



RESOLUTION # 46-2/23

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

ITEM # 2-22

BOARD ACTION

Adopted:
For: 22
Against: 2
Abstain: 0
Abs/Excd: 5
Vote Req: —
Other Action: —

PLANNING RESOURCES & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted: 1/30/23
For: 4
Against: 1
Abstain: 0
Abs/Excd: 1

RE: APPROVAL OF BLUFFLANDS FUNDING FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION ALLIANCE COMMUNITY TRAIL FARMLAND PURCHASE

WHEREAS, the County approved the Blufflands Plan in 2016 to guide a regional approach to the conservation and recreational use of area blufflands; and,

WHEREAS, the County signed a Memorandum of Understanding in September of 2021 to join the Blufflands Coalition to facilitate the implementation of the Blufflands Plan; and,

WHEREAS, County staff developed Guidelines for Requesting Blufflands Funding to provide a consistent way for community organizations and municipalities within La Crosse County to request funding assistance for blufflands projects from the County; and,

WHEREAS, the County has received a request from the Outdoor Recreation Alliance (ORA) for \$150,000 to assist in the purchase of two-hundred seventy-seven (277) acres within the Tier One area of the Blufflands Plan, and that the request follows the guidelines for requesting funding and meets all the requirements that the County has set for providing funding.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the grant of \$150,000 to the Outdoor Recreation Alliance to assist in the purchase of two-hundred seventy-seven (277) acres; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board Chair, after approval by Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Outdoor Recreation Alliance.

FISCAL NOTE: This \$150,000 grant will be awarded from Account 100.130.1180-63100.00 Bluffland Protection. This account currently has \$178,100 which has been budgeted in previous years and carried forward into 2023. Since 2017, \$82,193 has been spent on Bluffland efforts. This \$150,000 grant will leave \$28,100 remaining for future Bluffland projects.

Date: 1-30-2023

[Signature]

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Date: 1-30-2023

[Signature]

RECORDING CLERK

| | Reviewed Only | Recommended | Not Recommended |
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| Co. Admin. | <u>[Signature]</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Fin. Director | <u>[Signature]</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Corp. Counsel | <u>[Signature]</u> | _____ | _____ |
| Board Chair | <u>[Signature]</u> | _____ | _____ |

Requested By: Charlie Handy
Date Requested: December 6, 2022
Drafted By: Corporation Counsel

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 16 Day of February, 2023

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 16th day of February 2023.

[Signature]
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk