



RESOLUTION # 22-10/22

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM # 10-13

BOARD ACTION

Adopted:   
For: 25  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 5  
Vote Req: 1  
Other Action: -

PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:   
For: 7  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 0

RE: AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS PROGRAM FOR 2022/2023

WHEREAS, La Crosse County desires to participate in county fish and game projects through the County Conservation Aids Program specifically for the development of habitat restoration projects; and,

WHEREAS, the habitat restoration projects focus on areas that are currently mowed and maintained as turf grass and involve converting them back to native prairie vegetation with the inclusion of trails to allow public access; and,

WHEREAS, the restoration of native prairie vegetation will provide a habitat for various species of birds, insects, reptiles, and amphibians, including turtle nesting sites; and,

WHEREAS the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has grant funding available through the County Conservation Aids program for the installation of fish and game projects under §23.09(12), Wis. Stats; and,

WHEREAS, La Crosse County has budgeted \$5,000 in 2023 as the local share of the project costs financial aid and desires to seek additional funding to assist with the project through WDNR grants; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, La Crosse County Facilities Department is are authorized to act on behalf of La Crosse County to: Sign and submit an application to the WDNR for any financial aid that may be available to for habitat restoration projects and, if approved, to submit to the WDNR reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation within one (1) year of project end date; and to take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that La Crosse County will comply with all state and federal laws related to the County Conservation Aids programs and will obtain approval in writing from the WDNR before any change is made in the use of the project site.

FISCAL NOTE: La Crosse County has budgeted \$5,000 in 2023 for habitat restoration projects (100.170.2050-80140.00) and expects to receive \$1,251 of grant funds, but may receive up to 50% of the project cost.

Date: Oct-10, 2022

Pamela R. Viney  
PUBLIC WORKS & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Cornie A. Hneiff  
RECORDING CLERK

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended	
Co. Admin.	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>		Requested By: Ryan Westpfahl Date Requested: September 22, 2022 Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Fin. Director				
Corp. Counsel				
Board Chair				

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 20 Day of October, 2022

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE  
I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.

[Signature]  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk