Parks Committee Agenda
Date: November 19, 2026
Time: 10:30 am
Jefferson County Courthouse
311 South Center Ave., Room C1021
Jefferson, WI 53549

Microsoft Teams meeting
Join: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/283062482090246?p=6qxIFOqmHL1pNMYL95
Meeting ID: 283 062 482 090 246
Passcode: gx996dZ3

Committee Members: Joan Callan, Walt Christensen, Anthony Gulig, Kirk Lund, Meg Turville-Heitz

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call (establish a quorum)
3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Approval of Parks Committee Minutes for October 22, 2026
6. Communications
7. Public Comment (Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)
8. Update on Jefferson County Park and Outdoor Recreation Plan
9. Discussion and Possible Action on update to Jefferson County Parks Drone Policy
10. Discussion and Possible Action on Dog Park Rules
11. Discussion and Possible Action on 345 kV Viridon WISE Transmission Line
12. Discussion on Parks 2026 Budget
13. Field Staff Updates
14. Administrative Staff Updates
15. Historic Sites Council Update
16. Discussion on agenda items for the next meeting
17. Next Scheduled Meetings per the Proposed Meeting Schedule (4th Thursday, Monthly)
    - December 17, 2026
    - January 28, 2027
    - February 25, 2027
18. Adjourn

A Quorum of any Jefferson County Committee, Board, Commission or other body, including the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, may be present at this meeting.

Individuals requiring special accommodation for attendance at this meeting should contact the County Administrator 24 hours prior to the meeting at 920-674-7101 so appropriate arrangements can be made.

Parks Committee Minutes
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1. **Call to Order**
   Christensen called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

2. **Roll Call (establish a quorum)**
   Present: Christensen, Gullig, Lund
   Absent: Callan, Heitz
   Staff Present: Wiesmann, Truman, Klement, Luckey (remote), Thompson
   Others Present:

3. **Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law**
   Thompson certified compliance.

4. **Approval of the Agenda**
   Agenda approved as written.

5. **Approval of Parks Committee Minutes for September 24, 2026**
   Lund/Gulig motion to approve the minutes for September 24, 2026.
   Motion passes 3/0.

6. **Communications**
   Included in the packet:
   - Email from former Co. Board Supervisor regarding BECI 765 transmission lines in Jefferson County
   - Flyer: Dissertation Defense – Population ecology, genetics, and conservation of bumble bees in restored prairies – Wednesday, October 28, 2026

7. **Public Comment (Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)**
   No public comment

8. **Update on Jefferson County Park and Outdoor Recreation Plan**
   Plan draft pages included for content review and comment.
   Snyder and the Department hosted the second draft plan review meeting last week in Watertown.
   - Eight individuals participated.
   - Three plan sections were included in the packet for review.
   - The plan format follows previous plan.
   - Proposed improvements forthcoming.
   - Two more meetings prior to formal acceptance.

   One plan output is a County Park pocket map (included in a smaller version). Formatted for easy folding.

9. **Discussion and Possible Action on update to Jefferson County Parks Drone Policy**
   Wiesmann drafted a general resolution. Thompson will format in ordinance format. Ordinance will come back to the November Parks Committee for review and discussion.

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10. **Discussion on Parks 2026 Budget**
    Wiesmann noted that fuel has reached the "max" budget, but generally speaking, everything else is on-track.

11. **Field Staff Updates**
    - Dog Park Signs
    - Carlin Weld Playground
    - Glacial River Bike Trail – kiosk, concrete pad, bike pump, water fountain
    - Mowing cross country ski trails & sledding trails
    - 38 rails from the fence of the Interurban Trail were stollen and had to be replaced
    - Tree work
    - Homeless camp found at Dorothy Carnes Park
    - Korth connector trail starting in December 2026
    - Hubbleton Bridge – WISDOT blocked access to the bridge with the guard rail

12. **Administrative Staff Updates**
    - Dog Park Calendars – printed, invoiced, delivered to Nestle Purina
    - PORP – help with meeting planning and background information
    - Wayfinding signs Janesville – Watertown
    - Benches
    - Website Updates
    - Grant reimbursements
    - Covered Bridge (painting) Donation

13. **Historic Sites Council Update**
    Potter's Field Story Map is live

14. **Discussion on agenda items for the next meeting**
    PORP
    Drones

15. **Next Scheduled Meetings per the Proposed Meeting Schedule (4th Thursday, Monthly)**
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16. **Adjourn**
    Gulig/Lund motion to adjourn at 11:15 am.
    Motion passes 3/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary S. Truman
Adv. Prog. Asst. - Parks

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Attorney Thompson

I am writing you about a small matter that could become a BIG matter.

Att Daniel Thompson. Corporation Counsel
311 S Center Avenue
Room C1022
Jefferson WI 53545

Like many, My dog and I enjoy the Jefferson Dog Park very much and like many are very thankful for such a wonderful facility and the way in which it is maintained.
The area of great concern is the path in the wooded area. There are places where roots cross the pathway creating a trip hazard! I have tripped but not fallen as have others! I recently found out that I am not the only person who has forwarded his or her concerns repeatedly to the park ranger!! To the ranger's credit he has forwarded these concerns to Parks director Kevin Wiemman with the proposal of removing these hazards! Most of these roots are from shrubs such as invasive Buckthorn. Removal would be beneficial to the other shrubs and trees.

Since the ranger was prohibited from removing the roots, he has painted these roots fluorescent red! While this is a truly useful measure, it does not address the current leaf cover, snow cover later to come, and hours of darkness! I am not an attorney, but I believe repeated failure to act on a known hazard increases the county's liability.

Removal of these root hazards with an axe could be likely accomplished in an hour so so. I would happily volunteer!!!

I feel that Mr. Wiemman should explain his actions and inactions as they are not in the best interests of Jefferson County and the people who use the park.

Sincerely

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Up North

Defense company to buy Superior's Fraser Shipyards

The owner of Fraser Shipyards in Superior will sell to a Miami-based defense firm that's set to invest $350 million there as the Trump administration seeks to increase domestic shipbuilding, according to media reports, including the Superior Telegram and WDIO.com. Fraser Industries announced the sale Oct. 21 to Wildcat Defense, part of the Miami-based Wildcat Equity Partners. Wildcat is acquiring Fraser because it's responding to the challenges facing the maritime industry and President Donald Trump's maritime action plan, which calls for modernizing the nation's shipbuilding industry and industrial defense. The White House is seeking to counter China's dominance in global shipbuilding. China makes up roughly half of commercial shipbuilding while the U.S. makes up less than 1%. Eric Nicolaides, chairman and CEO of Wildcat Equity Partners, said the U.S. Navy estimates that shipbuilders and suppliers will need roughly 250,000 workers over the next decade to meet demand in new construction. He said Wildcat hopes to expand the shipyard's year-round workforce of roughly 200 employees.

Northeast

Appleton council restricts use of automatic license plate readers

The Appleton Common Council by an 11-1 vote on Oct. 21 approved an amended resolution stating that the city "will not acquire, install, operate, use or fund automatic license plate readers," with limited exceptions such as parking enforcement," the Appleton Post Crescent reports. The resolution was introduced by council member Adrian Stancil-Martin. "We can support our police department while also respecting people's right to privacy," Stancil-Martin said. Cari Tetzlaff of Oshkosh said the best way to protect the private data of citizens is not to collect the data in the first place. "Tonight we have the power to draw a line in the sand and enshrine community values here in Appleton, improve community trust and promote healing after the year we've had with ALPR," Tetzlaff said. An earlier version of the resolution called for Appleton to prohibit automatic license plate readers within its jurisdiction, raising concerns about how the city would enforce the ban on private property and whether the prohibition could lead to legal challenges from residents and businesses. The language was amended to narrow the scope to city government to avoid issues involving private property.

Driftless

UW-La Crosse warns of intruders entering student residence hall

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse campus police issued a warning Oct. 18 about unauthorized individuals entering student residence hall rooms, WXOW.com reports. According to an email sent to students, campus police received reports of a series of incidents involving intruders gaining access to Coate Hall and entering occupied rooms. The incidents prompted immediate safety concerns among residents. Noah Tomlinson, a Coate Hall resident, called for students to unite in response. "I'm treating this as a wake-up call," Tomlinson told WXOW.com. "We have to come together as a community to stop these people that aren't welcome. We just want to say you're not welcome here." UW-La Crosse police are searching for three suspects. One is described as a white male with blond hair wearing a black hoodie. The second is of unknown gender and race but was wearing black clothes, shorts and white socks with sandals. The third suspect is described as a white male, tall and skinny with brown hair, wearing a dark gray and green shirt. Police urged students to keep room doors locked and to verify exterior doors latch.

Central

Bonduel School District official accused of relations with student

A Bonduel School District associate principal is facing three felony charges alleging a sexual relationship with a student that began when the student was 15 years old, according to several media reports, including WBAY.com, WLUK.com, WFRU.com and TCHDailyNews.com. According to an amended criminal complaint filed Oct. 21 in Shawano County Circuit Court, Kaitlyn Hintz, 32, is charged with repeated sexual assault of the same child, second-degree sexual assault of a child under 16, and child enticement. According to the complaint, a tip line report alleged that Hintz had been in an inappropriate relationship with a Bonduel student beginning during the 2024-2025 school year. Investigators interviewed the student Oct. 16, where according to the complaint, the student initially denied the relationship before telling investigators sexual activity had occurred. The student described a relationship that began when she was 15 and continued into 2025. According to the complaint, Hintz acknowledged communicating with the student outside normal school channels and meeting her away from school property. However, she denied that the relationship was romantic or sexual. Hintz was taken into custody Oct. 19. A criminal complaint outlines three felony counts: Class C-Repeated sex assault of the same child; Class C-second-degree assault of a child under 16; and Class D-child enticement. Each Class C felony carries a maximum possible penalty of 40 years in prison and a $100,000 fine. The Class D felony carries a maximum possible penalty of 25 years in prison and a $100,000 fine. A $500,000 cash bond has been set.



Curiosity & learning

Principal Kelsi Van Fossen plays with Jaylah Atwood in the new Curiosity Classroom Oct. 21 at the Stephen Foster Elementary Charter School in Appleton. The classroom, one of the first of its kind in the state, is meant entirely for playtime, in an effort to encourage learning through play. It has art supplies, a sensory bin, a light table, a wind tunnel, building blocks and other toys made from wood. DAN POWERS/APPLETON POST-CRESCENT

Capital

Madison Common Council fires interim police monitor

Madison's Common Council has fired interim police monitor Aeiramique Glass "effective immediately," citing a long list of concerns, according to Wisconsin Public Radio, Isthmus and Spectrum-news1.com online reports. The 14-6 vote came more than 12 hours into a public meeting that continued into the morning of Oct 21. Glass' annual salary was $153,985. The police monitor's office has been under heightened scrutiny after a Madison police officer fatally shot Corey Ruiz, a 38-year-old man, on July 22. Glass' job duties included serving as the hiring manager in the search for a permanent police monitor. But some city officials said Glass failed to make any progress. Glass has been leading the office for more than 10 months, but a job description for a permanent police monitor has yet to be posted publicly. A memo from city department heads and a performance review flagged multiple problems with Glass' office, including failing to follow the city's contracting and purchasing procedures, failing to follow the budget process and alleged violations of state Open Meetings Law. In addition, Glass got into a physical altercation with Madison police in August. It happened at a protest near where city officials had dispersed an encampment that sprang up at the site of the Ruiz shooting. Afterward, a Dane County judge granted a restraining order against Glass, ordering her to stay away from an officer involved in the incident. In an Oct. 26 interview with Spectrum-news1.com, Glass disputed claims made by the aldersmen. "They were lies and they were mistruths," Glass said. "Not only did I do my job and do my job well, I did historic things that had never taken place in five years."

Southeast

Kikkoman Foods donates $250,000 for native prairie restoration

Kikkoman Foods has announced a $250,000 gift to the Jefferson County Parks Department to support local native prairie restoration efforts, according to news releases. Yuzaburo Mogi, Kikkoman Corporation honorary CEO and chairman of the board, presented the gift during a grand opening Sept. 18 at Kikkoman's new manufacturing facility. "This is a huge win for everyone in Jefferson County and beyond who enjoys the prairies and landscapes that define the places we call home," said Kevin Wiesmann, Jefferson County parks director. Kikkoman Foods Inc., the U.S. manufacturing arm of the world's leading soy sauce brand, celebrated the official grand opening of its newest production facility in Jefferson County in September. The Jefferson plant is KFI's third U.S. production facility. With manufacturing plants in Walworth, Wisconsin and Folsom, California, the new Jefferson facility will produce a range of Kikkoman products, including soy sauce, teriyaki sauce, and non-soy sauce-related seasonings for retail, foodservice and food manufacturing customers.

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Sec. 12-35. Unmanned aircraft systems (drones).

(a) Definition. In this section, "drone" means an aircraft operated without the possibility of direct human intervention from within or on the aircraft, as provided in Wis. Stat. § 114.105(1)(a).

(b) Applicability. This section applies to all county parks, recreation trails, and other property regulated by this chapter as referenced in section 12-19.

(c) General restriction. Except as provided in subsection (e), no person may launch, land, or operate a drone on property subject to this section without first obtaining a written permit issued by the parks director or the director's designee.

(d) Permits.

1. **Carlin-Weld County Park.** Recreational drone use may be permitted at Carlin-Weld County Park. A person seeking to use a drone recreationally at Carlin-Weld County Park must first obtain a written permit under this section. Use is limited to the areas, times, and conditions specified in the permit.
2. **Other property and uses.** The parks director or designee may issue a written permit for drone use on other property subject to this section, or for nonrecreational use at Carlin-Weld County Park, only when special circumstances warrant the use. Special circumstances may include a county-sponsored or authorized event; park promotion; natural resource monitoring, research, or education; inspection or maintenance of county property; or another purpose that provides a public or county benefit and is compatible with the use of the property. The permit shall state the special circumstances supporting its issuance. Use shall be limited to the areas, times, and conditions specified in the special permit.
3. **Application and review.** A permit application shall be submitted in writing to the parks director. In deciding whether to issue a permit, the parks director or designee may consider the proposed use of the property; scheduled events and other park activities; potential effects on visitors, wildlife, natural resources, and county facilities; safety and the availability of an appropriate location.
4. **Conditions.** A permit may specify the authorized property, dates, times, and other reasonable conditions intended to protect county property and natural resources and accommodate other lawful uses. Drone pilots are required to meet all Federal Aviation Administration rules.
5. **Suspension or revocation**. The parks director or designee may suspend or revoke a permit if a permit condition is violated or if suspension or revocation is reasonably necessary to protect county property, natural resources, or other users of the property. The director or designee shall provide the permit holder notice of the suspension or revocation and the reason for it as soon as practicable.

(e) Emergency response. A permit is not required for drone use by a public safety agency or its authorized personnel, or by a person acting at the direction of such an agency, when the drone is used in response to an emergency, including search and rescue, firefighting, disaster response, or

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an imminent threat to life, health, or property. When practicable under the circumstances, the responding agency or person shall notify the parks director or designee before using the property. If advance notice is not practicable, the agency or person shall notify the parks director or designee as soon as practicable after the response. Notice should identify the responding agency or person, the property used, and the general nature and time of the response.

(f) Applicable law. A permit issued under this section authorizes only the use of county property described in the permit. It does not authorize any activity prohibited by applicable state or federal law. This section does not establish an airspace restriction.

This document was prepared with the assistance of generative AI for drafting and editing. The author reviewed and edited the content and remains responsible for its accuracy.

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Sec. 12-26. - Animals in or on parks, recreation trails, or other property subject to this article.

(a) No person having the control or care of a dog shall permit such dog to enter or remain in or on a park or recreation trail unless it is on a leash not longer than six feet. Dogs shall not be allowed on other property subject to this article without written permission from the parks director. Dogs found running at large in or on a park, recreation trail, or other property subject to this article may be impounded by a humane officer or a deputy sheriff. No person having the control or care of a dog shall fail to remove and properly dispose of excrement.

(b) No person having the control or care of a horse shall permit such horse to enter or remain in or on a park, recreation trail, or other property subject to this article.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, pets of any kind shall be prohibited in Lower Rock Lake Park, being that portion of the park between County Trunk Highway B and Park Lane Road.

(1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, dogs may be off leash in areas so designated in Bicentennial Park, which shall also be known as the county dog park.

(2) The parks committee may adopt rules for the use of the dog park. Such rules shall be posted on signs at the park. Violation of any rule so posted shall constitute a violation of this article and subject the violator to the penalties set forth herein.

a. The parks director may bar an individual or their dog from the dog park when such individual or dog has been involved in repeated rule violations or incidents harming people or their pets.

b. Violation of an order by the parks director barring use of the dog park shall constitute a violation of this article.

c. An order by the parks director barring use of the dog park shall be appealable to the parks committee, which shall hear such appeal in accordance with Wis. Stats. ch. 68.11.

(3) No dog shall be allowed into the dog park without a municipal license and county dog park permit. Dog park permit fees shall be as set forth in the county budget adopted each November.

(d) Domestic animals or animals that have been live captured may not be relocated or released to any county park, recreation trail, or other property subject to this article.

(Ord. No. 2023-23, § 8.07, 2-13-2024)

Dog Park Rules

1. No dog shall enter the Jefferson County Dog Park without a Municipal License and a Jefferson County Dog Park Daily or Annual Permit (Jefferson County Code Section 12-26 (3))
2. Maximum of 3 dogs per adult handler (or less depending on individuals ability to control dogs behavior while in the park)
3. Aggressive dogs and/or dogs with known aggressive behavior are prohibited from the Jefferson County Dog Park
4. Handlers are required to be within the fenced area with their dog and maintain visual contact and be within recall distance at all times while using the park
5. Dogs in season or "Heat" are not allowed in the Jefferson County Dog Park during this 21-28 day period (JCPC 7/6/20)
6. No smoking in any area of the park at any time
7. Dogs must be at least 4 months or older and show proof of current vaccinations including Rabies (Wis. Stat. Ann. 95.21 (2))
8. Dog Owners are legally and financially liable for injuries or damages caused by their dogs (Wis. Stat. Ann. 174.02 (1))
9. Grilling of food anywhere at the dog park, including areas outside the fenced areas is prohibited (JCPC 8/22/16)

Signage and Webpage line to add to rules sign: **Violation of posted park rules under Jefferson County Code of Ordinances Chapter 12, may result in a fine up to $200 and include temporary and permanent suspension of park privileges.**

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October 15, 2026

RE: WISE 345 kV Transmission Line Project – Notice of in-person public open houses

Dear Sir or Madam,

The regional electric grid planner, Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), has identified the need for a new 345 kV electric transmission line to improve energy reliability and resiliency for Wisconsin customers and to close gaps in the 345 kV network between southeastern and north central Wisconsin. MISO named the project the Wisconsin Southeast or "WISE Project."

Viridon Wisconsin LLC, a partnership between Viridon Midcontinent LLC and National Grid Ventures, is working on the design to construct the WISE Project. The project includes a new substation in Big Bend, and a ~106-mile 345 kV transmission line consisting of four separate line segments, that will cross portions of the following counties:

- Dodge
- Fond du Lac
- Jefferson
- Racine
- Rock
- Walworth
- Waukesha

Your property is within an area being evaluated for routing and siting the WISE Project, and we want to begin discussions so that your input can be considered in the process.

Why is the WISE 345 kV Transmission Line Project needed?

Southeastern Wisconsin's transmission grid is stretched. MISO, the independent non-profit that plans the regional transmission grid, identified the need for WISE in 2023 after studying where the existing system falls short.



- **MISO's assessment:** A multi-year MISO study found southeastern Wisconsin needs new 345 kV transmission to keep the existing electricity system reliable.
- **Relieving strain:** MISO found that without new transmission, 10 of the existing 345 kV lines serving southeastern Wisconsin would exceed their recommended operating limits, some to as much as double their capacity.
- **Connecting the grid:** WISE will connect the 345 kV network between the Fond du Lac area and southern Wisconsin, strengthening connections across the state.
- **Changing generation mix:** Older power plants are retiring, and new generation is being built to replace it, often in new locations not previously connected to the electric system.

WISE will strengthen the electric system Wisconsin already depends on. It will add the capacity needed to keep power reliable for the homes, farms, and businesses served today, and in the future.

WISE 345 kV Supports Wisconsin's Broader Energy Needs

WISE is not being developed for any particular customer or industry. MISO identified the need for WISE nearly three years ago, in December 2023, as part of their Long-Range Transmission Planning processes.

Project Approval Process

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW) is the state agency responsible for authorizing construction of the WISE Project through the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) application process. The CPCN process includes public comment and public hearing opportunities to come.

More details are available online: https://psc.wi.gov/Pages/CommissionActions/PublicParticipation.aspx

Upcoming Public Open Houses

We invite you to attend an in-person open house to learn more about the WISE Project and provide input. The open houses will provide the same information during each of the two sessions, including a Project overview and detailed maps available for review.

There will be no formal presentation, so please feel free to visit us at any time during the open house hours. Project representatives will be available to answer questions, discuss the Project, and receive your input.

Open House Dates	Open House Locations	Open House Hours
Dodge County Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026	City of Juneau Community Center 500 Lincoln Dr. Juneau, WI 53039	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM
Fond du Lac County Monday, Nov. 16, 2026	Radisson Hotel and Conference Center Fond Du Lac 625 W Rolling Meadows Dr. Fond du Lac, WI 54937	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM
Jefferson County Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026	Comfort Suites Johnson Creek Conference Center 725 Paradise Ln. Johnson Creek, WI, 53038	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM
Racine County Thursday, Dec. 3, 2026	Roma Lodge 7130 Spring St. Mt Pleasant, WI 53406	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM
Rock County Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2026	The Loft at Gray Goose 207 N Academy St. Janesville, WI 53548	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM
Walworth County Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2026	The Todd Venue N4403 County Road H Elkhorn, WI 53121	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM
Waukesha County Thursday, Nov. 19, 2026	Brookfield Conference Center 325 South Moorland Rd. Brookfield, WI 53005	11 AM – 1 PM 4 PM – 6 PM

If you have questions, please contact us through the form on our website at www.WISEtransmission.com or call to leave a message at (262) 316-4292.

Thank you for your time and feedback as we work to improve energy reliability for your community.

Sincerely,



Chris Geitner
Director of Development

Enclosure: *Project Information Sheet*

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Wisconsin Southeast 345 kV Transmission Project (WISE)

Addressing Transmission Needs in Wisconsin

The Wisconsin Southeast Transmission Project (WISE) is a new 345 kV transmission project selected through the Midcontinent Independent System Operator's (MISO) long-range transmission planning process in 2023. Spanning approximately 106 miles across seven counties in southeast Wisconsin, WISE will add capacity to strengthen the electric system Wisconsin already depends on.

WISE will help ensure Wisconsin communities continue to have access to safe, reliable electricity that powers homes, businesses, schools, farms, and everyday life – now and in the future.

Project at a Glance:

345 kV high-voltage transmission system

4 transmission line segments 106 miles 1 substation

Target Operation Date: 2033

Project Location:

WISE includes one substation and four transmission line segments in southeast Wisconsin, connecting infrastructure in the following counties:

- **Dodge**
- **Fond du Lac**
- **Jefferson**
- **Racine**
- **Rock**
- **Walworth**
- **Waukesha**

Why is WISE Needed?

- **WISE will relieve strain on the existing grid.** In 2023, MISO, the independent regional grid planner, found that without new transmission, 10 of the 345 kV lines serving southeastern Wisconsin would exceed their recommended operating limits.
- **To connect the grid:** WISE will connect the 345 kV network between the Fond du Lac area and southern Wisconsin, strengthening connections across the state.
- **Wisconsin's generation mix is changing.** Older power plants are retiring, and new generation is being built in new locations that need transmission to reach homes, farms, and businesses.



Project Benefits:

- **Support communities:** Creates jobs and generates new local tax revenue.
- **Strengthen electric grid reliability:** Adds capacity and strengthens the existing transmission system, helping reduce the risk of outages and blackouts.
- **Close a transmission gap:** Connects the 345 kV network between Fond du Lac and southern Wisconsin.
- **Support a changing energy mix:** Connects new generation as older power plants retire.
- **Deliver customer value:** Selected through a competitive process as the lowest-cost option, delivering long-term value for customers.

197*
jobs created

$291 million*
in total economic impact

**Project Estimates*

What to expect:

- Public engagement
- Landowner outreach
- Environmental review

Anticipated Project Timeline:

2024	2026	2027	2030	2033
Selected by MISO	Community engagement & environmental review	File for Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity	Start construction	Target in-service date

About Viridon Wisconsin:

Viridon Wisconsin will build, own, and operate the WISE Project. Viridon Wisconsin is a partnership between Viridon Midcontinent LLC and National Grid Ventures. Viridon Midcontinent develops transmission projects that strengthen the electric grid across the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) region, and MISO selected it through a competitive process to develop WISE. Built on strong utility foundation of both partners, Viridon Wisconsin combines customer focus, innovation, cost discipline, and speed to dliver critical infrastructure projects.

About National Grid Ventures:

National Grid Ventures (NGV), the commercial arm of National Grid plc, develops, builds, and operates energy infrastructure that strengthens power systems and delivers reliable, affordable energy. Its portfolio includes competitive transmission, battery storage, solar, LNG storage, conventional generation, and one of the world's largest portfolios of high-voltage subsea interconnectors. NGV brings decades of experience building energy infrastructure that supports economic growth, improves reliability, and helps deliver lower-cost energy to customers.

If you have questions or comments about the WISE Project, please visit **www.WISEtransmission.com**, email **info@wisetransmission.com**, or call **(262) 316-4292**.




Nov 17, 2026 at 1:54:30 PM
N3172–N3286 Radloff Ln
Jefferson WI 53538




Nov 9, 2026 at 9:39:13 AM
W8262 Elm Point Rd
Lake Mills WI 53551

ORG	ORG DESC	ORIGINAL	TRANSFERRED	REVISED	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE
12801	Parks Department	1,534,158.00	273,710.00	1,807,868.00	1,044,267.42	6,891.32	756,708.18
12806	Parks Building	25,489.00	31,418.00	56,907.00	15,548.97	-	41,358.17
12807	Garman Nature Preserve	80,000.00	53,580.00	133,580.00	36,893.22	-	96,686.40
12808	Glacial Heritage Development	-	14,762.00	14,762.00	-	-	14,762.42
12809	Snowmobile Trails	68,820.00	56,800.00	125,620.00	55,241.97	-	70,378.03
12810	Bike Trails	-	10,516.00	10,516.00	37.24	-	10,478.68
12810805	Interurban Trail	-	379,223.00	379,223.00	837,932.61	74,434.11	(533,144.06)
12811	Dog Park	71,564.00	3,178.00	74,741.00	47,867.83	-	26,873.71
12812	Grounds Keeping	-	-	-	44,995.44	-	(44,995.44)
12813	Flood Mitigation Prop Maint	-	30,000.00	30,000.00	-	-	30,000.00
12830	Boat Launches	4,540.00	-	4,540.00	2,306.95	-	2,233.05

Expenses – YTD 11.13.2026

ORG	ORG DESC	ORIGINAL	TRANSFERRED	REVISED	ACTUALS	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE
12801	Parks Department	(1,311,740.00)	(14,000.00)	(1,325,740.00)	(1,265,753.25)	-	(59,987.87)
12806	Parks Building	(25,489.00)	-	(25,489.00)	(21,241.10)	-	(4,248.23)
12807	Garman Nature Preserve	(80,000.00)	-	(80,000.00)	-	-	(80,000.00)
12808	Glacial Heritage Development	-	-	-	-	-	-
12809	Snowmobile Trails	(68,820.00)	(56,800.00)	(125,620.00)	(21,315.52)	-	(104,304.48)
12810	Bike Trails	-	-	-	-	-	-
12810805	Interurban Trail	-	-	-	(25.00)	-	25.00
12811	Dog Park	(57,000.00)	-	(57,000.00)	(50,075.78)	-	(6,924.22)
12812	Grounds Keeping	-	-	-	(8,470.56)	-	8,470.56
12813	Flood Mitigation Prop Maint	-	-	-	-	-	-
12830	Boat Launches	(4,540.00)	-	(4,540.00)	(3,783.30)	-	(756.70)

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