



## EAST CENTRAL WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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*Celebrating 40 Years of Fostering Regional Collaboration!*

November 28, 2012

Dear Winnebago County Official,

The County has recently started the process, per the Parks and Recreation Committee, to update its Five-Year (2013-2017) Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. This Committee is comprised of 5 County Board members and the Parks Director. The purpose of the plan is to establish an action program for parkland acquisition and development during the next five years (2013-2017). This will also enable Winnebago County to participate in the DNR's Stewardship Program, which provides matching funds for identified projects. The plan is expected to be ready for adoption in early winter/spring of next year, 2013.

As the recreational planner for ECWRPC assigned to this project, I am writing to each Winnebago County Representative to extend the opportunity to offer recommendations and comments to be included within the county's plan. I have, with the committee's input put together a short survey for county residents to comment and give feedback on. Correspondingly, along with this letter, is a paper copy to be placed at your municipal offices for residents to fill out. A link is also available on the County's website if citizens wish to fill out the survey online. Please feel free to complete the survey on your own via the web link below or by paper. The County will be hosting 3-4 public informational meetings during January/February to gather further information for the plan.

Additionally, if your city, town or village has a project that involves purchasing or developing parkland for recreational facilities in the near future we want to know. Including your project(s) in this document will also satisfy the DNR's requirement for an adopted comprehensive open space plan. This may eliminate the need for your municipality to prepare a stand-alone plan, should you attempt to apply for these grants during the next five years. Please note that some communities could require a more detailed document if a particular project is in question and would still need to develop a plan on their own.

Send any additional comments/recommendations/questions regarding the County's plan by January 31, 2013 to:

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The On-Line Survey link can be found at: (Please include within your January newsletters.)  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WinnebagoParks>

HTML Code for your own websites:

`<a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WinnebagoParks">Click here to take survey</a>`

The survey will be open until the end of February or later based on response rate.

Sincerely,

Trish Nau, GIS Coordinator/Recreation Planner

Cc:

*Winnebago County Officials*

*Winnebago County Outdoor Parks and Recreation Committee*

*Attachment: Parks and Recreation Survey*

