



June Board Cycle

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Date: May 18, 2018  
To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors  
From: Guy Smith, CPRP, Interim Parks Director  
Subject: **Authorization to Apply for a 2018 State of Wisconsin Stewardship Program Grant (ACTION)**

### Policy

Milwaukee County Parks requests authorization to apply for a 2018 State of Wisconsin Stewardship Program grant.

### Background

The snowmobile bridge in Franklin Park is in extremely poor condition and warrants a full replacement. Parks intends to remove the existing bridge and replace it with a pre-fabricated steel stringer bridge with a wood deck and railings. The new bridge, unlike the existing bridge, will be designed to meet all WDNR guidelines and requirements for an ATV and snowmobile bridge.

Parks, with County Board authority, submitted a request for a State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Snowmobile Trail Aid funds on April 9, 2018 for the replacement of the bridge. Parks is seeking WDNR Stewardship Program funding as a match to that pending Snowmobile Trail Aid grant application.

The Stewardship Program is designed to facilitate and promote "nature-based outdoor recreation." Nature-based outdoor recreation consists of activities whose primary purpose is the appreciation or enjoyment of nature. Examples include hunting, trapping, fishing, multi-use trail activities, picnicking, and wildlife or nature observation. Support facilities that enhance nature-based outdoor recreation and/or improve disabled accessibility access such as roads and parking lots are also eligible for Stewardship funding. Program funds are reimbursed on a 1:1 state-local cost-share basis, and grant applications are due May 1, 2018.



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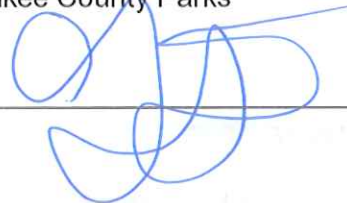
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### Recommendation

Authorize Parks to apply for a 2018 State of Wisconsin Stewardship Program grant. Also, authorize Parks, the Office of Comptroller, and the Department of Administrative Services to execute an administrative fund transfer to recognize the receipt of revenue and apply it to the snowmobile bridge replacement project at Franklin Park.

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### Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Fiscal Note
- Attachment 2 – Resolution

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