

# COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN

Village of Egg Harbor, Wisconsin



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# Introduction

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## PLAN PURPOSE

The purpose of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan is to review Village of Egg Harbor's existing recreation resources, identify potential future demands and provide recommendations for addition of or improvement to outdoor recreation facilities. Submission of this report to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WisDNR) maintains eligibility for a variety of Federal and State funds to purchase lands and add or improve recreation facilities. Preparation of this plan was conducted in accordance with guidance found in Wisconsin Statute 23.30 Outdoor Recreation Program and the Wisconsin DNR's Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP).

## PLANNING PROCESS

The Village of Egg Harbor contracted with Civic 4, LLC to generate the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. In 2018, the Village began the process of updating their Comprehensive Plan. The engagement process for the Comprehensive Plan development included a specific look at recreation in anticipation of developing a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. A survey was put out to the public that asked what, if any, recreation opportunities were missing in the community, among other recreation related questions. Over 150 people responded to the survey and over 45 people provided input at two public meetings.

Additional input for the development of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan included meetings with the Harbor Committee and the Parks and Public Works Committee to review goals and capital development projects. Information gathered from these citizen groups and the information provided throughout the Comprehensive Planning process helped guide the development of recreation specific goals and objectives

## ROLE OF PARKS, OUTDOOR RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE

The Village of Egg Harbor recognizes that parks, recreation and open space are essential to the quality of life for Village residents. In addition, the quality of public facilities has a large impact on the seasonal resident and visitor population in the Village during the summer. Parks and open space provide gathering spaces for families, social groups and individuals. Recreation resources and programming; including community events hosted in public parks, are a large part of how people experience Egg Harbor. Parks, recreation and open space are an important economic resource to the Village where they enhance and uphold the market value of all properties for residents and businesses. The Egg Harbor Marina and beach draw thousands of people each season, generating revenue for the Village and local businesses.

## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INTEGRATION

The 2020 Village of Egg Harbor Comprehensive Plan includes an entire section dedicated to recreation and the movement of people throughout the Village. The goals associated with recreation and open space include the following:

1. Create a comfortable and safe environment for pedestrians and cyclists
2. Grow outdoor winter recreation in the Village
3. Continue investment in community assets
4. Develop creative open spaces

These goals provide a baseline for the development of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. In addition, the Comprehensive Plan recommended the development of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan which further aligns the two documents.

# About Egg Harbor

Egg Harbor is a picturesque lakeside Village on the Bay of Green Bay that hosts a number of seasonal amenities drawing a large amount of visitors during the summer season. From a marina and public beach to outdoor amphitheater, Egg Harbor is a destination for those traveling from Wisconsin, Illinois as well as other Midwest states and nationwide. Located 17 miles north of Door County’s only city, Sturgeon Bay, and 26 miles south of the tip of the peninsula, Egg Harbor is positioned to serve year-round residents living and working throughout the county as well as hosting visitors looking to explore the quaintness of the small Village.

## Access

The Village is bordered on the north by the Town of Gibraltar, on the South and East by the Town of Egg Harbor and Green Bay to the west. It is served by the Gibraltar area school district. Bisecting the small Village is State Highway 42 which provides access to the Door County communities along the eastern edge of the peninsula.

## SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS

### Population

At the 2010 census the Village population was 201. The following chart shows the estimated for the Village of Egg Harbor through 2040, using a standard population projection method :

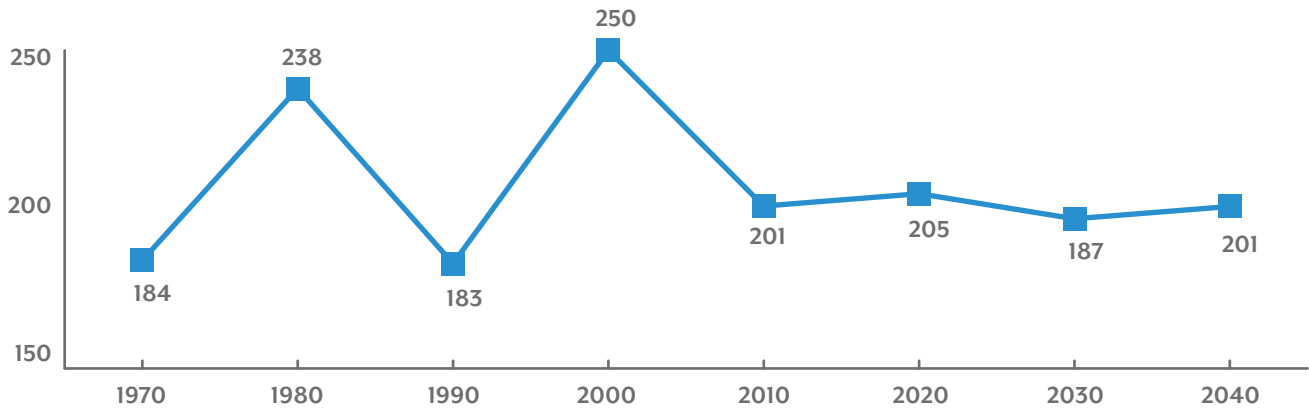


Figure 1.1: Village Population Projection, U.S. Census Bureau (1970, 1980, 1990, 2000, 2010)

### Demographics

<b>Median Age</b>	<b>64.6</b>
<b>Race</b>	<b>100% White</b>
<b>Average Household Size</b>	<b>1.64</b>
<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$49,583</b>
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	<b>18% of total units</b>
<b>Vacant Housing Units</b>	<b>82% of total units (includes seasonal and transient rentals)</b>
<b>Workforce Population</b>	<b>44% of total population in workforce (between ages of 16 and 64)</b>

Additional Characteristics, U.S. Census Bureau, 2010: ACS 5-Year Estimates Data Profiles, [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov).

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## PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

The Village of Egg Harbor is approximately 2.45 square miles. 3.25% of property is owned by the Village with 1.88% being parks and open space. The physical characteristics\* that make up the Village are outlined below:

### Topography

The Village is approximately 580 feet above sea level with heights reaching up to 750 feet inland.

### Geology

An important physical characteristic to the Village, and the County as a whole, is the Niagara Escarpment which runs the length of the Village and beyond. The escarpment offers scenic views and significant archaeological sites. Development can be challenging in Egg Harbor due to the large amount of bedrock present throughout the County. This can result in a greater need for development to require blasting which can disrupt the natural environment and threaten surrounding development.

### Soils & Groundwater

The Village is comprised of the following soils: alpena gravelly sandy loam; longrie loam; namur loam and summerville loam. The Village relies on shallow aquifers for their primary source of water. The region has a high risk of groundwater pollution due to a karst topography consisting of shallow soils over fractured bedrock.

### Woodlands

Wooded areas in the Village provide habitat for wildlife and serve as an aesthetic amenity for the community. The northern and southern portions of the Village are primarily wooded with a mix of coniferous and deciduous species, while the central portion of the Village lacks a significant amount of forested cover, primarily due to residential and agricultural development.

### Wetlands

Only a small amount of wetlands exist within the Village limits and are located at the southern most and northern most ends of the Village. While the Village is bordered by Green Bay to the east, there are no navigable streams or waterways found in the Village.

### Air Quality

Door County has previously been designated non-attainment. The area recorded three years of complete, quality-assured ambient air quality monitoring data for the years 2017 through 2019. As of January 2020, The Wisconsin DNR is seeking a re-designation of Door County to attainment.

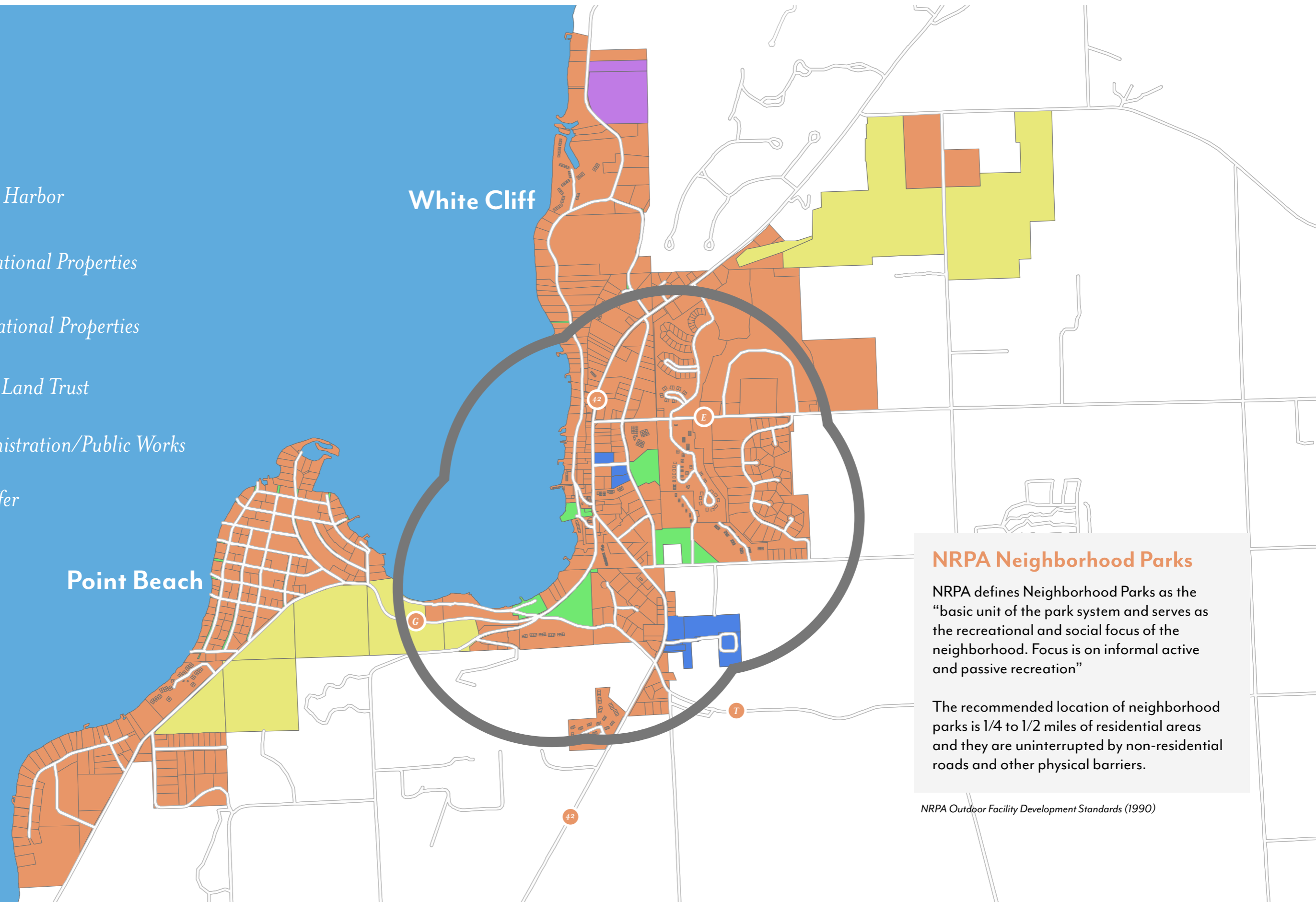
\*This information was informed by the 2008 Village Master Plan and Wisconsin DNR website.

# Recreation Service Area

The following map shows a 1/2 mile buffer area around each park facility in the Village. Based on NRPA standards, neighborhood parks should exist within 1/4 to 1/2 mile of residential areas. This map shows that both the Point Beach area, west and the White Cliff Road area, north may be under-served by park facilities.

## LEGEND

- Door County
- Village of Egg Harbor
- Village Recreational Properties
- Private Recreational Properties
- Door County Land Trust
- Village Administration/Public Works
- 1/2 Mile Buffer



**NRPA Neighborhood Parks**

NRPA defines Neighborhood Parks as the “basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal active and passive recreation”

The recommended location of neighborhood parks is 1/4 to 1/2 miles of residential areas and they are uninterrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers.

*NRPA Outdoor Facility Development Standards (1990)*



## Type

For the purposes of this plan, two types of parks are used to describe each property:

Type	Definition
Active	Medium-high intensity recreation: involves higher level of development and infrastructure
Passive	Low intensity recreation; involves low level of development and can be provided at low cost

## Accessibility

Using the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) as a standard, the numbers associated with each parks "Accessibility" component reflect the following:

Grade	Definition
1	None of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
2	Some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
3	Most of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
4	The entire park meets accessibility guidelines

ADA Standards for Accessible Design, 2010

Recreational Property	Acres	Type	Public/Private	Parking	Restrooms	Additional Amenities	Accessibility
Beach View Park & Bay View Terrace	3.90	Active	Public	Yes	Yes	Beach, pavilion, playground, kayak/paddleboard rentals	2
Bird View Park	9.42	Passive	Public	No	No	N/A	1
Egg Harbor Marina	1.80	Active	Public	Yes	Yes	Boat launch, fuel, showers, laundry, electrical service,, playground, ice, group entertainment areas, fishing provisions, first aid	2
Harbor View Park	0.40	Passive	Public	No	No	Benches	2
Eames Cherry View Park & Amphitheater	6.21	Active	Public	No	Yes	Amphitheater	2
Village View Park & Harbor Hounds Dog Park	7.68	Active	Public	Yes	No	Boat trailer parking, future disc golf site	2
Alpine Golf Course	200	Active/Golf Course	Private	Yes	Yes	Clubhouse, golf related amenities	2
The Orchards at Egg Harbor	183	Active/Golf Course	Private	Yes	Yes	Clubhouse, resort, golf related amenities	2
Door County Land Trust - White Cliff Fen	27	Passive	Public	No	No	N/A	1

# Needs Assessment & Standards

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In order to determine the needs of the outdoor recreation system provided by the Village various stakeholders were involved in both the data collection and the review of goals and priorities. In addition, recreation related community comments were collected as a part of the 2019 Comprehensive Planning process

## Data Collection

Information on operations and maintenance schedules for park and recreation properties was collected from the Directors of the Egg Harbor Marina and Parks and Public Works Departments. Marina and Park staff also provided their capital development schedules for necessary work on their properties over the next five (5) years.

The Village currently has a Capital Development Plan in place that includes recreation related projects. These recreation specific projects were incorporated into this plan.

## Community Feedback

The community, including residents, seasonal residents and visitors, were asked an open ended survey question about what types of recreational opportunities they would like to see provided in the Village. Many respondents want to see more activity occurring in the winter months. Others were looking for more traditional types of recreation like tennis courts or pickle-ball. The following comments reflect a variety of the responses received. A full list of responses can be found in Appendix A.

“I'd like to see the bird trail developed. Perhaps individuals or businesses could sponsor a small stretch of land and maintain the area free of weeds and do the plantings . Obviously, there would be a committee to lead the process. Our parks and public works department doesn't need more work.”

“Perhaps volleyball or disc golf parks. Build/rebuild sidewalks/walkways so they all connect, with mileage markers for walkers. Perhaps a mini lookout tower by the dog park?”

“I'd like to see a community garden space. I'd like to see public bathrooms on top of the hill. I'd like to see a fish cleaning area near the marina. I'd like to see an outdoor physical fitness course. I'd like to see and indoor physical fitness center.”

“I would love to see a park with a playground and a splash pad during the summer.”

## Seasonal Considerations

The Village of Egg Harbor, while small in year-round population, sees a significant increase in seasonal residents over the summer months. While it is difficult to incorporate seasonal data into this plan, the influx of people during the peak season should be considered when developing parks and recreation facilities. However, it is also important to balance the impact of seasonal residents with the year-round capabilities and resources of the Village to maintain and operate all public facilities.

## Goals and Capital Development Project Review

The draft Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan was provided to the following committees and the Village Board for review and feedback:

- Parks and Public Works Committee
- Harbor Committee
- Village Board

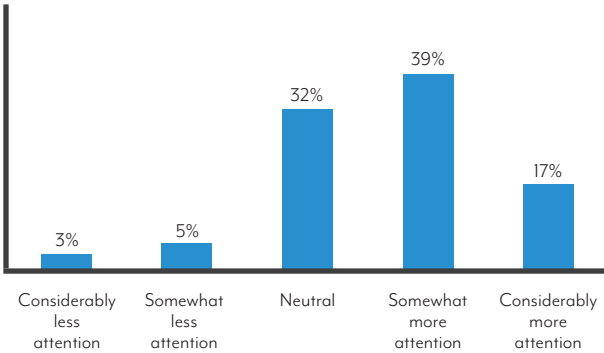
Each group provided feedback and information to better inform the future of the outdoor recreation offerings in Egg Harbor.

## PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

In addition to the open ended recreational question posed to survey respondents, the Village asked quantitative recreational related questions as a part of the 2019 Comprehensive Plan process. The following feedback reflects the information collected in regard to the future of recreation offerings in the Village.

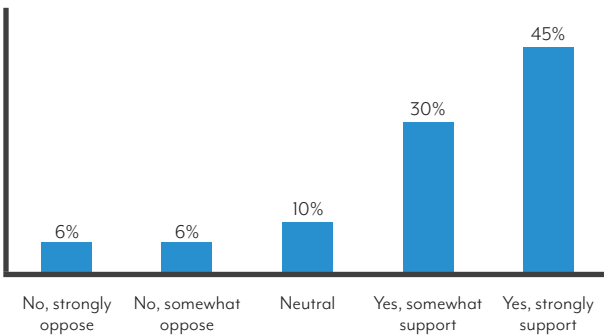
### Providing adequate parks and recreation opportunities

Total Respondents = 180



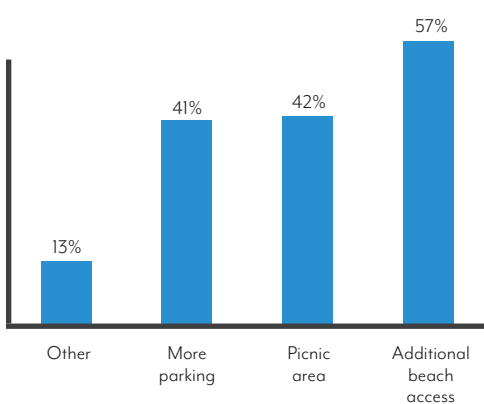
Respondents were asked how much attention should be paid to providing adequate parks and recreation opportunities in the Village. Almost 50% of respondents identified at least somewhat more attention be paid to parks. This emphasizes the important role that public open spaces play in the Village.

### Development of a recreational trail from Frank Murphy County Park to Beach View Park



Respondents were asked specifically if they would support the development of a recreational (walking & biking) trail that would connect Frank Murphy County Park (Town of Egg Harbor) to Beach View Park (Village of Egg Harbor). An overwhelming majority of 75% would support the development of the trail.

### Expansion of Beach View Park



A scenario was posed to respondents that asked what they would like to see provided at Beach View Park if the Village were to acquire shoreline to the west of the current property. Respondents were able to select more than one response and the top choice was additional beach access followed by a picnic area.

Respondents were also provided an opportunity to pose additional thoughts or ideas. The following table summarizes these responses\*:

There is no need to acquire more beach property	10
Additional recreational opportunities (winter options, tennis, etc.)	8
New lift station	4

\*Numbers reflect the 22 people that make up the 13% of "other" responses

## RECREATION STANDARDS

The Village of Egg Harbor is in a unique situation when it comes to the amenities offered. For a population of 201 (2010 census) the Village has a full service marina, public beach, outdoor amphitheater, dog park and walking trails. This is largely due to a property tax base that includes seasonal homes and the high number of visitors traveling to Egg Harbor during the summer season. Despite the influx of people during the summer months it is important to ensure the general community's recreational needs are being met. The following standards are provided by the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) to help communities determine whether they are meeting open space and recreation needs of their residents.

### Village of Egg Harbor Park Facilities

Population = 201		NRPA Standard (2016-2018)	Egg Harbor	Performance
Total number of parks	5 parks*	1 park / 2,181 residents	1 park / 40 residents	Exceeds
Total acres of park land	32 acres	1 acre / 100 residents	1 acre / 6 residents	Exceeds
Total number of play-grounds	2 playgrounds (Marina and Beach View Park)	1 playground / 3,706 residents =	1 playground / 100 residents	Exceeds

\*Does not include Marina. Combines Village View/Harbor Hounds and Beach View Park/Terrace.

### Facility Development Standards

The NRPA provides facility development guidance for all recreation related facilities. The Village of Egg Harbor does not maintain traditional facilities such as baseball diamonds or tennis courts, but does maintain a public beach area and trail. In addition the Village maintains a dog park, however the NRPA does not provide guidance for dog parks. The following table identifies the relevant recreational facilities for the Village of Egg Harbor. For any future development of these areas the following guidance should be referenced:





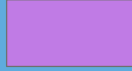

Activity	Recommended Size and Dimensions	Service Radius	Location Notes
Trails (Type II, light impact/ Connector)	Multi-use trail, maximum 10' width.	N/A	N/A
Beach	Beach area should have 50 sq. ft. of water per user. Turnover rate is 3. There should be 3-4 acres supporting land per acre of beach.	1/2 to 1 hour appropriate travel time	Should have sand bottom with slope maximum of 5% (flat preferable) Boating areas completely segregated from swimming areas.

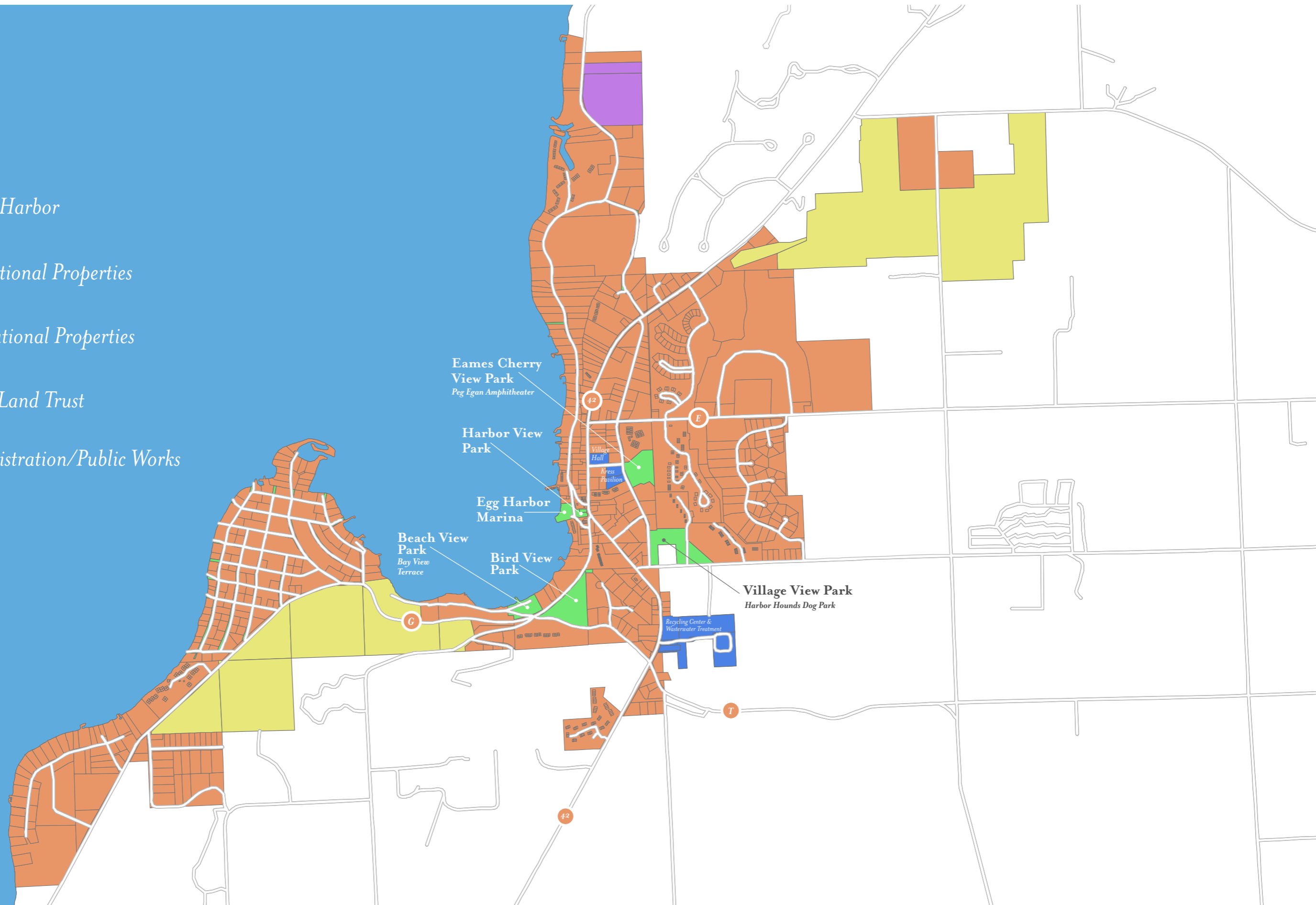
National Recreation and Parks Association Outdoor Facility Development Standards, 1990

# Recreational Supply Inventory

The Village of Egg Harbor offers public recreational space as well as two private golf courses for recreational purposes. The following map shows the locations of all public recreation space as well as the two private golf courses.

## LEGEND

-  *Door County*
-  *Village of Egg Harbor*
-  *Village Recreational Properties*
-  *Private Recreational Properties*
-  *Door County Land Trust*
-  *Village Administration/Public Works*



# Goals & Policy Framework

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The Village of Egg Harbor Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation plan provides a framework for the management of parks and recreational resources in the Village. The goals outlined below represent what can be accomplished within the next five (5) years. The corresponding policies represent the context for how the Village should strive to make decisions regarding the development of parks, recreation and open spaces.

## 5-YEAR GOALS

1. Expand and enhance Beach View Park to provide an increased level of accessibility and recreation.
2. Preserve and maintain all facilities at the Egg Harbor Marina
3. Preserve and maintain all public park, recreation and open space facilities
4. Construct a multi-use trail from Frank Murphy County Park to Beach View Park
5. Construct a new restroom facility that is centrally located within the Village's downtown area

## POLICIES

### **1. Establish and maintain high quality parks, open space and recreation opportunities**

- Ensure the amount of parks, trails and open space is reflective of the Village's current and future needs
- Maintain current facilities and equipment for maximum longevity and safety
- Seek opportunities to develop walkable connections to all areas of the Village
- Consider efficiency, effectiveness and economic impact when providing recreation opportunities

### **2. Pursue development and improvements to water-based recreation.**

- Enhance and maintain access to Egg Harbor through the Egg Harbor Beach and Egg Harbor Marina
- Seek opportunities to expand or enhance public water access

### **3. Encourage the preservation of environmentally sensitive and historically significant areas.**

- Identify through survey, and incorporate historical areas or structures in the development and expansion of recreational facilities
- Preserve environmental corridors, scenic views, and areas of ecological significance
- Prioritize enhancement and maintenance of all public shoreline

### **4. Provide diverse and accessible recreation opportunities so people of all ages have an equal opportunity to enjoy the parks and open spaces available.**

- Pursue new and innovative recreation offerings
- Prioritize making accessibility updates to current facilities
- Incorporate accessibility into all future design of public facilities
- Encourage development of public/private natural pathways as shortcuts between various roadways

### **5. Investigate and utilize all available resources to further enhance the Village's recreation offerings.**

- Pursue state and federal funding programs that can aid in the development of public recreation property
- Explore public-private partnerships in the enhancement of the parks and recreation system

### **6. Ensure that the Village of Egg Harbor's Outdoor Recreation Plan remains relevant and responsive to community needs.**

- Review capital improvement schedules on an annual basis to assess changing needs
- Review and update the plan every 5 years as required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to remain eligible for State matching funds

# Action Plan

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The 5-year goals established by the Village look to the future of the area's recreation offerings and provides guidance for how and where to pursue development. While each goal is important, they are prioritized below to show where current resources should be directed first:

## Priority Level

HIGH

### **Expand and enhance Beach View Park to provide an increased level of accessibility and recreation.**

Beginning in 2018, the Village began pursuing improvements to Beach View Park to address shoreline erosion issues and accessibility along the park's eastern edge. The Village will continue to pursue expansions of the beach to the west with potential property acquisition.

HIGH

### **Preserve and maintain all facilities at the Egg Harbor Marina**

The Village will prioritize and ensure facilities at the Egg Harbor Marina are kept in a state of good repair. This includes continued daily and seasonal maintenance, identification of mandatory capital improvements and pursuit of improvements that address user needs.

HIGH

### **Preserve and maintain all public park, open space and recreation facilities**

The Village will prioritize and ensure park facilities remain open and functional for users year round. This includes continued daily and seasonal maintenance, identification of mandatory capital improvements and pursuit of improvements that address user needs.

MEDIUM

### **Construct a multi-use trail from Frank Murphy County Park to Beach View Park**

The Village's Comprehensive Planning process resulted in an action to pursue construction of a multi-use trail that would provide access between Frank Murphy County Park (Town of Egg Harbor) and Beach View Park (Village of Egg Harbor).

LOW

### **Construct a new restroom facility that is centrally located within the Village's downtown area**

The Village does not currently have any restroom facilities in the central area of the Village, along highway 42. To provide an improved experience for all residents and visitors while they explore Egg Harbor, it is important to pursue potential development of a centrally located restroom.

# Capital Development Projects

The Village of Egg Harbor has identified capital development projects that are needed to meet the goals of the Comprehensive Plan and implement the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Policies. These projects are outlined in this plan to help guide future recreational development but all projects are dependent on resources and funding. Estimated costs were provided by Village staff.

## BEACH VIEW PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND EXPANSION

The Egg Harbor beach area, known as Beach View Park, is a key component of the Village’s recreation offerings. Providing water access, pavilion, playground and restrooms, the park is greatly valued by both residents and visitors.

As of 2018, the Village began the process of securing funding to address issues pertaining to the eastern area of the shoreline within the park. Recent high water levels have led to severe erosion along this eastern edge resulting in an over-steepened, inaccessible beach. Addressing these issues will expand beach access to the east and provide an increased level of accessibility, offering a safe and universally accessible facility.

The Village continues to look at ways to enhance Beach View Park and is currently identifying the feasibility of expansion of the park to the west through acquisition of land currently owned by the Alpine Resort. This will not only create more public water access but also increase parking and provide an opportunity for the Village to move its lift station to an area of the park that is less obtrusive to patrons.



### Eastern Expansion Plan

Project	Estimated Completion Date
Removal of concrete seawall to return beach to a natural, stable shoreline	2020
Construction of ADA walkways	2020
Installation of storm-water conveyance and plantings to reduce upland pollutants and E.coli from entering Lake Michigan	2020
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>

### Western Expansion Plan

Project	Estimated Completion Date
Acquisition of Alpine Resort waterfront adjacent to Beach View Park for increased public water access	2021-2023
Construction of expanded parking facility on acquired property	2021-2023
Transfer of lift station to new location on acquired property	2021-2023



## EGG HARBOR MULTI-USE TRAIL

The Village’s Comprehensive Planning process resulted in an action to pursue construction of a multi-use trail that would provide access between Frank Murphy County Park (Town of Egg Harbor) and Beach View Park (Village of Egg Harbor).

Bicycle planning efforts have been ongoing for Door County as a whole with a County-Wide Bicycle and Pedestrian plan being adopted in 2018. Efforts have resulted in the widening of county roads to allow larger shoulders for cycling. The Village of Egg Harbor is also working to incorporate bike lanes into the planned reconstruction of Highway 42 through the Village’s downtown.

The development of a multi-use trail from Frank Murphy County Park to Beach View Park could be built by obtaining easements on private property and construction of a facility along County Road G. The trail will introduce a new recreation opportunity to the area as well as provide a new way to access the Village and the Town facilities for residents and visitors.



### Multi-Use Trail Project Plan

Project	Estimated Completion Date
Project design and development plan	2021
Obtainment of any necessary easements, property and funding	2022
Construction and development of trail	2023

## DOWNTOWN BATHROOM FACILITY

The Village of Egg Harbor maintains public restroom facilities at the Egg Harbor Marina, Beach View Park and Peg Egan Amphitheater. However, all of these facilities are not located central to Egg Harbor’s downtown area. In addition, the facilities available at the Peg Egan Amphitheater are not open outside of concert hours and the Egg Harbor Marina restrooms are located at the base of a hill which limits accessibility of that facility. Feedback collected during the Comprehensive Planning process stated a centralized bathroom facility was desired to improve the experience of exploring and visiting Egg Harbor.

### Bathroom Facility Project Plan

Project	Estimated Completion Date	Estimated Cost
Construction of facility	2021	\$400,000

## EGG HARBOR MARINA MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS

The Egg Harbor Marina was developed in 2010 when a reconstruction of the break-wall provided the ability for the Village to establish a formal Marina. Since then, growth in recreation along the Egg Harbor shore has grown and resulted in an increase in business activity throughout the Village. This shows the importance of the Egg Harbor Marina to the greater community. Because of the important role the Marina plays in the Village’s economy, it is critical to keep the facility in a state of good repair and responsive to the needs of consumers.



### Egg Harbor Marina Maintenance and Operations Schedule\*

Season	Maintenance Required
Spring/Summer Opening	Maintenance of bathrooms, fuel dock, docks, service building and parking lot
Fall/Winter Closing	Closure and winterization of bathrooms, fuel dock, docks, service building and parking lot

\*The Egg Harbor Marina is managed by an operating agreement with Founders 3.

### Egg Harbor Marina Capital Improvement Schedule

Project	Estimated Completion Date	Estimated Cost
Breakwater upgrades	2021	\$1,600,000
De-icer Installation (30)	2021	\$65,000
Fuel Pump Replacement (2)	2022	\$32,000
Bathroom Update	2023	\$30,000
Ship Store/Boaters Lounge Build Out	2024	\$25,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,752,000</b>

### Great Lakes Water Levels

Due to volatility in Great Lakes water levels, the Village may choose to pursue an amendment to this plan that will address any costs or resources needed to effectively manage water issues along the shoreline that directly impact Village owned recreational resources.

## PARK FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS

The Village of Egg Harbor’s Parks and Public Works Department and Committee is responsible for management, operations and oversight of all park properties within the Village. In addition, the department is responsible for maintaining the Village’s recycling center and wastewater treatment plant and other public infrastructure located within the Village.



### Park Facilities Maintenance and Operations Schedule

Season	Maintenance Required
Winter	Plowing parking lots, snow blowing sidewalks, equipment maintenance, brushing
Spring	Readying parks, planting flowers, cleaning up after winter, opening buildings
Summer	Mowing grass, tending gardens/parks, emptying trash cans, cleaning bathrooms, cleaning beach
Fall	Laying-up buildings, cleaning out flower beds, readying equipment for winter operations

### Park Facilities Capital Improvement Schedule

Park	Project	Estimated Completion Date	Estimated Cost
Beach View Park	ADA Compliance	2021	\$5,000
	Hillside Revitalization	2022	\$7,500
N/A	Outdoor Sports Facility	2023	\$10,000
Eames Cherry View Park	ADA Compliance	2021	\$5,000
Harbor View Park	Flower bed reconstruction	2023	\$15,000
Bird View Park	Flowers, benches, trash can additions	2022	\$5,000
Bay View Terrace Park	Additions to current flower beds and new areas	2022	\$5,000
Harbor Hounds Dog Park	No new projects		
Parks Department	New snow blower for sidewalks	2023	\$100,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$152,500</b>

# Funding Sources

Municipalities can use various funding sources or grants specific to parks, open space and recreation to help with project implementation. Options can range from federal and state grants or loans, annual budgeting and private sector sources such as land dedications from developers.

## Grant Programs

The following table provides a list of grants that the Village of Egg Harbor could be eligible for depending on the project. Most of these grants are administered through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. While they are not all in direct relation to recreation (i.e. Surface Water Grants) they do provide funding to ensure resiliency in natural resources which can indirectly affect recreation offerings.

Funding Program	Agency	Award Requirements	Due Date
<a href="#">Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program</a>	Wisconsin DNR	50% local match	May 1
<a href="#">Recreational Boating Facilities Grant</a>	Wisconsin DNR	50% local match	Quarterly
<a href="#">Surface Water Grants</a>	Wisconsin DNR	25% local match	May 1
<a href="#">Urban Forestry</a>	Wisconsin DNR	50% local match	October 1
<a href="#">Recreational Trails Program</a>	Wisconsin DNR	50% reimbursement of project costs	May 1
<a href="#">Land and Water Conservation Fund</a>	Wisconsin DNR	50% local match	May 1
<a href="#">Coastal Grants Program</a>	Wisconsin Coastal Management Program	50% - 60% local match	November 1

## Annual Village Budgeting

The Village currently budgets for all park operations and maintenance through its annual budgeting process.

## Community Organizations and Volunteer Groups

Groups such as those pursuing the development of Book Nook Gardens can be important resources for future development. These types of groups or organizations are able to conduct community fund-raising for various projects. Identifying and leveraging these groups and organizations can help off-set potential costs for projects both big and large.

## Park Land Dedication

As Egg Harbor continues to grow and develop, it may be important to pursue park land dedications from larger developments. The Village can use its zoning code to require developers to dedicate sufficient land to provide open space to meet any anticipated need by the increase of residential development.

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Comprehensive list of all comments to the question: What recreational offerings would you like to see provided in the Village? Does not include responses of "None".

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"I really love the idea of a walking/bike path from the county park to the village center. I would love to be able to walk or ride to town on a path-like setting. I would use it daily, year-round."

"We are in our 40s with a small child and we have gotten to the point of spending more time at our cottage in Egg Harbor in the winter months because there are less people. It would be nice if they were more things to do that time of year, and we hear that from so many people."

"I'd like to see a community garden space. I'd like to see public bathrooms on top of the hill. I'd like to see a fish cleaning area near the marina. I'd like to see an outdoor physical fitness course. I'd like to see an indoor physical fitness center. Maybe the village joins up with the Landmark's fitness room and offers a community fitness center."

"I understand the need for tourism for financial stability of the community, but we chose this town for the small town feel and low crime rates in Door County, please choose improvements and changes wisely and think long term."

"Just maintain what you have so ALL can have access"

"I love how the village and township are right now. Sure a few tweaks could be made in services and facilities. Very proud of the new building and library just opened and the concert area. I do not want to see more regulations out in place. I moved away from a big city to get away from regulatory aggravation. Protect the parks and natural resources like the beach and water. But leave our private property alone."

"There needs to be public bathrooms closer to shopping"

"More public bathrooms"

"Winter Sports/festival"

"Winter fest, sledding hill"

"Tubing hill similar to winter park in Kewaunee. Sledding hill"

"Sledding, ice skating, winter festival"

"Rental E-bikes, catamaran rental at the beach, enhance the snowmobile trail system to encourage winter visitors, more wine tasting, more restaurants near the water, an early spring or late fall fishing tournament"

"Increased Winter recreational opportunities to spread out the impact of visitors to our area year round."

"A focus on winter activities is something the village should work toward. There are already plenty of people in the Village during the summer and fall months because there are things to do. Why increase the housing or beach space to bring more people to the village during an already busy time. I think it would be a better use of resources to attract people to the village when there are less people so that local businesses can get income during the off season. We are in our 40s with a small child and we have gotten to the point of spending more time at our cottage in Egg Harbor in the winter months because there are less people. It would be nice if they were more things to do that time of year, and we hear that from so many people."

"Wiffle ball tournaments Or 3 on 3 basketball tournaments / provide a Playground area for children other than the marina and include a swing set and basketball hoops"

"I would love to see a park with a playground and a splash pad during the summer."

"Family and dog friendly areas are needed."

"A decent flat field for soccer, frisbee, etc would be nice"

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- “We need a really good walking/running/biking trail system in and around the village center. The current trail is very nice but much too short to support real outdoor activities.”
- “Walking paths to Village from all directions”
- “Running/biking trails small sailboats”
- “Perhaps volleyball or disc golf parks. Build/rebuild sidewalks/walkways so they all connect, with mileage markers for walkers. Perhaps a mini lookout tower by the dog park? Whatever happened to bird trail markers?”
- “Need bike paths on White Cliff RD. This is the main route for bikers but it is not safe, because the cars go too fast and are not paying attention.”
- “More sidewalks for walking and connecting the north and south side of the village.”
- “More sidewalks creating more connections Village wide.”
- “Larger beach Walking trail/path connectivity Expanded harbor / parking for boaters Kayak and paddle board designated area Short term boat dockage Larger public spaces, open spaces”
- “More off street biking”
- “Just more biking roads as discussed earlier”
- “Develop a walking biking map that tags on to the Door County bike map that is lingering at the county. Let's dust that thing off and use it!”
- “Develop a single track bike trail in the public land east of the Beach, bordered by G and South Trail”
- “Bike Trails!”
- “Bike lane”
- “Better walkability. Tourists mill about then decide to cross the highway wherever they happen to be.”
- “At some point I'd like to see a bike path from Egg Harbor to Fish Creek, that is if the county and other communities contributed. Biking along G, from the Alpine to Murphy is already a safe road for bikers . Also, Murphy park is by no means a destination.”
- “I think developing the bike/walking trails are the priority and putting sculpture along the trails would be lovely and then of course we need the digital mapping so people know where to walk.”
- “We desperately need a no-wake zone from the Alpine to the dock just north of the Marina. I strongly support the bike and walking paths around the village”
- “As much as I would like to enjoy our marina, there is almost no parking available for boaters. With the overflow parking situated so far from the marina, it would be nice to see a solution for more parking to be able to use the marina. If Egg Harbor is expanding the public beach area, perhaps a new boat launch would be possible?”
- “Sail and power boat rentals at the marina”
- “The YMCA in Fish Creek has proven to be a GREAT asset. I would think a similar type of community center facility in Egg Harbor would be a real plus. If this were incorporated as part of the redevelopment of the Alpine, you might be able to leverage private investment for a public benefit.”
- “Northern Door County needs a sports complex with indoor hockey rink baseball field tennis courts volleyball swimming pool. All in one place”
- “I think it was a HUGE mistake not to have a fitness center included in the Kress Center. We missed that opportunity, but the community needs a fitness center and should build one, or create an incentive to attract a for-profit one. I know we have the two Ys, north and south, but each is about 20 minutes away and a bit worn.”
- “The presence of marathons and other healthy exercise options is fabulous and would be nice if the county were known for this, rather than drinking. Again, the slippery slope of where we go with signage brings down the whole area in terms of quaint feel. The blue neon sign on the new cheese factory restaurant is a travesty. What is next?”

