

## AGENDA

**County Of Eau Claire  
Committee On Parks & Forest  
Tuesday, January 12, 2016 – 5:00 p.m.  
Agriculture & Resource Center  
227 1<sup>st</sup> St West, Altoona WI**

**Members note: Please call the committee chair or office if you will not be attending the meeting.**

1. Confirmation of meeting notice
2. Approval of minutes from December 4 and 8, 2015 meetings – Discussion/action (Pages 2-5)
3. Public Input
4. Lake Eau Claire Association representative to discuss another dredge dump site for sand from river – Discussion/action (Page 6)
5. Presentation of Range Improvement Plan by Eau Claire National Rifle Club – Discussion/action (Pages 7-9)
6. Proposed land sale – Lowes Creek Park to Eau Claire Ford – Discussion/action
7. Proposal to install handicap ramp at Bedpost Park – Discussion/action
8. Lake Altoona Dam Repair Phase 2 Bid Review – Discussion/action
9. County Forest Camping Policy – Discussion/action
10. Pinter Pines/Coon Gut Property Future Plan – Discussion/action
11. Fitz/West Wisconsin Land Trust Property in the Town of Brunswick – Discussion/action
12. Correspondence
13. Staff and committee reports
14. Advisory Committee Input/Assignments
15. Exposition Center Advisory Committee Input/Assignments
16. Committee Education
17. Future and pending items: Next meeting date: January 26, 2016, 5 pm at Ag & Resource Center

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND FOREST**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Friday, December 4, 2015, 7:30 a.m.  
Agriculture & Resource Center (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor meeting room)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Gibson, Patrick LaVelle, Paul Lokken, Kevin Stelljes, and Bruce Willett

OTHERS PRESENT: Joe Knight, Reporter for Leader-Telegram; Chris Goodwin, Engineer with Ayres & Associates; Scott Rasmussen, Eau Claire County Finance Director; Kathryn Schauf, Eau Claire County Administrator; Stella Pagonis, County Board Supervisor.

STAFF PRESENT: Josh Pedersen and Bobbi Barone

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Patrick LaVelle at 7:30 a.m.

1. Confirmation of meeting notice – Meeting notice was confirmed
2. Lake Altoona Dam Repairs – Kathryn Schauf explained that the dam repairs currently being done were considered “emergency” repairs and state statutes would not apply to requirement of requesting bids. However, the additional concrete repairs would be required to have bids per state statutes as it is outside the scope of the original project. Bruce and Gary were concerned about the delay on the project for requesting bids and awarding them prior to the work actually commencing. Chris Goodwin was asked about the emergency repairs and change orders. Chris explained that in the original work order the work was to entail Epoxy injection for a total of \$107,000. When it was discovered the piers needed major repairs, change orders of \$67,410 to fabricate bulkheads and \$64,125 to install the bulkheads as well as \$192,860 for concrete work for a total of \$431,395 were issued. The final could be less as concrete work was an estimate. The state municipal dam grant will pay 50% up to \$400,000 and 25% up to a total of \$1,200,000. When asked where funds were coming from, Josh stated contingency and fund balance will cover additional emergency costs of change orders to date. The additional repairs would be funded with excess timber revenue from 2015 and estimated to be \$200,000. Kevin moved to require two bids from vendors with 1) bid to have project completed by March 1, 2016 and 2) bid to have project completed by November 1, 2015. The vendor should state whether or not the bid includes water being drawn down. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Gary to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Barone  
Committee Clerk

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**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY  
COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND FOREST**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 9, 2015, 5:00 p.m.  
Agriculture & Resource Center (front meeting room)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Gibson, Patrick LaVelle, Paul Lokken, and Bruce Willett

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin Stelljes

OTHERS PRESENT: Joel Jack, Eau Claire Ford; Rod Eslinger, Planning & Development Department; Bonnie & Steve Haug, and Brooke Ludwig, WDNR Forester

STAFF PRESENT: Jody Gindt, Josh Pedersen and Bobbi Barone

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Patrick LaVelle at 5:00 p.m.

1. Confirmation of meeting notice – Meeting notice was confirmed.
2. Approval of minutes from November 17, 2015 meeting – Paul made a motion to approve the minutes as distributed for the November 17, 2015 Committee Meeting; motion carried 4-0.
3. Public Input – No members of the public were present for this item.
4. Proposed land sale – Lowes Creek Park to Eau Claire Ford – Joel Jack of Eau Claire Ford was present to discuss the issue with the committee. He explained that Eau Claire Ford was in the process of remodeling the building and found that the 60x300' strip of land at the rear of the Eau Claire Ford property actually was part of Lowes Creek Park and that they would like to purchase the strip of land. Josh explained that the property in question was part of LAWCON and would need to be replaced with other land in order to not violate LAWCON rules and regulations. Josh asked the committee if they felt selling the land to Eau Claire Ford was worth pursuing as it would take up to a year and lots of staff time. The committee was unanimous in their approval of moving forward. Joel Jack said Eau Claire Ford would try to assist in any way possible to lessen staff time needed to facilitate sale.
6. Proposal to install handicap ramp at Bedpost Park – Steve and Bonnie Haug were present as well as Rod Eslinger of the Planning & Development Department. Rod discussed the issues involved in developing a handicap ramp which included the property being in the floodplain, a sand trap is in the area in question, and wet areas as well as a steep slope. If a paved ramp were to be developed, it would require excavation and fill which needs DNR approval and permits as well as county. After some discussion, the committee preferred the boardwalk which would not require excavating or fill, only a land use permit. Josh will bring back some options to the next meeting.
5. Access Agreement for Roger King – Josh explained that Roger King purchased the land from someone who had an access agreement from the county. Access

Agreements are not transferable to new property owners so Mr. King was applying. Gary moved to approve the access agreement for 10 years to Mr. Roger King; motion carried 4-0.

7. Proposed Nordic Combined Race at Tower Ridge – February 12, 2016 – After committee discussion, Paul made a motion to approve the Race and the motion carried 4-0.
8. Approval of 2016 Work Plan – Bobbi informed the committee of several items that were added since the committee packet was sent out including addition of 1) Develop and facilitate Coon Gut/Pinter Pines management plan, 2) Add rock rip-rap and concrete work to rehabilitate the walk bridge area at Coon Fork Park/Dam, 3) Develop horse hitching post near park entrance at Lake Eau Claire Park. Brooke brought up adding development of a group camp at Harstad and advised that the establishment acres were wrong and needed corrected oak acres. Bruce moved approval of the 2016 Work Plan with additions as noted; motion carried 4-0.
9. Approval of Administration Grant resolution – Gary moved approval of the resolution; motion carried 4-0.
10. Lake Eau Claire Dam Grant – Paul moved to approve the resolution authorizing the Parks & Forest Department to participate in the DNR Municipal Dam Grant Program for Lake Eau Claire Dam; motion carried 4-0.
11. Timber Sale Extensions – Bobbi passed around the list of expiring timber sales and staff recommendations for extending. Bruce made a motion to extend timber sales as recommended by staff; motion carried 4-0.
12. Lake Altoona Dam Repairs – Josh reported bids will be sent out on Monday, December 14 and due back by January 4 for the additional work to be done on the lake side. The contractor doing the emergency work shared with Josh the bid would be higher than he originally quoted to Josh as the staff and equipment will be on jobs at other sites and need to be relocated to Lake Altoona should they be awarded the bid in January.
13. County Forest Camping Policy – Bobbi stated more information needs to be gathered prior to the committee taking any action on changing the policy and will be brought back to a later meeting.
14. Pinter Pines/Coon Gut Property Future Plan – No action taken.
15. Fitz-West Wisconsin Land Trust Property in the Town of Brunswick – Bruce passed out information on an adjoining property that is in a trust. He said the property is located to the west of the Fitz property and is mostly wetland. The committee directed Bruce to contact individuals listed on the property tax bill.
16. Correspondence – Josh reported an individual camping at Coon Fork during the Gun-Deer season contacted him about a horse/buggy on a trail and the individual driving the buggy shooting from it. Josh had responded back to the camper

17. Staff and committee reports – Bobbi stated Bob Schwartz had contacted the department about a high school ski race possibly taking place at Tower Ridge December 15 and/or January 12 from 6-7 p.m. with no trail closures to the public or charging any fees for the race. The committee stated they unanimously support the race(s) and Bobbi should contact Mr. Schwartz with committee approval of the activity.
18. Advisory Committee input and assignments: Josh would like to set up a meeting with the Advisory Committee either this month or next month and report back to the committee.
19. Exposition Center Advisory Committee Input/Assignments –There was nothing to report. .
20. Committee Education – Time did not allow.
21. Future and pending items: Next meeting date January 12, 2016.

Pat entertained the motion to adjourn and the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

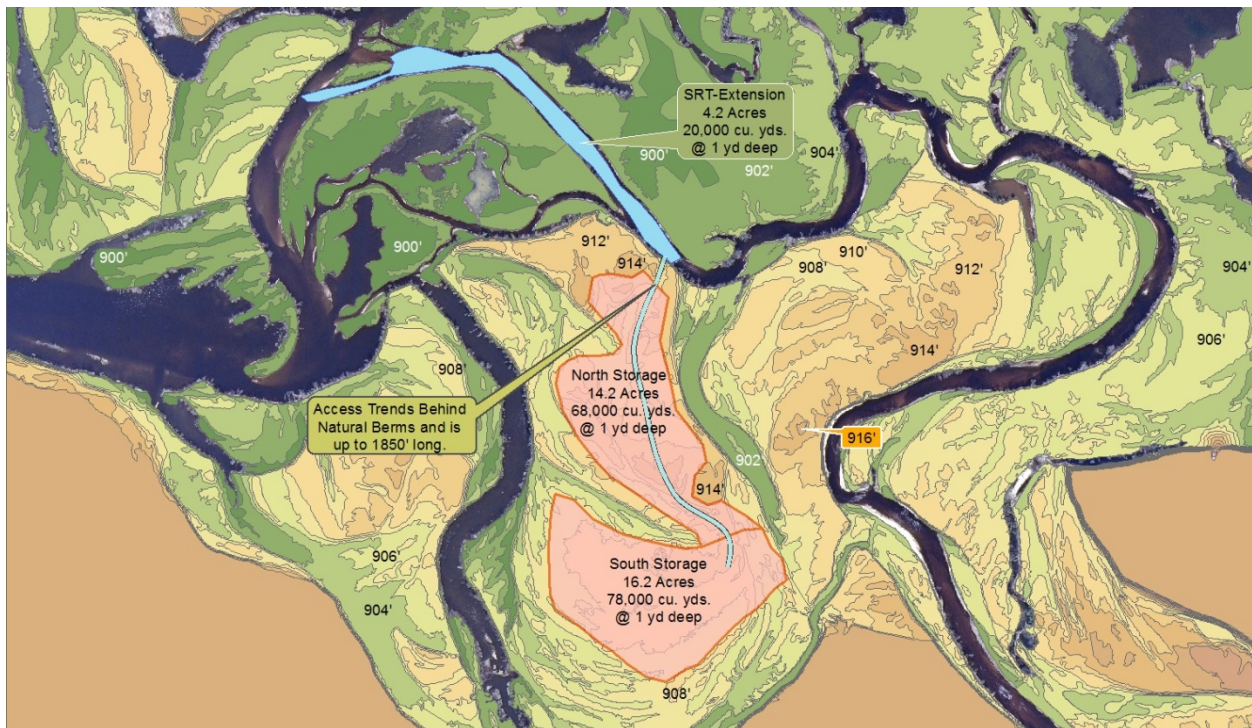
Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Barone  
Committee Clerk

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## PRELIMINARY SRT EXTENSION PLAN

GO Environmental Services, N. Trombly and R. Zika (Nov. 2015)

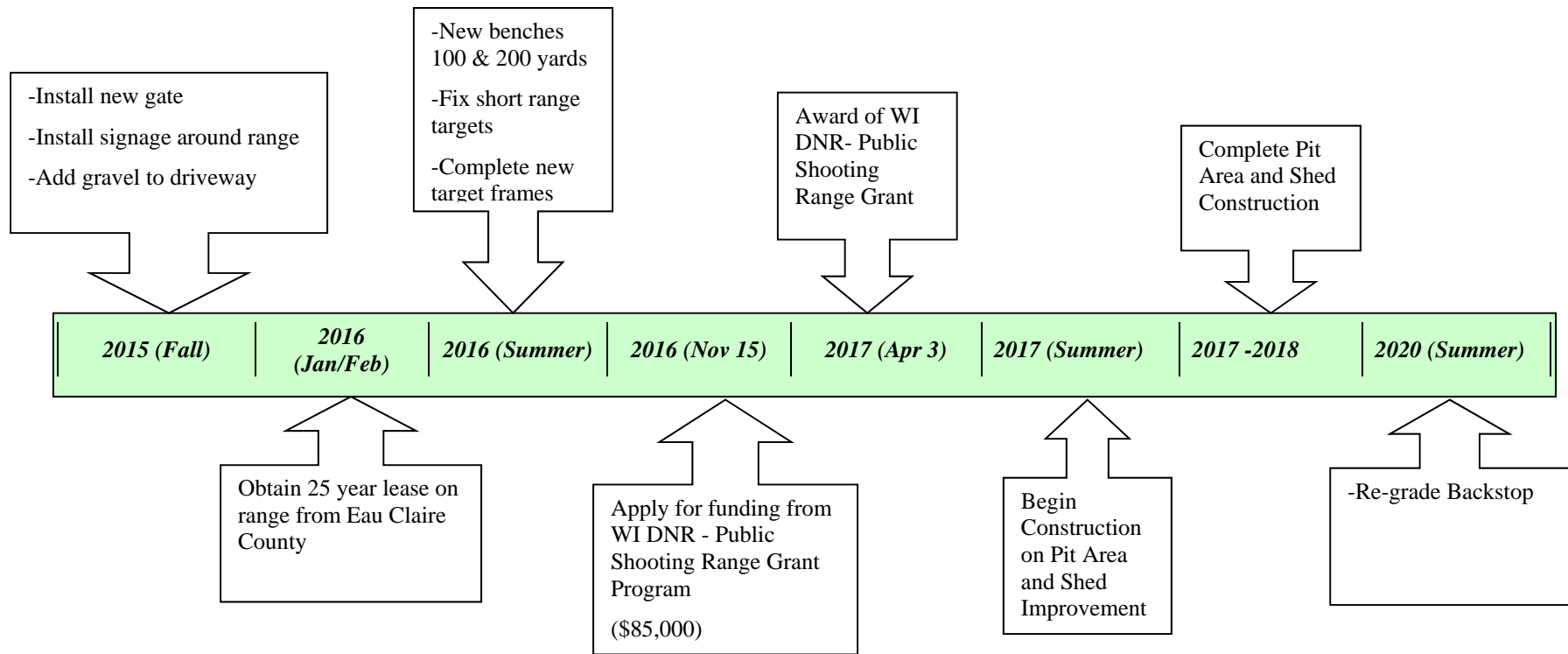


This plan was prepared earlier this year (2015) and shows a likely scenario for an extension of the SRT trap upstream of its current design dimensions. To reduce sediment transport and storage issues a 30.4 acre area is designated in the figure above as a potential new spoils site. The 146 cubic yard capacity indicated in the figure is a conservative number; depending on how the fill site is contoured and its average depth the capacity available could be much larger. The blue area shown in the river is a projected consequence of placing a 20,000 cubic yard trap at the river-end of the spoils transport road. This projection would expand downstream each time the sediment trap was emptied.

It is recommended that the lower end of the SRT trap continued to be cleaned out until the full impact of the sediment front created by the addition of the SRT-Extension is realized. The time required for this to happen is dependent on future river flow rate conditions.

# Eau Claire National Rifle Club

## Capital Improvement Plan 2015-2020



# Eau Claire National Rifle Club Capital Improvement Plan 2015- 2020

## 2015 (Summer/Fall- Already Completed)

PROJECT	COST	SOURCE OF FUNDS
Install New Gate	\$500	Club funds
Install Signage around Range Perimeter	\$200	Club Funds
Add Gravel to Driveway	\$1500	Club funds

- All projects listed were completed with club member workdays and club funds.

## January/February, 2016

- Obtain 25 year lease from Eau Claire County. Extension of lease will allow for application of funds from the Wisconsin Public Shooting Range Grant program from the Wisconsin DNR.

## Summer 2016

PROJECT	COST	SOURCE OF FUNDS
New Benches 100 & 200 Yard	\$500	Club funds
Fix Short Range Targets	\$200	Club funds
Complete New Target Frames	\$300	Club funds



## **November 15, 2016**

- Apply for Wisconsin Public Shooting Range Grant program funding for new pit construction and storage shed building.
- Approximate budget for new pit construction is \$77,000. New storage shed building estimated cost is \$15,000.
- Funding from the shooting range grant program requires a 20-year open to the public commitment.
- Range renovation and maintenance projects at existing ranges within 50 miles of LaCrosse, Eau Claire, Milwaukee, Kenosha, Waukesha, Madison, Janesville, Appleton, or Green Bay rank #1 on grant funding priority list.
- Club share of project (25% or \$23,000) will be matched with club funds and an application for funding from Friends of NRA grant program and the NRA range grant program.

## **Spring, 2017**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>
<b>Plant Seedlings</b>	\$200	Club funds
<b>Re-grade Driveway</b>	\$300	Club funds
<b>Re-grade Backstop</b>	\$2000	Club funds/NRA Grant

- Seedlings will be planted along the east side of the shooting range and behind the backstop area. This will aid in noise reduction and improve safety for Tower Ridge trail users in future years.
- All projects listed above will be done with club funds and matching funds from the NRA.
- Re-grading of the backstop will be done every 4 years or when noticeable erosion is occurring from greater than 20% of the shooting stations.

## **April 3, 2017**

- Award of WI DNR Public Shooting Range Grant (\$69,000)

## **Summer, 2017**

- Begin work on new pit and storage shed
- Local contractor will be used to construct the new concrete pit area
- Club members and volunteers will construct the storage shed

## **Summer 2018**

- Completion of new pit and storage shed

## **Summer 2020**

- Re-grade backstop and stabilize erosion shooting lanes (every 4 years)