AGENDA
of the
Capital Area Regional Planning Commission

September 10, 2026 | **Oregon Village Hall, 101 Alpine Pkwy, Oregon and Zoom Webinar** | **6:00 pm**

Participant Information

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MISSION: Strengthen the region by engaging communities through planning, collaboration, and assistance.

VISION: A region where communities create exceptional quality of life for all by working together to solve regional challenges.

Agenda

1. Establish Quorum

2. Public Comment on Matters not on the agenda

3. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

   a. Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment of the *Dane County Water Quality Plan* by Revising the Sewer Service Area Boundary and Environmental Corridors in the Oregon Urban Service Area (#2603 Village of Oregon – “Featherwood Trails”)
      (1) Applicant Presentation – Amendment Overview
      (2) Open Public Hearing to Take Testimony from Attendees, Close Public Hearing
      (3) Commissioner Questions and Discussion

   b. Public Hearing - Adoption of the 2027 Capital Area Regional Planning Commission Budget
      (1) Staff Presentation
      (2) Open Public Hearing to Take Testimony from Attendees, Close Public Hearing

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(3) Commissioner Questions and Discussion

4. **Consent Agenda *(all items are actionable)***
   a. Minutes of the August 13, 2026 CARPC Meeting
   a. Executive Committee Recommendations
      (1) None

5. **Acknowledgement of Receipt – June 2026 Financial Management Report *(actionable item)***

6. **Acknowledgement of Receipt – July 2026 Financial Management Report *(actionable item)***

7. **CARPC Resolution 2026-15, Adopting the CARPC 2027 Budget *(actionable item)***

8. **CARPC Resolution 2026-16, Recognizing October 1-8, 2026 as a Week Without Driving in the Greater Madison Region *(actionable item)***

9. Regional Development Framework Key Performance Indicator Update – Staff Presentation and Discussion

10. Reports
    b. Commission Chair
    c. Executive Director
       (1) Program and Services Updates
       (2) Partnership Updates

11. Future Agenda Items (next meeting October 8, 2026, via Zoom Webinar, 6:00 pm meeting start)
    a. Resolutions for MadREP/USDA funds (October/November)
    b. Resolution – Imagine a Day Without Water – October 15, 2026 (October)
    c. 2027 Work Program (October, November)
    d. Visits/presentations by allied organizations? – Commissioner suggestions welcome

12. Adjournment

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CARPC AGENDA COVER SHEET	September 10, 2026 Item 03a

Re: Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment of the *Dane Country Water Quality Plan* by Revising the Sewer Service Area Boundary and Environmental Corridors in the Oregon Urban Service Area (#2603 Village of Oregon – "Featherwood Trails")

Requested Action:

Conduct Public Hearing

Background:

The Village of Oregon has submitted a request for a sewer service area amendment to the *Dane County Water Quality Plan*. The proposed amendment is currently in the Town of Oregon, with annexation into the Village of Oregon expected prior to development, and within the Oregon Branch (HUC 12:070900020801) watershed. It includes the addition of approximately 81 acres of land, including 13 acres of proposed environmental corridors and 5 acres of existing development and right-of-way, for a net of approximately 63 developable acres to the Oregon Urban Service Area. The application has been posted on the CARPC website.

These updates will constitute an amendment to the *Dane County Water Quality Plan*. The public hearing is intended to give members of the public, local government officials, and interested groups the opportunity to provide input as part of the public participation process required for amendments to the areawide water quality management plan in accordance with NR 121.

Staff Comments:

None

Attachments:

1. Map 1 – Proposed Amendment Area

Staff Contact:

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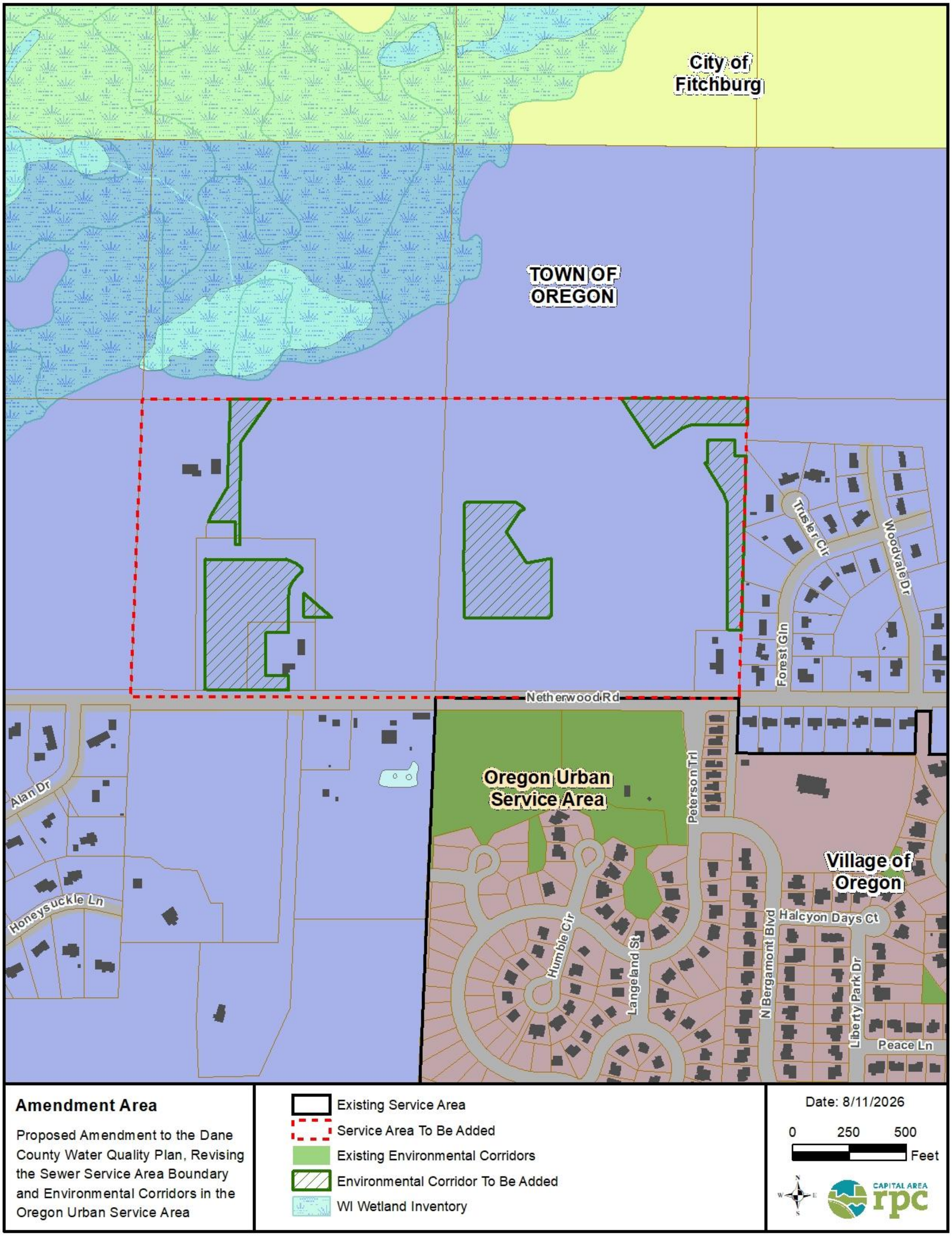
Next Steps:

Staff will prepare a water quality staff analysis report and a water quality management letter will be considered at the next Commission meeting in October. The CARPC staff report and management letter will then be sent to the Wisconsin DNR for an administrative decision.

Map 1 – Proposed Amendment Area



Re: Public Hearing – Adoption of the 2027 Capital Area Regional Planning Commission Budget

Requested Action:

Conduct Public Hearing

Background:

CARPC Bylaws state that the Executive Committee has the duty to "present a proposed annual budget to the Commission" and the budget "shall be adopted by the Commission prior to October 1 of each year, per Wis. Stats. § 66.0309.14(a)." Adoption of the annual budget and any amendments by the Commission requires a 30-day public notice.

Staff Comments:

The proposed budget is largely consistent with the preliminary budget considered by the Commission in June. The BPP approved a county levy charge of $1,137,739, 2% lower than in 2026.

Net revenues (excluding pass-through revenue) are proposed at a 0.5% increase over 2026. The loss of county charge revenue and conclusion of several grants would reduce revenue by about $176,000 year-over-year. The difference is made up with assumptions about other grants and more fee-for-service planning work.

Net expenditures are proposed at a 0.9% increase. Larger increases in some categories (salaries, primarily) are offset by cuts in other categories. We are expecting a modest savings in health care costs despite substantial increases in premiums based on what we currently know about open enrollment elections.

The budget is balanced, but with larger-than-typical estimated, non-specific grant and fee-for-service revenues. Staff are currently pursuing opportunities on both fronts and we plan to amend the budget with updated information in December.

Attachments:

1. 2027 Summary Budget
2. 2027 Full Budget
3. Resolution 2026-15, Adopting the CARPC 2027 Budget

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Next Steps:

Consideration for adoption.

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
2027 Summary Budget

Budget Year	2027	2026		2025		Variance	
Budget Type	PROPOSED	BUDGET	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET	ACTUAL	2027 PROPOSED MINUS 2026 ADOPTED	
Date	SEP 2026	SEP 2025	JAN-JUN	FEB 2025	JAN-DEC	$	%
REVENUES							
County Charge	$ 1,137,739	$ 1,160,959	$ 1,160,959	$ 1,209,332	$ 1,209,332	$ (23,220)	-2.0%
State & Federal Grants	$ 112,867	$ 266,093	$ 156,585	$ 284,368	$ 241,649	$ (153,226)	-57.6%
Other Grants	$ 102,500	$ -	$ 15,000	$ -	$ -	$ 102,500	0.0%
Pass-Through	$ 183,898	$ 73,657	$ 71,764	$ 185,172	$ 165,628	$ 110,241	149.7%
Water Quality Fees	$ 115,000	$ 110,000	$ 31,078	$ 110,000	$ 68,808	$ 5,000	4.5%
Planning Services	$ 200,000	$ 140,000	$ 48,222	$ 100,000	$ 105,595	$ 60,000	42.9%
WI Salt Wise	$ 160,000	$ 140,000	$ 44,665	$ 140,000	$ 146,377	$ 20,000	14.3%
Other	$ 33,000	$ 35,123	$ 11,799	$ 38,988	$ 35,170	$ (2,123)	-6.0%
TOTAL REVENUES	**$ 2,045,004**	**$ 1,925,832**	**$ 1,540,071**	**$ 2,067,860**	**$ 1,972,558**	**$ 119,172**	**6.2%**
Net Revenues (Less Pass-Through)	$ 1,861,106	$ 1,852,175	$ 1,468,307	$ 1,882,688	$ 1,806,931	$ 8,931	0.5%
EXPENDITURES							
Salaries and Leave Time	$ 1,128,073	$ 1,102,222	$ 643,479	$ 1,038,309	$ 1,052,481	$ 25,851	2.3%
Fringe Benefits	$ 495,040	$ 505,102	$ 298,274	$ 458,883	$ 418,074	$ (10,062)	-2.0%
Occupancy	$ 54,033	$ 51,833	$ 30,614	$ 50,987	$ 51,580	$ 2,200	4.2%
Contracted Services	$ 29,000	$ 27,000	$ 35,268	$ 42,970	$ 121,112	$ 2,000	7.4%
Financial Services	$ 62,250	$ 62,685	$ 32,729	$ 59,700	$ 61,734	$ (435)	-0.7%
Employee Travel and Training	$ 25,041	$ 26,894	$ 7,677	$ 28,745	$ 24,148	$ (1,853)	-6.9%
Office	$ 13,915	$ 16,390	$ 10,311	$ 16,374	$ 11,237	$ (2,475)	-15.1%
Information Technology (IT)	$ 30,449	$ 25,588	$ 20,221	$ 27,588	$ 28,845	$ 4,861	19.0%
Commissioner Per Diems & Travel	$ 7,000	$ 8,840	$ 2,970	$ 8,840	$ 6,143	$ (1,840)	-20.8%
Pass-Through	$ 183,899	$ 73,657	$ 156,455	$ 199,872	$ 197,005	$ 110,242	149.7%
Other	$ 16,253	$ 17,553	$ 14,629	$ 52,107	$ 52,864	$ (1,300)	-7.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 2,044,953**	**$ 1,917,764**	**$ 1,252,628**	**$ 1,984,375**	**$ 2,025,224**	**$ 127,189**	**6.6%**
Net Expenditures (Less Pass-Through)	$ 1,861,054	$ 1,844,107	$ 1,096,173	$ 1,784,503	$ 1,828,218	$ 16,947	0.9%
Total Revenue Minus Total Expenditures	**$ 51**	**$ 8,068**	**$ 287,442**	**$ 83,485**	**$ (52,665)**		

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
2027 Budget

Budget Year		2027	2026		2025		Variance		Comments on Changes from 2026 ADOPTED
Budget Type		PROPOSED	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	2027 PROPOSED MINUS 2026 ADOPTED		
Budget Date		SEP 2026	SEP 2025	JAN-JUN	FEB 2025	JAN-DEC	$	%	
REVENUES									
5001	**Dane County Charge**	**$ 1,137,739**	**$ 1,160,959**	**$ 1,160,959**	**$ 1,209,332**	**$ 1,209,332**	**$ (23,220)**	**-2.0%**	
5100	**State & Federal Grants**	**$ 112,867**	**$ 266,093**	**$ 156,585**	**$ 284,368**	**$ 241,649**	**$ (153,226)**	**-135.8%**	
5101	EPA/DNR Water Planning	$ 95,000	$ 134,000	$ 93,510	$ 113,275	$ 124,897	$ (39,000)	-41.1%	Special project funding ends in 2026
5102	EPA/DNR Grant Funds	$ 9,500	$ -	$ 8,664	$ 39,000	$ 19,600	$ 9,500	100.0%	Surface water grant that continues
5103	WEM/FEMA/HMGP Grant Funds	$ -	$ 125,000	$ 46,881	$ 125,000	$ 90,767	$ (125,000)	0.0%	End of Stream Crossing Inventory
5104	WisDOT Plan Integration	$ 8,367	$ 7,093	$ 7,530	$ 7,093	$ 6,384	$ 1,274	15.2%	Minor shift of funding from MPO to CARPC
5105	USDA Rural ED Fund	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	0.0%	No funding assumed
5150	**Other Grants**	**$ 102,500**	**$ -**	**$ 15,000**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 102,500**	**100.0%**	Mostly target revenue for unspecified grant awards
5200	**Passthrough Revenue**	**$ 183,898**	**$ 73,657**	**$ 71,764**	**$ 185,172**	**$ 165,628**	**$ 110,241**	**59.9%**	
5201	WisDOT Rural Work Program	$ 4,183	$ 5,457	$ 2,639	$ 5,457	$ 913	$ (1,274)	-30.4%	Minor shift of funding from MPO to CARPC
5220	Coop Water Resource Monitoring	$ 179,715	$ 68,200	$ 69,125	$ 179,715	$ 164,715	$ 111,515	62.1%	Water monitoring funding likely to continue
5300	**Water Quality Fees Revenue**	**$ 115,000**	**$ 110,000**	**$ 31,078**	**$ 110,000**	**$ 68,808**	**$ 5,000**	**4.3%**	
5301	Fees - Sewer Extensions	$ 60,000	$ 45,000	$ 19,200	$ 45,000	$ 43,200	$ 15,000	25.0%	Expecting to increase fees in 2026
5302	Fees - USA/LSA App Review	$ 55,000	$ 65,000	$ 11,878	$ 65,000	$ 25,608	$ (10,000)	-18.2%	Recent trends suggest fewer amendments
5400	**Planning Services Revenue**	**$ 200,000**	**$ 140,000**	**$ 48,222**	**$ 100,000**	**$ 105,595**	**$ 60,000**	**30.0%**	
5401	Local & Regional Plan Assistance	$ 200,000	$ 140,000	$ 48,222	$ 100,000	$ 105,595	$ 60,000	30.0%	More project development needed to meet this goal
5500	**Other Revenue**	**$ 193,000**	**$ 175,123**	**$ 56,464**	**$ 178,988**	**$ 181,547**	**$ 17,877**	**9.3%**	
5501	Interest Income	$ 30,000	$ 32,000	$ 11,654	$ 36,000	$ 30,783	$ (2,000)	-6.7%	Rates still dropping
5502	Miscellaneous Revenues	$ 3,000	$ 3,123	$ 145	$ 2,988	$ 4,387	$ (123)	-4.1%	
5505	WI Salt Wise	$ 160,000	$ 140,000	$ 44,665	$ 140,000	$ 146,377	$ 20,000	12.5%	FFLM grant continues through 2027
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$ 2,045,004**	**$ 1,925,832**	**$ 1,540,071**	**$ 2,067,860**	**$ 1,972,558**	**$ (119,172)**	**-5.8%**	
EXPENDITURES									
6000	**Salaries and Leave Time**	**$ 1,128,073**	**$ 1,102,222**	**$ 643,479**	**$ 1,038,309**	**$ 1,052,481**	**$ 25,851**	**2.3%**	
6001	Direct Salaries & Wages	$ 934,831	$ 903,822	$ 485,645	$ 830,647	$ 882,467	$ 31,009	3.3%	0% COLA, no LTE or intern time budgeted in 2027
6002	Compensated Leave Time	$ 193,243	$ 198,400	$ 157,834	$ 207,662	$ 170,014	$ (5,157)	-2.7%	Leave time calculated as a % of salaries
6050	**Fringe Benefits**	**$ 495,040**	**$ 505,102**	**$ 298,274**	**$ 458,883**	**$ 418,074**	**$ (10,062)**	**-2.0%**	
6051	FICA Benefits	$ 84,041	$ 82,115	$ 47,607	$ 77,354	$ 77,082	$ 1,926	2.3%	
6052	Life Insurance	$ 500	$ 309	$ (36)	$ 294	$ 495	$ 191	38.2%	
6053	Health Insurance	$ 314,359	$ 329,364	$ 193,484	$ 289,702	$ 257,094	$ (15,005)	-4.8%	cost increases offset by enrollment changes
6054	Dental Insurance	$ 13,798	$ 15,369	$ 7,516	$ 14,707	$ 13,286	$ (1,571)	-11.4%	correcting 2026 budget error (included staff premiums)
6055	WRS-ER Contribution	$ 77,837	$ 73,440	$ 43,672	$ 71,643	$ 68,803	$ 4,397	5.6%	Tied to salaries, which are all WRS-eligible in 2027
6056	Disability Insurance	$ 534	$ 534	$ 14	$ 508	$ 444	$ -	0.0%	
6057	Commute Cards	$ 200	$ 200	$ 1,116	$ 105	$ 293	$ -	0.0%	
6058	Unemployment	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 526	$ 1,000	$ 579	$ -	0.0%	
6059	Worker's Compensation	$ 2,771	$ 2,771	$ 4,375	$ 3,570	$ -	$ -	0.0%	
6100	**Occupancy**	**$ 54,033**	**$ 51,833**	**$ 30,614**	**$ 50,987**	**$ 51,580**	**$ 2,200**	**4.1%**	
6101	Rent	$ 54,033	$ 51,833	$ 30,614	$ 50,987	$ 51,580	$ 2,200	4.1%	Lease runs to November 2028

6200	**Contracted Services**	**$ 29,000**	**$ 27,000**	**$ 35,268**	**$ 42,970**	**$ 121,112**	**$ 2,000**	**6.9%**	
6201	External Programs	$ -	$ -	$ 19,092	$ 28,570	$ 36,392	$ -	0.0%	No planned outsourcing for community projects
6202	Legal Services	$ 9,000	$ 6,000	$ 3,186	$ 4,400	$ 12,308	$ 3,000	33.3%	More frequent consultations at commission request
6203	Commission Operations	$ -	$ 21,000	$ -	$ 10,000	$ 53,898	$ (21,000)	0.0%	This moved to 6204
6204	Marketing and Communications	$ 20,000	$ -	$ 12,991	$ -	$ 18,514	$ 20,000	100.0%	This moved from 6203
6300	**Financial Services**	**$ 62,250**	**$ 62,685**	**$ 32,729**	**$ 59,700**	**$ 61,734**	**$ (435)**	**-0.7%**	
6301	Audit	$ 13,000	$ 15,435	$ 11,850	$ 14,700	$ 11,350	$ (2,435)	-18.7%	Adjusting toward actual cost
6302	Payroll Fees	$ 8,250	$ 5,250	$ 4,934	$ 5,000	$ 8,305	$ 3,000	36.4%	Reflection of recent costs
6303	Financial Services	$ 41,000	$ 42,000	$ 15,945	$ 40,000	$ 42,079	$ (1,000)	-2.4%	
6400	**Travel and Training**	**$ 25,041**	**$ 26,894**	**$ 7,677**	**$ 28,745**	**$ 24,148**	**$ (1,853)**	**-7.4%**	
6401	Employee Travel	$ 13,616	$ 13,349	$ 4,666	$ 12,713	$ 14,617	$ 267	2.0%	Largest portion is SaltWise
6402	Meals	$ 925	$ 907	$ 99	$ 907	$ 969	$ 18	2.0%	
6403	Conferences & Meetings	$ 8,000	$ 9,638	$ 2,912	$ 10,125	$ 6,554	$ (1,638)	-20.5%	Paring back again, to reflect usage
6404	Training	$ 2,500	$ 3,000	$ -	$ 5,000	$ 2,008	$ (500)	-20.0%	Paring back again, to reflect usage
6500	**Office Expenses**	**$ 13,915**	**$ 16,390**	**$ 10,311**	**$ 16,374**	**$ 11,237**	**$ (2,475)**	**-17.8%**	
6501	Supplies	$ 2,500	$ 3,860	$ 4,428	$ 3,860	$ 2,050	$ (1,360)	-54.4%	
6502	Printing	$ 1,558	$ 1,558	$ 434	$ 1,558	$ 1,301	$ -	0.0%	
6503	Postage	$ 105	$ 105	$ 161	$ 105	$ 39	$ -	0.0%	
6504	Equipment	$ 7,500	$ 8,925	$ 3,703	$ 8,925	$ 5,963	$ (1,425)	-19.0%	
6505	Telephone	$ 1,810	$ 1,500	$ 1,197	$ 1,500	$ 1,771	$ 310	17.1%	
6506	Administrative Fees	$ 442	$ 442	$ 388	$ 426	$ 113	$ -	0.0%	
6600	**Information Technology**	**$ 30,449**	**$ 25,588**	**$ 20,221**	**$ 27,588**	**$ 28,845**	**$ 4,861**	**16.0%**	
6601	Webhosting	$ 368	$ 368	$ 321	$ 368	$ 374	$ -	0.0%	
6602	Software	$ 18,081	$ 17,220	$ 9,403	$ 17,220	$ 16,102	$ 861	4.8%	
6603	IT Services	$ 12,000	$ 8,000	$ 10,497	$ 10,000	$ 12,370	$ 4,000	33.3%	Software costs consolidated here
6700	**Commission**	**$ 7,000**	**$ 8,840**	**$ 2,970**	**$ 8,840**	**$ 6,143**	**$ (1,840)**	**-26.3%**	
6701	Commission Per Diems	$ 6,500	$ 8,000	$ 2,650	$ 8,000	$ 5,779	$ (1,500)	-23.1%	reduction to reflect usage
6702	Commission Travel	$ 500	$ 840	$ 320	$ 840	$ 363	$ (340)	-68.0%	reduction to reflect usage
6800	**Passthrough Expenses**	**$ 183,899**	**$ 73,657**	**$ 156,455**	**$ 199,872**	**$ 197,005**	**$ 110,242**	**59.9%**	
6801	Water Resource Monitoring	$ 179,715	$ 68,200	$ 153,450	$ 194,415	$ 194,415	$ 111,515	62.1%	Water monitoring funding likely to continue
6802	WisDOT Planning Services	$ 4,184	$ 5,457	$ 3,005	$ 5,457	$ 2,590	$ (1,273)	-30.4%	Adjusting the MPO/CARPC split of DOT funding
6900	**Other**	**$ 16,253**	**$ 17,553**	**$ 14,629**	**$ 16,583**	**$ 17,340**	**$ (1,300)**	**-8.0%**	
6901	Dues/Memberships/Subscriptions	$ 5,686	$ 7,186	$ 3,470	$ 6,843	$ 2,859	$ (1,500)	-26.4%	Revised assignment of software costs
6902	Contributions & Donations	$ -	$ 2,500	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 651	$ (2,500)	0.0%	Only costs here were dues/memberships - moved there
6903	Education/Info/Outreach	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 2,406	$ 2,625	$ 1,969	$ -	0.0%	
6904	Recruitment	$ 1,050	$ 1,050	$ 150	$ 1,050	$ 7	$ -	0.0%	
6905	Insurance	$ 7,409	$ 4,709	$ 7,366	$ 4,457	$ 11,449	$ 2,700	36.4%	Review of policies planned for spring 2026
6906	Depreciation	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	0.0%	
6907	Amoritization Expense	$ 608	$ 608	$ 236	$ 608	$ 405	$ -	0.0%	
7000	**Revenue Refunds**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 35,524**	**$ 35,524**	**$ -**	**0.0%**	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 2,044,953**	**$ 1,917,764**	**$ 1,252,628**	**$ 1,984,375**	**$ 2,025,224**	**$ (127,189)**	**-6.2%**	
		$ 51	**$ 8,068**	**$ 287,442**	**$ 83,485**	**$ (52,665)**			

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CARPC Resolution No. 2026-15

Adoption of the 2027 Capital Area Regional Planning Commission Budget

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission ("CARPC") is authorized to carry out a range of planning activities, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0309(8), and contracts with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to conduct areawide water quality management planning for the Dane County region, and with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to fund land use and transportation planning integration including analyses of transportation impacts of amendments to regional plans; and

WHEREAS, the CARPC Budget and Personnel Panel adopted a preliminary 2027 Budget and Dane County Levy Charge on July 02, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted the same Preliminary 2027 Budget and Dane County Levy Charge on July 09, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the CARPC 2027 budget was developed to reflect input from all Commission and BPP members and was recommended for adoption by the Executive Committee on September 07 2026; and

WHEREAS, a notice for public hearing on the proposed budget was duly posted and distributed to local units of government, and a public hearing was held on September 10, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission hereby adopts the attached 2027 budget.

September 10, 2026
Date Adopted

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David Pfeiffer, Chairperson

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Cynthia Richson, Secretary

DRAFT MINUTES
of the
Capital Area Regional Planning Commission

August 13, 2026	**Zoom Webinar**	**6:00 pm**

Commissioners Present: Maureen Crombie, Cynthia Richson, Noah Lieberman, David Pfeiffer, Topf Wells, Heidi Murphy, Peter McKeever, Steve Greb, Audra Dalsoren, Jim Schuler

Commissioners Absent: Joann Pritchett, Alison Volk, Bill Tishler

Staff Present: Jason Valerius, Matt Kozlowski

Others Present: Michael Miller

1. Establish Quorum

   The meeting was called to order by Chair Pfeiffer at 6:00 pm. A quorum was established.

2. Public Comment on Matters not on the agenda.

   None

3. **Consent Agenda *(all items below are actionable items) (6:01 pm)***

   a. **Minutes of the July 9, 2026 CARPC Meeting**
   b. **Executive Committee Recommendations**
      (1) **None**

      Motion: Commissioner Crombie moved to approve items on the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Schuler seconded.

      The motion carried unanimously.

4. **Acknowledgement of Receipt – June 2026 Financial Management Report *(actionable item) (6:01 pm)***

   Motion: Commissioner McKeever moved to table item 4 to the September meeting. Vice Chair Murphy seconded.

   The motion carried unanimously.

5. 2025 CARPC Annual Report – Staff Presentation and Discussion *(6:02 pm)*

   Matt Kozlowski provided an overview of the annual report and the plan for final publication.

   Commissioner Richson requested a fix to the wording describing Dane County municipalities.

   Commissioner Wells said that the pictures don't convey the seriousness of the work that CARPC completes each year. Commissioner Richson suggested the USGS reports as a potential source of inspiration.

6. **CARPC Resolution 2026-14, Adopting the CARPC 2027 Rural Transportation Work Program *(actionable item) (6:12 pm)***

   Jason Valerius provided an overview of the resolution and the rural transportation work program.

Motion: Commissioner McKeever moved to adopt CARPC Resolution 2026-14. Commissioner Lieberman seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Reports *(6:16 pm)*

   a. Commission Chair

   b. Executive Director
      (1) Program and Services Updates
      (2) Partnership Updates

   Jason Valerius provided highlights from the Executive Director's report.

8. Future Agenda Items (next meeting September 10, 2026, location TBD and via Zoom Webinar, 6:00 pm meeting start time)

   a. Resolution adopting the 2027 CARPC Budget (September)
   b. Resolutions for MadREP/USDA funds (September)
   c. Regional Development Framework Key Performance Indicator Update (September)
   d. Visits/Presentations by Allied Organizations – Commissioner suggestions welcome

9. Adjournment

Motion: Commissioner Dalsoren moved to adjourn. Commissioner Crombie seconded.

The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Re: Acknowledgement of Receipt – June 2026 Financial Management Report *(actionable item)*

Requested Action:

Motion to acknowledge receipt of June 2026 Financial Management Report

Background:

Continuous process improvement is the goal of the Agency regarding its financial systems, policies and procedures.

Each month the Administrative Services Manager prepares a full financial packet for review by the Executive Director and Commission Treasurer, who each sign off on the packet when they are satisfied that it is an acceptable representation of the Commission's fiscal condition.

The Executive Committee and Commission then receive copies of the Management Report supplied by Berndt CPAs for review at the monthly meetings.

Staff Comments:

Requests for additional financial information or reports may be directed to the Administrative Services Manager.

Attachments:

1. June 2026 Financial Management Report

Staff Contact:

Matt Kozlowski
Administrative Services Manager
MatthewKoz@CapitalAreaRPC.org
(608) 474-6017

Next Steps:

Continual improvements to CARPC financial systems, policies, and procedures.

Management Report

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
For the period ended June 30, 2026

Prepared by
Berndt CPA

Prepared on
July 27, 2026

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To Capital Area Regional Planning Commission,

Provided is some additional context regarding the deferred revenue and related activity for the month of June 2026.

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For June, $136,055 was recognized from deferred revenue related to contracts established at the beginning of the year. An additional $37,643 represents new invoiced revenue generated from current work not associated with deferred revenue contracts.

As of June month-end, the balance in account 3600 – Deferred Revenue is at $530,815 per knowledge of remaining balances of current contracts for 2026-2028 and received donations and taxes.

Sincerely,
Berndt CPA, LLC

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
Statement of Financial Position
As of June 30, 2026

	Total	
	As of Jun 30, 2026	**As of May 31, 2026 (PP)**
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
1000 OPERATING ACCOUNT	73,847	38,505
1001 MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	20,051	15,071
1002 INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	598,062	696,184
1050 SUMMIT OPERATING ACCOUNT	33,908	33,908
1051 SUMMIT SAVINGS ACCOUNT	1	1
1055 SUMMIT MONEY MARKET	1	1
Total Bank Accounts	**$ 725,870**	**$ 783,671**
Accounts Receivable		
1105 PROJECT AND GRANTS REC	54,984	119,404
Total Accounts Receivable	**$ 54,984**	**$ 119,404**
Other Current Assets		
1110 UNBILLED ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	661,073	635,736
1150 PREPAID EXPENSES	0	0
1153 PREPAID HEALTH INSURANCE	23,557	29,869
1156 PREPAID LIFE INSURANCE	65	63
1157 PREPAID PARKING	0	171
1165 PREPAID LICENSES	3,758	4,384
Total 1150 PREPAID EXPENSES	**$ 27,379**	**$ 34,486**
1170 UNDEPOSITED FUNDS	4,000	600
Total Other Current Assets	**$ 692,452**	**$ 670,823**
Total Current Assets	**$ 1,473,306**	**$ 1,573,898**
Fixed Assets		
1200 FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	7,172	7,172
1201 ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION-FURNITURE/EQUIPMENT	(7,172)	(7,172)
Total 1200 FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	**$ -**	**$ -**
1210 RIGHT OF USE ASSET	6,077	6,077
1211 ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION	(3,899)	(3,865)
Total Fixed Assets	**$ 2,177**	**$ 2,211**
TOTAL ASSETS	**$ 1,475,484**	**$ 1,576,109**
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
3000 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	1,873	1,161
Total Accounts Payable	**$ 1,873**	**$ 1,161**
Credit Cards		
3002 PARK BANK CREDIT CARD	0	0
3003 CREDIT CARD	6,588	3,551
Total 3002 PARK BANK CREDIT CARD	**$ 6,588**	**$ 3,551**
Total Credit Cards	**$ 6,588**	**$ 3,551**
Other Current Liabilities		
3005 ACCRUED PAYROLL	29,989	21,407

3010 ACCRUED COOP WATER RESOURCE MONITORING	51,150	34,100
3015 ACCRUED PREPAID LIABILITIES	24,800	54,876
3202 WRS PENSION PLAN	12,110	11,777
3300 UNUSED VACATION, WELLNESS	68,806	66,832
3500 SICK LEAVE ACCRUAL PAY	107,672	109,805
3600 DEFERRED/UNEARNED REVENUE	530,815	634,680
3655 INVEST IN RIGHT OF USE	2,379	2,379
Total Other Current Liabilities	**$ 827,721**	**$ 935,857**
Total Current Liabilities	**$ 836,182**	**$ 940,568**
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Equity		
3700 PRIOR YEAR BALANCE	(146,830)	(146,830)
3701 PRIOR YEAR FUND BALANCE	909,003	909,003
3702 CURRENT FUND BALANCE	200	200
Net Revenue	(123,072)	(126,833)
Total Equity	**$ 639,302**	**$ 635,540**
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	**$ 1,475,484**	**$ 1,576,109**

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
Budget vs. Actuals: Statement of Activity
For the month of June - Budget Vs Actuals 6 Months Ended

	Total			
	Monthly Actual	Actual Year to Date	Annual Budget	% of Annual Budget
Revenue				
5000 PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	-	-	-	
5001 DANE COUNTY PROP TAX-OTH	96,747	580,480	1,160,959	50.00%
Total 5000 PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	**96,747**	**580,480**	**1,160,959**	**50.00%**
5100 STATE/FEDERAL GRANTS	-	-	-	
5101 EPA/DNR WATER PLANNING	9,917	59,500	134,000	44.40%
5102 EPA/DNR GRANT FUNDS	-	2,877	-	
5103 WEM/FEMA/HMGP GRANT FUNDS	7,813	46,881	125,000	37.50%
5104 WisDOT PLAN INTEGRATION	1,046	7,530	5,457	137.99%
Total 5100 STATE/FEDERAL GRANTS	**18,775**	**116,788**	**264,457**	**44.16%**
5150 OTHER GRANTS	-	15,000	-	
5200 PASS THROUGH REVENUE	-	-	-	
5201 WisDOT RURAL WORK PROGRAM	629	2,639	7,093	37.20%
5220 COOP WATER RESOURCE MONITORING	31,563	69,125	68,200	101.36%
Total 5200 PASS THROUGH REVENUE	**32,192**	**71,764**	**75,293**	**95.31%**
5300 FEES REVENUE	-	-	-	
5301 FEES - SEWER EXTENSIONS	2,800	17,200	45,000	38.22%
5302 FEES - USA/LSA APP REVIEW	6,000	8,378	65,000	12.89%
Total 5300 FEES REVENUE	**8,800**	**25,578**	**110,000**	**23.25%**
5400 SERVICES REVENUE	-	-	-	
5401 LOCAL & REGIONAL PLAN ASSISTANCE	9,046	34,818	140,000	24.87%
Total 5400 SERVICES REVENUE	**9,046**	**34,818**	**140,000**	**24.87%**
5500 OTHER REVENUE	-	-	-	
5208 LAND USE CODE ASSESSMENT	-	-	-	
5501 INTEREST INCOME	1,883	11,651	32,000	36.41%
5502 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	6	39	3,123	1.25%
5505 WI SALT WISE	6,250	44,665	140,000	31.90%
Total 5500 OTHER REVENUE	**8,139**	**56,355**	**175,123**	**32.18%**
7000 REVENUE REFUNDS	-	-	-	
Total Revenue	**173,698**	**900,782**	**1,925,832**	**46.77%**
Gross Profit	**173,698**	**900,782**	**1,925,832**	**46.77%**
Expenditures	-	-	-	
6000 SALARIES AND LEAVE TIME	-	-	-	
6001 DIRECT SALARIES & WAGES	75,956	441,236	903,822	48.82%
6002 COMPENSATED LEAVE TIME	21,882	142,798	198,400	71.97%
Total 6000 SALARIES AND LEAVE TIME	**97,838**	**584,034**	**1,102,222**	**52.99%**
6050 FRINGE BENEFITS	-	-	-	
6051 FICA BENEFITS	6,755	40,850	82,115	49.75%
6052 LIFE INSURANCE	26	(36)	309	-11.63%
6053 HEALTH INSURANCE	22,480	143,305	329,364	43.51%
6054 DENTAL INSURANCE	1,074	6,442	15,369	41.91%
6055 WRS-ER CONTRIBUTION	6,055	37,588	73,440	51.18%
6056 DISABILITY INSURANCE	(9)	14	534	2.58%
6057 COMMUTE CARDS	171	1,105	200	552.58%
6058 UNEMPLOYMENT	10	514	1,000	51.42%

6059 WORKER'S COMPENSATION	-	-	2,771	0.00%
Total 6050 FRINGE BENEFITS	**36,562**	**229,782**	**505,102**	**45.49%**
6100 OCCUPANCY	-	-	-	
6101 RENT	4,382	26,295	51,833	50.73%
Total 6100 OCCUPANCY	**4,382**	**26,295**	**51,833**	**50.73%**
6200 CONTRACTED SERVICES	-	-	-	
6201 EXTERNAL PROGRAMS	-	2,150	-	
6202 LEGAL SERVICES	-	3,186	6,000	53.09%
6203 COMMISSION OPERATIONS	-	-	21,000	0.00%
6204 MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS	-	2,991	-	
Total 6200 CONTRACTED SERVICES	**-**	**8,326**	**27,000**	**30.84%**
6300 FINANCIAL SERVICES	-	-	-	
6301 AUDIT	-	5,350	15,435	34.66%
6302 PAYROLL FEES	682	4,252	5,250	80.99%
6303 FINANCIAL SERVICES	1,995	11,935	42,000	28.42%
Total 6300 FINANCIAL SERVICES	**2,677**	**21,537**	**62,685**	**34.36%**
6400 TRAVEL AND TRAINING	-	-	-	
6401 EMPLOYEE TRAVEL	542	4,034	13,349	30.22%
6402 MEALS	-	99	907	10.94%
6403 CONFERENCES & MEETINGS	1,446	2,912	9,638	30.21%
6404 TRAINING	-	-	3,000	0.00%
Total 6400 TRAVEL AND TRAINING	**1,988**	**7,045**	**26,894**	**26.20%**
6500 OFFICE EXPENSES	-	-	-	
6501 SUPPLIES	174	4,321	3,860	111.94%
6502 PRINTING	33	373	1,558	23.95%
6503 POSTAGE	-	28	105	26.55%
6504 EQUIPMENT	-	3,442	8,925	38.57%
6505 TELEPHONE	174	1,016	1,500	67.72%
6506 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	209	363	442	82.16%
6902 CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS	-	-	2,500	0.00%
Total 6500 OFFICE EXPENSES	**591**	**9,543**	**18,890**	**50.52%**
6600 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	-	-	-	
6601 WEBHOSTING	-	321	368	87.28%
6602 SOFTWARE	1,655	8,260	17,220	47.97%
6603 IT SERVICES	6,248	8,989	8,000	112.36%
Total 6600 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	**7,902**	**17,570**	**25,588**	**68.67%**
6700 COMMISSION	-	-	-	
6701 COMMISSION PER DIEMS	250	2,200	8,000	27.50%
6702 COMMISSION TRAVEL	-	149	840	17.72%
Total 6700 COMMISSION	**250**	**2,349**	**8,840**	**26.57%**
6800 PASS THROUGH EXPENSES	-	-	-	
6801 WATER RESOURCE MONITORING	17,050	102,300	68,200	150.00%
6802 WisDOT PLANNING SERVICES	629	2,639	5,457	48.35%
Total 6800 PASS THROUGH EXPENSES	**17,679**	**104,939**	**73,657**	**142.47%**
6900 OTHER	-	-	-	
6901 DUES/MEMBERSHIPS/SUBSCRIPTIONS	34	2,834	7,186	39.44%
6903 EDUCATION/INFO/OUTREACH	-	1,881	1,500	125.42%
6904 RECRUITMENT	-	150	1,050	14.29%
6905 INSURANCE	-	7,366	4,709	156.42%
6906 DEPRECIATION	-	-	-	
6907 AMORITIZATION EXPENSE	34	203	608	33.32%
Total 6900 OTHER	**68**	**12,434**	**15,053**	**82.60%**
Uncategorized Expense	-	-	-	

Total Expenditures	**169,937**	**1,023,854**	**1,917,764**	**53.39%**
Net Operating Revenue	**3,761**	**(123,072)**	**8,068**	**-1525.43%**
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Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
A/R Aging Summary
As of June 30, 2026

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 and over	Total
Ayers Associates, Inc.					1,000	1,000
City of Altoona					1,000	1,000
City of Fitchburg						0
255104 - Fitchburg Oregon Joint Planning	3,955					3,955
Total City of Fitchburg	**$ 3,955**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 3,955**
City of Madison Engineering Division	800					800
City of Middleton	2,000					2,000
City of Sun Prairie	3,500					3,500
D'Onofrio Kottke and Associates	400					400
Department of Planning, Community and Economic Development					2,869	2,869
Dodge County Highway Department					1,500	1,500
Homburg Contractors, Inc.					400	400
Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc.					400	400
JSD PROFESSIONAL SER					800	800
MSA Professional Services, Inc.	400				2,000	2,400
Outagamie County Highway					500	500
PINNACLE ENGINEERING					400	400
State of Wisconsin						0
WI Department of Natural Resources					2,190	2,190
Total State of Wisconsin	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 2,190**	**$ 2,190**
Strand Associates, Inc			400			400
Town of Middleton	1,000					1,000
VANDE HEY					800	800
Vierbicher		400			800	1,200
Village of Black Earth	8,000				8,000	16,000
Village Of Cross Plains	8,000					8,000
Village of Deforest					3,070	3,070
Wyser Engineering, LLC					400	400
TOTAL	**$ 28,055**	**$ 400**	**$ 400**	**$ -**	**$ 26,129**	**$ 54,984**

Re: Acknowledgement of Receipt – July 2026 Financial Management Report *(actionable item)*

Requested Action: Motion to acknowledge receipt of July 2026 Financial Management Report
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Next Steps: Continual improvements to CARPC financial systems, policies, and procedures.

Management Report

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
For the period ended July 31, 2026

Prepared by
Berndt CPA

Prepared on
August 18, 2026

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For July, $147,402 was recognized from deferred revenue related to contracts established at the beginning of the year. An additional $3,630 represents new invoiced revenue generated from current work not associated with deferred revenue contracts.

As of July month-end, the balance in account 3600 – Deferred Revenue is at $963,892 per knowledge of remaining balances of current contracts for 2026-2028, second semi-annual portion of State Tax Levy, and received donations and taxes.

Sincerely,
Berndt CPA, LLC

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
Statement of Financial Position
As of July 31, 2026

	Total	
	As of Jul 31, 2026	**As of Jun 30, 2026 (PP)**
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Current Assets		
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1001 MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	40,029	20,051
1002 INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	499,829	598,062
1050 SUMMIT OPERATING ACCOUNT	33,908	33,908
1051 SUMMIT SAVINGS ACCOUNT	1	1
1055 SUMMIT MONEY MARKET	1	1
Total Bank Accounts	**1,157,675**	**725,870**
Accounts Receivable		
1105 PROJECT AND GRANTS REC	75,629	54,984
Total Accounts Receivable	**75,629**	**54,984**
Other Current Assets		
1110 UNBILLED ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	604,127	661,073
1150 PREPAID EXPENSES	0	0
1153 PREPAID HEALTH INSURANCE	23,557	23,557
1156 PREPAID LIFE INSURANCE	0	65
1157 PREPAID PARKING	171	0
1165 PREPAID LICENSES	3,131	3,758
Total 1150 PREPAID EXPENSES	**26,859**	**27,379**
1170 UNDEPOSITED FUNDS	3,200	4,000
Total Other Current Assets	**634,186**	**692,452**
Total Current Assets	**1,867,491**	**1,473,306**
Fixed Assets		
1200 FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	7,172	7,172
1201 ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION-FURNITURE/EQUIPMENT	(7,172)	(7,172)
Total 1200 FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT	**0**	**0**
1210 RIGHT OF USE ASSET	6,077	6,077
1211 ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION	(3,933)	(3,899)
Total Fixed Assets	**2,143**	**2,177**
TOTAL ASSETS	**1,869,634**	**1,475,484**
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
3000 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	72,621	1,873
Total Accounts Payable	**72,621**	**1,873**
Credit Cards		
3002 PARK BANK CREDIT CARD	0	0
3003 CREDIT CARD	1,513	6,588
Total 3002 PARK BANK CREDIT CARD	**1,513**	**6,588**
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Other Current Liabilities		
3005 ACCRUED PAYROLL	43,433	29,989

3010 ACCRUED COOP WATER RESOURCE MONITORING	30,967	51,150
3015 ACCRUED PREPAID LIABILITIES	1,036	24,800
3202 WRS PENSION PLAN	12,169	12,110
3300 UNUSED VACATION, WELLNESS	62,452	68,806
3500 SICK LEAVE ACCRUAL PAY	111,212	107,672
3600 DEFERRED/UNEARNED REVENUE	963,892	530,815
3655 INVEST IN RIGHT OF USE	2,379	2,379
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3702 CURRENT FUND BALANCE	200	200
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Total Equity	**567,962**	**639,302**
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	**1,869,634**	**1,475,484**

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
Budget vs. Actuals: Statement of Activity
For the month of July - Budget Vs Actuals 7 Months Ended

	Total			
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Revenue				
5000 PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	-	-	-	
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Total 5300 FEES REVENUE	**5,500**	**31,078**	**110,000**	**28.25%**
5400 SERVICES REVENUE	-	-	-	
5401 LOCAL & REGIONAL PLAN ASSISTANCE	7,536	42,354	140,000	30.25%
Total 5400 SERVICES REVENUE	**7,536**	**42,354**	**140,000**	**30.25%**
5500 OTHER REVENUE	-	-	-	
5208 LAND USE CODE ASSESSMENT	-	-	-	
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Total Revenue	**151,032**	**1,051,814**	**1,925,832**	**54.62%**
Gross Profit	**151,032**	**1,051,814**	**1,925,832**	**54.62%**
Expenditures	-	-	-	
6000 SALARIES AND LEAVE TIME	-	-	-	
6001 DIRECT SALARIES & WAGES	87,842	529,078	903,822	58.54%
6002 COMPENSATED LEAVE TIME	12,223	155,020	198,400	78.14%
Total 6000 SALARIES AND LEAVE TIME	**100,064**	**684,098**	**1,102,222**	**62.07%**
6050 FRINGE BENEFITS	-	-	-	
6051 FICA BENEFITS	6,757	47,607	82,115	57.98%
6052 LIFE INSURANCE	27	(9)	309	-2.75%
6053 HEALTH INSURANCE	22,480	165,785	329,364	50.33%
6054 DENTAL INSURANCE	1,074	7,515	15,369	48.90%
6055 WRS-ER CONTRIBUTION	6,084	43,672	73,440	59.47%
6056 DISABILITY INSURANCE	37	51	534	9.54%
6057 COMMUTE CARDS	31	229	200	114.25%
6058 UNEMPLOYMENT	12	526	1,000	52.60%

6059 WORKER'S COMPENSATION	4,375	4,375	2,771	157.89%
Total 6050 FRINGE BENEFITS	**40,877**	**269,751**	**505,102**	**53.41%**
6100 OCCUPANCY	-	-	-	
6101 RENT	4,319	30,614	51,833	59.06%
Total 6100 OCCUPANCY	**4,319**	**30,614**	**51,833**	**59.06%**
6200 CONTRACTED SERVICES	-	-	-	
6201 EXTERNAL PROGRAMS	16,942	19,092	-	
6202 LEGAL SERVICES	-	3,186	6,000	53.09%
6203 COMMISSION OPERATIONS	-	-	21,000	0.00%
6204 MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS	10,000	12,991	-	
Total 6200 CONTRACTED SERVICES	**26,942**	**35,268**	**27,000**	**130.62%**
6300 FINANCIAL SERVICES	-	-	-	
6301 AUDIT	6,500	11,850	15,435	76.77%
6302 PAYROLL FEES	682	4,934	5,250	93.98%
6303 FINANCIAL SERVICES	4,010	15,945	42,000	37.96%
Total 6300 FINANCIAL SERVICES	**11,192**	**32,729**	**62,685**	**52.21%**
6400 TRAVEL AND TRAINING	-	-	-	
6401 EMPLOYEE TRAVEL	783	5,724	13,349	42.88%
6402 MEALS	-	99	907	10.94%
6403 CONFERENCES & MEETINGS	-	2,912	9,638	30.21%
6404 TRAINING	-	-	3,000	0.00%
Total 6400 TRAVEL AND TRAINING	**783**	**8,736**	**26,894**	**32.48%**
6500 OFFICE EXPENSES	-	-	-	
6501 SUPPLIES	107	4,428	3,860	114.71%
6502 PRINTING	61	434	1,558	27.83%
6503 POSTAGE	133	161	105	153.22%
6504 EQUIPMENT	261	3,703	8,925	41.50%
6505 TELEPHONE	182	1,197	1,500	79.82%
6506 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	25	388	442	87.82%
6902 CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS	1,000	1,000	2,500	40.00%
Total 6500 OFFICE EXPENSES	**1,768**	**11,311**	**18,890**	**59.88%**
6600 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	-	-	-	
6601 WEBHOSTING	-	321	368	87.28%
6602 SOFTWARE	1,769	10,029	17,220	58.24%
6603 IT SERVICES	1,508	10,497	8,000	131.21%
Total 6600 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	**3,277**	**20,847**	**25,588**	**81.47%**
6700 COMMISSION	-	-	-	
6701 COMMISSION PER DIEMS	450	2,650	8,000	33.13%
6702 COMMISSION TRAVEL	171	320	840	38.07%
Total 6700 COMMISSION	**621**	**2,970**	**8,840**	**33.59%**
6800 PASS THROUGH EXPENSES	-	-	-	
6801 WATER RESOURCE MONITORING	30,967	133,267	68,200	195.41%
6802 WisDOT PLANNING SERVICES	367	3,005	5,457	55.07%
Total 6800 PASS THROUGH EXPENSES	**31,333**	**136,272**	**73,657**	**185.01%**
6900 OTHER	-	-	-	
6901 DUES/MEMBERSHIPS/SUBSCRIPTIONS	636	3,470	7,186	48.29%
6903 EDUCATION/INFO/OUTREACH	525	2,406	1,500	160.42%
6904 RECRUITMENT	-	150	1,050	14.29%
6905 INSURANCE	-	7,366	4,709	156.42%
6906 DEPRECIATION	-	-	-	
6907 AMORITIZATION EXPENSE	34	236	608	38.87%
Total 6900 OTHER	**1,195**	**13,629**	**15,053**	**90.54%**
Uncategorized Expense	-	-	-	

Total Expenditures	**222,371**	**1,246,225**	**1,917,764**	**64.98%**
Net Operating Revenue	**(71,339)**	**(194,411)**	**8,068**	**-2409.66%**
Net Revenue	**(71,339)**	**(194,411)**	**8,068**	**-2409.66%**

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
A/R Aging Summary
As of July 31, 2026

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 and over	Total
Ayers Associates, Inc.					1,000	1,000
City of Altoona					1,000	1,000
City of Evansville						0
245402 - Evansville Bike-Ped Plan	2,357					2,357
Total City of Evansville	**$ 2,357**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 2,357**
City of Fitchburg						0
255104 - Fitchburg Oregon Intergovernmental Agreement	955					955
Total City of Fitchburg	**$ 955**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 955**
D'Onofrio Kottke and Associates	400					400
Department of Planning, Community and Economic Development					2,869	2,869
Dodge County Highway Department					1,500	1,500
Homburg Contractors, Inc.					400	400
Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc.					400	400
JSD PROFESSIONAL SER					800	800
MSA Professional Services, Inc.		400			2,000	2,400
Outagamie County Highway					500	500
PINNACLE ENGINEERING					400	400
Rock County Planning, Economic & Community Development Agency						0
245401 - Rock County Comp Plan	1,413					1,413
Total Rock County Planning, Economic & Community Development Agency	**$ 1,413**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 1,413**
State of Wisconsin						0
WI Department of Natural Resources					2,190	2,190
100 - Water Quality Management Planning	23,900					23,900
231403 - Starkweather Creek Water Quality Monitoring	5,787					5,787
251402 - Update to DCWQP Summary Plan Update	10,110					10,110
Total WI Department of Natural Resources	**$ 39,797**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 2,190**	**$ 41,987**
Total State of Wisconsin	**$ 39,797**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 2,190**	**$ 41,987**
Town of Berry						0
255101 - T-Berry Comp Plan Update	7,189					7,189
255102 - T-Berry - Opt Out Town Billing	280					280
Total Town of Berry	**$ 7,468**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 7,468**
Town of Blue Mounds	17					17
Town of Bristol	197					197
Town of Springfield	978					978
Town of Sun Prairie	17					17
VANDE HEY					800	800
Vierbicher					800	800
Village of Deforest					3,070	3,070
Village of Oregon	3,500					3,500
Wyser Engineering, LLC					400	400
TOTAL	**$ 57,100**	**$ 400**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 18,129**	**$ 75,629**

CARPC AGENDA COVER SHEET

September 10, 2026
Item 07

Re: CARPC Resolution 2026-15, Adopting the CARPC 2027 Budget *(actionable item)*

Requested Action:

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2026-15, Adopting the CARPC 2027 Budget

Background:

CARPC Bylaws state that the Executive Committee has the duty to "present a proposed annual budget to the Commission" and the budget "shall be adopted by the Commission prior to October 1 of each year, per Wis. Stats. § 66.0309.14(a)." Adoption of the annual budget and any amendments by the Commission requires a 30-day public notice.

Staff Comments:

The proposed budget is largely consistent with the preliminary budget considered by the Commission in June. The BPP approved a county levy charge of $1,137,739, 2% lower than in 2026.

Net revenues (excluding pass-through revenue) are proposed at a 0.5% increase over 2026. The loss of county charge revenue and conclusion of several grants would reduce revenue by about $176,000 year-over-year. The difference is made up with assumptions about other grants and more fee-for-service planning work.

Net expenditures are proposed at a 0.9% increase. Larger increases in some categories (salaries, primarily) are offset by cuts in other categories. We are expecting a modest savings in health care costs despite substantial increases in premiums based on what we currently know about open enrollment elections.

The budget is balanced, but with larger-than-typical estimated, non-specific grant and fee-for-service revenues. Staff are currently pursuing opportunities on both fronts and we plan to amend the budget with updated information in December.

Attachments:

1. 2027 Summary Budget
2. 2027 Full Budget
3. Resolution 2026-15, Adopting the CARPC 2027 Budget

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Next Steps:

Incorporation into the 2027 Work Program and potential budget amendment in December 2026.

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
2027 Summary Budget

Budget Year	2027	2026		2025		Variance	
Budget Type	PROPOSED	BUDGET	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET	ACTUAL	2027 PROPOSED MINUS 2026 ADOPTED	
Date	SEP 2026	SEP 2025	JAN-JUN	FEB 2025	JAN-DEC	$	%

REVENUES							
County Charge	$ 1,137,739	$ 1,160,959	$ 1,160,959	$ 1,209,332	$ 1,209,332	$ (23,220)	-2.0%
State & Federal Grants	$ 112,867	$ 266,093	$ 156,585	$ 284,368	$ 241,649	$ (153,226)	-57.6%
Other Grants	$ 102,500	$ -	$ 15,000	$ -	$ -	$ 102,500	0.0%
Pass-Through	$ 183,898	$ 73,657	$ 71,764	$ 185,172	$ 165,628	$ 110,241	149.7%
Water Quality Fees	$ 115,000	$ 110,000	$ 31,078	$ 110,000	$ 68,808	$ 5,000	4.5%
Planning Services	$ 200,000	$ 140,000	$ 48,222	$ 100,000	$ 105,595	$ 60,000	42.9%
WI Salt Wise	$ 160,000	$ 140,000	$ 44,665	$ 140,000	$ 146,377	$ 20,000	14.3%
Other	$ 33,000	$ 35,123	$ 11,799	$ 38,988	$ 35,170	$ (2,123)	-6.0%
TOTAL REVENUES	**$ 2,045,004**	**$ 1,925,832**	**$ 1,540,071**	**$ 2,067,860**	**$ 1,972,558**	**$ 119,172**	**6.2%**
Net Revenues (Less Pass-Through)	$ 1,861,106	$ 1,852,175	$ 1,468,307	$ 1,882,688	$ 1,806,931	$ 8,931	0.5%

EXPENDITURES							
Salaries and Leave Time	$ 1,128,073	$ 1,102,222	$ 643,479	$ 1,038,309	$ 1,052,481	$ 25,851	2.3%
Fringe Benefits	$ 495,040	$ 505,102	$ 298,274	$ 458,883	$ 418,074	$ (10,062)	-2.0%
Occupancy	$ 54,033	$ 51,833	$ 30,614	$ 50,987	$ 51,580	$ 2,200	4.2%
Contracted Services	$ 29,000	$ 27,000	$ 35,268	$ 42,970	$ 121,112	$ 2,000	7.4%
Financial Services	$ 62,250	$ 62,685	$ 32,729	$ 59,700	$ 61,734	$ (435)	-0.7%
Employee Travel and Training	$ 25,041	$ 26,894	$ 7,677	$ 28,745	$ 24,148	$ (1,853)	-6.9%
Office	$ 13,915	$ 16,390	$ 10,311	$ 16,374	$ 11,237	$ (2,475)	-15.1%
Information Technology (IT)	$ 30,449	$ 25,588	$ 20,221	$ 27,588	$ 28,845	$ 4,861	19.0%
Commissioner Per Diems & Travel	$ 7,000	$ 8,840	$ 2,970	$ 8,840	$ 6,143	$ (1,840)	-20.8%
Pass-Through	$ 183,899	$ 73,657	$ 156,455	$ 199,872	$ 197,005	$ 110,242	149.7%
Other	$ 16,253	$ 17,553	$ 14,629	$ 52,107	$ 52,864	$ (1,300)	-7.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 2,044,953**	**$ 1,917,764**	**$ 1,252,628**	**$ 1,984,375**	**$ 2,025,224**	**$ 127,189**	**6.6%**
Net Expenditures (Less Pass-Through)	$ 1,861,054	$ 1,844,107	$ 1,096,173	$ 1,784,503	$ 1,828,218	$ 16,947	0.9%

Total Revenue Minus Total Expenditures	**$ 51**	**$ 8,068**	**$ 287,442**	**$ 83,485**	**$ (52,665)**

Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
2027 Budget

Budget Year		2027		2026				2025				Variance		
Budget Type		PROPOSED		BUDGET		ACTUAL		BUDGET		ACTUAL		2027 PROPOSED MINUS 2026 ADOPTED		Comments on Changes from 2026 ADOPTED
Budget Date		SEP 2026		SEP 2025		JAN-JUN		FEB 2025		JAN-DEC		$	%	
	REVENUES													
5001	**Dane County Charge**	**$**	**1,137,739**	**$**	**1,160,959**	**$**	**1,160,959**	**$**	**1,209,332**	**$**	**1,209,332**	**$ (23,220)**	**-2.0%**	
5100	**State & Federal Grants**	**$**	**112,867**	**$**	**266,093**	**$**	**156,585**	**$**	**284,368**	**$**	**241,649**	**$ (153,226)**	**-135.8%**	
5101	EPA/DNR Water Planning	$	95,000	$	134,000	$	93,510	$	113,275	$	124,897	$ (39,000)	-41.1%	Special project funding ends in 2026
5102	EPA/DNR Grant Funds	$	9,500	$	-	$	8,664	$	39,000	$	19,600	$ 9,500	100.0%	Surface water grant that continues
5103	WEM/FEMA/HMGP Grant Funds	$	-	$	125,000	$	46,881	$	125,000	$	90,767	$ (125,000)	0.0%	End of Stream Crossing Inventory
5104	WisDOT Plan Integration	$	8,367	$	7,093	$	7,530	$	7,093	$	6,384	$ 1,274	15.2%	Minor shift of funding from MPO to CARPC
5105	USDA Rural ED Fund	$	-	$	-	$	-	$	-	$	-	$ -	0.0%	No funding assumed
5150	**Other Grants**	**$**	**102,500**	**$**	**-**	**$**	**15,000**	**$**	**-**	**$**	**-**	**$ 102,500**	**100.0%**	Mostly target revenue for unspecified grant awards
5200	**Passthrough Revenue**	**$**	**183,898**	**$**	**73,657**	**$**	**71,764**	**$**	**185,172**	**$**	**165,628**	**$ 110,241**	**59.9%**	
5201	WisDOT Rural Work Program	$	4,183	$	5,457	$	2,639	$	5,457	$	913	$ (1,274)	-30.4%	Minor shift of funding from MPO to CARPC
5220	Coop Water Resource Monitoring	$	179,715	$	68,200	$	69,125	$	179,715	$	164,715	$ 111,515	62.1%	Water monitoring funding likely to continue
5300	**Water Quality Fees Revenue**	**$**	**115,000**	**$**	**110,000**	**$**	**31,078**	**$**	**110,000**	**$**	**68,808**	**$ 5,000**	**4.3%**	
5301	Fees - Sewer Extensions	$	60,000	$	45,000	$	19,200	$	45,000	$	43,200	$ 15,000	25.0%	Expecting to increase fees in 2026
5302	Fees - USA/LSA App Review	$	55,000	$	65,000	$	11,878	$	65,000	$	25,608	$ (10,000)	-18.2%	Recent trends suggest fewer amendments
5400	**Planning Services Revenue**	**$**	**200,000**	**$**	**140,000**	**$**	**48,222**	**$**	**100,000**	**$**	**105,595**	**$ 60,000**	**30.0%**	
5401	Local & Regional Plan Assistance	$	200,000	$	140,000	$	48,222	$	100,000	$	105,595	$ 60,000	30.0%	More project development needed to meet this goal
5500	**Other Revenue**	**$**	**193,000**	**$**	**175,123**	**$**	**56,464**	**$**	**178,988**	**$**	**181,547**	**$ 17,877**	**9.3%**	
5501	Interest Income	$	30,000	$	32,000	$	11,654	$	36,000	$	30,783	$ (2,000)	-6.7%	Rates still dropping
5502	Miscellaneous Revenues	$	3,000	$	3,123	$	145	$	2,988	$	4,387	$ (123)	-4.1%	
5505	WI Salt Wise	$	160,000	$	140,000	$	44,665	$	140,000	$	146,377	$ 20,000	12.5%	FFLM grant continues through 2027
	TOTAL REVENUES	**$**	**2,045,004**	**$**	**1,925,832**	**$**	**1,540,071**	**$**	**2,067,860**	**$**	**1,972,558**	**$ (119,172)**	**-5.8%**	
	EXPENDITURES													
6000	**Salaries and Leave Time**	**$**	**1,128,073**	**$**	**1,102,222**	**$**	**643,479**	**$**	**1,038,309**	**$**	**1,052,481**	**$ 25,851**	**2.3%**	
6001	Direct Salaries & Wages	$	934,831	$	903,822	$	485,645	$	830,647	$	882,467	$ 31,009	3.3%	0% COLA, no LTE or intern time budgeted in 2027
6002	Compensated Leave Time	$	193,243	$	198,400	$	157,834	$	207,662	$	170,014	$ (5,157)	-2.7%	Leave time calculated as a % of salaries
6050	**Fringe Benefits**	**$**	**495,040**	**$**	**505,102**	**$**	**298,274**	**$**	**458,883**	**$**	**418,074**	**$ (10,062)**	**-2.0%**	
6051	FICA Benefits	$	84,041	$	82,115	$	47,607	$	77,354	$	77,082	$ 1,926	2.3%	
6052	Life Insurance	$	500	$	309	$	(36)	$	294	$	495	$ 191	38.2%	
6053	Health Insurance	$	314,359	$	329,364	$	193,484	$	289,702	$	257,094	$ (15,005)	-4.8%	cost increases offset by enrollment changes
6054	Dental Insurance	$	13,798	$	15,369	$	7,516	$	14,707	$	13,286	$ (1,571)	-11.4%	correcting 2026 budget error (included staff premiums)
6055	WRS-ER Contribution	$	77,837	$	73,440	$	43,672	$	71,643	$	68,803	$ 4,397	5.6%	Tied to salaries, which are all WRS-eligible in 2027
6056	Disability Insurance	$	534	$	534	$	14	$	508	$	444	$ -	0.0%	
6057	Commute Cards	$	200	$	200	$	1,116	$	105	$	293	$ -	0.0%	
6058	Unemployment	$	1,000	$	1,000	$	526	$	1,000	$	579	$ -	0.0%	
6059	Worker's Compensation	$	2,771	$	2,771	$	4,375	$	3,570	$	-	$ -	0.0%	
6100	**Occupancy**	**$**	**54,033**	**$**	**51,833**	**$**	**30,614**	**$**	**50,987**	**$**	**51,580**	**$ 2,200**	**4.1%**	
6101	Rent	$	54,033	$	51,833	$	30,614	$	50,987	$	51,580	$ 2,200	4.1%	Lease runs to November 2028

6200	**Contracted Services**	**$ 29,000**	**$ 27,000**	**$ 35,268**	**$ 42,970**	**$ 121,112**	**$ 2,000**	**6.9%**	
6201	External Programs	$ -	$ -	$ 19,092	$ 28,570	$ 36,392	$ -	0.0%	No planned outsourcing for community projects
6202	Legal Services	$ 9,000	$ 6,000	$ 3,186	$ 4,400	$ 12,308	$ 3,000	33.3%	More frequent consultations at commission request
6203	Commission Operations	$ -	$ 21,000	$ -	$ 10,000	$ 53,898	$ (21,000)	0.0%	This moved to 6204
6204	Marketing and Communications	$ 20,000	$ -	$ 12,991	$ -	$ 18,514	$ 20,000	100.0%	This moved from 6203
6300	**Financial Services**	**$ 62,250**	**$ 62,685**	**$ 32,729**	**$ 59,700**	**$ 61,734**	**$ (435)**	**-0.7%**	
6301	Audit	$ 13,000	$ 15,435	$ 11,850	$ 14,700	$ 11,350	$ (2,435)	-18.7%	Adjusting toward actual cost
6302	Payroll Fees	$ 8,250	$ 5,250	$ 4,934	$ 5,000	$ 8,305	$ 3,000	36.4%	Reflection of recent costs
6303	Financial Services	$ 41,000	$ 42,000	$ 15,945	$ 40,000	$ 42,079	$ (1,000)	-2.4%	
6400	**Travel and Training**	**$ 25,041**	**$ 26,894**	**$ 7,677**	**$ 28,745**	**$ 24,148**	**$ (1,853)**	**-7.4%**	
6401	Employee Travel	$ 13,616	$ 13,349	$ 4,666	$ 12,713	$ 14,617	$ 267	2.0%	Largest portion is SaltWise
6402	Meals	$ 925	$ 907	$ 99	$ 907	$ 969	$ 18	2.0%	
6403	Conferences & Meetings	$ 8,000	$ 9,638	$ 2,912	$ 10,125	$ 6,554	$ (1,638)	-20.5%	Paring back again, to reflect usage
6404	Training	$ 2,500	$ 3,000	$ -	$ 5,000	$ 2,008	$ (500)	-20.0%	Paring back again, to reflect usage
6500	**Office Expenses**	**$ 13,915**	**$ 16,390**	**$ 10,311**	**$ 16,374**	**$ 11,237**	**$ (2,475)**	**-17.8%**	
6501	Supplies	$ 2,500	$ 3,860	$ 4,428	$ 3,860	$ 2,050	$ (1,360)	-54.4%	
6502	Printing	$ 1,558	$ 1,558	$ 434	$ 1,558	$ 1,301	$ -	0.0%	
6503	Postage	$ 105	$ 105	$ 161	$ 105	$ 39	$ -	0.0%	
6504	Equipment	$ 7,500	$ 8,925	$ 3,703	$ 8,925	$ 5,963	$ (1,425)	-19.0%	
6505	Telephone	$ 1,810	$ 1,500	$ 1,197	$ 1,500	$ 1,771	$ 310	17.1%	
6506	Administrative Fees	$ 442	$ 442	$ 388	$ 426	$ 113	$ -	0.0%	
6600	**Information Technology**	**$ 30,449**	**$ 25,588**	**$ 20,221**	**$ 27,588**	**$ 28,845**	**$ 4,861**	**16.0%**	
6601	Webhosting	$ 368	$ 368	$ 321	$ 368	$ 374	$ -	0.0%	
6602	Software	$ 18,081	$ 17,220	$ 9,403	$ 17,220	$ 16,102	$ 861	4.8%	
6603	IT Services	$ 12,000	$ 8,000	$ 10,497	$ 10,000	$ 12,370	$ 4,000	33.3%	Software costs consolidated here
6700	**Commission**	**$ 7,000**	**$ 8,840**	**$ 2,970**	**$ 8,840**	**$ 6,143**	**$ (1,840)**	**-26.3%**	
6701	Commission Per Diems	$ 6,500	$ 8,000	$ 2,650	$ 8,000	$ 5,779	$ (1,500)	-23.1%	reduction to reflect usage
6702	Commission Travel	$ 500	$ 840	$ 320	$ 840	$ 363	$ (340)	-68.0%	reduction to reflect usage
6800	**Passthrough Expenses**	**$ 183,899**	**$ 73,657**	**$ 156,455**	**$ 199,872**	**$ 197,005**	**$ 110,242**	**59.9%**	
6801	Water Resource Monitoring	$ 179,715	$ 68,200	$ 153,450	$ 194,415	$ 194,415	$ 111,515	62.1%	Water monitoring funding likely to continue
6802	WisDOT Planning Services	$ 4,184	$ 5,457	$ 3,005	$ 5,457	$ 2,590	$ (1,273)	-30.4%	Adjusting the MPO/CARPC split of DOT funding
6900	**Other**	**$ 16,253**	**$ 17,553**	**$ 14,629**	**$ 16,583**	**$ 17,340**	**$ (1,300)**	**-8.0%**	
6901	Dues/Memberships/Subscriptions	$ 5,686	$ 7,186	$ 3,470	$ 6,843	$ 2,859	$ (1,500)	-26.4%	Revised assignment of software costs
6902	Contributions & Donations	$ -	$ 2,500	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 651	$ (2,500)	0.0%	Only costs here were dues/memberships - moved there
6903	Education/Info/Outreach	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 2,406	$ 2,625	$ 1,969	$ -	0.0%	
6904	Recruitment	$ 1,050	$ 1,050	$ 150	$ 1,050	$ 7	$ -	0.0%	
6905	Insurance	$ 7,409	$ 4,709	$ 7,366	$ 4,457	$ 11,449	$ 2,700	36.4%	Review of policies planned for spring 2026
6906	Depreciation	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	0.0%	
6907	Amoritization Expense	$ 608	$ 608	$ 236	$ 608	$ 405	$ -	0.0%	
7000	**Revenue Refunds**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 35,524**	**$ 35,524**	**$ -**	**0.0%**	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 2,044,953**	**$ 1,917,764**	**$ 1,252,628**	**$ 1,984,375**	**$ 2,025,224**	**$ (127,189)**	**-6.2%**	
		$ 51	**$ 8,068**	**$ 287,442**	**$ 83,485**	**$ (52,665)**			

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CARPC Resolution No. 2026-15

Adoption of the 2027 Capital Area Regional Planning Commission Budget

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission ("CARPC") is authorized to carry out a range of planning activities, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0309(8), and contracts with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to conduct areawide water quality management planning for the Dane County region, and with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to fund land use and transportation planning integration including analyses of transportation impacts of amendments to regional plans; and

WHEREAS, the CARPC Budget and Personnel Panel adopted a preliminary 2027 Budget and Dane County Levy Charge on July 02, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted the same Preliminary 2027 Budget and Dane County Levy Charge on July 09, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the CARPC 2027 budget was developed to reflect input from all Commission and BPP members and was recommended for adoption by the Executive Committee on September 07 2026; and

WHEREAS, a notice for public hearing on the proposed budget was duly posted and distributed to local units of government, and a public hearing was held on September 10, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission hereby adopts the attached 2027 budget.

September 10, 2026
Date Adopted

David Pfeiffer, Chairperson

Cynthia Richson, Secretary

Re: CARPC Resolution 2026-16, Recognizing October 1-8, 2026, as a Week Without Driving in the Greater Madison Region *(actionable item)*

Requested Action:

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2026-16

Background:

Week Without Driving (WWD) is a nationwide challenge that asks public decision makers to try going a week, a day, or even just one trip without driving, paying attention to what works, what is difficult, and which trips may not be possible without a car. Anna Zivarts (Disability Rights Washington) launched the *Week Without Driving* initiative in 2021 so that policy makers, elected officials, and transportation professionals could begin to understand the experience of trying to navigate your community when you don't drive due to age, disability, or lack of access to a vehicle.

CARPC has observed *Week Without Driving* annually since 2024. The Greater Madison MPO is again coordinating local participation this year, with communities and agencies across Dane County invited to adopt resolutions or proclamations, take the challenge, and participate in activities October 1-8.

Staff Comments:

WWD is meant to bring the perspective of non-drivers, including older adults, youth, people with disabilities, and people who cannot afford a car, into decisions about how our communities grow and how people get around. That connection is especially relevant to CARPC's work and the *2050 Regional Development Framework*, which calls for increasing access to jobs, housing, and services for all people while reducing greenhouse gas emissions and building resilience to climate change.

Other interested communities and agencies can reach out to Kayla Haas, the MPO/CARPC Marketing and Communications Specialist, to get involved: khaas@cityofmadison.com / 608-261-9962.

Attachments:

1. Resolution 2026-16, Recognizing October 1-8, 2026 as a Week Without Driving

Staff Contact:

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Next Steps:

Agency promotion and participation in *Week Without Driving* events.

Individual commissioners are encouraged to sign up and take part in the challenge at www.weekwithoutdriving.org/join, including Walk & Roll Audits in Madison and Sun Prairie.

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CARPC Resolution No. 2026-16
Recognizing October 1–8, 2026 as Week Without Driving

WHEREAS, *Week Without Driving* is a national challenge that builds awareness and understanding of the barriers non-drivers face in getting where they need to go; and

WHEREAS, safe, reliable, and affordable ways to get around help people reach jobs, education, healthcare, food, recreation, and other everyday needs; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 30–40 percent of Dane County residents are non-drivers, including older adults, youth, students, people with low incomes, people with disabilities, and those who choose not to drive, and an estimated 20,653 households in Dane County do not have access to a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, transportation is the second-largest household expense for most families, and the American Automobile Association estimates that owning and operating a vehicle costs more than $12,000 per year on average, placing a particular strain on low- and moderate-income households; and

WHEREAS, regional land use and development decisions shape how and where our region grows, affecting how far people need to travel and whether jobs, schools, healthcare, and other daily needs can be reached without a car; and

WHEREAS, CARPC's *2050 Regional Development Framework* promotes compact, mixed-use, transit-supportive development and connected communities that make walking, biking, and transit more practical, supporting the Framework's goals to increase access to jobs, housing, and services for all people and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and foster community resilience to climate change; and

WHEREAS, participating in *Week Without Driving* gives residents and leaders a chance to experience some of the barriers non-drivers face and consider how informed land use, development, and transportation decisions can make it easier for everyone to get around; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission has joined communities, organizations, and local champions across Dane County in recognizing the challenge annually since 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission recognizes October 1–8, 2026 as *Week Without Driving* and encourages commissioners and staff to participate by going without driving for the full week, a day, or even one trip, and to reflect on how we can help create a region where everyone has safe, affordable, and reliable ways to get where they need to go.

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Date Adopted

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David Pfeiffer, Chairperson

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Cynthia Richson, Secretary

Re: Regional Development Framework Key Performance Indicator Update – Staff Presentation and Discussion

Requested Action:

None.

Background:

State statutes charge regional planning commissions with "the function and duty of making and adopting a master plan for the physical development of the region." In 2022, CARPC adopted the 2050 Regional Development Framework (RDF) as the region's advisory land use guide. The 2050 Framework draws on public priorities, local government input, and growth projections to establish goals, objectives, and strategies for accommodating future growth in the Dane County region. CARPC's ongoing role is to implement the RDF through planning, assistance, education, and performance tracking.

Staff Comments:

Staff have identified key performance indicators (KPIs) to help to track progress towards RDF goals. Recent work has been focused on implementing the KPIs in an online public dashboard. Staff presentation will include an update of finalized and in-progress KPIs.

Attachments:

1. None

Staff Contact:

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Next Steps:

Staff will continue to work on the dashboard, aiming to complete all feasible KPIs by the end of 2026 in preparation for the RDF Update in 2027.

Executive Director Monthly Report to CARPC Commissioners

Thursday, September 10, 2026

(updates from the previous month in blue text)
Highlighted text indicates items Jason plans to talk about during the meeting.

AGENCY STAFFING

- Ella Braun and Isaac Porter, LTEs working primarily on the Stream Crossing Inventory, complete their CARPC service on September 25.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Regional Development Planning (link to website)

- **Performance indicators** – Work on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) will continue throughout 2026, leading up to and informing the Regional Development Framework update in 2027.
- **Regional Population Projections** – CARPC collaborated with Dane County, City of Madison, the MPO, and UW faculty to prepare population projections that reflect Dane County's unique growth factors. Staff are now working with the MPO to allocate population, housing units, and jobs based on these projections to Transportation Analysis Zones (TAZs). These allocations support transportation modelling, updating the 2055 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), maintaining the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and estimates for sewer service planning.
- **East Metro/Door Creek Corridor Planning** — Ongoing collaboration with the UW Department of Planning and Landscape Architecture continues. Seniors in the professional Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA) and second year students in the Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MSURPL) programs will work to identify Framework implementation opportunities in the eastern portion of the metro area, east of I-90/94, from Sun Prairie to McFarland.
- **Farmland Stewardship** – Staff continue working on updated data and maps, an inventory of current Dane County ag preservation and sustainability efforts, and recommended actions CARPC can take to further farmland stewardship this year.
- **Energy to Communities Peer-Learning Cohort: Navigating Local Data Center Development** – CARPC was accepted to participate in a peer-learning cohort funded by the U.S. Department of Energy and managed by the National Lab of the Rockies. Caitlin and Jason (as an alternate) are participating in monthly meetings from July to December 2026 to learn from experts and collaborate with others across the country with the hope of bringing information/guidance back to Dane County communities.

Planning Assistance

- **In Progress**:
  - Rock County Comprehensive and Farmland Preservation Plan updates (Apr 2025 – fall 2026)
  - City of Evansville human-powered transportation planning (Mar 2025 – September 2026)

- Town of Berry 2025/2026 comprehensive planning (Sep 2025 – Dec 2026)
- City of Sun Prairie Housing Data Dashboard (2026)

- **Ongoing**: Towns of Berry, Blue Mounds, Bristol, Springfield, and Sun Prairie zoning mapping services
- **Potential**:
  - Village/Town of Oregon intergovernmental agreement assistance
  - Comprehensive plan updates to comply with new statutory housing policy requirements by 1/1/28
  - Village of Deerfield Area Economic/Land Development Plan
  - City of Middleton Environmental Corridor Boundary and Ordinance Review/Cleanup
  - MMSD Collection System Plan Update

Intergovernmental Agreement Efforts

- **Town and City of Sun Prairie** – The parties are pursuing this as a Cooperative Plan under 66.0307. The City and Town each adopted the Cooperative Plan in August.

- **Village of Oregon and City of Fitchburg –** CARPC is helping to facilitate discussions for an intergovernmental agreement to guide City growth just north of the Village.

- **City of Stoughton and Towns of Rutland and Dunkirk –** CARPC will be helping to facilitate discussions about City growth at the southwest corner of the City.

Education, Information and Connection

- **Events and Outreach Activities:** Northside Festival (9/12)
- **Fall Forum on Wastewater and Stormwater:** CARPC is co-hosting with MMSD and Dane County a 1-day forum on a cascade of wastewater and stormwater topics. This will be Friday, November 13 at the Lussier Family Heritage Center
- View regular updates on CARPC's Facebook/LinkedIn, newsletters, and our website.

WI Salt Wise Partnership

- **Salt Wise Summit at the Capitol – July 21**
  - Informational session open to legislators, legislative aides, and the general public
  - Supported Salt Wise partners and allies to meet with legislators before and after the info session
- **Fall Event Planning**
  - Meeting with partners to discuss fall training needs
  - Checking back in with 2025 fall training participants on how the season went
- **Webinars** (https://www.wisaltwise.com/Wednesday-Webinars)
  - September 2 – Battle of the Blades
- **Media Coverage**
  - NPR Short Wave Podcast Episode showcases WI Salt Wise - *Episode: The world's freshwater is getting saltier. Why?*
  - NET Gain podcast: Win/Win/Win Deicing: Save Money, Save Damage, Save the Environment

Water Quality Plan Updates & Amendments

- **SSA Amendments** (all are Major SSA Standard process, unless otherwise noted)

- Active: C-Sun Prairie (Business Park); V-Oregon (Jenkins/Connors Lands); C-Fitchburg (Oak Hill Correctional Institute)
- Pending: V-Cross Plains ("PI/Haen Development - Marchstone"); V-Windsor ("North Towne Rd/Gray Rd")
- Future: V-McFarland; C-Madison (multiple); C-Sun Prairie (multiple); C-Middleton ("Balzer Road"); V-Belleville (north and east areas); T-Vienna (Madison Street); T-Pleasant Springs (Lake Kegonsa LSA – "Yahara Dr" and "Skyline Dr")

- **MMSD Effluent Discharge (#2308 "Nine Springs WWTP Effluent Revision") & Badger Mill Creek Health & Resilience Projects** – amendment to the *Dane County Water Quality Plan* allowed MMSD to cease its discharge to Badger Mill Creek. CARPC is anticipating being the fund-holder and manager of $1M funds earmarked for Badger Mill Creek resilience projects dedicated by MMSD. Further details:
  - DNR conditionally approved the amendment (link to DNR decision letter); MMSD has satisfied conditions of approval
  - Verona continuing to litigate the decision; filed brief in Court of Appeals in December 2025; DNR provided response brief in February 2026; anticipate a court decision in Q1 2027.
  - CARPC and MMSD staff are drafting the outline of an agreement for each commission to consider when the lawsuit is resolved whereby CARPC will manage projects that promote the resilience of Badger Mill Creek using funds provided by MMSD; CARPC would receive reimbursement for administration costs (beyond the $1M earmarked for projects)
- **Environmental Corridors Report** – Updated Environmental Corridors Report has been approved and adopted as part of DCWQP (link to Final Report). Staff will revisit to verify conformity with newer updates to Policies & Criteria for Environmental Corridors (commence in late 2026).
- **Environmental Corridors Policies & Criteria** – Updating the existing Policies and Criteria for Env Corridors (adopted in 2008) as part of the *Dane County Water Quality Plan*. A public hearing was held in May; Commission acted in June to recommend adoption through adoption of Resolution 2026-12. Final DNR approval of amendment to DCWQP received Aug 31, 2026 (policies go into effect immediately for new projects; existing projects grandfathered). Staff have commenced updates to future Environmental Corridor layers (Voluntary EC and Estimated EC) on Open Data Portal.
- **DCWQP Summary Plan Update** – Reframing the Summary Plan (last updated 2004) as the ***Water Quality Management Framework*** (WQMF). This 2026 update is intended to re-establish the purposes and priorities of the Plan, informed by new data and current perspectives, and build a new framework for water quality and related resource protection. We will update information and figures, refine focus and applicability per the current regulatory environment and needs/conditions in the region, and incorporate current themes (e.g., climate resilience and environmental equity) into the DCWQP. CARPC was awarded a DNR grant using IIJA funds (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) ($48,000 over 2 years) to partially fund this work. Outreach campaign is underway—stakeholder survey complete (25% response rate); workshops occurred July 13 and14; Technical Advisory Group happening fall 2026. Draft of final report anticipated by end of 2026.
- **Water Quality Plan Consistency** – Work includes ongoing consultation with local municipalities, engineers/consultants, and the development community and reviews of various development proposals for consistency with the *Dane County Water Quality Plan*. The following highlights recent activity:
  - 14 sewer extension reviews completed in August (7 greenfield development, 1 infill development, 3 redevelopment, 4 reconstruction/other)

- 0 wastewater facility plan reviews in August
- 1 MMSD annexation review in August
- New Fee Policy approved at June CARPC Meeting. New fees effective Sept 1, 2026. New website and Submittal Guidance document published.

Regional Climate Resilience Planning

- **Black Earth Creek Green Infrastructure Plan (GI Plan) –** Continuing work with the Steering Committee on implementation of the GI Plan (link to site). Anticipate staying active through 5-year period referenced in Plan (2022-2027).

- **Tree Canopy Collaborative (TCC)/Dane County Tree Board** (DCTB) - Liz Levy is the Chair of the TCC (link to website), which meets every other month. The DCTB (chaired by Matt Noone) has established a working group to develop Model Tree Conservation Ordinances. A grant application to the Natural Resource Foundation (CD Besadny) was submitted on 9/1/2026 to support the development of a GIS Based Conservation Program Finder Tool – that connects landowners and conservation organizations with over 20 conservation programs available throughout the county.

- **Neighborhood Forest Project –** Partnership with Eco-Latinos, Operation Fresh Start, Sustain Dane, and Urban Tree Alliance (UTA) to involve residents in planting and maintaining 100-125 trees per year in south Madison. This project is funded through the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) (3-year project for $360,000). CARPC's contribution includes time for coordination, database development, and mapping assistance. CARPC will receive $2,500 a year for our assistance for a period of three years. UTA will be utilizing CARPC's canopy cover change data that was recently updated to include 2024 LiDAR data.

- **Midwest Climate Collaborative –** Caitlin Shanahan is on the MCC Steering Committee through 2028. Staff regularly participate in working groups on green infrastructure, funding, and responsible data center development. We have applied to have Liz Levy participate in a 2-year training program on federal grant application and management, with costs and organization covered by MCC.

- **Stream Crossing Inventory –** Using the Great Lakes Stream Crossing Inventory protocol (link to dashboard), CARPC and Trout Unlimited staff are conducting a road-stream crossing inventory at town, county, and some state roads in Dane County (link to project website). This project is funded by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, WEM Pre-Disaster Flood Resilience Grant, and FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities program. Trout Unlimited field crew resumed data collection in early June in western subwatersheds (HUC 12) extending partially outside of Dane County. Data collection for Dane County is complete. Environmental Resources Technicians began conducting data collection for the eastern subwatersheds that extend outside Dane County.

- **Old Growth Forests and Oak Savannah Mapping –** CARPC is collaborating with the Wisconsin State Cartographer's Office and WDNR, with funding support from the John C. Bock Foundation, to create a statewide old growth forest and prairie remnant mapping tool that serves land stewardship and conservation efforts.

- **Dane County Rural Free Tree Program –** A collaborative pilot project between the Dane County Planning Department, Dane County Land and Water Resources, CARPC and the Dane County Tree Board to offer free heritage oak progeny trees to the owners of all parcels newly rezoned to Rural Single-Family Residential. Participant feedback has been very positive.

- **School Tree Nursery Program –** CARPC is partnering with UW-Stevens Point LEAF (Learning, Experiences, & Adventures in Forestry) educators, with funding support from a CD Besadny Conservation Grant, to build a Dane County School Tree Nursery Program and develop K-12 curriculum that incorporates tree nurseries and environmental education. On 1/15/2026 CARPC was awarded $5,000 dollars from the Wisconsin Arborists Association to support additional materials and operational funding for school tree nurseries.
    - Media coverage: Our Wisconsin, April/May Publication: *From Little Things Big Things Grow*. This article was discussed on the Larry Meiller Show on May 5 (starts around minute 26).
    - New school tree nurseries will be established at St Dennis Catholic School, West Madison High School, and Lodi Elementary School.
- **GIS Workshops for K-12 –** CARPC, the State Cartographer's Office, Operation Fresh Start, Goundswell, Sustain Dane and Maydm cohosted in June a field day in Westport's Empire Prairie and UW Madison Campus for a GIS workshop for Maydm 27 STEM 16-18 year old youth and 9 Powerful Teen Leaders. CARPC has organized GIS workshops for youth during the summers of 2024 and 2025; this is the first time CARPC will be partnering with Maydm. A grant from the Alliant Energy Community program was awarded to CARPC for $5,000 to fund the 2026 workshops. A letter of collaboration has been submitted to the City of Madison's Youth Employment Services RFP, that would incorporate funding to sustain this partnership with the Powerful Teen Leaders for $3,000 a year (for two-day workshops) for the next 3 years. CARPC will be applying for the Alliant Energy Community Fund grant again in 2026 (application deadline Sept 15th) for $5,000 to continue our educational program and partnership with Maydm and Operation Fresh Start.

Cooperative Water Resources Monitoring

- **Dane County Water Resources Monitoring Program** - Ongoing with USGS and partners, with CARPC acting as facilitator and funding coordinator. Existing agreements expired at the end of 2025. Staff are continuing to coordinate with USGS and local partners to renew their agreements as there is uncertainty with long-term funding avenues due to partner limitations. A one-year agreement for 2026 has been reached, with agreements between CARPC and local partners, and between CARPC and USGS forthcoming. Further discussions regarding future years ongoing, including exploration of alternative analysis methods to reduce costs of program. The signed Joint Funding Agreement for Calendar Year 2026 was sent to USGS in June.
- **Black Earth Creek Watershed Monitoring Program –** Ongoing with USGS and partners, with CARPC acting as facilitator and funding coordinator (contract runs 2024-2028). Awarded DNR Surface Water Grant for nearly $18,000 for 2026; DNR covering lab costs up to $11,055. Anticipate being able to cover costs in 2026 by using previous years surplus; however, a large funding deficit is anticipated in 2027 and 2028 (~$60k). CARPC is coordinating with USGS to provide a revised scope which would still meet needs of stakeholders but at a lower cost (likely to include reduction in monitoring points).
- **Regional Strategic Monitoring Framework –** Development of a strategic framework to guide stream monitoring activities across Dane County; project in close collaboration with Dane County LWR staff, and currently on pause awaiting further direction from County staff.
- **Starkweather Creek Community-Based Water Chloride Monitoring Initiative –** Collaborative project to continuously monitor chloride point sources throughout the Starkweather watershed at 8 different

locations (link to website). A 15-member Starkweather Technical Committee meets on a bi-monthly schedule. Four conductivity meters have been adopted by partner organizations. One DNR Surface Water Grant, for $10,000, was awarded for FY26. An additional $25,000 was awarded in 2026 from the DNR (IIJA funds) to support equipment purchases, staff funding and continued monitoring efforts. Orders for new monitoring equipment are underway. The Starkweather Creek Technical Committee's proposal for the Starkweather Creek watershed as a Nelson Institute's Water Resources Management (WRM) Practicum topic for 2026-2028 was accepted. Planning is underway to utilize 120 budgeted hours to hire two students to assist in monitoring efforts.

PARTNERSHIP UPDATES

- **MPO** – The MPO is updating their Regional Transportation Plan, to be completed by May 2027. CARPC has been assisting with aspects of that process, including demographic projections and public meetings in June 2026. We are planning an MPO presentation on the draft RTP for the November Commission meeting. The MPO is coordinating Week Without Driving activities again this year (Oct 1-8) and invites CARPC participation (both individual and agency).

- **Dane County Office of Energy and Climate Change** – CARPC and OECC met with an Energy and Environment Policy Advisor from the British Consulate General on 5/14 to discuss regional climate and energy priorities and get feedback on work the Consulate is doing in the US related to heat networks, building transparency, and grid reliability. Connection made through the Midwest Climate Summit.

- **Dane County Planning & Development** – quarterly meeting of CARPC and DCPD staff held on August 6. DPD and CARPC staff are assisting Emergency Management with updating the Dane County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (fall 2025 – EOY 2026). County has begun the 2025 Land Use Inventory and will assign CARPC townships to update.

- **Dane County Human Services, Housing Access & Affordability Division** – Jason assisted the County's Farmworker Housing Study by helping to facilitate discussions about zoning and development regulation strategies in February and March 2026. The County's consultant completed their study and recommendations at the end of June.

- **Dane County Advisory Committee on Data Centers** – Caitlin and Commissioner Richson are serving on an ad hoc committee created by the Dane County Board for the purpose of impartial fact-finding, researching, analyzing, and providing recommendations on the impacts of data center development in Dane County.

- **Madison Region Economic Partnership (MadREP)** – MadREP transferred most of its economic development functions to the Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce, as described in this December 12, 2025 joint announcement. MadREP asset distribution continues, including efforts to transfer a USDA-funded rural economic development fund to CARPC. We met with the one active loan recipient in July to discuss the likely change to CARPC as the loan holder. We anticipate MadREP and USDA action in September/October that may enable CARPC action in October or November.

- **Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce (GMCC) –** CARPC staff will be participating in discussions with GMCC about regional economic development activities and have attended the reboot of the "ED Pros" quarterly gatherings for economic development professionals from across the region. Jason has bi-monthly coordination meetings with GMCC staff leadership.

- **MMSD** – Jason meets with Executive Director Eric Dundee regularly to discuss shared CARPC/MMSD interests and initiatives. We are planning a joint event in fall 2026 co-sponsored by CARPC, MMSD and Dane County Land and Water Resources Dept. focused on regional topics related to wastewater collection and treatment.
- **Clean Lakes Alliance** – Continuing to pursue collaboration opportunities in support of the *Renew the Blue* plan (link to site), with a focus on data and green infrastructure. Jason is co-chairing a new Renew the Blue Council in 2025 and 2026 to prioritize and drive the implementation of actions related to phosphorous reduction, and CARPC is collaborating with Dane County Land and Water Resources and other participants to help develop land use data and indicators related to water quality. The Council and its efforts on implementation will continue through 2027; Jason has agreed to continue serving as co-chair.
- **Madison Area Builders Association –** We have met several times in 2026 with a focus group of developers, attorneys and engineers assembled by MABA to discuss the proposed updates to the sewer service area (SSA) amendment policies, updates to the Environmental Corridors Policies and Criteria, and other aspects of the *Dane County Water Quality Plan* and its effect on development. We anticipate continued collaboration with MABA members on production of guidance materials to assist with interpretation of SSA and EC policies.
- **Groundswell Conservancy** – We plan to collaborate with Groundswell on the identification and prioritization of lands for conservation easement protection, beginning late this year.
- **The Nature Conservancy –** CARPC met with TNC Conservation Science Director Peter Levi. TNC will assist CARPC with outreach of the old growth mapping project and has capacity to assist CARPC with a model forest preservation ordinance development that could be shared with Dane County communities.
- **Driftless Area Land Conservancy –** DALC staff participated in a "partners" focus group in February 2026 regarding our update of the Environmental Corridors Policies and Criteria.
- **Maydm** – Maydm provides girls and youth of color in grades 6 -12 with the skills, experiences, and connections to pursue careers in and change the face of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math). CARPC hosted intern Zaida Hendrickson from June 22 to August 13.
- **Badgerland Biodiversity Corridor Initiative (BBCI) –** CARPC staff are exploring opportunities to collaborate on shared goals and in pursuit of regional co-benefits related to water quality, environmental resource protection, and climate resilience. Staff met with BBCI reps on 7/31/26 to share information about CARPC habitat stepping stone project. BBCI is seeking grant assistance for a multi-party initiative in Dane County.

OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS

- None