

Michigan Coastal Management Program

Annual Funding Opportunity

The Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE), Water Resources Division (WRD) Michigan Coastal Management Program (MCMP) offers grant funds to assist in the development of vibrant and resilient coastal communities through the protection and restoration of our sensitive coastal resources and biologically diverse ecosystems. These grant funds are made possible through the partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972.

PROJECT TYPES

Planning

Planning projects may include a variety of proposed actions that meet the needs of coastal communities and typically result in the development of a Master Plan, conservation, or recreational plan, or plans that expand upon coastal values and characteristics.

Minimum grant \$10,000 no more than \$100,000

Feasibility, Engineering, and Design

Feasibility, Engineering, and Design projects include site specific investigations such as feasibility studies, creation of conceptual designs, and/or final engineering plans that lead to a low-cost construction, habitat restoration, or other on-the-ground implementation work.

Minimum grant \$10,000 no more than \$150,000

Low-Cost Construction

Low-Cost Construction projects are those that physically alter publicly owned property for site specific enhanced public access, habitat restoration, installation of bioengineering and green infrastructure practices, and installation of signage.

Minimum grant \$10,000 no more than \$200,000

Land Conservation Through Acquisition

Land Conservation Through Acquisition projects are those that propose land acquisition, purchase of easements, and purchase of development rights. Note: Only units of government or public entities are eligible for this funding and all purchases must demonstrate significant ecological value, need for protection, and must be managed in perpetuity.

Minimum grant \$10,000 no more than \$500,000

NOTE: All grant awards require one to one local match to grant.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Eligible applicants include local units of governments, cities, counties, villages, and townships; regional planning agencies; educational institutions, state government agencies; Tribal governments, and not-for-profit organizations.

GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (GFO)

The GFO is released annually in the fall with applications due mid-December.

The MCMP Improves the administration of existing state shoreline statutes and provides substantial technical and financial assistance to local partners for creative coastal projects.



Together, we can **Protect, Preserve, Restore, and Enhance** our coastal ecosystems to support use and enjoyment for current and future generations.



FOCUS AREAS

Coastal Water Dependent Uses and Community Development

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The MCMP is committed to plan and manage future growth and development on lands adjacent to the coast, while protecting coastal natural resources, maritime heritage resources, water-dependent livelihoods, outdoor recreation, and other assets and activities that contribute to the community's sense of place.

Coastal Hazards

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The MCMP is committed to increase coastal communities' understanding of the risks associated with living on the coast from coastal erosion, flooding, stormwater, and urban heat to build upon the ability to absorb, respond, and adapt to impacts from coastal storms and Great Lakes water level variabilities (e.g., the highs and the lows).

Coastal Habitat

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The MCMP is committed to protecting, preserving, and restoring healthy coastal wetlands, beaches, and dunes. As the first defense against storm surges (e.g., reducing the risk of flooding and

coastal erosion), natural infrastructure is critical for coastal communities' resilience as well as maintaining beneficial ecological plant and animal communities.

Coastal Waters

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The MCMP is committed to the protection and management of coastal waters. Planning and installing nature-based solutions (e.g., vegetated buffers, raingardens, and living shorelines) that benefit ecosystem services (e.g., recreation and habitat biodiversity) is the preferred approach for managing and slowing the flow of stormwater and flooding in coastal areas.

Public Access

VACANT, Public Access Coordinator

The MCMP protects, restores, creates, and enhances public access to the Great Lakes using approaches that support coastal communities; foster appreciation of our natural, cultural, and historic resources; and create coastal tourism opportunities. A holistic approach to preserving and enhancing access to Great Lakes beaches, bottomlands, and other coastal public trust resources is essential.

Community Development	Coastal Hazards	Coastal Habitat	Coastal Waters	Public Access
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PROJECT INTEREST FORM

If you are interested in funding through the MCMP, please contact one of our Focus Area Coordinators, or visit our website at Michigan.gov/CoastalManagement and complete and submit our Project Interest Form.

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