – Madison and the UW-SeaGrant Institute, with a focus on studying conditions at coastal Lake Michigan Parks (e.g., Lion’s Den Gorge, Virmond County Park, and Clay Bluffs Cedar Gorge Nature Preserve). See also inventory and narrative information in Chapter III.
<u>THREAT</u> Percent of county residents who use county park facilities	To the degree county residents use the park system, they will support it. To the degree they don’t, they won’t. Encouraging their use of facilities (through marketing), understanding resident usage patterns, and what they are looking for in their county parks system (regular surveys), then targeting effort and resources to those desires will be important to residents’	Lion’s Den Gorge Nature Preserve is the most-visited park in the Park System with over 200,000 user counts most years. Virmond Park is the second most popular park in the county and should continue to grow in popularity with the opening of the Lake Michigan public access staircase. In 2024, daily user counts remained steady for Tendick Park, Covered Bridge Park, and Hawthorne Hills Park, while Waubedonia Park, Virmond Park, and Lion’s Den Nature Preserve saw increases. Visitation to the Ozaukee County Parks System generates tourism dollars from visitors outside the county. The 2023 Ozaukee County Parks Survey showed that 65% of survey takers were Ozaukee County residents visiting Ozaukee County Parks. The Department has conducted on-site park user surveys three times (2010, 2017-2018, 2023) and conducted the County-Wide Public Opinion Survey in 2010 and 2020 as an evaluation of the Ozaukee County Parks System. As noted above, between 2020 through June 2024, approximately 14% of golf course rounds were played by non-resident golfers and 86% of rounds

ongoing support. Also, there are economic benefits from out-of-county users that accrue to local businesses as a result of tourism and economic development.

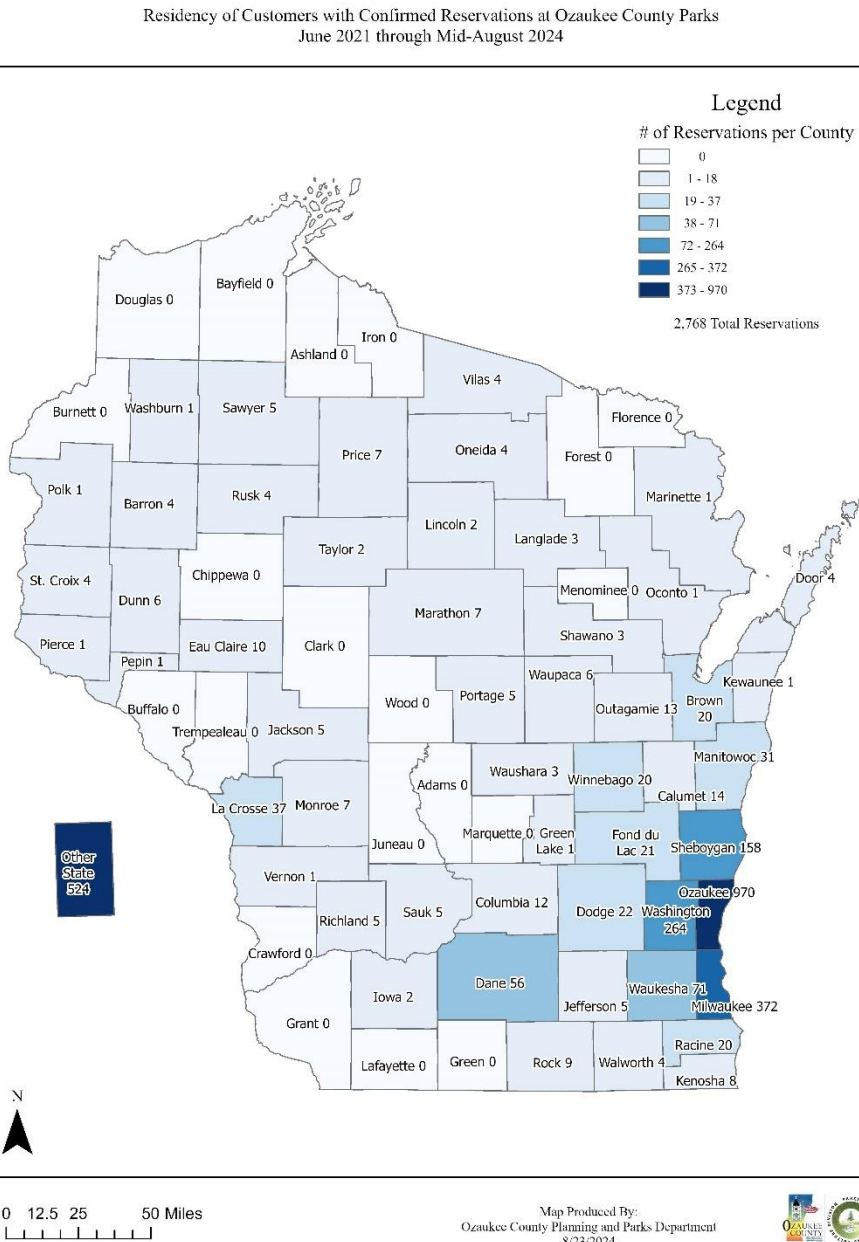
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Parks		Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve	Virmond Park	Tendick Nature Park	Covered Bridge Park	Waubedonia Park	Hawthorne Hills Park	TOTAL
Year								
2016		107,103	-	9,410	33,789	-	-	150,302
Daily Avg		578	-	56	146	-	-	780
2017		78,098	-	3,847	18,958	-	-	100,903
Daily Avg		413	-	20	100	-	-	533
2018		181,389	-	1,707	38,558	-	-	221,654
Daily Avg		586	-	15	106	-	-	707
2019		41,177	-	-	17,512	13,173	-	71,862
Daily Avg		348	-	-	117	216	-	681
2020		269,202	-	-	-	-	-	269,202
Daily Avg		768	-	-	-	-	-	768
2021		238,769	174,967	-	-	-	-	413,736
Daily Avg		687	507	-	-	-	-	1,194
2022		207,236	108,130	38,406	1,514	77,485	-	432,771
Daily Avg		620	324	182	95	221	-	1,442
2023		211,737	133,671	38,742	36,127	-	15,492	435,769
Daily Avg		580	366	189	195	-	84	1,414
2024		154,233	100,251	25,580	34,599	18,048	24,699	357,410
Daily Avg		685	450	114	154	317	110	1,830
Cumulative Daily Average		585	412	96	130	251	97	1,571
* Due to battery issues and counter relocation, some years contain partial or no data. Daily averages are calculated based on days the counter was operational and not a full year.								
** 2024 counts are through 8/12/2024								

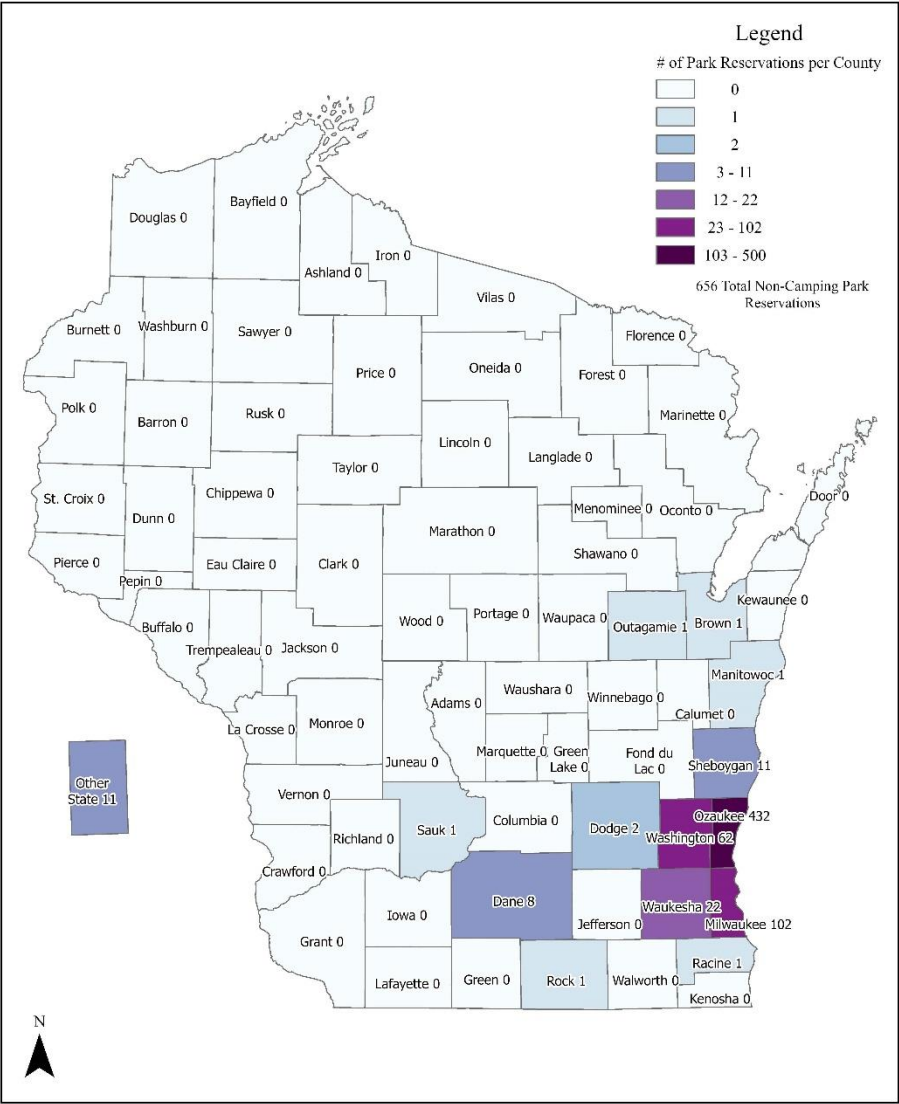
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Ozaukee County Park System Usage - June 2021 - August 2024		
Data Source	Resident	Non-Resident
Park user Surveys	65%	35%
Golf course rounds	86%	14%
Camping reservations	25%	75%
Non-camping reservations	66%	34%
Average	61%	40%



Residency of Customers with Confirmed Park Reservations at Ozaukee County Parks (Camping Reservations Not Included)
June 2021 through Mid-August 2024

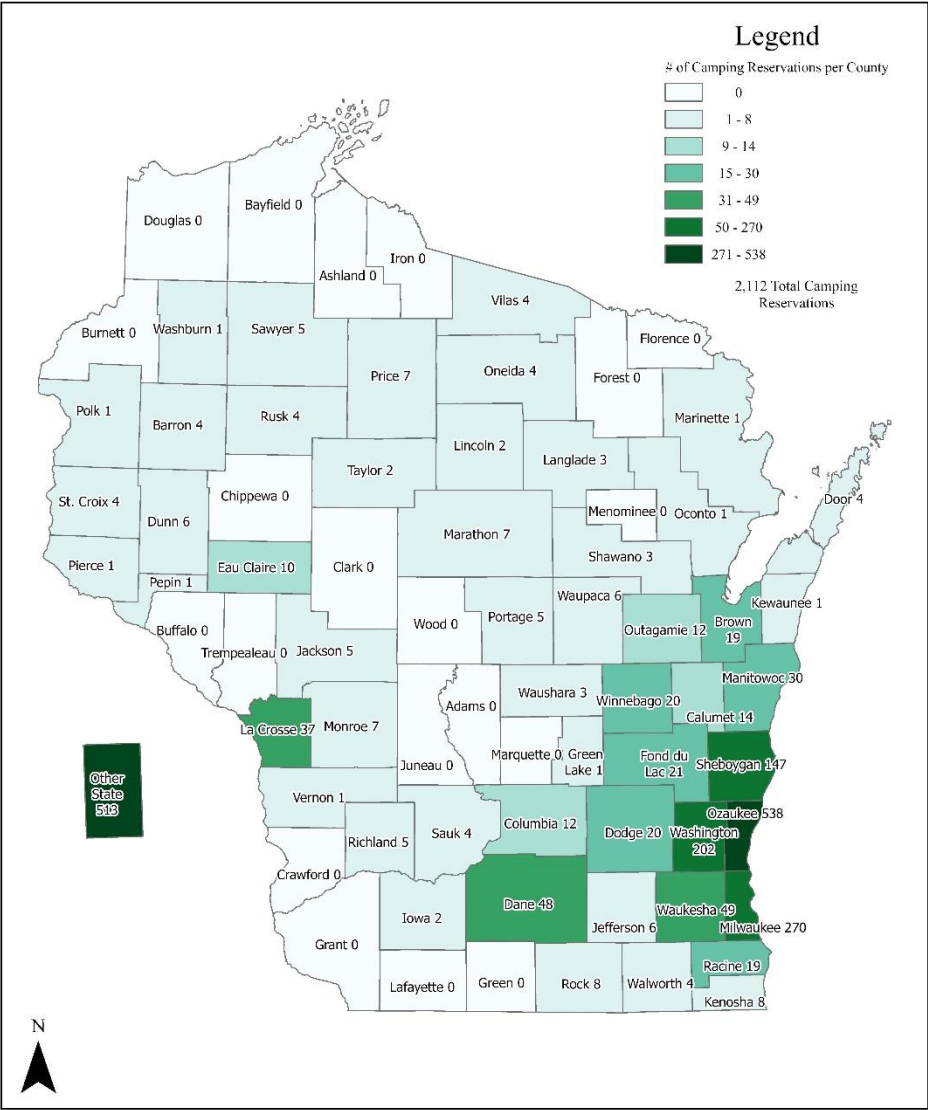


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Map Produced By:
Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department
9/26/2024



Residency of Customers with Confirmed Camping Reservations at Waubesa County Park
June 2021 through Mid-August 2024



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Map Produced By:
Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department
8/23/2024



The Travel Wisconsin Economic Impact Report (<https://www.industry.travelwisconsin.com/research/economic-impact/>) estimated that tourism related activities represented an economic impact of approximately \$230 Million in 2022 and \$240 Million in 2023 in Ozaukee County (2.8% increase). The report also estimated that tourism related activities generated state and local tax revenues of approximately \$12.9 Million in 2022 and \$13.2 Million in 2023 (2.4% increase). The table below illustrates overall tourism impact to southeast Wisconsin counties between 2019-2023 (excluding 2020 due to Covid – 19 impacts).

Total Economic Tourism Impact in Millions \$						
County	2023	2022	2021	2019	2018	2017
Kenosha	434.4	424.3	373.5	391.1	373.9	353.3
Milwaukee	4166.7	3913.6	3351.9	3880.8	3733.2	3549.9
Ozaukee	239.8	229.6	208.8	218.8	210.8	197.7
Racine	525.1	486.5	427.3	478.1	459.7	437.5
Walworth	953.5	887.1	790.0	784.9	762.3	729.0
Washington	296.1	284.1	251.7	263.3	253.7	241.4
Waukesha	1685.3	1590.6	1419.5	1567.8	1518.2	1441.2

Data Source: Travel Wisconsin / Ozaukee County Tourism

ORDINANCE NO. 24-12

AMENDING SECTION 2.24 (2) OF THE OZAUKEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES
PERTAINING TO FEES FOR COPIES AND SERVICES

An Ordinance amending Section 2.24 (2) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances pertaining to Fees for Copies and Services.

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Ozaukee does ordain that Section 2.24 (2) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

2.24 FEES FOR COPIES AND SERVICES

- (2) Fees for services are established as follows:
 - (a) Signing of Death Certificates - ~~\$106.00~~ \$109
 - (b) Use of the county morgue by other counties for autopsies or similar procedures \$500.00 per day.
 - (c) Storage of bodies in the county morgue by other counties and all funeral directors - \$50.00 per day.
 - (f) Issuance of Cremation Permits - ~~\$213.00~~ \$220
 - (g) Issuance of Disinterment Permits - \$75.00
 - (h) Body Bag - \$100
 - (i) Body Transport - ~~\$159~~ \$164.00

This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment and publication.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Proposed fee increase for 2025 Medical Examiner fees.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

11/19/24

Public Safety Committee

APPROVE AND FORWARD

RESULT: APPROVE AND FORWARD [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: S. Rishel, Vice-Chairperson
SECONDER: J. Hansher, Supervisor District 24
AYES: R. Nelson, S. Rishel, J. Hansher, C. Taylor
EXCUSED: T. Maguire

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Public Safety Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Medical Examiner
DIRECTOR:	Whitney Feiertag
PREPARER:	Whitney Feiertag

Agenda Summary Amending Section 2.24 (2) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances Pertaining to Fees for Copies and Services

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The fees for the Medical Examiner's Office may be increased annually based on WI §59.365. The increase is controlled by the previous years U.S consumer price index (CPI), which was 3.4 percent in 2023. An increase in fees would create additional revenue for the County.

ANALYSIS: The fees reflect the increased costs of services provided by the Medical Examiner and are comparable to neighboring counties.

FISCAL IMPACT: An approximate increase in revenue of \$10,000 for 2025.

Balance Current Year:

Next Year's Estimated Cost: None. This is a revenue item.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

County Levy:

Non-County Levy:

Indicate source:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve

ORDINANCE NO. 24-13

CREATING SECTIONS 8.36 AND 8.37 OF THE OZAUKEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES PROHIBITING POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA OR SYNTHETIC CANNABINOIDS AND POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA

An Ordinance creating Sections 8.36 and 8.37 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances prohibiting Possession of Marijuana and Synthetic Cannabinoids, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Ozaukee does ordain that Sections 8.36 and 8.37 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances be created as follows:

8.36 POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA OR SYNTHETIC CANNABINOID

- (1) No person may possess or attempt to possess marijuana as defined in Section 961.01 (14) of the Wisconsin Statutes, or a synthetic cannabinoid as defined in Section 961.14 (4) (tb) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
- (2) This ordinance applies in every municipality within the county.
- (3) Exceptions:
 - (a) If a complaint is issued regarding an allegation of possession of more than 25 grams of marijuana, or an allegation of possession of any amount of marijuana following a conviction in this state for possession of marijuana, or an allegation of possession of a synthetic cannabinoid following a conviction in this state for possession of a controlled substance, the subject of the complaint may not be prosecuted under this ordinance for the same action that is the subject of the complaint unless all of the following occur:
 1. The charges for violating the state statute are dismissed or the district attorney declines to prosecute the case.
 2. Either the city, village, or town with jurisdiction over the action has no ordinance enacted under Section 66.0107(1)(bm) of the Wisconsin Statutes in effect, has declined to prosecute the case, or has dismissed the charges for the violation of the ordinance enacted under Section 66.0107(1)(bm) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 - (b) This ordinance does not apply where the person is otherwise authorized to possess the substance under Section 961.41 (3g) (intro.) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
- (4) Any person who violates this section shall, upon conviction, be subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$500, together with the costs of prosecution.
- (5) This ordinance is adopted under the authority of Sections 59.54(25) and (25g) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

8.37 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA

- (1) No person may use, or possess with the primary intent to use, drug paraphernalia to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale or

otherwise introduce into the human body a controlled substance or controlled substance analog in violation of Chapter 961 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

(2) Any person who violates this section shall, upon conviction, be subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$200, together with the costs of prosecution.

(3) This ordinance is adopted under the authority of Section 59.54(25m) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment and publication.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December, 2024.

SUMMARY: Creating Ozaukee County ordinances prohibiting Possession of Marijuana and Synthetic Cannabinoids, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESULT: APPROVE AND FORWARD [UNANIMOUS]

SECONDER: J. Hansher, C. Taylor

AYES: R. Nelson, S. Rishel, J. Hansher, C. Taylor

EXCUSED: T. Maguire

Lee Schlenvogt

CHAIRPERSON - COUNTY BOARD

Public Safety Committee

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	District Attorney
DIRECTOR:	Benjamin Lindsay
PREPARER:	June Marx

Agenda Summary Creating Sections 8.36 and 8.37 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances Prohibiting Possession of Marijuana or Synthetic Cannabinoids and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Ozaukee County is the only county in southeastern Wisconsin that has not enacted ordinances prohibiting possession of marijuana or possession of drug paraphernalia. In addition, with the exception of the Village of Belgium, every village and city within Ozaukee County has enacted similar ordinances.

The result is that first offense possession of marijuana cases in Ozaukee County are handled very differently depending on where the offense occurs. Unlike each municipal police department, the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office cannot issue a citation for first offense possession and all such charges are referred for criminal prosecution.

These proposed ordinances would address that disparity and provide county law enforcement with the discretion to issue a county ordinance violation for first offense possession of less than 25 grams of marijuana. Wis. Stat. § 59.54(25) requires that possession of more than 25 grams or felony Possession of THC (Second or subsequent) must be presented to the district attorney for criminal charges before a citation may be issued.

These proposed ordinances would also help conserve critical court resources and county funds. Currently many criminal convictions for first offense possession of marijuana result in the imposition of a fine. However, each criminal defendant has the right to counsel - many times at state or county expense. There are also additional costs associated with court proceedings and preparation of discovery materials which could be avoided or reduced with the availability of an ordinance violation.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: The District Attorney respectfully requests that the Public Safety Committee approve an ordinance creating Sections 8.36 and 8.37 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-14

AMENDING THE FORFEITURE DEPOSIT SCHEDULE FOR POSSESSION OF
MARIJUANA AND POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA IN SECTION 8.18 OF
THE OZAUKEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES

An Ordinance amending Section 8.18 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances pertaining to the Forfeiture Deposit Schedule for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Ozaukee does ordain that the Forfeiture Deposit Schedule within Section 8.18 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

SECTION NUMBER		DEPOSIT	PENALTY ASSESSMENT	OTHER COSTS	TOTAL DEPOSIT
<u>8.36</u>	<u>Possession of Marijuana or Synthetic Cannabinoid</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>	<u>\$162.50</u>	<u>\$452.50</u>
<u>8.37</u>	<u>Possession of Drug Paraphernalia</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$26.00</u>	<u>\$137.50</u>	<u>\$263.50</u>

This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment and publication.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December, 2024.

SUMMARY: An Ordinance amending Section 8.18 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances pertaining to the Forfeiture Deposit Schedule for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

VOTE REQUIRED: *Majority*

11/19/24

Public Safety Committee

APPROVE AND FORWARD

RESULT: **APPROVE AND FORWARD [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: S. Rishel, Vice-Chairperson

SECONDER: C. Taylor, Supervisor District 13

AYES: R. Nelson, S. Rishel, J. Hansher, C. Taylor

EXCUSED: T. Maguire

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Public Safety Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE:	December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT:	District Attorney
DIRECTOR:	Benjamin Lindsay
PREPARER:	Karen Niemuth

Agenda Summary Amending The Forfeiture Deposit Schedule for Possession Of Marijuana And Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia in Section 8.18 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The forfeiture deposit schedule provides a standard amount that a person may pay without future court appearance. However, it does not prevent the Court in its discretion from imposing a forfeiture up to the maximum allowed by law.

The proposed deposit amounts attempt to ensure some level consistency across jurisdictions for Possession of Marijuana violations. The Mid-Moraine Municipal Court bond schedule for first-offense Possession of Marijuana requires a bond amount of \$325.00 plus costs for a total of \$470.50.

The proposal also takes into account that Possession of Drug Paraphernalia is generally a less aggravated offense. (For instance, upon state criminal conviction, Possession of THC is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than six months. However, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days.)

If the board believes that a different maximum forfeiture or deposit amount is appropriate, those provisions can be altered without affecting the remainder of the proposed ordinances.

ANALYSIS:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Balance Current Year:

Next Year's Estimated Cost:

FUNDING SOURCE:

County Levy:

Non-County Levy:

Indicate source:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: The District Attorney respectfully requests that the County Board approve the ordinance amending the Forfeiture Deposit Schedule for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia in Section 8.18 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-15

AMENDING SECTION 3.07 (1) OF THE OZAUKEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES
PERTAINING TO THE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE CODE

An Ordinance amending Section 3.07 (1) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances pertaining to the All-Terrain Vehicle Code.

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Ozaukee does ordain that Section 3.07 (1) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

3.07 OZAUKEE COUNTY ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE CODE

(1) Operation of ATV and UTV. Pursuant to § 23.33(4)(b), Wis. Stats., except as otherwise provided in § 23.33(4), Wis. Stats., no person may operate an ATV or UTV on any Ozaukee County highway except on those portions of County highways that ~~as~~ are designated as ATV and UTV routes ~~pursuant to the Code of Ozaukee County~~.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment and publication.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 4th day of December 2024.

SUMMARY: Amending Section 3.07 of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances pertaining to Ozaukee County All-Terrain Vehicle Code.

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

11/21/24

Public Works Committee

APPROVED

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: D. Vogel, Supervisor District 10
SECONDER: T. Bichler, Supervisor District 1
AYES: J. Strom, T. Bichler, D. Vogel, L. Schlenvogt
EXCUSED: M. Wolf, T. Grabow

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Public Works Committee
AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: December 4, 2024
DEPARTMENT: Highway
DIRECTOR: Jon Edgren
PREPARER: Jon Edgren

Agenda Summary Amending Section 3.07 (1) of the Ozaukee County Code of Ordinances Pertaining to the All-Terrain Vehicle Code

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On April 3rd, 2024, the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors amended Ordinance 3.07 (1) - All-Terrain Vehicle Code to allow All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV) & Utility-Terrain Vehicles (UTV) on a selection of County Highways tying together various roadways that multiple Towns had already approved for ATV/UTV usage.

The selection of highways was based upon a collaboration between the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department and the Lakeshore ATV-UTV Club. Revisions to the routes were made at the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors meeting on November 6th, 2024.

However, the Village of Fredonia has requested an alteration to the code language, which they believe precludes them from approving an ATV/UTV route that's within their Village Limits.

ANALYSIS: Based upon State Statutes, the Village of Fredonia has the ability to allow ATV/UTV vehicles on any roads within their municipal border including any County or State Highways if the Speed Limit is 35 MPH or less.

CTH A/H (Fredonia Avenue) goes through the center of the Village, and has a 35 MPH Speed Limit (or less) throughout the Village. Therefore, while Ozaukee County Sheriff Christy Knowles is concerned about traffic volume on the roadway, the Village can opt to make the County Highway an ATV/UTV route.

However, Village of Fredonia Attorney Johnathan Woodward feels that language within our ordinance requires ATV/UTV Routes to be approved by Ozaukee County. Therefore, he has requested the following revision:

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Neither Ozaukee County Corp Counsel Rhonda Gorden or Public Works Director Jon Edgren have any objections to the request.

FISCAL IMPACT: Balance Current Year: -- Next Year's Estimated Cost: --

FUNDING SOURCE: County Levy: -- Non-County Levy: --

Indicate source: --

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Approve the Ordinance revisions to Section 3.07 (1) - All-Terrain Vehicle Code as submitted.