

## Sustainable Small Harbor Management Strategy Project

New Baltimore Community Design Charrette Final Presentation April 27, 2015



Michigan Sea Grant helps to foster economic growth and protect Michigan's coastal, Great Lakes resources through research, education and outreach.













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What are the key barriers to small harbor economic, social and environmental sustainability and what tools would help small harbor managers create more stability?



### **Project Outcomes**

- Development of a placemaking strategy and economic analysis for coastal communities to use to ascertain the financial viability of their harbor/waterfront
- Establishment of a toolkit for small harbors including four full case studies on how the model was developed and applied
- Summary report, presentation, case study fact sheets, and a website that will assist communities in their planning efforts

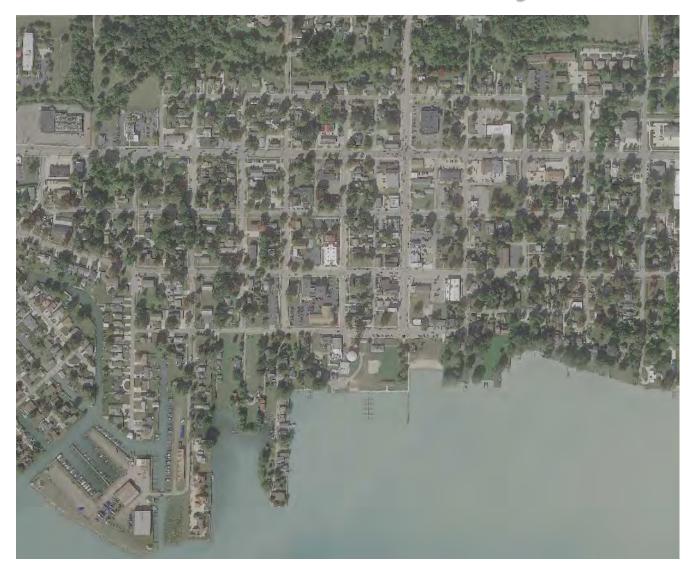
### New Baltimore Sustainable Small Harbor Design Charrette Process



# **Community Engagement Timeline**

- Initial Community Vision Meeting February 5
- Three Day Community Charrette March 5 7
  - Public Input Workshop (March 5: 6pm 8pm)
  - Preferred Option Public Open House (March 6: 6pm 8pm)
  - "Work In Progress" Community Presentation: (March 7: 6pm 8pm)
- Final Community Presentation April 27
- Final Project Outcomes and Toolkit Dissemination 2016
- Project Concludes August 2016

### **New Baltimore Study Area**



### **New Baltimore Waterfront**

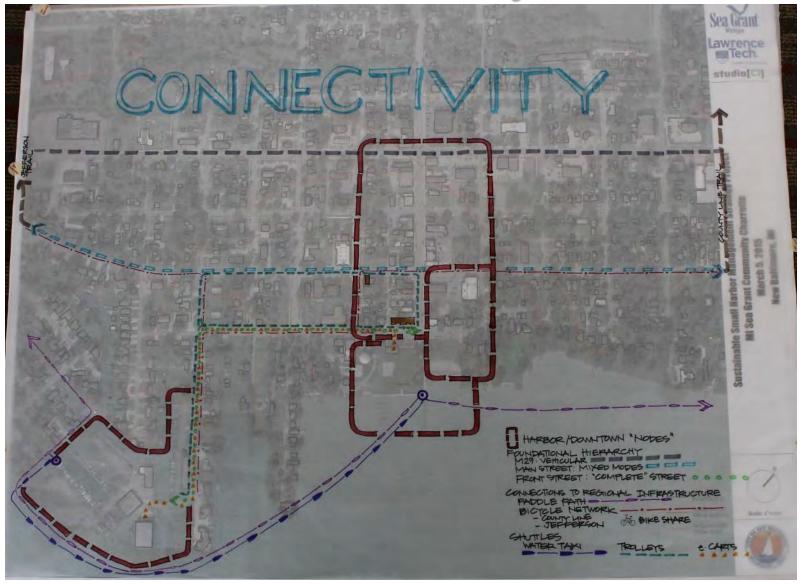


## **Schmid Marina**



### **Three Design Alternatives**

### Connectivity



### Courtesy of Joseph Demski

### Alternative 1: High Density Harbor at Schmid Marina



#### Alternative 1 : High Density Harbor @ Schmid Marina

Harbor/Waterfront Edge Driver	Private/Public Marina @ Schmid
Land-use	<ul> <li>Schmid Marina:</li> <li>Hotel; Conference/Banquet Center; Townhouses; Lakefront Restaurant; Welcome Center; Retail Downtown:</li> <li>Library Block: Event Plaza; Washington Street: Mixed Use In-Fill</li> </ul>
Connectivity	Hotel Shuttle; Water Taxi; Walkable Streets Downtown
Economic Development	<ul> <li>Schmid Marina:         <ul> <li>Increased Tax Base; Increased Local Spending; Increase Tourist Spending</li> <li>Downtown:                 <ul> <li>Mixed Use Downtown (Increased Tax Base; Increase Spending)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Natural Systems	Lakefront Park/Promenade & Natural Stormwater Systems at "Schmid" Development; Greening of Burke Park; Wetlands & Submerged Habitat
Local Precedent(s)	MacRay Harbor
Engineering Consideration	<ul> <li>Major Road Improvements to Marina</li> <li>New Bridge</li> <li>Major Underground Infrastructure Improvements (Water, Sanitary Sewer, Storm Sewer) to Site</li> <li>IT/Cable/Electrical Improvements to Site</li> </ul>

Alternative design lead by: Hai Bin Tan



## Alternative 2: Downtown on the Bay



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Harbor/Waterfront Edge Driver	Public Marina @ Washington
Land-use	<ul> <li>Schmid Marina:</li> <li>Private Mixed Use Residential</li> <li>Downtown:</li> <li>Library Block: Mixed Use In-Fill – 5 Stories (harbor amenities); Washington Street: Mixed Use In-Fill</li> </ul>
Connectivity	Walking & Bikes
Economic Development	<ul> <li>Schmid Marina:</li> <li>Mixed Density Residential Tax Base</li> <li>Downtown:</li> <li>Library Block: Mixed Use Adjacent to New Harbor (Tax Base &amp; Business Sales);</li> </ul>
Natural Systems	Greening of Burke Park; Relocation of Burke Park Beach; Naturalization of Schmid Shoreline Adjacent to New Residential
Local Precedent(s)	Harbor Springs; Boyne City
Engineering Considerations	<ul> <li>Floating Wave Energy Dissipation Dockage</li> <li>Significant Dredging of New Harbor</li> <li>Reconfiguration of Burke Park and Public Waterfront/Beach Area</li> <li>Minor Road Improvements to Marina</li> <li>New Bridge</li> <li>Minor Underground Infrastructure Improvements (Water, Sanitary Sewer, Storm Sewer) to Site</li> <li>IT/Cable/Electrical Improvements</li> </ul>

#### Alternative design lead by: Andrew Bradford



### Alternative 3: Public Harbor at Schmid Marina



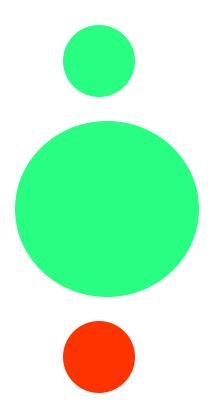
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Connectivity	"Complete" Front Street; e-Cart; Paddle Trail
Economic Development	Schmid Marina: • Launch Fees; Marina/Boat Amenities Downtown: • Mixed Use (Increased Tax Base; Increase Spending)
Natural Systems	Naturalized Shoreline; Smaller Footprint Buildings
Local Precedent(s)	Lexington
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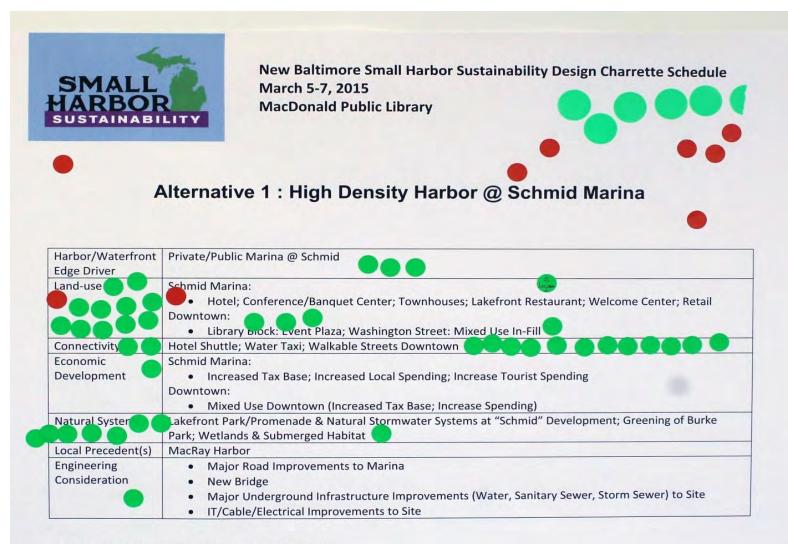
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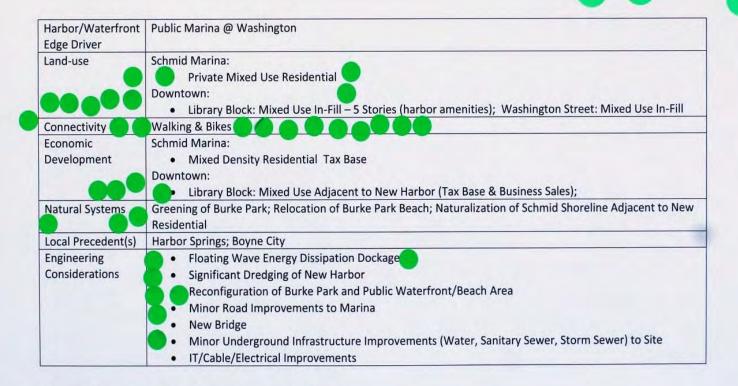
- Small green dot = Like this component
- Large green dot = Like this whole alternative
- Red dot = Uncomfortable with this component/alternative



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### **New Baltimore 2035**











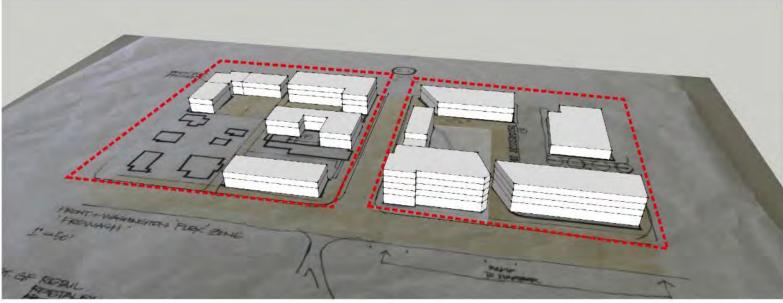


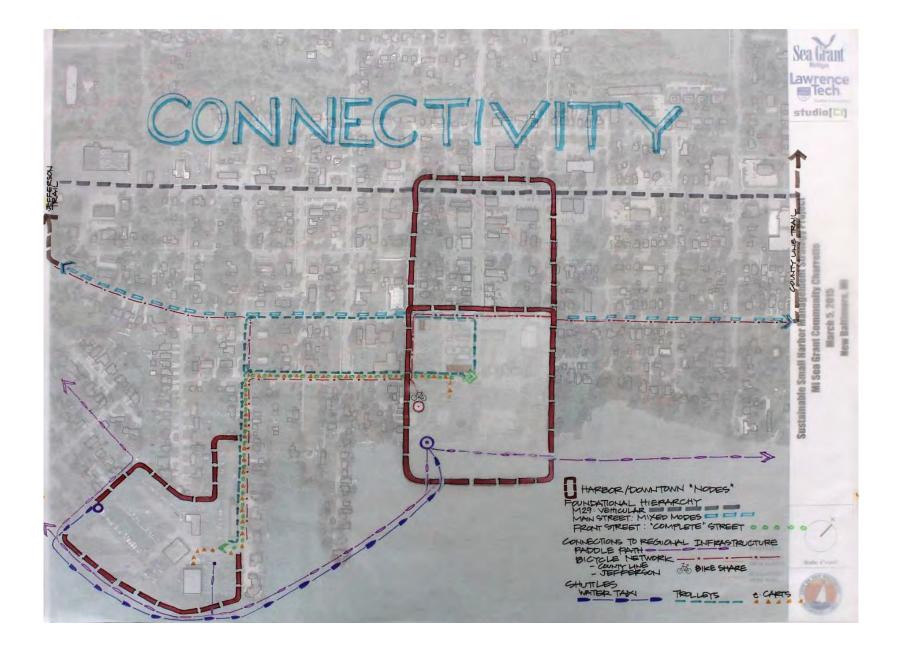


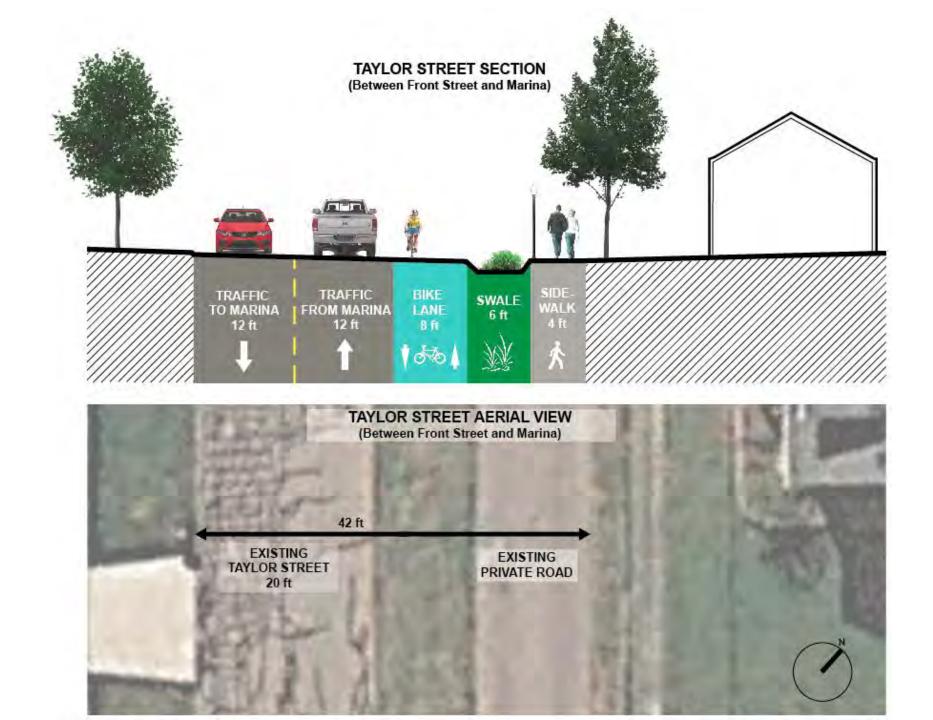


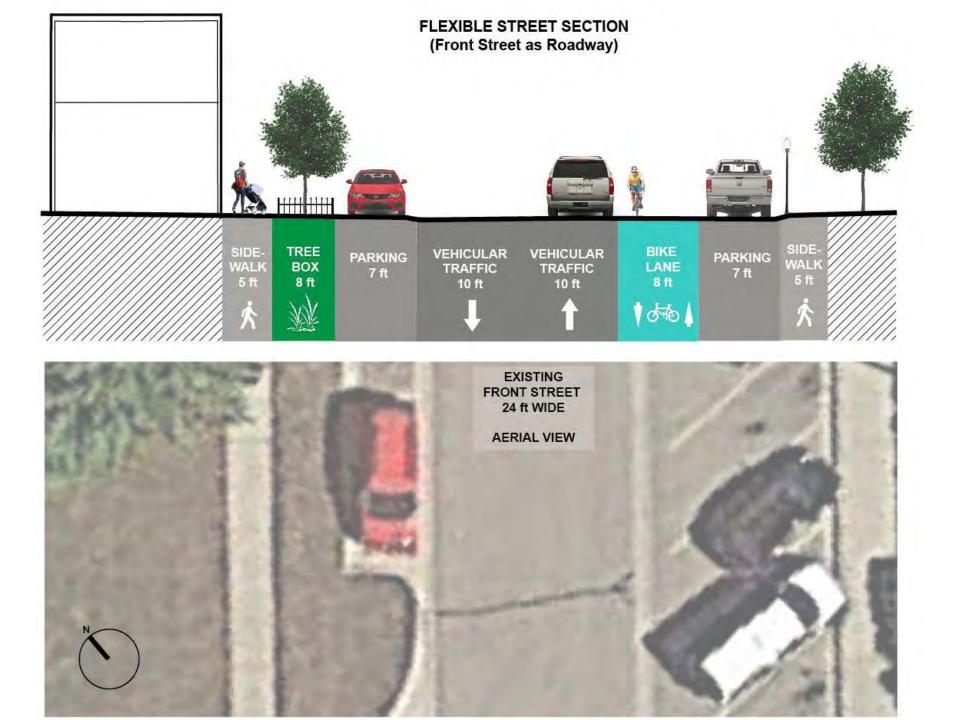






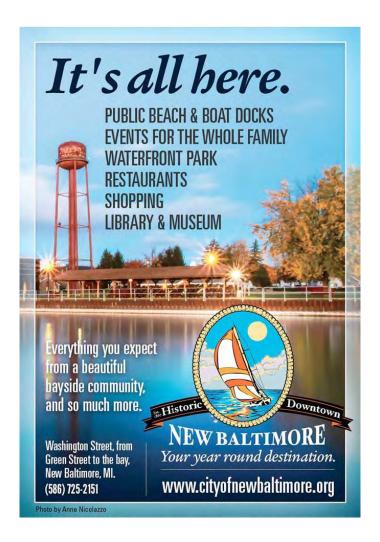




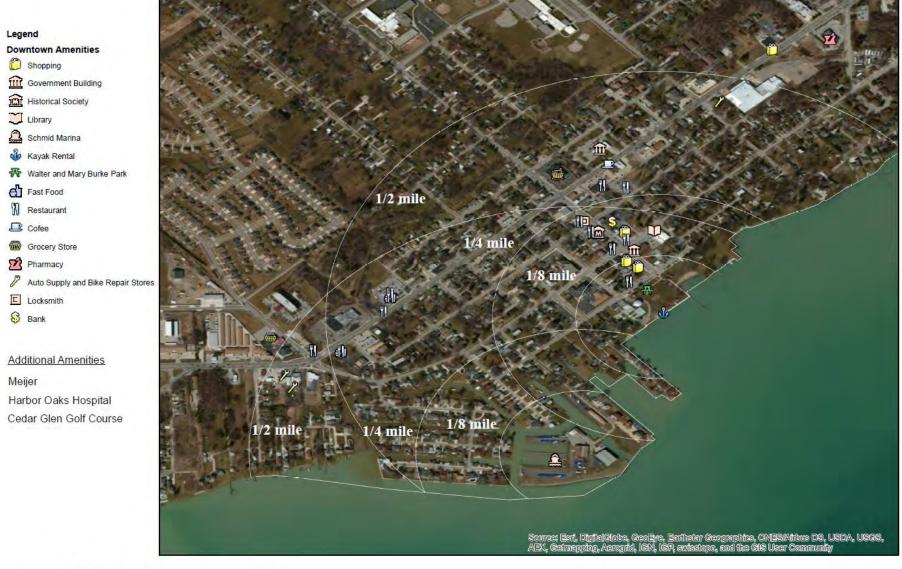




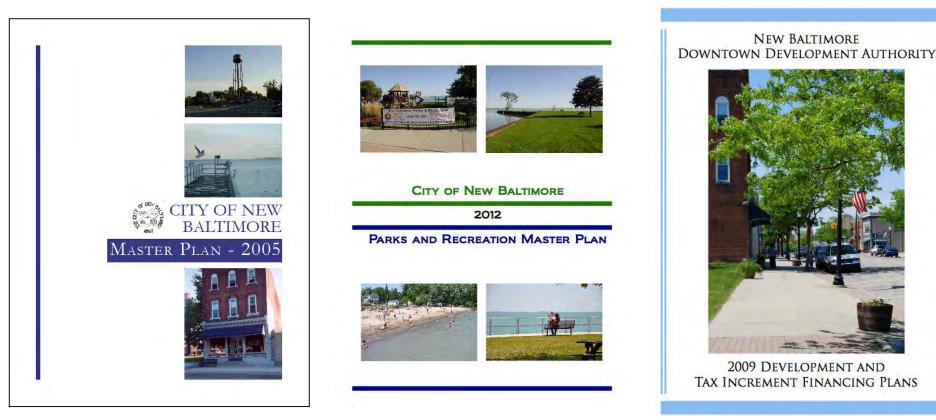
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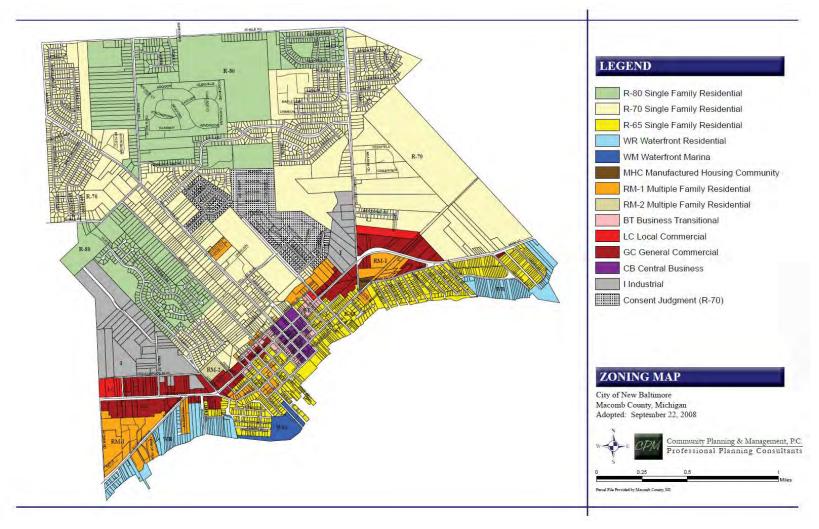
### **City of New Baltimore Amenities**



## Synching New Waterfront Initiatives with Existing Plans



# Zoning

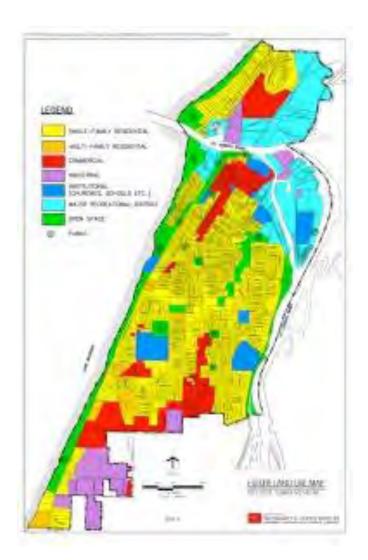


# **Zoning Options**

### **Example:**

Future land use plan from St. Joseph, Mich. master plan. Light blue area is designated as water recreation district.

Source: City of St. Joseph



# Zoning Options

#### **Case Study:**

Portland, Maine: Balancing Maritime Uses and Waterfront **Diversification Through** Municipal Zoning

- Non-marine use overlay ۲ **zone** to ensure compatible use
- Using marine investment fund and performance standards to help maintain the working waterfront infrastructure

#### Reinforcing our Waterfronts Increased Resilience at Marinas and Harbors

More intense storms, fluctuating lake levels and shifts in average temperatures are all indications of climate variability - and are increasingly frequent. While our knowledge of natural systems and climate trends is improving over time, we will continue to be challenged by the uncertainty of nature.

Included here is a summary of risks and impacts for marina and harbor operators and a variety of best practices to assist marinas in preparing for these risks. As an introduction to environmental variability, Part 1: Assessing Risks and Impacts provides an overview of the primary climate-related issues marinas and harbors may face.

Part 2: Best Practices to Consider for Your Facility provides guidelines for how to prepare for an uncertain future. Specific recommendations are included for infrastructure, dredging, planning and financing.



Part 3: Resources and Tools provides information to help you learn more.





# **Funding Mechanisms**

- Two Components:
  - Funding the work suggested
  - Capturing values to sustain maintenance of the public harbor

### **Funding Opportunities**

#### LIST OF AVAILABLE MICHIGAN GRANT/LOAN FUNDING

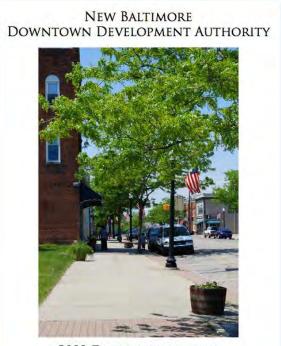
FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM OBJECTIVE	ELIGIBILITY	CRITERIA	FUNDING LEVEL	ANNUAL DEADLINE	2015 CONTACT
DNR GRANTS						
<b>Recreation Acquisition an</b>	d Development Grants					
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	To develop land for public outdoor recreation.	Any local unit of government that has an approved 5-year recreation plan submitted by March 1 of application year.	Some of the most important criteria are how closely the proposed project aligns with the 5-year recreation plan, as well as how well it aligns with the overall State Comprehensive Outdoor Plan (SCORP).	\$30k -\$100k 50% match	April 1	Christie Bayus 517-284-5923 bayusc@michigan.gov
Michigan Natural Resources Trust (MNRT)	To develop land for outdoor recreation or for the conservation of Michigan's significant natural resources.	Any state and local unit of government that has an approved 5-year recreation plan.	Criteria include the natural resource based recreation opportunities as well as the urban area recreation opportunities. Specific priorities for 2014 included Trails, Wildlife Corridors and projects located within urban lands.	\$15k - \$300k 25% match	April 1	Steven J. DeBrabander 517-284-5930 debrabanders@michigan.gov
Recreation Passport Grant Program	To develop public recreation facilities that have outlived their useful life expectancy.	Any local unit of government that has an approved 5-year recreation plan.	Generally this fund is for the redevelopment of parks that are dilapidated and in need of revitalization, new parks are also eligible but not the focus.	\$7.5k -\$45k 25% match	April 1	Steven J. DeBrabander 517-284-5930 debrabanders@michigan.gov

## **Funding Mechanisms**

- Seek out public/private partnerships to facilitate access to a wide range of funding sources.
- Establish non-profit organizations in support of working waterfronts to improve access to funding sources and reap tax benefits.
- Create new and use existing trade associations in support of working waterfront initiatives.
- Offer tax incentives to reward the type of development you seek.

## Capturing Values to Fund Harbor Maintenance

 Work at the local level to establish a Water Resources Tax Improvement Finance Authority or marine investment fund in which non-marine users pay to help offset working waterfront infrastructure improvements.



2009 Development and Tax Increment Financing Plans



As participants in the Michigan Clean Marina Program, marinas voluntarily pledge to maintain and improve Michigan's waterways by reducing or eliminating releases of harmful substances and phasing out practices that can damage aquatic environments.

To date, more than 40 marinas have been awarded certification. Since the program began in 2005, 30 marinas have been recertified, showing continued commitment to keeping Michigan waters clean.

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### **Questions?**

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