

Van Buren County Recreation Plan Steering Committee Meeting #1 Agenda



Date: Friday February 26th, 2:30 p.m.
Location: Van Buren County Administration and Land Services Building
County Commissioners' Board Room / MSU Extension Office
219 Paw Paw Street, Suite 201
Paw Paw, MI 49079
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1. Introduction of steering committee members **(15 minutes)**
2. Van Buren Recreation Plan Overview **(50 minutes)**
 - a. Requirements of contract (2008)
 - b. [MDNR Guidelines for the Development of Park/Rec/Open Space/Greenway Plans \(2009\)](#)
 - c. Input from relevant documents/processes:
 - i. [2009 Growing Greener Survey](#)
 - ii. [2006-2011 Van Buren County Comprehensive Plan](#)
 - iii. [2008 Strategic Plan](#)
 - iv. [2005 Van Buren Public Transit Study](#)
 - v. [2006-2016 Plan to End Homelessness](#)
 - vi. Various local/recreation & master plans
 - vii. [2008-2012 State of Michigan SCORP](#)
 - viii. [Southwest Michigan nine-county non-motorized map](#)
 - d. Inventory of local, county and state parks
 - e. Inventory of public/private conservations lands and easements
 - f. County demographic profile (2008 American Community Survey updates)
 - g. Summary of GIS work
3. Committee/staff work **(30-40 minutes)**
 - a. Set date for public input session (02/26)
 - b. Sub-group to prepare goals and objectives (create group, set date 02/26)
 - c. Set date for public hearing (02/26)
 - d. Set range for notification to regional jurisdictions and 30-day comment period (02/26)
 - e. Set date for county commission to approve recreation plan (02/26)
 - f. Set date for site visits – ADA accessibility ranking (Set date 02/26, visits by end of March)
 - g. Prepare for public input session (by end of March)
 - h. Prepare methods to address (02/26):
 - i. inventory of local recreation facilities
 - ii. Country recreation planning organizational chart
 - iii. Roles of commissions and advisor boards
 - iv. Capital improvement plan (projects, cost, and priorities)
4. Adjourn
219 Paw Paw St, Suite 201 (link to google map [here](#))

