

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE  
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

**DATE:** January 7, 2014  
**TO:** Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairperson, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Greg High, Director, DAS-A&ES  
**SUBJECT:** **2015 DATCP Staffing and Cost-share Grant for Land Conservation Activities**

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 for fiscal year 2015.

BACKGROUND

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

For several years Milwaukee County has received a staffing and cost-share grant from DATCP to help defray the costs of the activities of the LCC and LCD. In the past these funds have been used to help pay salaries, training, travel, cost share, small activities and to defray minor Committee expenses.

RECOMMENDATION

To foster the ongoing work of the LCC and 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 for fiscal year 2015.

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