Share Your Vision!

Help Shape Beaver Island's New Master Plan



A new community master plan is in the works for Beaver Island, and we want to hear from you!

Come to the public kickoff of the *Resilient Beaver Island* project on **Wednesday, August 31st at 7 pm at the Beaver Island Community Center.** You will hear a short overview of the project followed by a presentation and a group activity. Community planners from the Land Information Access Association (LIAA), a nonprofit community planning organization based in Traverse City, will facilitate the meeting's activities. Light refreshments will be provided.

WHAT IS RESILIENT BEAVER ISLAND?

Resilient Beaver Island is a community master planning process for Beaver Island. Through this robust planning effort, the residents and leaders in the community are working together to strengthen the community's ability to manage changes and challenges of all kinds — and to thrive. This collaborative planning process will result in a new master plan for the Island that will provide guidance for successful, resilient community development in the years to come in light of climate change, coastal dynamics, and economic shifts.

The Resilient Beaver Island project is being facilitated through the Traverse City-based Land Information Access Association (LIAA), which is also managing the project. A nonprofit community services and planning organization, LIAA has partnered for this project with the Michigan Coastal Zone Management Program, the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association, the Michigan Association of Planning, and urban planning researchers at the University of Michigan.

WHAT IS COMMUNITY RESILIENCE?

Community Resilience is a measure of the sustained ability of a community to respond to, withstand, and recover from adverse situations. Communities that are resilient are able to learn from adversity and adapt quickly to change.

WHAT IS A MASTER PLAN?

A little like a "blueprint," a master plan is the public's guide for the development of a community and the management of its resources.

Public Kickoff

Wednesday, August 31st, 2016 7 to 8:30 pm

Beaver Island Community Center 26215 Main Street Light refreshments will be provided.

Presentation from speaker:

• Harry Burkholder Executive Director, LIAA

Get Involved!

All residents are encouraged to get involved and help create a vision for the future of Beaver Island. Local planning processes lay the groundwork for transportation improvements, economic development programs, and community improvement efforts. Public involvement is key to this planning. Times and locations for future public gatherings will be posted on the project website, http://www.resilientmichigan.org/ beaverisland.

- Sign-up for e-newsletter updates on our project website
- Leave general feedback and comments on the project webpage
- Stay tuned for future meetings and events on Beaver Island

