

# CHEBOYGAN RIVER/LOWER BLACK RIVER WATERSHED INITIATIVE

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# **Cheboygan River/Lower Black River Watershed Initiative Project Partners**

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## **STEERING COMMITTEE**

City of Cheboygan  
Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Council  
Douglas Lake Association  
District Health Department #4  
Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG)  
Petoskey Regional Audubon Society  
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ)  
Little Traverse Conservancy  
United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resource Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS)  
Michigan Groundwater Stewardship Program  
Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council  
Cheboygan Tribune  
Cheboygan Conservation District  
Michigan State University Extension (MSUE)  
Michigan Township Officials

## **TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

### **NEMCOG**

#### *Responsibilities:*

- ❖ Organize steering committee meetings, send out meeting notices and agendas
- ❖ Development and dissemination of informational materials
- ❖ Provide information, gather input at township, county and area organization meetings
- ❖ Hold public meetings on draft plan to gather input and provide information
- ❖ Conduct Road/Stream Crossing Inventory of critical area
- ❖ Write up results of inventory. Include sections on: purpose and importance of inventory, tables that summarizes results, description of methods used in data collection including any formulas used in calculations, results, recommendations and BMP's, and a map indicating sites inventoried.
- ❖ Gather watershed information, write plan

### **TOMWC**

#### *Responsibilities:*

- ❖ Facilitate meetings
- ❖ Assist in development and dissemination of newsletters and informational materials.
- ❖ Provide assistance in plan write-up.
- ❖ Conduct Stormwater Inventory of critical area
- ❖ Conduct Shoreline Inventory of critical area

- ❖ Write up results of inventories. Include sections on: purpose and importance of inventory, tables that summarizes results, description of methods used in data collection including any formulas used in calculations, results, recommendations and BMP's, and a map indicating sites inventoried.

#### Conservation Districts/ USDA-NRCS

##### *Responsibilities:*

- ❖ Assist in organization and provide input and direction at meetings
- ❖ Assist in development and dissemination of newsletters and informational materials.
- ❖ Conduct Agriculture Site Inventory of critical area
- ❖ Participate in Streambank Inventory of tributaries in critical area
- ❖ Write up results of inventories. Include sections on: purpose and importance of inventory, tables that summarizes results, description of methods used in data collection including any formulas used in calculations, results, recommendations and BMP's, and a map indicating sites inventoried.

#### Huron Pines RC&D Council

##### *Responsibilities:*

- ❖ Assist in organization and provide input and direction at meetings
- ❖ Assist in development and dissemination of newsletters and informational materials.
- ❖ Conduct Stormwater Inventory of critical area
- ❖ Conduct Shoreline Inventory of critical area
- ❖ Write up results of inventories. Include sections on: purpose and importance of inventory, tables that summarizes results, description of methods used in data collection including any formulas used in calculations, results, recommendations and BMP's, and a map indicating sites inventoried.
- ❖ Research and compile zoning and ordinance information for watershed

## **MEETINGS**

Quarterly meetings were held during the Cheboygan River/Lower Black River Watershed Initiative planning phase. Input was provided from committee members on various issues concerning the watershed's system of rivers and lakes, as well as overall project direction.

The public meetings were intended to provide an overview of the planning process and to gather input on watershed issues and concerns. The development of the plan was driven by the participation of the steering committee members. The members reviewed the results of the critical area inventory, prioritized the pollutants, assisted in the development of the goals and objectives and finalized the recommendations.

A public meeting was held at the end of the two-year planning phase to review and finalize completion of the draft plan. The meeting was publicized locally and members of the community were encouraged to attend. This provided committee members and the general public an opportunity to comment on the results of the draft plan.