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WVIC Recreational Facilities Assistance Program (RFAP) Information and Application

Do you have a public recreational access site on one of Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company's (WVIC) reservoirs that could use improvement or a site you would like to develop for public use? If so, your project may qualify for financial or in-kind assistance from WVIC through our Recreational Facilities Assistance Program (RFAP).

Public recreational facilities on any of the following WVIC reservoirs qualify for potential funding:

*Lac Vieux Desert
Twin Lakes
Buckatahpon
Long-On-Deerskin
Little Deerskin
Seven Mile
Nine Mile*

*Burnt Rollways
Sugar Camp
Little St Germain
Big St Germain
Pickerel
Rainbow
North Pelican*

*South Pelican
Minocqua
Squirrel Lake
Willow
Rice
Spirit
Eau Pleine*

If you are unsure if your lake is part of a WVIC reservoir, a list is enclosed for your reference.

The RFAP program is designed to improve existing public recreational access sites and develop new recreational opportunities for the public. Examples of projects we consider eligible are:

*Entrance roads
Parking areas
Walking/Bicycle trails*

*Boat ramps
Piers/docks
Permanent toilets*

*Picnic facilities
Interpretive displays
Erosion control*

If you have an idea for a project that is not listed above, please contact us to discuss eligibility.

Projects considered *ineligible* are: acquiring land, underwriting major projects and routine maintenance/repair.

How to Apply

- Complete the attached RFAP Application Form and return it to WVIC via email or mail by October 2, 2026. Applications received this year are assumed to be scheduled for 2027.
- Funds awarded for projects in this 2026 application period are for projects scheduled for 2027. Where monetary assistance is requested, funding is dispersed *after* completion of the project when receipts and proof of expenditures can be provided. In-kind services are subject to the schedule of WVIC.
- Preference is given to projects which propose to cost-share the program as close to 50:50 as possible, whether the assistance requested is financial or involves in-kind services from WVIC.
- Preference is also given to applications received for projects that fill a recreational need at a particular reservoir and that will serve the greatest public benefit.

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