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Joint Committee on Finance

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Howard Marklein
Representative Mark Born

Date: December 16, 2021

Re: 14-Day Passive Review Approval – DNR

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m), Stats., attached is a 14-day passive review request from the Department of Natural Resources, received on December 16, 2021.

Please review the material and notify **Senator Marklein** or **Representative Born** no later than **Thursday, January 6, 2022**, if you have any concerns about the request or if you would like the Committee to meet formally to consider it.

Also, please contact us if you need further information.

Attachments

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The Honorable Mark Born, Co-Chair
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Dear Senator Marklein and Representative Born:

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m), Wis. Stats., the Department is notifying you as co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Finance of a proposed Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grant to the Village of Ashwaubenon, Brown County for development of the Ashwaubomay River Trail Extension and Pedestrian Bridge. The proposed grant award of \$352,620.00 is 25% of the estimated project cost.

The Village will develop an extension to the Ashwaubomay River Trail from the Aldon Station development southward to Ashwaubomay Park via a 10-foot wide asphalt trail and a pedestrian bridge, with fishing bump-outs, crossing the Ashwaubenon Creek. Users will be able to run, walk, bike, snowshoe, and gain access to both the Fox River and Ashwaubenon Creek for fishing.

As provided in s. 23.0917(6m)(a), Wis. Stats., if the Department does not receive notification of the scheduling of a hearing from either of the Joint Committee on Finance co-chairpersons within 14 working days from today, the Department will award this grant.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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For Preston D. Cole
Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 7, 2021

TO: Members of the Joint Committee on Finance

FROM: Preston D. Cole, Secretary 

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF STEWARDSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANT
GREATER THAN \$250,000: BROWN COUNTY**

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m)(a) and (c), Wis. Stats., the Department of Natural Resources is notifying you of a proposed Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grant in the amount of \$352,620.00 to the Village of Ashwaubenon for the development of the Ashwaubomay River Trail extension, pedestrian bridge, and fishing bump outs. The Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program is funded under s. 20.866(2)(ta), Wis. Stats.

I. PROJECT DETAILS:

Project Sponsor: Village of Ashwaubenon

Project Name: Ashwaubomay River Trail Extension and Pedestrian Bridge

Grant Sub-program: Acquisition and Development of Local Parks, Urban Rivers

County: Brown

Location: The project will be developed between the new Aldon Station development on the north side of the project area and Ashwaubomay Park on the south in the Village of Ashwaubenon. The Fox River borders to the east and Ashwaubenon Creek flows under the pedestrian bridge to the Fox River.

Project Description: The Village of Ashwaubenon will develop a multi-use 10-foot wide asphalt trail and 16-foot wide pedestrian bridge with fishing area bump-outs. Informational kiosks, signage, benches and LED lighting will also be included in this project. This trail will connect to an existing trail system at the northern end of Ashwaubomay Park.

Project Goals: The Ashwaubomay River Trail Extension and Pedestrian Bridge development project supports goals of the Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and the following local/regional plans:

- Village of Ashwaubenon Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2018-2022
- Village of Ashwaubenon Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
- Brown County Fairgrounds Master Plan
- Brown County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
- Northeast Wisconsin Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Public Uses: The Ashwaubomay River Trail Extension and Pedestrian Bridge project will be available to the public from sunrise to sunset, 7 days per week, year-round. Users will be able to run, walk, fish, bike, snowshoe and view wildlife.

Ownership & Management: The trail and bridge will continue to be owned, operated and maintained by the Village of Ashwaubenon.

Timetable: Construction is anticipated to begin Spring of 2022, with completion estimated late fall of 2022.

Project Partners:

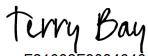
- Village of Ashwaubenon: Construction, operation and maintenance of the facility.
- Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (Federal): Grant assistance for engineering and construction
- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources: Grant assistance for engineering and construction.

II. PROJECT FINANCES:

DNR Stewardship Grant	\$	352,620.00
Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant	\$	100,000.00
<u>Village of Ashwaubenon</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>954,906.00</u>
Project Total	\$	1,407,526.00

The Village has secured their required matching funds.

III. RECOMMENDED:

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Terry Bay, Director, Bureau of Facilities and Lands

Date

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Timothy Cooke, Administrator, Division of Internal Services

Date

Attachments: Project Maps



Village of Ashwaubenon Pedestrian Bridge Project Area



Legend

- Municipality
- State Boundaries
- County Boundaries
- Major Roads**
- Interstate Highway
- State Highway
- US Highway
- County and Local Roads**
- County HWY
- Local Road
- Railroads
- Tribal Lands



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