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# EGLE announces Michigan Coastal Management Program's Creating a Culture of Resilience Capacity Building 2023 Grant Awards, round one

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The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) announced today more than \$465,089 in Creating a Culture of Resilience Capacity Building Grant Awards.

These funds will lead to 11 grant-supported projects that help coastal communities increase their knowledge of coastal risks by providing capacity to conduct outreach, obtain technical assistance, create resilient plans and frameworks, and offer training workshops on actions that lead coastal communities to be resilient-ready.

## Here are the recipients of the Creating a Culture of Resilience Capacity Building 2023 Grant Awards:

- **City of Detroit Economic Development Corp.:** \$25,750 to create plans to develop a 3.9-acre public park incorporating nature-based solutions on publicly owned vacant land adjacent to the Detroit River in the Jefferson Village subdivision.
- **Emmet County:** \$20,048 to host educational meetings with Lake Michigan property owners in all coastal townships within Emmet County and review county ordinance standards for coastal resilience.
- **Harrison Charter Township:** \$30,000 to update its master plan to incorporate principles identified in its 2022 Sustainability Assessment conducted by the [Land Information Access Association](#) through the [Resilient Michigan Program](#).
- **Huron Pines:** \$100,000 to continue its ongoing efforts on the Lake Huron Forever Initiative by conducting peer-to-peer learning circles, developing user guides for coastal resilience action plans, assisting two communities with the development and adoption of the [Lake Huron Forever Pledge](#), and providing community assistance and funding proposal development.
- **Land Information Access Association:** \$75,000 to continue the Resilient Michigan Program by assisting coastal communities to build resilience principles into their master plans and policies.
- **Macomb County Planning and Economic Development:** \$33,599 to update the Urban Forestry Road Map for Macomb County and create individual community tree canopy profiles for the 27 communities within the county.
- **Michigan Association of Planning:** \$13,307 to organize three Michigan Coastal Management Program (MCMP) Coastal Leadership Academy Scenario-Based Planning and Zoning training workshops in the Upper Peninsula.
- **City of New Baltimore:** \$52,803 to develop preliminary planning and engineering designs for a naturalized shoreline to replace an existing vertical seawall at Walter and Mary Burke Park located along Anchor Bay in Lake St. Clair.
- **Southwest Michigan Planning Commission:** \$50,800 to assist Benton Harbor with creating a green stormwater infrastructure framework and host public education events to promote resiliency concepts in the city of Bridgman, along with zoning ordinance review.
- **Superior Watershed Partnership:** \$48,944 to assist Upper Peninsula coastal communities and tribes with increasing resilience to coastal hazards through a survey, field inventories, technical assistance, and grant writing.
- **Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council:** \$14,837 to host two MCMP Coastal Leadership Academy workshops, develop a story map for the Little Black River Watershed, update existing permit guides, and host a Charlevoix County Planners Forum.

For more information, visit the Michigan Coastal Management Program webpage at [Michigan.gov/CoastalManagement](https://www.michigan.gov/CoastalManagement).

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### **Called to serve: EGLE staffer balances service to the State of Michigan and to his country**

As part of Veterans Day, MI Environment today is highlighting EGLE staffer Adam Donne, a geologist in EGLE's Remediation and Redevelopment Division, who now serves as the commander of the 1433rd Combat Engineer Company – Infantry.

## **Solid waste laws, recycling, food waste and more among topics at sold-out Sustainability Conference in Gaylord**

A suite of topics at EGLE's Sustainability Conference last month was of special interest to county officials from across the state.

## **Michigan Clean Boats, Clean Waters grant applications now open**

\$35,000 is available for Michigan organizations dedicated to aquatic invasive species education and outreach.

## **MI Healthy Climate Corps opens sign-up, readies for March launch**

Sign-up is open for people and organizations interested in Michigan's new MI Healthy Climate Corps (MHC Corps), a unique, transformative, equity-centered opportunity beginning in March 2024 to advance Michigan's bold climate goals, build capacity across the state, and help guide federal and state resources and support to communities and people in greatest need.

## **Dingell, EGLE Announce Gelman Site Eligible for Inclusion on EPA National Priorities List**

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell (MI-06) and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) today announced that the Gelman Sciences 1,4-dioxane plume has been deemed eligible by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to move forward as a candidate for inclusion to the National Priorities List (NPL).

## **Don't toss that pumpkin in the trash: Seven ways to use your pumpkin after Halloween instead of putting it in a landfill**

Instead of tossing your whole or jack-o'-lantern pumpkins in the trash, consider more sustainable alternatives.

## **First Michigan detection of invasive hydrilla triggers response**

The aquatic plant was found in two West Michigan ponds.

## **MI Healthy Climate Corps participants to welcome first corps members in March**

This EGLE initiative focuses on MI Healthy Climate Plan goals and workforce development.

## **EGLE establishes new surface water values for two additional PFAS chemicals**

The new Water Quality Values are the latest to be added to the state's existing list of PFAS compounds for which values have been established, bringing the total to five.



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