

**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION**

**MARCH 8, 2016**  
**2:00 p.m.**

**212 River Drive, Room 2**  
**Wausau, WI**

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**AGENDA ADDENDUM**


**AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

**POLICY DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2016 MEETING
4. AMENDMENT TO THE 2016 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)
5. **NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM CHANGES**
6. MOUNTAIN-BAY STATE PARK TRAIL SUPPORT RESOLUTION
7. 2016 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN
  - a. TRAFFIC MODEL
  - b. FUTURE ROAD PROJECTS
  - c. DEMOGRAPHICS AND LAND USE CHAPTER
8. NEXT MEETING – MAY 10, 2016 due to the April elections
9. ADJOURN.

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**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**Minutes**  
**January 12, 2016**

**Commissioners:** Jim Tipple, George Peterson, Gaylene Rhoden (for Opall), Randy Fifrick (for Voll), Keith Donner (for Ermeling), Mark Thuot (for Hoehn), Jeff Gates (for Jacobson), Jim Griesbach (for Kluck), Dave Meuret (for Habeck)

**Absent:** Betty Hoenisch, Steve Hagman, Jeff Weisenberger, Jim Riehle, Milt Olson, Raynard Zunker

**TAC Members:** Dave Mack

**Others Present:** Andrew Lynch, Steve Kunst, Joe Gehin

1. Call to Order

The presence of a quorum, the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by chair Tipple at 2:00 p.m. in Room 2, 212 River Drive, Wausau, Wisconsin.

2. Welcome and Introductions

All were welcomed and introductions were made.

3. Approve Minutes of the December 8, 2015 meeting

**Action:** MOTION / SECOND BY PETERSON / FIFRICK APPROVE THE DECEMBER 8, 2015 MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

4. Reallocation of 2013-2018 STP-Urban Funds

**Discussion:** Action taken by the Metropolitan Planning Organization's Technical Advisory Committee (MPOTAC) recommended that the \$369,600 originally allocated to the Village of Kronenwetter be reallocated as follows: \$35,639 to the city of Schofield's West Grand Avenue project to bring that project up to 50% and reallocate the remaining \$333,961 on a percentage basis – 5.9% to each of the top 4 ranked projects and 5.85% to the West Grand Avenue project.

**Action:** MOTION / SECOND BY GRIESBACH / DONNER TO APPROVE THE REALLOCATION OF 2013-2018 STP-URBAN FUNDS AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

**Follow Through:** WisDOT will be informed of the intent to reallocate the 2013-2018 STP-Urban funds as discussed.

5. 2016 Long Range Transportation Plan Update Timeline

**Discussion:** The LRTP timeline was included in the meeting packet and briefly reviewed. Adoption by the commission is anticipated to be August 2016 with final approval in September 2016. MPO staff will be discussing the computer modeling with WisDOT for clarification and reporting its findings back to the MPOTAC at its next meeting.

**Action:** NO ACTION NEEDED AT THIS TIME, FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.

**Follow Through:** The commission will be kept informed as the plan progresses.

6. Next Meeting – February 9, 2016

**Action:** CONSENSUS REACHED THAT THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AT 2:00 PM.

7. Adjourn

**Action:** There being no further business to come before the members, MOTION / SECOND BY RHODEN / GRIESBACH ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AT 2: 17 PM. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Submitted by:

Dave Mack, MPO Director

Marathon County

Conservation, Planning and Zoning

DM:ljs

February 1, 2016

**AMENDMENT**  
**TO THE**  
**2016-2019**  
**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT**  
**PROGRAM (TIP)**

**FOR THE**  
**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING**  
**COMMISSION/WAUSAU AREA METROPOLITAN**  
**PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)**

**March 8, 2016**

**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION # 2-16**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE  
2016-2019 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)  
FOR THE WAUSAU METROPOLITAN AREA**

**WHEREAS,** the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission was designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Wausau Urbanized Area; and

**WHEREAS,** in compliance with Metropolitan Transportation Planning Regulations by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Marathon County Conservation, Planning, and Zoning Department will develop a four-year transportation improvement program for the Wausau Metropolitan Area; and

**WHEREAS,** the Transportation Improvement Program identifies transit, pedestrian/bicycle, and highway improvement projects and programs consistent with current transportation plans; and

**WHEREAS,** the Transportation Improvement Program is a dynamic program and subject to amendment as needed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that since the approval of the *2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program for the Wausau Metropolitan Area* corrections have been made to Table 1 and Table 3; these corrections should be included in the *2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program for the Wausau Metropolitan Area*; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission amends the *2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program for the Wausau Metropolitan Area* to incorporate the corrected Table 1 and Table 3 as referenced on the attachment; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** in accordance with 23 CFR 450.334(a), the Wausau Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Wausau, WI urbanized area hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process is addressing the major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
2. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
4. 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;

5. Section 1101(b) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2005, a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (Pub. L. 109-59) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in the US DOT funded projects;
6. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
7. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38;
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
9. Section 324 of title 23, U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission certifies that the TIP contains only projects that are consistent with the transportation plan for the urban area and recommends that this document be submitted to the appropriate federal and state agencies for approval.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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James Tipple, Chairman

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Rebecca J. Frisch, Commission Secretary  
Director, Marathon County  
Conservation, Planning and Zoning Department

**2016 - 2019 TABLE 1 AMENDMENT**

TIP PROJECT LISTING (\$)  
March 8, 2016

PRIMARY JURISDICTION/ PROJECT LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF COST	2016				2017				2018				2019				COMMENTS FOS# & Let Date P=preservation E=expansion
			FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	FED	STATE	LOCAL	TOTAL	

**Transit Section - New Projects**

N	City of Wausau	Wheels of Independence 2 Rear Loading Vans	PE ROW CONST													Section 5310  P	
				\$52,800		\$13,200	\$66,000										
		373-16-012	TOTAL	\$52,800		\$13,200	\$66,000										
O	North Central Health Care  C. of Wausau	Medical Bus - Accessible	PE ROW CONST													Section 5310  P	
				\$43,200		\$10,800	\$54,000										
		373-16-013	TOTAL	\$43,200		\$10,800	\$54,000										

**Highway Section - New Projects**

53	State of Wisconsin	Pavement Epoxy Markings Region Wide	PE ROW CONST													ID # 1009-42-43 Let Date: 5/25/2016  P	
				\$18,500			\$18,500										
		373-16-014	TOTAL	\$400,000	\$100,000		\$500,000										
54	State of Wisconsin	Northern Road & CN Railroad Crossing Crossing Signals & Gates	PE ROW CONST													ID # 1009-94-55  P	
								\$202,000		\$202,000							
		373-16-015	TOTAL					\$202,000		\$202,000							
	City of Schofield																

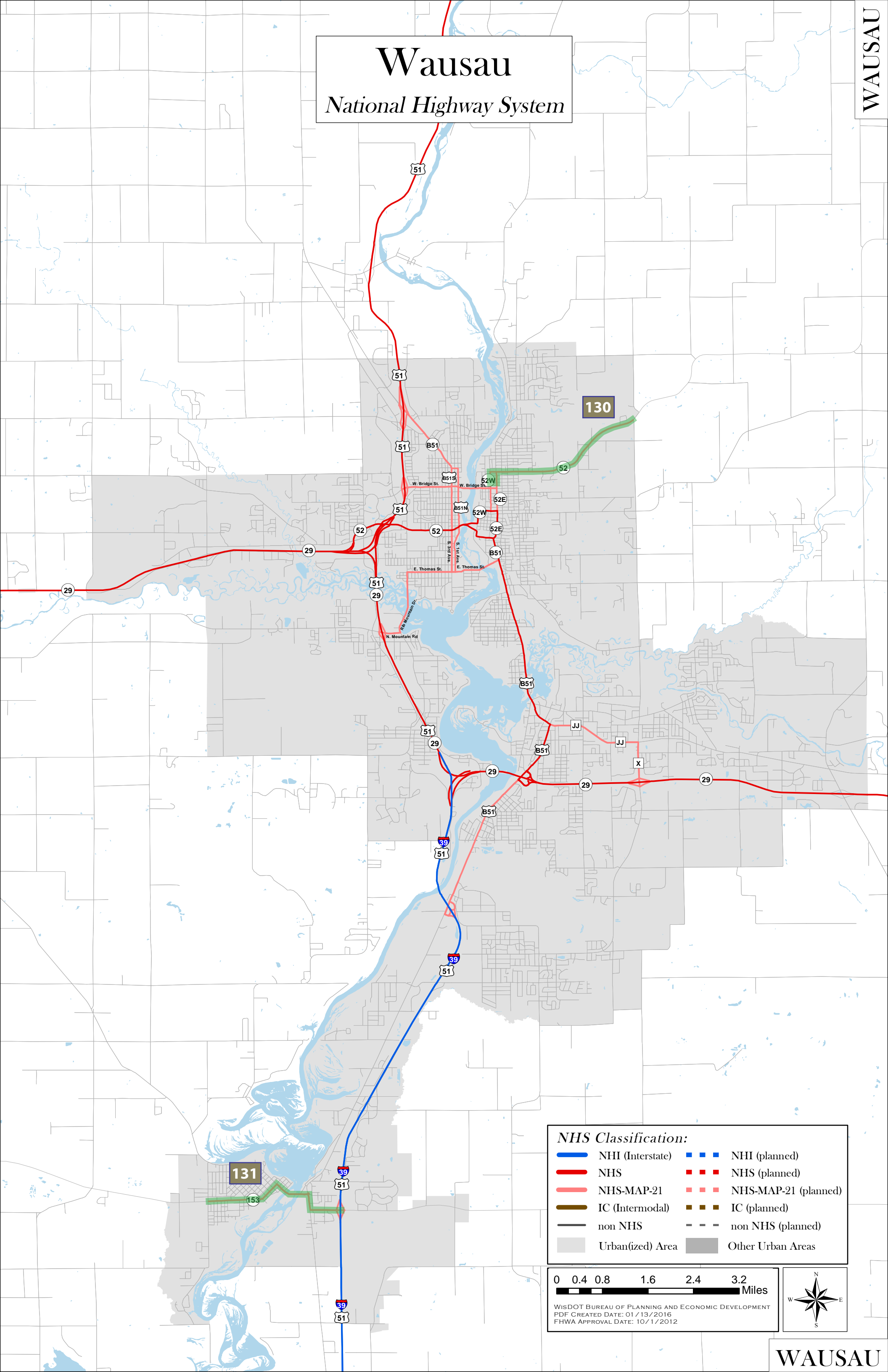
**Table 3**  
 Implementation Status of 2016-2019 Wausau Urbanized Area Projects  
**Amendment**  
 March 2016

Number	Implementing Jurisdiction & Location	Project Description	Status of 2012-2015 Projects
1	State of Wisconsin  V. of Rothschild	Pavement Replacement/Bridge Rehab STH 29 Wausau - Wittenberg Overhead Dr. - Bus 51 373-07-035	Completion in 2017



# Wausau

## National Highway System

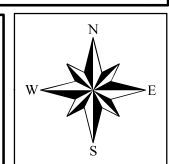


**NHS Classification:**

	NHI (Interstate)		NHI (planned)
	NHS		NHS (planned)
	NHS-MAP-21		NHS-MAP-21 (planned)
	IC (Intermodal)		IC (planned)
	non NHS		non NHS (planned)
	Urban(ized) Area		Other Urban Areas

0 0.4 0.8 1.6 2.4 3.2 Miles

WISDOT BUREAU OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
 PDF CREATED DATE: 01/13/2016  
 FHWA APPROVAL DATE: 10/1/2012



**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION # 1-16**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EXTENSION OF THE  
MOUNTAIN-BAY STATE PARK TRAIL FROM THE TRAILHEAD TO CAMP PHILLIPS ROAD  
IN WESTON, WISCONSIN**

Whereas, the Wausau Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was created by the Federal Highway Administration to address transportation planning issues in the Wausau Metropolitan Area; and,

Whereas, the Cities of Mosinee, Schofield, Wausau, the Villages of Brokaw, Kronenwetter, Maine, Rothschild, Weston, and the Towns of Mosinee, Rib Mountain, Stettin, Wausau, and Weston, along with Marathon County and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation are members of the Wausau MPO; and,

Whereas, in September 2015, the Wausau MPO endorsed the Wausau MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan that recommends biking and walking as sustainable alternative transportation methods for MPO communities to develop; and,

Whereas, community health organizations are actively promoting the use of biking and walking to improve wellness and the general health of the community; and,

Whereas, the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan has identified this Mountain-Bay State Park Trail extension as a key component of the plan in the Village of Weston and metropolitan area; and,

Whereas, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WisDNR) has purchased the railroad rights-of-way from the Canadian National Railroad and has removed the tracks and railroad ties for the purpose of extending the Mountain-Bay State Park Trail; and,

Whereas, all of these are efforts to raise public awareness that the communities will be better places to live if more people would walk and bike to their destination, for better health, recreation, transportation, and the natural environment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission supports and recommends that the WisDNR continue its work on extending the Mountain-Bay State Park Trail from its trailhead to Camp Phillips Road in Weston, Wisconsin; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the WisDNR work with the Marathon County Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department to develop a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to establish the process of developing, operating and maintaining the trail extension; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Village of Weston assist the WisDNR and the Marathon County Parks, Recreation, and Forestry on the development of this trail extension; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Marathon County Metropolitan Planning Commission supports and recommends that the WisDNR continue its work on extending the Mountain-Bay State Park Trail from its trailhead to Camp Phillips Road in Weston, Wisconsin.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016.

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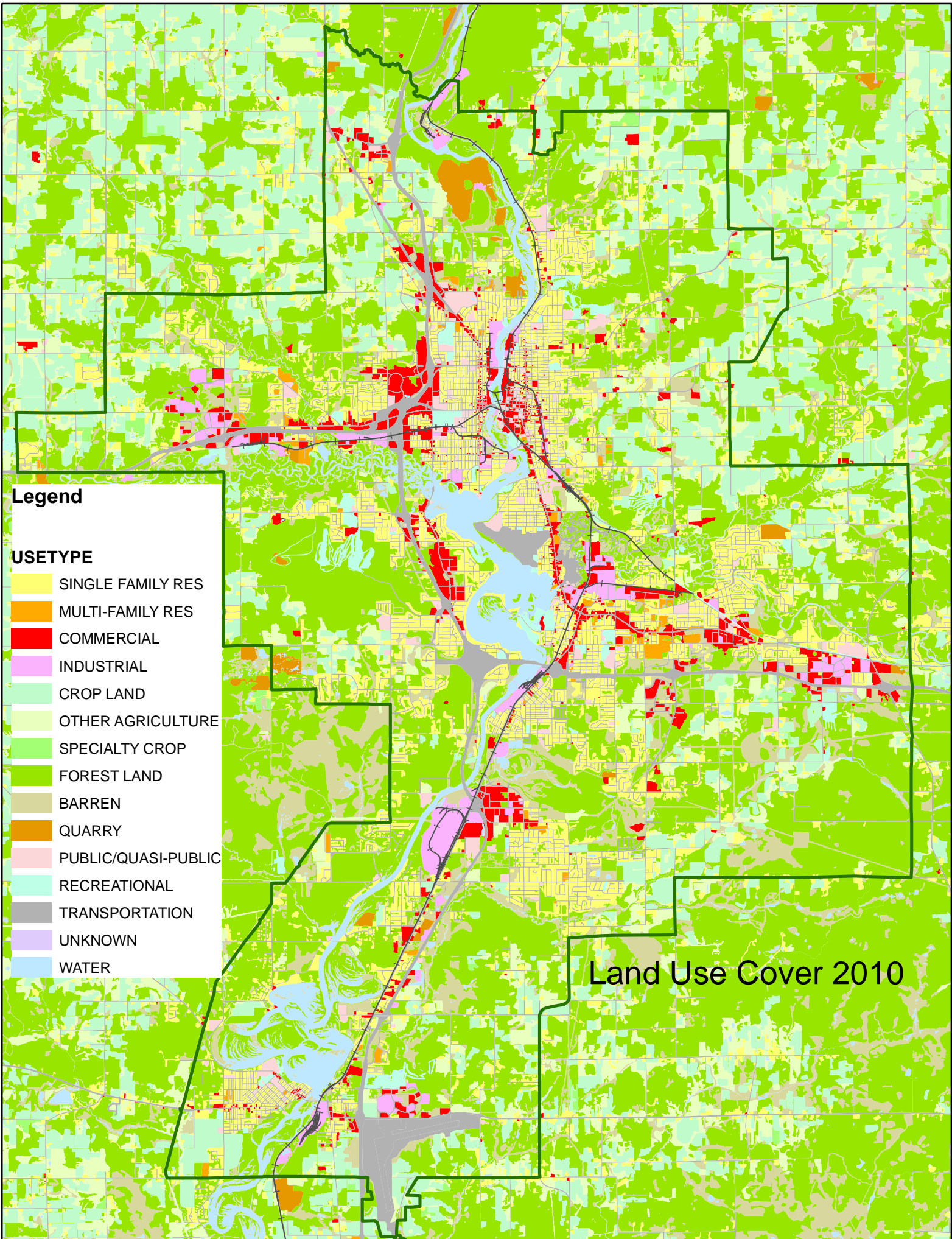
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# Demographics

Community	Population			Households		
	2010 Census	2014 ACS	% change	2010 Census	2014 ACS	% change
City of Mosinee	3988	4008	0.5	1660	1636	-1.4
City of Schofield	2169	2204	1.6	994	1026	3.2
City of Wausau	39106	39209	0.3	16487	16562	0.5
Village of Kronenwetter	7210	7330	1.7	2652	2625	-1.0
Village of Rothschild	5269	5279	0.2	2199	2323	5.6
Village of Weston	14868	14937	0.5	5772	5880	1.9
Town of Bergen	641	630	-1.7	250	256	2.4
Town of Maine	2337	2298	-1.7	890	874	-1.8
Town of Mosinee	2174	2099	-3.4	814	753	-7.5
Town of Rib Mountain	6825	6863	0.6	2650	2530	-4.5
Town Stettin	2554	2551	-0.1	999	1002	0.3
Town of Texas	1615	1714	6.1	645	681	5.6
Town of Wausau	2229	2519	13.0	860	924	7.4
Town of Weston	639	590	-7.7	228	219	-3.9
Village of Brokaw	251	178	-29.1	123	108	-12.2



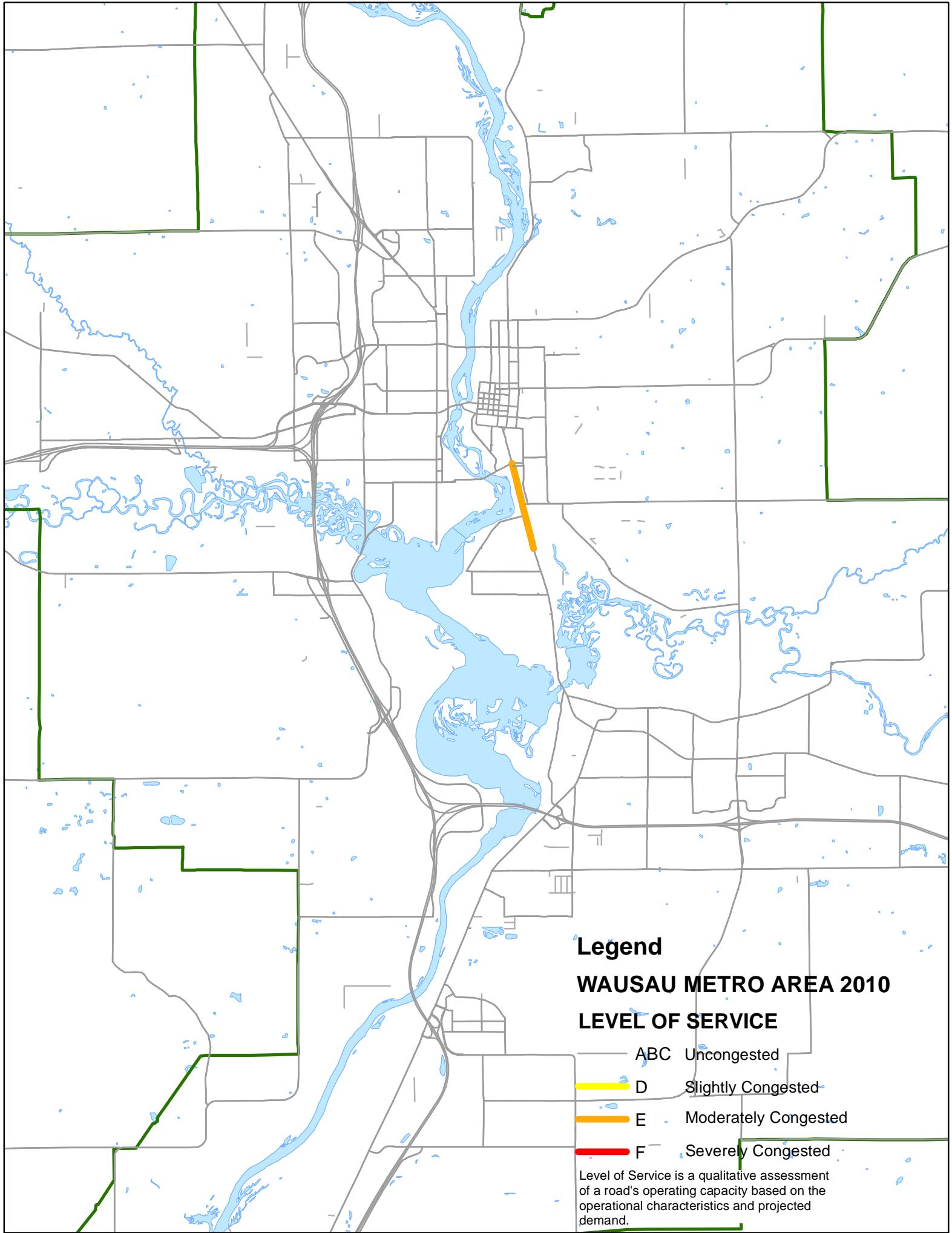
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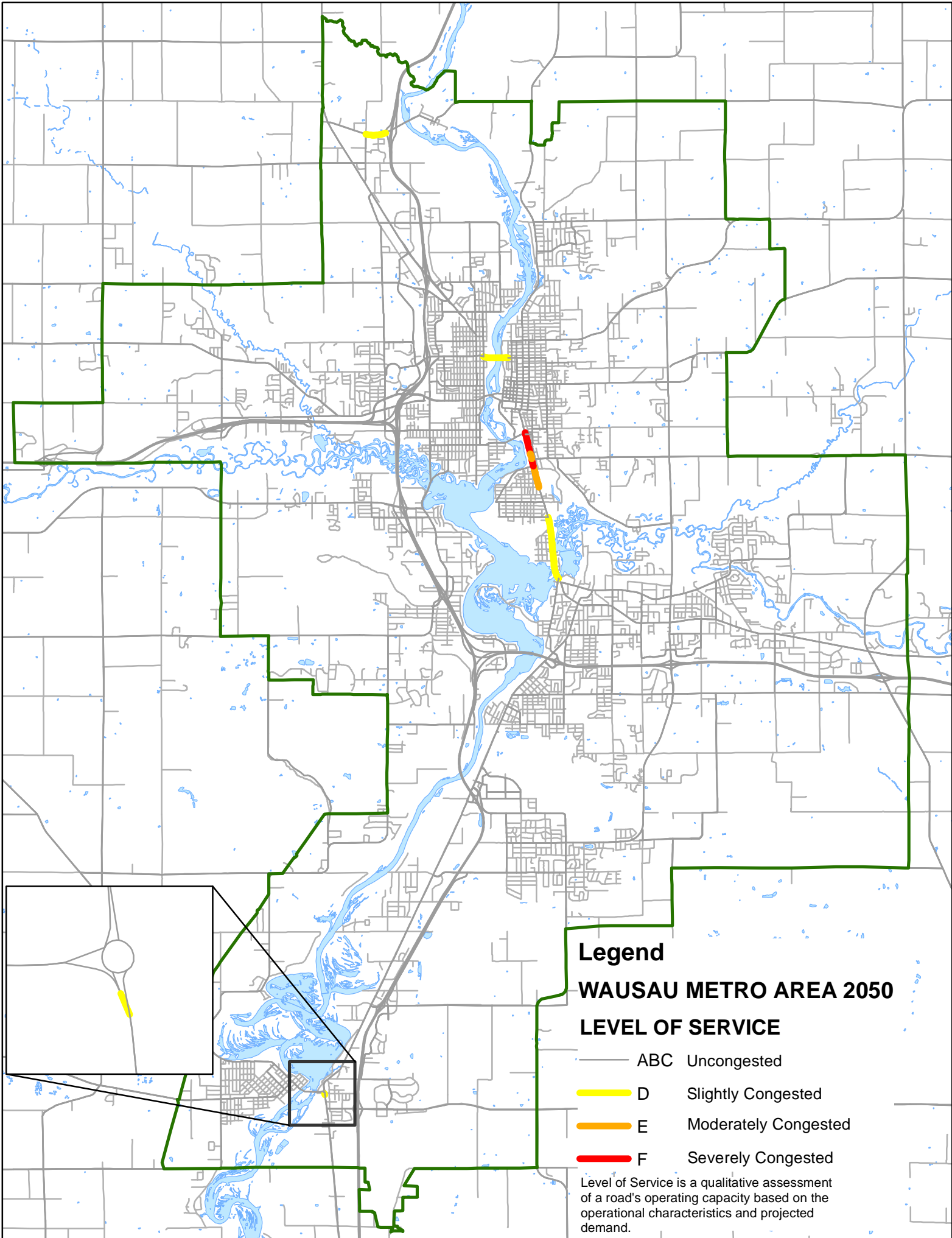
**USETYPE**

- SINGLE FAMILY RES
- MULTI-FAMILY RES
- COMMERCIAL
- INDUSTRIAL
- CROP LAND
- OTHER AGRICULTURE
- SPECIALTY CROP
- FOREST LAND
- BARREN
- QUARRY
- PUBLIC/QUASI-PUBLIC
- RECREATIONAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- UNKNOWN
- WATER

Land Use Cover 2010







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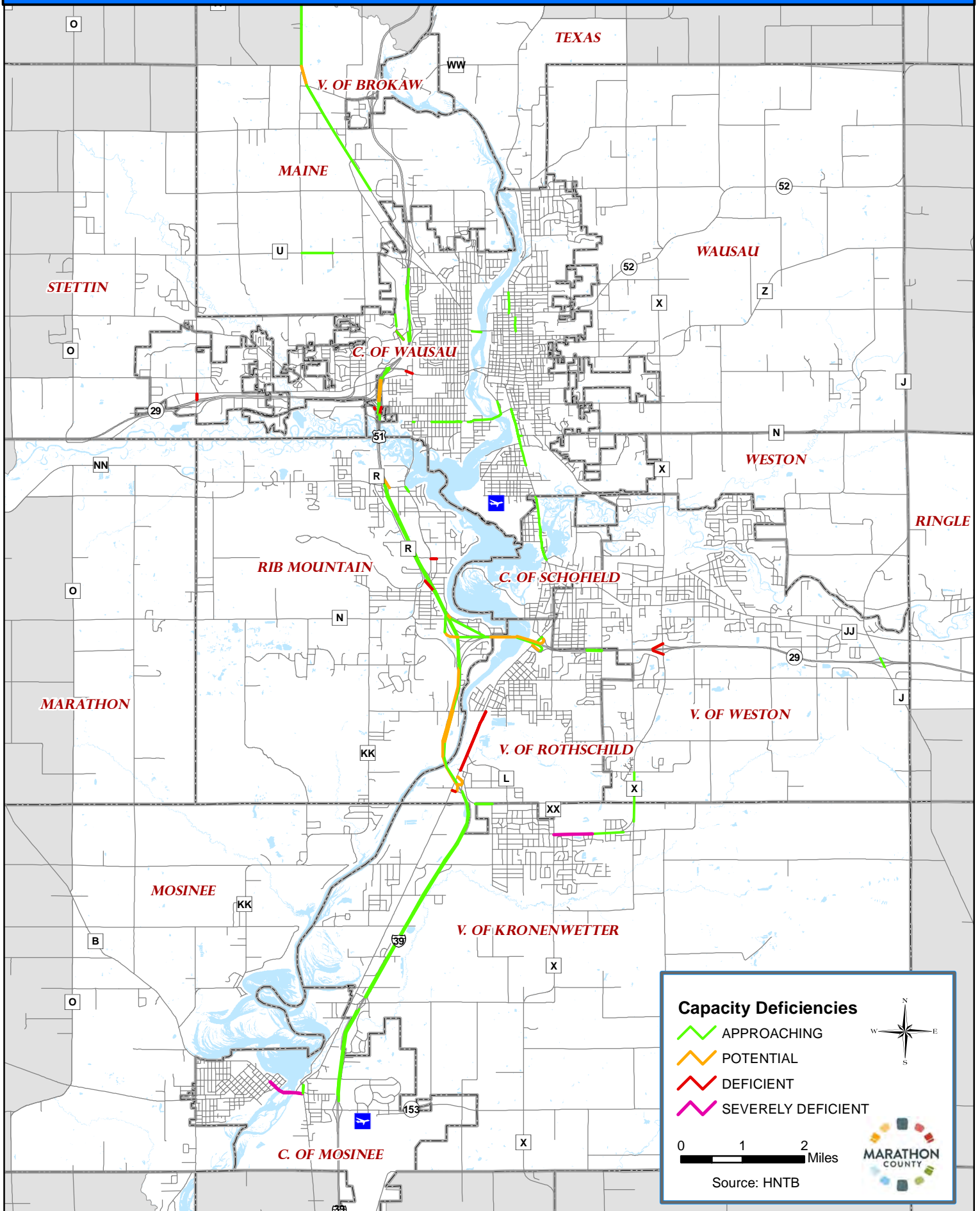
### WAUSAU METRO AREA 2050

#### LEVEL OF SERVICE

- ABC Uncongested
- D Slightly Congested
- E Moderately Congested
- F Severely Congested

Level of Service is a qualitative assessment of a road's operating capacity based on the operational characteristics and projected demand.

# Forecasted Capacity Deficiencies





# Future Regional Road Projects

## **Region-wide**

New bridges crossing Rib, Wisconsin, and Eau Claire Rivers

Full build out of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and additional trails

Jurisdictional transfer of roads

## **Mosinee**

153 Bridge expansion

## **Kronenwetter**

Expand Kowalski east to Martin

## **Rothschild**

Expand Highway X. Connections to Weston.

## **Weston**

Hwy 29 interchange at Ryan St.

Rebuild Camp Phillips and interchange

Intersection enhancements on Schofield Ave.

## **Schofield**

Bus 51/Grand Ave rebuild

## **Rib Mountain**

Bridge crossing Rib River at Cty Rd O and Hwy 29.

## **Wausau**

Grand Avenue

Bridge Street

Bike/Ped bridges across Wisconsin River