

Board of Health for Madison and Dane County
Small Scale Lake Planning Grant Application

Introduction for
Resolutions #2009-07 and #2009-08

Last summer nine of the 13 beaches managed by the City of Madison were cited as impaired due to E. coli contamination, primarily due to contamination from storm water runoff. Public Health—Madison and Dane County has submitted two applications to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for grants to develop a management system to reduce beach contamination.

The project will develop a conceptual design plan to reduce beach contamination from storm water runoff and will promote storm water infiltration. The design plan may also include measures to reduce visitation or limit the impacts of waterfowl, pets, and other animals. Implementation of this plan is expected to reduce the bacterial levels at beaches and decrease the number of days closed due to contamination. It is expected that this project will be able to be adapted for use at other beaches, reducing bacterial contamination at all Madison beaches.

DNR protocol requires that the Board of Health authorize the submission of grant proposals. PHMDC intends to submit two resolutions for \$3,000 each, requiring two separate resolutions. The resolutions use the language suggested by DNR.

If the grant applications are approved by DNR, staff will submit a budget amendment to the Board of Health to authorize the addition of these funds to the operating budget.

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Introduced: February 19, 2009

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Resolution #2009-07

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WHEREAS, a study and conceptual design of a management plan of the beach to be selected will lead to a better understanding of contaminant management on other beaches as well and will promote public health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the need for responsible and holistic long-range planning to better manage the lakes, beaches, watersheds, and their use; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the need to provide information and educate the public about management of lakes and shoreline water ecosystems, promote practices to reduce contamination and improve water quality; and

WHEREAS, we are qualified to carry out the responsibilities of the small scale planning project; and

WHEREAS, we understand the importance of a continuing management program for the Yahara Lake and selected beach in particular and intend to proceed on that course.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for Madison and Dane County requests grant funding and assistance for Public Health – Madison and Dane County from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources under the “Lake Management Planning Grant Program” and hereby authorizes the Environmental Technical Services Supervisor to act on behalf of the Public Health – Madison and Dane County to:

- submit an application to the State of Wisconsin for financial aid for lake planning purposes;
- take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete an approved lake planning grant; and
- submit reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within six months of project completion date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Director of Public Health – Madison and Dane County is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the “Lake Management Planning Grant Program.”

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT Public Health – Madison and Dane County will meet the obligations of the planning project including timely publication of the results and committing 25 percent of the total funds required for this project.

Adopted: February 19, 2009

By a vote of: _____ in favor _____ against _____ abstain

Susan Zahner, Chair
Board of Health for Madison and Dane County

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