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MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Board and Committees
From: CMAP Staff
Date: December 3, 2013
Re: Local Technical Assistance Program Update

The CMAP Board and committees receive regular updates on the projects being undertaken through the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program, including those receiving staff assistance and grants. To date, 119 local projects have been initiated. Of these, 51 projects have been completed, 54 are fully underway, and 14 will get actively underway in the near future. Projects that appear in this document for the first time are noted and highlighted in italics.

Further detail on LTA project status can be found on the attached project status table.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion.

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Projects Currently Underway

Project	CMAP lead	Timeline	Assistance type	Status and notes
Alsip zoning revisions	Jake Seid	Sept. 2013- Apr. 2014	Staff assistance	Key stakeholder interviews were substantially completed in November. Review of existing conditions will take place from December through January.
Antioch greenway plan (see website)	Jason Navota	Apr. 2012 – Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Partners and steering committee have reviewed the draft plan and provided feedback; plan is in final formatting phase. Board review and approval process is expected to move forward in December.
Bensenville comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Mar. 2013 - Feb. 2014	Staff assistance	Recommendations memo completed and sent to Village for review. Comments to be received by December 6. Memo to be forwarded to Steering Committee after incorporating Village staff edits. Plan to be drafted starting in January 2014.
<i>Berwyn capital improvements plan</i>	<i>Trevor Dick</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>Staff and consultant assistance</i>	<i>Newly added to monthly report. Project scoping underway.</i>
Berwyn parking study	Lindsay Bayley	Nov. 2013- Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	Administrative process has begun.
Berwyn zoning revisions (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	Jan. 2013 - June 2014	Staff and consultant assistance	Met with the Steering Committee on November 19 to discuss issues and questions related to the recommendations memo. CMAP staff is summarizing the consensus reached during the meeting for Berwyn's review prior to moving forward with drafting the zoning ordinance.
Big Rock comprehensive plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	Feb. 2013 - Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	A meeting was held on November 9 with the Plan Commission to review the draft land use plan. A meeting will be held with the Plan Commission on December 9 to review the future land use plan and the vision, goals and objectives sections. Following that meeting, the draft plan document will be prepared.
Calumet City comprehensive plan	Jack Pfingston	June 2013- May 2014	Consultant assistance	First public workshop held November 12 and drew 46 residents. Visioning and recommendations memo received by CMAP November 26; Steering Committee will meet next in early December.
Campton Hills zoning and subdivision regulations	Kristin Ihnchak	Jan.-Dec. 2014	Consultant assistance	RFP released on November 25 for consultant assistance.

Chicago "Green Healthy Neighborhoods" in Pilsen and Little Village	Evy Zwiebach	Dec. 2013- Mar. 2015	Staff assistance	Project scoping is ongoing. Community workshops to discuss Open Space were held on November 18 (Pilsen) and November 19 (Little Village). About 70 people were in attendance at each meeting. Stakeholder interviews will begin in January 2014.
Chicago Heights comprehensive plan (see website)	Kendra Smith	Apr. 2013- Mar. 2014	Staff assistance	Existing conditions draft is being reviewed by City officials, project steering committee and partner organizations through early December. A community visioning session was held on November 13, with almost 60 participants. Staff will begin drafting a recommendations memo based on comments on existing conditions report and community input in early December.
Chicago Housing Authority LeClaire Courts redevelopment	Sef Okoth	Aug. 2012- Dec. 2013	Consultant assistance	The consultant incorporated feedback from CMAP, CHA and the transit agencies and is currently preparing for final packaging and distribution of the report. The final report is due in December.
Chinatown neighborhood plan (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	Apr. 2013- May 2014	Staff assistance	Staff revised Existing Conditions Report following review by community. Staff finished processing and analyzing all feedback from over 1,600 members of the Chinatown community, and prepared summary analysis. Final interviews with key stakeholders completed and summary analysis prepared. Continued planning and outreach for December 9 community visioning event, which will help define overall community priorities and identify potential strategies.
Cicero comprehensive plan	Jonathan Burch	Mar. 2014- Feb. 2015	Consultant assistance	Given the progress of the RTA project, scoping will restart this month, with a goal of publishing an RFP in February 2014.
Cook County consolidated plan	Jonathan Burch	Apr. 2013 - Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	A MetroQuest site was launched for the first round of outreach. CMAP and Cook County staff are scheduling public meetings for southern, western, and northern Cook County in January. Staff is reviewing and analyzing data for the key project components: needs housing, industry clusters, workforce training, and public services.
Cook County Forest Preserve District trail counts and policy report	Trevor Dick	Apr.-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Staff is currently finalizing the trail policy report. This is expected to be completed in December.
Des Plaines neighborhood plan (see website)	Berenice Vallecillos	May 2013- Apr. 2014	Consultant assistance	The draft Strategies Chapter was completed and presented to the Steering Committee on November 20 and CMAP staff on November 21. Additional interviews were held with the Des Plaines City Manager, Police Chief, Park District staff, Plainfield School Principal, and St. Stephen Church Pastor. The

				team will continue to conduct outreach for the surveys and the phone App this month. The draft plan is being written the remainder of November and through mid-December. The next public meeting is scheduled for January 15 to review the draft plan.
Dixmoor planning prioritization report	Jessica Simoncelli	Jan.-Dec. 2014	Staff assistance	Project scoping underway. Scheduling meetings with Village board and staff to determine project scope.
DuPage County Homes for a Changing Region project	Kendra Smith	Sept. 2013-Apr. 2014	Staff assistance	Municipal in-depth data analysis and community tours with community staff and elected officials were on November 6 and November 18 for the four communities. Staff has begun scheduling commission/board presentations for December and early January for each town. Public engagement opportunities are currently being scoped for each community.
DuPage County unincorporated areas plan (see website)	Jack Pfingston	Oct. 2012-Dec. 2013	Consultant assistance	Final plan drafts for both corridors received by CMAP November 22 and are currently under review. Final steering committee meetings for both corridors will take place in mid-December.
Elgin Dundee Avenue corridor study	Samantha Robinson	TBD	Staff assistance and small grant	Due to staff changes at ULI and CMAP, as well as questions about ideal project timing, this project has been pushed back from its expected start in early 2013 to later in the year.
Elgin sidewalk gap and transit stop study	Lindsay Bayley	June 2012-Dec. 2013	Grant funds	Project resumed. Draft plan complete, steering committee meeting to review recommendations on December 3.
Elmwood Park zoning assessment	Kristin Ihnchak	Jan.-Aug. 2014	Staff assistance	Project scoping underway.
Evanston bicycle plan	Jack Pfingston	June 2013-Mar. 2014	Grant funds	Data collection continues with first draft of Existing Conditions Report expected in early January.
Franklin Park industrial areas plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Apr. 2013-Mar. 2014	Staff assistance	CMAP staff is finishing internal review of the existing conditions report. Report will be sent to Franklin Park staff for their review in December. A meeting with the Steering Committee to discuss report and next steps is tentatively scheduled late January.
Hinsdale parking study (see website)	Lindsay Bayley	Nov. 2012-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Final plan draft sent to Steering Committee. Business owner survey on recommendations to be delivered in December.
Hoffman Estates workforce development project	Annie Byrne	Feb.-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Communications and marketing plan being complete. Strategic plan for organization structure and sustainability drafted. Implementation of communications and marketing plan has begun.
IDNR, Office of Water	Tim	Feb.-Dec.	Staff	Site visits are complete and survey data analysis is nearing completion. The

Resources, permittee water loss evaluation project	Loftus	2013	assistance	final report is under development and expected to be completed by the end of the year.
Kane County local food project	Jessica Simoncelli	Nov. 2012- Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Internal development of final draft of criteria, corresponding GIS analysis, and process document is occurring, with feedback from Kane County and Forest Preserve staff. Final products will be used by County in relation to their new local food production program.
Kane County transit plan implementation	Trevor Dick	July 2012- Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	Staff is currently working on the draft plan. The draft plan is expected to be provided to County staff in December for their review.
Kane County / Carpentersville Homes for a Changing Region project (see website)	Jonathan Burch	Feb.-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Presentation of draft municipal recommendations to each community is complete. Sub-regional essay is being reviewed by key implementation partners. Municipalities will receive draft essays this month.
Kane County / Geneva Homes for a Changing Region project (see website)	Drew Williams-Clark	July 2013- Feb. 2014	Staff assistance	Outreach concluded at the end of November, including public workshops and a MetroQuest website. Staff anticipate draft recommendations will be submitted to key staff contacts in December.
Kedzie Avenue (Garfield Park) corridor plan	Samantha Robinson	July 2013- June 2014	Consultant assistance	Consultant is making edits to the existing conditions report based on feedback received from the Steering Committee. Key stakeholder interviews are being conducted. The consultant will hold a design session on December 3 with CMAP and City of Chicago staff.
Lake County Route 53/120 land use plan	Jason Navota	Nov. 2013- Dec. 2015	Staff and consultant assistance	Funding has been secured from Tollway and Lake County through UWP process. Consultants have been interviewed and a recommendation for selection will be brought to the CMAP Board in January. Municipalities within the IL53/120 corridor have been contacted and invited into the planning process as members of the Land Use Committee and the Finance Committee. First BRAC meeting was held on September 17, first Finance Committee was held October 21, second Finance Committee meeting will be held December 3. First Land Use Committee meeting is anticipated for March 2014.
Lake County sustainability plan (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	Mar. 2012 – Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	The project team has incorporated edits from County staff and is scheduled for two January meetings with the Regional Planning Commission to review the draft plan.
Lan-Oak Park District	Trevor	Oct. 2013-	Staff	Staff is currently working on the existing conditions report. The Cook

master plan	Dick	June 2014	assistance	County Health Department has been working to provide data and information for the report. Key person interviews have been completed and an online survey has been launched. Staff is also working with Park District staff to determine existing park sites and parcels owned/leased by the District.
Lansing comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Oct. 2012-Feb. 2014	Consultant assistance	Outline of draft Plan submitted to CMAP in Village in mid-November. Draft Plan to be completed by first week of December and to be submitted to CMAP and Village. Steering Committee meeting to present draft Plan tentatively scheduled for mid-January 2014.
Lincolnwood Devon Avenue corridor study	Liz Panella	June-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance and small contract	This project involved a Technical Assistance Panel (TAP) convened by ULI on September 10-11. ULI prepared the final report in November and have passed it on to the Village for final approval.
Lynwood comprehensive plan (see website)	Samantha Robinson	Oct. 2012-Feb. 2014	Consultant assistance	Consultant is drafting the comprehensive plan.
Lyons comprehensive plan (see website)	Sef Okoth	July 2013-June 2014	Staff assistance	Draft existing conditions report was produced and reviewed by CMAP staff. Staff currently revising the draft report based on comments received from reviewers. The Steering Committee met and discussed the findings of the existing conditions report. A public workshop was held on November 21 where the findings of the existing conditions analysis were presented to residents. A community visioning session was held at the public workshop.
Markham comprehensive plan	Erin Aleman	July 2013-June 2014	Consultant assistance	A number of public meetings/focus groups have been held throughout the community. The consultant is working on the existing conditions report. CMAP will continue provide support to the City as needed.
Morton Grove industrial areas plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Feb. 2012-Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	Morton Grove staff continued to review the draft plan in November. CMAP staff will conduct final revisions in December and January. A draft of the plan is anticipated to be sent to the Steering Committee in late January.
Niles multimodal transportation plan	Jack Pfingston	Mar. 2013-Feb. 2014	Consultant assistance	Draft plan received and reviewed by CMAP and partners; steering committee will meet December 12 to consider revised draft plan.
North Aurora comprehensive plan	Jack Pfingston	Dec. 2013-Nov. 2014	Consultant assistance	Received, reviewed, and scored proposals; interviews will take place in early-mid December with selection of consultant to follow soon after.
Northwest Municipal Conference Des Plaines	Lindsay Bayley	May 2013-Apr. 2014	Consultant assistance	Outline of preliminary recommendations drafted. Coordination meeting held with the Forest Preserve to review existing conditions and preliminary

River trail access plan (see website)				project direction. Developing recommendations memo and outline of plan document.
Northwest Water Planning Alliance drought preparedness / strategic planning	Tim Loftus	Feb.-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	The Executive Committee unanimously approved a 3-year strategic plan at their November meeting. Annual water use data has been collected from the Illinois Water Inventory Program for members that are community water systems and information was presented to the Technical Advisory Committee in November. The final report is under development and expected to be finalized by the end of the year.
Oak Lawn 95 th Street corridor study	Jake Seid	Jan. 2013-Jan. 2014	Consultant assistance	Consultant prepared and led the third Steering Committee meeting to present its draft corridor plan on November 13. Consultant revised draft based on Metra, Pace and CMAP feedback following review of draft. Consultant prepared implementation strategies and discussed these with CMAP staff via conference call on November 26.
Olympia Fields zoning ordinance update	Drew Williams-Clark	Apr. 2013-Mar. 2014	Consultant assistance	Consultants presented interim deliverables to the Steering Committee in November for feedback and discussion. They have submitted notes on that meeting to CMAP and the Village for review, before moving forward with drafting the plan.
Openlands local food policy	Jason Navota	Feb.-Dec. 2013	Staff assistance	Discussion draft of a scope of work for the Regional Food System Study is complete and being used as framework for discussing project with funders, academics/researchers, and local “industry representatives” working in the food system space.
Oswego market analysis	Trevor Dick	Mar 2013-Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	A draft plan was presented to Village staff and our project team is currently making revisions based upon their comments. The draft plan is expected to be presented to the Steering Committee in December with a presentation to the Village Board in January. The Village also plans to begin its Comprehensive Plan update (not an LTA project) in the new year so the market analysis will provide important information for the creation of that plan.
Park Forest zoning revisions	Kristin Ihnchak	June 2013-Sept. 2014	Staff and consultant assistance	The project team is continuing its assessment of existing ordinances and beginning to draft preliminary recommendations for Park Forest staff review. Interviews to select a consulting firm to provide advice during the zoning update process were conducted in November.
Prospect Heights comprehensive plan	Jack Pflingston	Aug. 2013-July 2014	Consultant assistance	Data collection continues, with draft Existing Conditions Report due in early December.

Regional immigrant integration toolkit	Ricardo Lopez	Jan. 2013- Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	Internal review of draft toolkit chapters is underway. A refined draft of the intro and chapters will be made available to MMC and Latino Policy Forum for review in mid-December.
Richton Park comprehensive plan (see website)	Kendra Smith	Aug. 2012- Jan. 2014	Consultant assistance	Consultant is drafting future land use and transportation chapters of the plan. Village staff is meeting with partners on integration of emerging community health initiatives into the plan.
Richton Park zoning revisions	TBD	Feb.-Nov. 2014	Consultant assistance	Following the completion of the comprehensive plan, the consulting firm will update Richton Park's zoning ordinance to be consistent with the newly adopted plan.
Riverdale comprehensive plan	Erin Aleman	TBD	Consultant assistance	CMAP is working with Riverdale to finalize the consultant contract. Work will begin with an initial steering committee meeting in December.
Rosemont comprehensive plan	Sam Shenbaga	June 2013- May 2014	Staff assistance	Existing conditions analysis and data collection underway. Stakeholder interviews completed. Business owners workshop held on November 26. Latino workshop scheduled for late December. iPad kiosk with interactive survey installed in community health center and to be moved to Park District facility in late December.
South Elgin bicycle and pedestrian plan (see Facebook page)	John O'Neal	July 2013- June 2014	Consultant assistance	Steering Committee had second meeting on November 7. Plan's draft vision statement was discussed and refined. Updates were given on the plan's data collection and analysis (including pedestrian and bicycle crash data) and public outreach efforts. Online survey for plan completed by 137 persons to date; three stakeholder interviews conducted so far. Existing conditions report is currently being drafted and should be submitted to CMAP and Village staff in early December.
<i>SSMMA Complete Streets plan</i>	<i>Lindsay Bayley</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>Consultant assistance</i>	<i>Newly added to monthly report. Project scoping is underway.</i>
SSMMA interchange land use planning (see website)	Jessica Simoncelli	July 2012- Jan. 2014	Consultant and staff assistance	Final plan draft under review in early December, with the next steering committee meeting scheduled for December 12, during which the members will share their final comments about the planning document and selected redevelopment sites.
Summit comprehensive plan	Nora Beck	Dec. 2013- Nov. 2014	Staff assistance	Project scoping is underway; first Village steering committee meeting scheduled in December.
UIC multimodal transportation plan (see	Lindsay Bayley	June 2013- Sept. 2014	Staff assistance	Drafting key challenges underway. Coordination meetings held with the UIC CUPPA program for upcoming Spring Planning course to develop the

website)				plan. Presentation to undergraduate course on the project held on November 21. MetroQuest site will continue to accept public input through the end of January (http://uic.metroquest.com/).
Waukegan subarea plan (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	Oct. 2012-Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	CMAP staff continued drafting of the commercial corridor plan.
Westchester comprehensive plan (see website)	Samantha Robinson	Nov. 2011-Jan. 2014	Staff assistance	The Plan Commission recommended approval of the comprehensive plan on October 29. The Village Board will review the plan in January.
Wicker Park-Bucktown parking study (see website)	Lindsay Bayley	Jan. 2013-Mar. 2014	Staff assistance	Draft recommendations sent to project partners, detailed action items currently under development. Project team has met with representatives from the City of Chicago to discuss parking meter details, request for meeting with CPM not answered. Revision of recommendations needed to reflect lack of current CPM involvement, continue to reach out to CPM.
Will County brownfield prioritization	Jake Seid	June 2013-Apr. 2014	Staff assistance	Completed identifying potential renewable energy developers to facilitate site prioritization. Completed formulation of site screening criteria to analyze potential brownfield sites identified via USEPA, IEPA and municipal outreach. Will complete prioritization of sites via GIS and field surveys with Will County Land Use in December.
Worth planning prioritization report	Stephen Ostrander	Oct. 2013-May 2014	Staff assistance	CMAP staff continued conducting individual interviews with wide variety of Village staff, trustees, Economic Development Commission members, and key stakeholders to gain insight into Village issues for upcoming priorities report. Held open community meeting for residents wishing to provide their input. To date, staff has interviewed 29 persons.
Zion comprehensive plan	Nora Beck	Feb. 2014-Jan. 2015	Consultant assistance	Project scoping underway. RFP release expected in December.

Completed Projects with Active Implementation*

* Some projects do not have active implementation steps, or are being implemented through a follow-up project listed above; these projects are not listed below. A full list of completed projects is available at www.cmap.illinois.gov/lta.

Project	CMAP lead	Completion date	Assistance type	Recent implementation progress (updated quarterly)
Addison comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Jan. 2013	Staff assistance	Follow-up Homes for a Changing Region project underway.

Alsip comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Apr. 2013	Staff assistance	CMAP staff participated in Steering Committee meeting in mid-October to discuss existing conditions report for Cicero Avenue corridor study. Study progressing as per schedule. Zoning project kick-off meeting held on October 9 with steering committee.
Berwyn comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	Oct. 2012	Staff assistance	Year-long zoning ordinance revision project underway.
Blue Island comprehensive plan (see website)	Sam Shenbaga	June 2012	Staff assistance	Candidates selected for Comprehensive Plan implementation. Discussion held between CMAP and partner agencies (working in Blue Island) on ways to move forward with implementation of projects.
Bronzeville Alliance Retail corridor study, phase 2 (see website)	Sef Okoth	July 2013	Staff assistance	The Bronzeville Alliance has organized a planning seminar to be held at its first annual convention on December 7 to discuss implementation progress of different planning initiatives in the community.
Campton Hills comprehensive plan (see website)	Jason Navota	Aug. 2012	Staff assistance	Plan Commissioner training complete. Coordination meeting of water utilities and Village administration with CMAP water experts occurred in May 2013. Implementation plan under review by the Village in parallel with their internal prioritization process. CMAP has reviewed and provided feedback on Campton Hills' first subdivision proposal after adoption of comprehensive plan. CMAP has accepted village's LTA proposal and will undertake (via consultant) a zoning and subdivision code revision to be consistent with the comprehensive plan.
Carpentersville "Old Town" Area Action Plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	July 2012	Staff assistance	During the last quarter, the Village contracted with UpLand Design who created a landscape plan for Carpenter Park that included its extension to the River as recommended in the Old Town Plan. The Village has submitted this project to the IDNR for a potential OSLAD grant. The Village has also put in \$2000 in their budget to install two pedestrian brick paver crosswalks on Main Street (as recommended). Work is scheduled to coincide with Maple Avenue reconstruction in 2014. A new "OTR Old Town Residential" zoning district was created for residential areas just outside of the Old Town study area and a new "OTM Old Town Mixed Use" district is planned to be created in 2014 (as recommended). The Village is currently working with ComEd to decide upon a screening solution for the substation within the Old Town area. And lastly, the Village has begun to meet with major land owners along the river to pursue property acquisitions or easements to create more public open space.

Centers for New Horizons local food survey	Sef Okoth	Nov. 2013	Staff assistance	Newly completed. Study report was reviewed and approved by external partners. Comments from the external partners were incorporated in the report. Final report will be printed in December.
Chicago "Green Healthy Neighborhoods" plan for Englewood, Woodlawn, and Washington Park (see website)	Jason Navota	Mar. 2013	Staff assistance	Draft plan has been completed by the city and will be distributed to project partners for comment in November. Large Lot policy is being reviewed with the Aldermen, and Large Lot Ordinance will go to City Council the same month GHN goes to Plan Commission, either December 2013 or January 2014. Southeast Chicago Commission received CCT funding to begin plan implementation.
DuPage Water Commission water conservation project	Erin Aleman	Nov. 2013	Staff and consultant assistance	Newly completed. MPC, CMAP, and the DuPage Water Commission completed a technical training manual that details all of the resources and topics covered in each workshop. This manual will be made available online early December.
Elmwood Park comprehensive plan (see website)	Nicole Woods	Apr. 2013	Staff assistance	Elmwood Park continues to implement recommendations from the Comprehensive Plan. Recently, the Village has bought property near the Metra Station to develop a Metra Drop-Off Center, which supports the plan's recommendation for pedestrian, bicycle, and train station enhancements. Elmwood Park also continues to facilitate redevelopment of the Grand and Harlem Avenues commercial node, The Village is currently preparing for a zoning review to occur this winter, which will be led by CMAP staff.
Fairmont neighborhood plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	Apr. 2012	Staff assistance	A number of recommendations have been completed over the past quarter and some are underway including: 1) Will County staff has completed the historic documentation of Fairmont and is currently determining if any buildings in the community would qualify for Landmarks Illinois status; 2) The community garden was a tremendous success and they expect it to be even larger next spring with more gardeners and plots; and 3) The County and the Township are working together to address flooding concerns -- \$30,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding has been secured to conduct a study of the flooding area and provide recommendations for improvement and presently a RFQ with a Scope of Work is being drafted to hire an engineering firm to conduct the study. 4) Earlier in November the community's first sidewalk was installed and the County is currently in the process of applying for another Safe Routes to School grant to extend the sidewalk further.

<i>Ferson-Otter watershed plan implementation</i>	Nora Beck	Nov. 2013	Staff assistance	<i>Newly completed. Final report sent in November.</i>
Hanover Park corridor study (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	Dec. 2012	Staff assistance and small grant	Urban Land Institute Chicago rescheduled upcoming meeting with Hanover Park (to December 9) to assess the current status of implementation of the recommendations of last year's ULI-led Technical Assistance Panel on the Irving Park Road corridor.
Homes for a Changing Region in northwest Cook (see website)	Jonathan Burch	Jan. 2013	Staff assistance	Valerie Kretchmer Associates has produced a draft senior needs study. Staff from the five communities have reviewed the draft, provided comments, and will be choosing recommendations to implement at a meeting on December 10.
Joliet "Old Prison" redevelopment (see website)	Trevor Dick	May 2012	Staff assistance and small grant	CMAP staff attended the first meeting of the Collins Street Redevelopment Committee. The meeting was co-chaired by State Rep. Larry Walsh Jr., and Senator McGuire. The group will be working together on redevelopment strategies for the prison property. Also, representatives from the Forest Preserve District of Will County, the City of Joliet, Openlands, and the Joliet Park District are continuing to work together to acquire the east side. Currently a Phase One environmental study (pro bono by Carlson Environmental) is being conducted for the east side property.
Lakemoor comprehensive plan (see website)	Nora Beck	Feb. 2013	Staff assistance	The Village has demolished their former Village Hall and is in the process of selecting a new site for the new Village Hall along Route 120.
Liberty Prairie Conservancy local food system plan (see website)	Jessica Simoncelli	June 2013	Staff assistance	The Lake County Forest Preserve District Board unanimously passed a resolution approving the Principal Conclusions and Recommendations of the Liberty Prairie Reserve Master Plan on June 11. The Lake County Local Food Working group has met throughout the summer and early fall, with the goal of carrying forward the recommendations from the Lake County Sustainable Local Food Systems Report. Lake County Board adopted UDO amendments to support local food and bee/chicken keeping on residential land. The project has garnered local press coverage including interest from the Daily Herald editorial board. CMAP drafted a new policy to allow/encourage food production on a portion of FPD-owned agricultural land that will be prioritized for such use by the District.
Niles environmental action plan (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	Feb. 2013	Staff assistance	The LTA program is providing funding for a bicycle and pedestrian plan, which will help to implement many of the EAP's transportation-related

				recommendations. In addition, Niles is beginning a zoning ordinance revision; CMAP staff will provide feedback as needed on how to translate related EAP recommendations to effective regulations. CMAP staff will continue to forward relevant grant opportunities.
Norridge comprehensive plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	Oct. 2012	Staff assistance	The Village of Norridge continues to work towards implementation of the Comprehensive Plan. During the last quarter, the Village has received an OSLAD grant for acquisition of a new park site (as recommended in the Comp Plan). The HIP (Harlem-Irving Park) Plaza has expanded north (recommended in the Comp Plan) and new stores are opening this fall.
Norridge zoning revisions	Jake Seid	July 2013	Staff assistance	Village completed review of CMAP's recommendations memo and annotated ordinance. CMAP expects to assist staff and the ZBA with various sections of the Ordinance as they begin to make revisions based on CMAP's comments.
Northlake comprehensive plan (see website)	Trevor Dick	May 2013	Staff assistance	CMAP staff has discussed an implementation strategy with the Mayor. Since the plan was adopted, the City has entered into an easement agreement with ComEd to extend the Midland Trail North (as recommended). Construction of the bike trail is expected in 2015.
Park Forest sustainability plan (see website)	Kristin Ihnchak	May 2012	Staff assistance	The Chicago Community Trust's grant to Park Forest directly implements the recommendations of this project. A new LTA project to update the zoning ordinance was initiated in June. Staff will continue to forward potential grant opportunities to advance other plan priorities. Staff assisted in developing a Charter Award application for CNU Illinois.
Red Line livability project (see website)	Kendra Smith	Nov. 2012	Staff assistance	DCP, CMAP and CTA will utilize project materials during future Community Education and Visioning sessions as well as in interaction with elected officials. DCP recently received CCT funding for continued work on TOD/Red Line Extension work. Implementation work for the coming quarter focused on community TOD outreach and presentations held in November through CNU and Loyola University to interested stakeholders. ITE will also publish an article on the Red Line South Extension via their website http://www.ilite.org/
Regional arts and culture toolkit (see website)	Stephen Ostrander	June 2013	Staff assistance	Staff and regional partners continued to expand awareness of completed toolkit throughout the region.
Regional climate change adaptation toolkit (see website)	Jesse Elam	June 2013	Staff assistance	Toolkit has been released, and CMAP is presenting its findings to interested groups and seeking external funding to support working with interested

website)				local governments to apply the process described in the toolkit.
Riverside Central Business District plan (see website)	Nora Beck	Apr. 2013	Staff assistance	The Riverside Economic Development Commission and Riverside Chamber of Commerce are implementing a shop local campaign, with a website and poster campaign. The Village Board is considering combining the Zoning Board and Plan Commission to improve the review and permit process.
Round Lake Heights comprehensive plan (see website)	Jonathan Burch	Oct. 2013	Staff assistance	The next major activity for Round Lake Heights will be the recently approved LTA project with Round Lake, Round Lake Beach, Round Lake Heights, Round Lake Park, and Hainesville.
SSMMA housing investment prioritization (see website)	Nicole Woods	June 2012	Staff assistance	The organization continues to use and modernize the tool to assess projects in various Southland communities. The housing investment tool was brought online this past summer and was selected as one of four winners in the Illinois Open Technology Challenge.
<i>Silver Creek watershed plan implementation</i>	<i>Nora Beck</i>	<i>Nov. 2013</i>	<i>Staff assistance</i>	<i>Newly completed. Finalized reports were sent to each community in November.</i>