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Get your requests in for **FREE** Technical Assistance by February 19, 2016

The Commission's new Technical Assistance Program provides member counties and communities the opportunity to receive professional planning assistance on small-scale plans or projects at no cost.

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Two to four projects from throughout the Region will be selected for 2016. Projects will be limited to a maximum of five days (40 hours) of staff time. The project categories (and potential projects) include the following:

- Community Planning (comprehensive planning, zoning and other plan implementation activities, hazard mitigation, grant writing and administration, demographic analyses/assessments, etc.);
- Economic Development (grant writing and administration, funding identification, business/industrial park planning, capital improvement plans, etc.);
- Geographic Information Systems (community specific data and software setup, one-on-one training and setup assistance, custom mapping, map updates, brochures, inventories, etc.);
- Natural Resources and Coastal Management (beach improvement planning, invasive species, climate resiliency planning, grant writing and administration, outdoor recreation planning, etc.); and
- Transportation (transit technical assistance, local road and street

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issues, traffic forecasts, bike & pedestrian planning, Safe Routes to School, inventories, grant writing and administration, etc.).

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The Commission is now accepting applications for technical assistance projects under this new program. An application for the Technical Assistance Program is available on the Commission's [website](#). Applications are due to the Commission no later than 4:00 PM on Friday, February 19, 2015 (extended deadline). The Commission will review, evaluate, and rank all requests in late 2015 to select 2-4 projects for inclusion in the *2016 Work Program*.

Please contact [Cindy Wojtczak](#), Executive Director, if you have any questions or comments.



Phragmites Project Update



Commission staff are collaborating with Applied Ecological Services, Inc. (AES) of Brodhead, WI on an inventory and assessment project to map Phragmites using multi-spectral and oblique aerial imagery and

remote sensing technologies. AES completed an aerial flight of the project area this fall, and analysis of acquired data is currently underway. The inventory will assess the current Phragmites footprint from the air, and inform treatment plans for the next growing season (summer-fall 2016). A post-treatment inventory will follow, with follow-up treatments planned for 2017.

In October, the Commission obtained an aquatic plant management permit from WDNR to chemically treat six acres of Phragmites at Bay Beach in the City of Green Bay. Treatment at the site will provide information to gauge the effectiveness of the approach, and provide a demonstration site for outreach efforts through the winter. Special thanks to the City of Green Bay Parks Department for their cooperation in this effort.

Please contact [Amy Carrozzino-Lyon](#), Phragmites Project Coordinator, if you have any questions or comments.

Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Activities

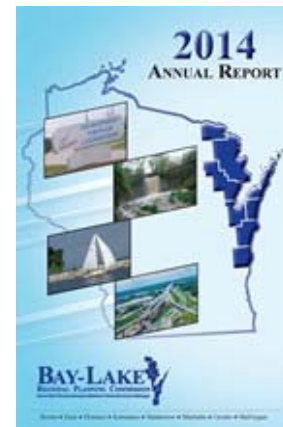
Commission staff transmitted the final *2016 Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Planning Work Program* to WisDOT and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Wisconsin Division staff in late November.

Commission staff continued work on a land use inventory of the

Brochure



2014 Annual Report



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Upcoming Events

December 11, 2015
Full Commission Meeting

Sheboygan metropolitan planning area in November. The land use inventory has not been completed since 2009. The Commission's limited term employee (LTE) Transportation Technician is completing this task, with the assistance of the Commission's GIS Coordinator. This activity should be completed in December.

Commission staff is in the process of conducting a passenger opinion survey of Shoreline Metro. Completion of a boarding and alighting survey for Shoreline Metro will take place in early 2016.

Commission staff has been preparing an annual transportation system performance indicator report that will be presented to the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their December joint meeting.

The draft *Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): Calendar Years 2016 - 2019* was released for a 30 day public comment period in November. A public hearing on the draft *2016 - 2019 TIP* was held on December 2nd. The Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees are scheduled to recommend approval of the *2016 - 2019 TIP* at their December joint meeting, and the Commission is scheduled to approve the *2016 - 2019 TIP* at its December meeting.

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

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.

- [WCMP Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program](#), January 8, 2016
- [Great Lakes Fishery Commission Fishery Research Program and Sea Lamprey Research Program](#), January 15, 2016
- [WDNR Municipal Flood Control Grants](#), March 15, 2016
- On-going or Various deadlines throughout the year:

[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](#)

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

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[Gannett Foundation Grants](#)

[Georgia-Pacific Foundation Grants](#)

[ING Foundation Grants](#)

[International Paper Grants](#)

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

Green Bay, WI

**January 29, 2016
Executive Committee Meeting
Green Bay, WI**

**February 23-25, 2015
Wisconsin Wetlands Association 21st Annual Conference
Green Bay, WI**

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<u>Laura Jane Musser Fund</u>	<u>Lawrence Foundation Grants</u>
<u>Lego Children's Fund Grants</u>	<u>MeadWestvaco Foundation Grants</u>
<u>Meetings Mean Business! Grant</u>	<u>Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas Grants</u>
<u>MLB Baseball Tomorrow Fund</u>	<u>Patagonia Environmental Grants</u>
<u>RGK Foundation Education Fund</u>	<u>Rockefeller Family Fund</u>
<u>US Soccer Foundation Grant</u>	<u>Waste Management Charitable Giving</u>
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