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Dear Friend of Wisconsin's Great Lakes:

Enclosed is the 2018 Wisconsin Great Lakes Chronicle.

This is the seventeenth year that the Chronicle has been published by the Department of Administration's Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (WCMP). A popular and successful publication, it promotes public awareness of Wisconsin's Great Lakes issues, provides education on public policy, highlights projects to protect, preserve and restore water resources and coastal areas, and creates a historical record of events and perspectives.

Wisconsin is fortunate to be situated on two of the Great Lakes. Lake Michigan and Lake Superior are a vital resource that connects our state to the region, nation and world. The Great Lakes are important to the state's quality of life and impacts commerce, tourism and recreation. Wisconsin's culture and history are interwoven with the Great Lakes, with new stories unfolding each year highlighting our connection to Lake Michigan and Lake Superior.

The 2018 Chronicle features articles on redeveloping the Ashland Ore Dock, restoring Dunes Lake, managing coastal resources in Port Washington, enhancing Great Lakes accessibility, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Great Lakes Resiliency Study, visualizing Wisconsin's coasts with Story Maps, and improving coastal resilience through Digital Coast.

The articles reflect not only the quality of life and economic impact of these tremendous resources, but also the stewardship role we all play to safeguard their future. The articles exemplify the successful partnerships that work to enhance our shared coastal resources.

WCMP works with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Office for Coastal Management to provide financial, technical and coordination assistance to state, tribal and local stakeholders, and Wisconsin's communities, in the state's coastal zone--all counties adjacent to Lakes Superior and Michigan.

For more information on the WCMP or additional copies of the 2018 Wisconsin Great Lakes Chronicle, call (608) 267-7982 or e-mail coastal@wisconsin.gov.

Thank you for your interest in Wisconsin's Great Lakes.

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