



**DOOR COUNTY**

**Resolution No. 2025-42**

**Safe Harbor Feasibility Study  
Lake Michigan Shoreline North of Sturgeon Bay**

TO THE DOOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

ROLL CALL Board Members	Aye	Nay	Exc.
Dist. 1 D. Englebort			
Dist. 2 T. Thayse			
Dist. 3 R. Englebort			
Dist. 4 N. Robillard			
Dist. 5 J. Miller			
Dist. 6 K. Fisher			
Dist. 7 C. Morkin			
Dist. 8 C. Jeanquart			
Dist. 9 R. Shaw			
Dist. 10 P. Rockwell			
Dist. 11 M. Rusnak			
Dist. 12 N. Norton			
Dist. 13 D. Vogel			
Dist. 14 H. Zettel			
Dist. 15 E. Gauger			
Dist. 16 D. Enigl			
Dist. 17 B. Bultman			
Dist. 18 V. Chomeau			
Dist. 19 P. Voight			
Dist. 20 W. Kalms			
Dist. 21 J. Gunnlaugsson			

Vote Vote

**BOARD ACTION**

Vote Required: Majority Vote of a Quorum

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Motion to Approve: \_\_\_\_\_ Adopted

1st R. Englebort Defeated

2nd Kalms

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ Exc: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: [Signature], Corp. Counsel

Reviewed by: [Signature], Administrator

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This resolution has no immediate fiscal impact. Future fiscal implications may arise depending on the study's outcome and the extent of County involvement in funding. STW

**Certification:**

I, Jill M. Lau, Clerk of Door County, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution that was adopted on the 15th day of April, 2025 by the Door County Board of Supervisors.

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Jill M. Lau  
County Clerk, Door County

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**WHEREAS**, The public has brought to the attention of the County of Door the need for safe harbor on the Lake Michigan shoreline of Door County north of Sturgeon Bay; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) prepared a Northern Lake Michigan Coastal Regional Master Plan (Master Plan); and

**WHEREAS**, The DNR's Master Plan indicated that, although the DNR is committed to boater safety and supports the need for a feasibility study to identify a location for a safe boat launch ramp on Lake Michigan between Sturgeon Bay and Rowley's Bay, the DNR did not support identifying Whitefish Dunes State Park as the location for a safe harbor boat launch until a feasibility study and appropriate approvals were completed; and

**WHEREAS**, The DNR's Master Plan indicated that the feasibility study should look at all sites between Sturgeon Bay and Rowley's Bay; and

**WHEREAS**, The need for safe harbor may exist along the Lake Michigan Shoreline of Door County north of Sturgeon Bay.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Door County Board of Supervisors supports the County of Door working with community, state, and federal partners to obtain a feasibility study to identify site(s) for a safe harbor on the Lake Michigan shoreline of Door County north of Sturgeon Bay, and to take action as necessary and beneficial to obtain funding for such feasibility study.

**SUBMITTED BY: HIGHWAY & FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

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Roy Englebort, Chair

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