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Rep. Kitchens applauds coastal management grants

MADISON, Wis. – Rep. Joel Kitchens (R-Sturgeon Bay) is pleased with today’s announcement that several communities in and around the 1st Assembly District will be receiving grant funding through the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program.

Created in 1978, the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program supports projects that focus on wetland protection, habitat restoration, nonpoint pollution control, land use planning, Great Lakes education, public access, historic preservation and land acquisition.

Over the years, the Wisconsin Coastal Management Council has provided funding for many worthwhile initiatives in the 1st Assembly District. Last year, the Village of Sister Bay received a grant to obtain Pebble Beach. In 2020, 39 recipients will be getting \$1.5 million.

Rep. Kitchens is the only member of the state Assembly who serves on the Coastal Management Council, which acts as an advisory board and sets policy direction for the program.

“Our Great Lakes shoreline is one of the most valuable assets we have in Wisconsin and my district includes more shoreline by far than any other district,” Rep. Kitchens said. “The council has done tremendous work in protecting our coast and increasing access. I am very proud to serve on it.”

Listed below are some of the local projects that are receiving 2020 coastal management grants:

- \$60,000 for the City of Kewaunee to acquire part of the Salmon Harbor Marina.
- \$29,994 for Brown County to work with five communities along the Bay of Green Bay to establish a coastal flooding pre-disaster mitigation plan.
- \$27,500 for the Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership to complete the development and delivery of a collaboratively designed water quality and messaging campaign to raise awareness about stormwater and nonpoint pollution and its impact on the coastal watersheds of Lake Michigan.
- \$20,000 for the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission to provide technical assistance to local governments in Brown, Door, Kewaunee and Manitowoc counties.

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