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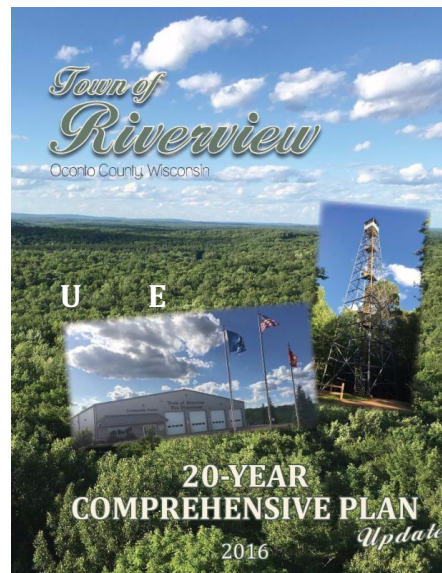


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Comprehensive Planning Update

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission (BLRPC) continues to prepare comprehensive plans for several communities in the region under s.66.1001 Wis. Stats.

The **Town of Riverview** comprehensive plan update was completed by BLRPC in July and serves as an update to the town's original plan created in 2001. The plan utilizes a poster format approach while being supplemented with the Oconto County Resources document that is a component of the Oconto County comprehensive plan. The [Town of Riverview 20-Year Comprehensive Plan Update](#) can be found on the BLRPC's website.



The BLRPC finished the **Town of Manitowoc Rapids** comprehensive plan update in October which serves as an update to the town's original plan created in 2002. The plan also utilizes a poster format approach while being supplemented with the Manitowoc County Resources document which is a section of the Manitowoc County comprehensive plan. The [Town of Manitowoc Rapids 20-Year Comprehensive Plan Update](#) can be found on the Commission's website.

The BLRPC is in the final stages of the development of the **Kewaunee County** comprehensive plan/farmland preservation plan update. Draft copies of the plan have been distributed for review and comment. An open house was held in October and a public hearing for the plan is scheduled for December 13th. The plan is scheduled for completion in January 2017. For additional information on the Kewaunee County planning project please visit the BLRPC [website](#).

The BLRPC has been preparing updates to several components of its original **Regional Comprehensive Plan** which was created in 2005. A grant award through the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program is currently assisting with amendments to the Natural Resources; Housing; Land Use; and Implementation elements of the existing Regional Plan. For



additional information on updates to the BLRPC Regional Comprehensive Plan please visit the BLRPC [website](#).

For any information regarding the aforementioned comprehensive planning projects, please contact [Brandon Robinson](#) at the Commission.

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GLRI Phragmites Management Project Update

The chemical treatments of Phragmites has concluded for the season and we have all our data in from the contracts. It was a successful season with 970 acres of Phragmites treated! Mowing of the treated areas is complete in much of the project area. All mowing will be completed by spring. Follow-up chemical treatments will begin in August 2017 for any returning Phragmites or areas missed.

The impact of the project to date is very evident in the areas that have been treated and mowed. In areas around Duck Creek, Ken Euers Nature Center, and along the East River Trail where there were large swaths of very tall Phragmites stands, the difference is substantial. You can easily take a walk along the East River Trail in Allouez and De Pere and really see the difference!

For more information on the Phragmites project, contact [Angela Kowalzek-Adrians](#).



East River Trail in Bellevue after Phragmites treatment and mowing.

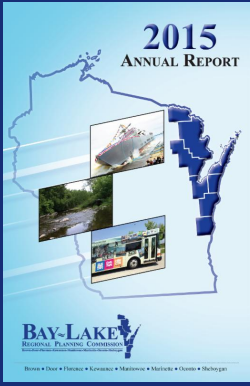
In the news!

WBAY ABC 2 (11/11/2016): [Battle against Phragmites in Brown County](#) by Jeff Alexander

WLUK Fox 11 (10/20/2016): [Phragmites cutting in Green Bay](#) by Eric Peterson

WBAY ABC 2 (9/14/2016): [Full-scale assault begins on invasive grass in Brown County](#) by Jeff Alexander

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QUARTERLY ACTIVITY REPORT

To submit a request for an EMSI Developer Query, please complete and submit this form:

[EMSI Request Form](#)



WFRV (9/1/2016): [Amphibious vehicles used to kill invasive plants in Green Bay](#) by Jordan Lamers

WLUK Fox 11 (8/31/2016): [Phragmites sprayed in Green Bay area](#) by Eric Peterson

WLUK Fox 11 (8/23/2016): [Phragmites to be sprayed in Green Bay area](#) by Eric Peterson

Green Bay Press-Gazette (7/26/2016): [Green Bay is 'ground zero' for invasive reeds](#) by Adam Rodewald

Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

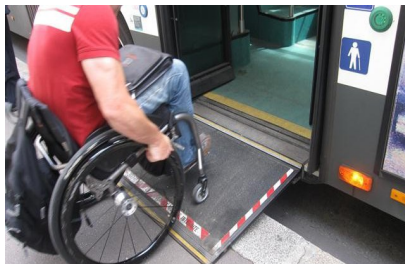


The *2016 Public Participation Plan Update* for the MPO was recommended for approval by the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their joint meeting on December 8th. The Commission approved the document at its meeting on December 9th.

The *Cooperative Agreement for Continuing Transportation Planning for the Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Metropolitan Area between WisDOT, the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission, and Shoreline Metro* is in the process of being signed by all three parties. The Sheboygan Transit Commission signed the agreement at their meeting on November 22nd. The Commission approved and signed the agreement at its meeting on December 9th. The WisDOT Secretary will be the final party to sign the agreement.

Please contact [Jeff Agee-Aguayo](#) for additional information.

County Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan Updates



Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plans are required to be completed in counties in the region adjacent to Lake Michigan in 2016. Commission staff has been working on these plans for its three member counties along Lake Michigan (Sheboygan, Manitowoc and Kewaunee).

Final plans for Sheboygan and Manitowoc counties were submitted to WisDOT in mid-November. Commission staff presented the draft plan for Kewaunee County to that county's Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) on December 6th. The Kewaunee County plan will be edited based on comments received at that county's recent TCC meeting,

and will be submitted to WisDOT soon.

Please contact [Jeff Agee-Aguayo](#) for additional information.

Upcoming Events/Meetings

January 27, 2017

Executive Commission Meeting
Green Bay, WI

March 10, 2017

Full Commission Meeting
Location TBD, Brown County

Available Grant Opportunities



The following is a list of upcoming grant opportunities and their due dates. Please contact the [Commission](#) if you have a project idea, or need assistance with preparing or administering a grant, or if you are interested in partnering with the Commission on a project.

- [US EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative](#), Due January 13, 2016
- [Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program](#), Due January 31, 2017
- [Sustain Our Great Lakes Grant Program](#), Due February 21, 2017

[American Honda Foundation](#)

[BayCare Clinic Foundation Grants](#)

[Ben & Jerry's Foundation Grants](#)

[Cedar Tree Foundation Grants](#)

[Charles Stuart Mott Foundation
Environmental Grants](#)

[Cornell Douglas Foundation Grants](#)

[CN Stronger Communities Fund](#)

[Costco Wholesale Grants](#)

[Doris Duke Charitable Foundation](#)

[EcoTech Grants - The Captain Planet
Foundation](#)

[Environmental Research &
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[Gannett Foundation Grants](#)

[Georgia-Pacific Foundation Grants](#)

[ING Foundation Grants](#)

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[Joint Effort Marketing \(JEM\) Grant](#)

[Kinder Morgan Foundation Grants](#)

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[Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation
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[MLB Baseball Tomorrow Fund](#)

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