

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: August 15, 2019

TO: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Julie Landry, Director, Department of Human Resources

FROM: Joseph Lamers, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, Department of Administrative Services

SUBJECT: From Joseph Lamers, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget, requesting authorization to create 1.0 FTE position for an Area of Concern Program Supervisor

Issue

The Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks, is requesting authorization to create one FTE for an Area of Concern Program Supervisor. This position is tied to federal, state, and local grant funding and will be reduced or eliminated based on grant funding levels. The Area of Concern Program Supervisor is focused on managing the Milwaukee Estuary, an Area of Concern under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, to address contaminated river sediment located on Milwaukee County property.

Background

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has received grant funding from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to fund the new Milwaukee County Area of Concern Program Supervisor position to manage the South Shore Park Water Quality Improvement Study, the Kletzsch Park Dam Fish Passage Study, and the Little Menomonee River Corridor Habitat Restoration. These areas have been designated as the as an Area of Concern (AOC) under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

Milwaukee County is a major facilitator of these projects which are on County property that the new position will supervise. The Area of Concern Program Supervisor will be tasked as a liaison to AOC work groups, provide supervision for programs, management of County projects and staff, as well as administrative duties related to the projects.

Recommendation

The Department of Administrative Services – Performance, Strategy and Budget recommends that the request to create 1.0 FTE Area of Concern Program Supervisor, Job code (to be determined), Pay Range 29, be approved.

Fiscal Impact

The cost to the County of the Area of Concern Program Supervisor position is \$0, and assumes funding from the WDNR to cover the full cost of the position. The WDNR has proposed to fund this position through 2024. If the grant funding is reduced or eliminated, the position will be reduced or eliminated.



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