

Village of Mackinaw City, Michigan

Cooperation, Collaboration and Consolidation Plan - 2014

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The Village of Mackinaw City's Cooperation, Collaboration and Consolidation Plan – 2014 is available to the public on-line at www.mackinawcity.org and in our municipal office located at 102 South Huron Avenue, Mackinaw City, Michigan.

Proposed Service Cooperation, Collaboration and Consolidations for 2014:

PROPOSED COLLABORATION AND COOPERATIVE FOR THE VILLAGE OF MACKINAW CITY MARINA AND THE STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STRAITS STATE HARBOR

The Village of Mackinaw City proposes the establishment of a cooperative agreement with the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources Straits State Harbor to include the collaboration, consolidation and cooperation in the administration and operations of the two marinas in Mackinaw City. The municipal marina and state marina are geographically located within two blocks of each other. Currently each marina has independent administration, operations, and staff. The municipal marina is under financial sustainability distress and has been subject to mooring occupancy rate challenges. It is anticipated, based upon visual mooring occupancy, that the Straits State Harbor is faced with similar sustainability challenges. At the most basic level, the cooperative agreement would coordinate and structure the training and labor of hourly seasonal staff for day to day operations of both facilities; said staff would be employed by both marinas simultaneously. At its most complex level, the cooperative would allow the marinas to fully consolidate administration and operations in which the total costs are shared proportionately between the state and local municipality. The benefit of the cooperative would allow for future sustainable mooring and recreational boating opportunities in Mackinaw City. It is anticipated an administrative and operational cost savings of at least 25% through a cooperative agreement. This cooperative is expected to be considered in the spring of 2014. *An initial concept meeting was held in January 2014 with state staff.*

Update on previous years' (FY 2012 & 2013) cooperation, collaboration and consolidation proposals:

-PROPOSED EMMET COUNTY/VILLAGE OF MACKINAW CITY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

The Village of Mackinaw City and County of Emmet are committed to providing financially sustainable ambulance services for the public.

Status: ONGOING, *INITIATED SEPTEMBER 2012*, EMMET COUNTY AMBULANCE ADVISORY MEETINGS HELD MONTHLY, MILLAGE PROPOSAL CONSIDERATION NOVEMBER 2014, *BARRIERS INCLUDE MILLAGE APPROVAL*

-PROPOSED FORMATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Status: DISCONTINUED, NOT FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE WITH A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

-PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION OF PARALEGAL POSITION

Status: DISCONTINUED, NOT FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE