

## Summary of Proposed 2017 Superior Days Issues

*Updated, November 22, 2016*

Issue Title	Summary	Write-Up Status	Notes	Proposed By	Leg/Ag	Agency
Exposition District	Expand WI Exposition District laws to allow for "small market" communities to use this economic development tool.	Sent to Bruce Thompson		Bruce Thompson	Legislative	
Reinstate counties' ability to enact more local control over shoreland zoning ordinance standards.		Fred Strand and Mark L. provided write-up	Language revised to local control.	Bill Bussey, Kathy Wendling, Fred Strand	Legislative	
Provide counties with increased regulatory authority to safeguard their water .		Need someone to propose specific issues language	Specifically related to CAFO's	Jeff Silbert	Legislative	
Modernization of 9-1-1 System	Provide grant funding for a statewide 911 system and provide grants to local communities to purchase equipment. See recommendations of the WI Interoperability Council	Sent to Keith and Jan for updating.	Ask Emergency Management Coordinators to update existing write-ups	Table 3 - Keith Kesler, Andy Lisak, and Jan Victorson	Legislative	
1/2% sales tax for county road maintenance		Sent to Andy		Mark Abeles-Allison, Andy Lisak, Jim Paine, Katie Paine, Dave Minor	Legislative	
Local Transportation Aids	Increase transportation aids to counties, towns, villages, and cities by redirecting state revenues from the manufacturing and agricultural tax credit program (\$20 million going to 11 people) as per draft LRB-5045. <i>Discussion to include job creation requirements.</i>	Assigned to Fred Strand.	Several manufacturing companies in the area have used this tax credit. Discussion to limit.	Table 3 - Fred Strand	Legislative	
Support for UWS and WITC		Assigned to UWS and WITC to meet and formulate message.	Need to refine message.	Daniel Fanning, Charlie, Bonny	Table 5 - Dave Minor	Legislative
Address reimbursement rates for mental health and addiction services, which limits access in NW Wisconsin.	DHHS reviews with Tom Karras, Larry Quam, Mark Liebert, Dave Longsdorf, Pat Ryan, Shelley Faul.	Sent to Pat Schanen and Dave Longsdorf for updating.		Tracy Henegar, Shelley Faul, and others	Agency	DHHS
Veterans Issues: Mental Health and Homelessness	Returning veterans need resources and assistance sooner (more timely) rather than later (sometimes 6 months or more) before receiving services (like counseling)	Pat Ryan to contact Mary Lou.		Table 2 - Pat Schanen, Pat Ryan, and Mary Lou Bergman	Agency	DHHS & Dept. of Veterans Affairs
Increase/realign DNR staffing in northwest Wisconsin to enforce water protection regulations.		Need someone to propose specific issues language		Mary Dougherty	Agency	DNR

Completion of the North Country National Scenic Trail in WI	Wisconsin (DNR) has a unique partnership with the National Park Service for development of this National Scenic Trail. Continues DNR technical assistance is needed to fill gaps in the trail and move forward - completing this recreation asset.	Sent to Peter N	Peter Nordgren	Table 3 - Peter Nordgren	Agency	DNR
State Support for Non-Motorized Trails	Wisconsin's support for state and local non-motorized trails is inadequate to maintain existing trail assets. A 2009 legislative study committee identified this deficit. As the states fiscal situation improves, this shortfall should be revisited. Hiking is the #1 outdoor recreation activity nationally, and silent sports continue to grow as a northern Wisconsin tourism attraction. Seek additional support for recreational trails, and enhanced trails within the City of Superior, specifically trails that connect the new exposition district area with downtown, and a heritage trail that promotes the history of Superior and provides recreational access.	Sent to Peter N	Further define non-motorized... hiking, biking, snow shoe, X-Country Skiing, horseback riding...	Table 3 - Peter Nordgren & Dan Blank	Agency	DNR
Increase the state payment in lieu of taxes (PILT) for county forest lands.		Mark Abeles-Allison to update		Mark Abeles-Allison	Agency	DNR
Calumet Flexibility Project	Support for Calumet Specialty Products proposed \$30mil Flexibility Project	Pending - Kollin Schade			Agency	DNR
Tourism Attraction, Natural Resources	Capitalize on opportunities to attract visitors to our natural resources. Maintain and improve Wisconsin Point for greater usage. Improve signage to places like Pattison Park and Amnicon Falls.	TBD		Table 2	Agency	DNR & Tourism
State Approval and Funding for More Prosecutors	Based on the case load the Douglas County office is short three prosecutors.	Email to Sam, Mark, and Dan to craft issue.	Request more information from Mark and Dan, Samuel Pomush (County Public Safety Cmt.)	Mark Fruehauf & Daniel Blank	Agency	DOJ
Support of UW-Extension in NW Wisconsin	Lobby for appropriate nEXT Generation representation in NW Wisconsin, and appropriate staffing and resources based on counties needs.	Existing write-ups from Bayfield County from 2016. <b>Need updating</b>		Mary Dougherty, Mark Abeles-Allison, and Charlie Glazman	Agency	Extension
Exporting	Help from WEDC with exporting goods to support area manufacturers	Assigned to Dave Minor	What the ask is TBD - Dave Minor	Table 5 - Dave Minor	Agency	WEDC
City of Superior Entry Ways, US-2	East 2nd Street reconstruction, city entry ways.	Assigned to Dave Minor		Table 5 - Dave Minor	Agency	WisDOT
Widen turning lanes on US Highway 2 and widen State Farm Road off US Highway 2 at entrance to Bayfield County Business Park.		Assigned to Mark and Tim in Bayfield.		Mark Abeles-Allison	Agency	WisDOT

Truck Routes	Better truck routes through Superior	Assigned to Sam Pomush	Table 5 - Samuel Pomush	Agency	WisDOT
High Bridge Replacement	Plan for eventual rebuilding or replacement of Blatnik Bridge.	Sent to Dave Minor	Table 5 - Dave Minor	Agency	WisDOT
Northern Lights Express	Discuss proposed Northern Lights Express (NLX), which would include a stop in Superior before continuing on to Duluth.	Sent to kenbuehler@duluthdepot.org	Jason Serck	Agency	WisDOT