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Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Stewardship Access Rule Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2008

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Natural Resources State Office Bldg, Room G09, 101 S. Webster St., Madison, WI 53707

Members Present: Larry Bonde, John Irwin, Jeff Nania, Laura Bray, Tim Jacobson, Christine Nuernberg, Dan Burke, Vicki Elkin, Bill Lunney, Mike Dahlby, Jeff Gaska, Greg Shermo, Jouakao Vang, Darren Marsh, David Vogt, , Bob Welch, Mike McFadzen, Dan Wisniewski, Sandy Heidel, Shawn Graff , George Meyer, Casey Eggleston (for Todd Holschbach)

Members Absent: Cher Lue Thao, Noel Cutright, Pat Marinac, Lon Knoedler, Dale Shaver, Andrew Hanson, James McCaulley

Committee Chair: Pat Henderson

Facilitator: BJ Panke

Meeting Summary: Steve Miller

Welcome and Report on Information Requests

Pat Henderson welcomed the group to their fourth meeting. He reminded the committee that there are two meetings remaining after today – December 4th and one to be scheduled in January.

Facilitator Calls the Meeting to Order

BJ Panke reviewed the day's agenda and other logistics and pointed out the ground rules and committee charge posted on the wall. She reminded the committee about the name tent tip-up technique for indicating wanting to speak and reminded the group to stay on task and topic and to even out their participation.

Review of Public Safety and Review Process Concept Papers

Pat Henderson, Debra Martinelli and Doug Haag presented the concept papers relating to Public Safety and the Review Process.

The Committee discussed the Review Process Paper and talked about the difference between a prohibition of a Nature Based Outdoor Activity versus a restriction. The Committee asked for DNR legal counsel to produce a legal opinion on this issue. The Committee also discussed the objection process and how the Natural Resources Board might handle the review of these projects.

Next the Committee discussed the Public Safety Paper. The group talked about local ordinances and how they impact access decisions on Stewardship projects. The Committee also discussed how land trusts handle the issue of a property that is located in a municipality with an existing ordinance that impacts one of the NBOA's.

Working Lunch – Usership Patterns

Primary Purposes and Priorities for Stewardship Grants

Kim Wright provided information on the grant criteria and priorities for Stewardship grants to local units of government (LUGs) and non-profit conservation organizations (NCOs). The grant criteria are defined in statute and administrative code. LUGs must have a department approved Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan that identifies the grant project to be eligible to apply. NCO projects must be of statewide or regional significance and meet the specific program criteria to qualify for funding. LUGs may apply for stewardship grants for: 1) acquisition and development of local parks, 2) creation or protection of urban greenspaces, 3) urban rivers enhancements, access and preservation, and 4) acquisition of development rights. NCOs may apply for grants for: 1) natural areas, 2) habitat areas, 3) Ice Age Trail and State trails additions, and 4) streambank protection. Kim provided a handout which further described each of the eight types of Stewardship grants.

Presentation on Mequon Nature Preserve

Mayor Nuernberg, Jeff Nania and Shawn Graff discussed the partnership efforts associated with the Mequon Nature Preserve project and results of which serve to provide nature based outdoor recreation to a large population.

Breakout Sessions

The committee broke into three small groups and considered the questions and issues around usership patterns.

Report Back on Breakout Session Findings

The small groups assigned a recorder and reporter who shared main points of the topics and additional questions to consider in a large group report-out led by BJ. See Small Group Findings-Usership Patterns.

Information Request Review/Next Meeting Reminder

Information Requests:

- Legal opinion on prohibition vs. restriction
- List of members and their e-mails
- Presentation requested on the practical applications of interim protocol (examples)

Next Meetings:

- Thursday, December 4
- January – date yet to be determined