

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE  
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

**DATE:** February 21, 2017

**TO:** Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairperson, County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Greg High, Director, AE&ES Section, DAS-FM

**SUBJECT:** **2018 DATCP Staffing Grant for Land Conservation Department  
Action Item**

**POLICY**

The Department of Administrative Services Director is requesting authorization to have the County Conservationist apply for and accept Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) support grants in 2018.

**BACKGROUND**

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection offers Wisconsin counties grants to help defray staffing costs of land conservation departments.

The Committee on Parks, Energy and Environment also serves as the Land Conservation Committee and the Environmental Services Unit within the Architecture, Engineering & Environmental Services Section of Facilities Management Division serves as the Land Conservation Department. The Director of the Environmental Services Unit serves as County Conservationist.

Milwaukee County receives this grant annually to help pay salaries, training, travel, and office expenses of the Land Conservation Department (LCD).

**RECOMMENDATION**

To foster the ongoing work of the LCD it is recommended that the DAS Director be authorized to have the County Conservationist apply for and accept the staffing and cost share grants offered by DATCP in 2018.

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