

## Public Meeting Notice

**West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC)**

**10:00 a.m., Thursday, November 14, 2024**

**Eau Claire Conference Room**

**Third Floor of Building D, Banbury Place**

**800 Wisconsin Street**

**Eau Claire, Wisconsin**

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### **Amended Agenda**

1. **Call to Order** – Chair John Frank
2. **Welcome and Introduction of Commissioners and Guests** – Frank
3. **Review and Approve Minutes of September 12, 2024, Commission Meeting** – Frank
4. **Review and Approve Disbursements** – Frank
5. **Resolution Adopting the 2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Annual Report** – Associate Planners Craig Johnson and Landon Profaizer/Executive Director Scott Allen/Frank  
*Background: As a requirement of WCWRPC receiving planning grant funds from the federal Economic Development Administration (EDA), submittal of a CEDS Annual Report is required. The report is a summary of 2024 completed activities and considers economic changes occurring in the region, with a look ahead to the 5-year CEDS update in 2025.*  
*Potential Action: Review and approve resolution.*
6. **Rain to Rivers of Western Wisconsin, Inc. Outreach Coordinator Agreement** – Profaizer/Allen/Frank  
*Background: Rain to Rivers of Western Wisconsin, Inc. is seeking to contract with WCWRPC for 2025 staffing to fill the Storm Water Outreach Coordinator position. The position will assist with public education and outreach activities related to Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits required under the Clean Water Act. Members of Rain to Rivers include: Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties; Cities of Altoona, Chippewa Falls, Eau Claire, Hudson, Menomonie, New Richmond, Rice Lake, and River Falls; Towns of Eagle Point, Lafayette, and Washington; Village of Lake Hallie; UW-Stout and UW-River Falls. Similar staffing was provided to Rain to Rivers from 2016-2024.*  
*Potential Action: Review and approve the agreement.*

7. **Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District Safe Routes to School Plan Update and Implementation Agreement** – Assistant Planner Hailee Bushman/Allen/Frank  
*Background:* The Chippewa Falls School District is requesting assistance from WCWRPC with an update to, and the implementation of, their Safe Routes to School Plan (adopted in 2021).  
*Potential Action:* Review and approve the agreement.
8. **School District of Altoona Safe Routes to School Plan Update and Implementation Agreement** – Bushman/Allen/Frank  
*Background:* The Altoona School District is requesting assistance from WCWRPC with the completion of an update to, and the implementation of, their Safe Routes to School Plan (adopted in 2017).  
*Potential Action:* Review and approve the agreement.
9. **Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Comprehensive Planning for Watersheds Grant Application** – Allen/Frank  
*Background:* In 2016, WCWRPC collaborated with county conservation offices, WDNR, lake groups, and other partners to create a 9-Key Element Plan for the Eau Claire River Watershed, which focuses on addressing surface water impairments due to non-point source (i.e., phosphorus, sedimentation). The Plan was approved by EPA in 2017 as meeting the required 9 key elements, which opened the door to additional grant opportunities for plan implementation. The Eau Claire River Watershed Coalition was formed as a result of the planning effort and uses the plan to guide their efforts. WCWRPC has assisted in obtaining grant funding for a number of related projects envisioned in the plan, such as soil health field days, demonstration farms, and educational outreach. A \$25,000 WDNR grant is requested to update the plan prior to its expiration in 2027. WCWRPC will facilitate the Plan update with the participation of county conservation offices covering the local cost share.  
*Potential Action:* Review and approve the resolution.
10. **Director's Report** – Allen  
*Background:* Allen will provide an update on project, budget, and staffing activities.  
*Potential Action:* Informational only.
11. **Any Other Business or Updates** – Allen/Frank
12. **Next Commission Meeting Date** – Thursday, January 9, 2025 – Banbury Place, Eau Claire
13. **Next Executive Committee Meeting Date** – Thursday, December 12, 2024 – Banbury Place, Eau Claire
14. **Adjournment**  
At the conclusion of the meeting, staff will be available to take Commissioner headshot photos in order to update the Commissioner directory.

**ATTENTION COMMISSIONERS:** If you are unable to attend, please contact Erin Whyte at 715-836-2918 or [ewhyte@wcwrpc.org](mailto:ewhyte@wcwrpc.org) as counts are needed for quorum and lunch purposes.