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**AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO UW MILWAUKEE CULTURAL  
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA RECOVERY ON THE LOWER  
YAHARA RIVER TRAIL**

Phase 1 of the Lower Yahara River Trail is proposed to travel from the Capital City Trail through Lake Farm County Park and McDaniel Park in the Village of McFarland. Both park properties contain archaeological districts that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. To insure impacts to archaeological resources are minimized, a data recovery plan was completed by Great Lakes Archaeological Research Center in 2013 that outlined steps to be taken to preserve and inventory buried artifacts prior to construction. The data recovery plan was reviewed and approved in April of 2014 through a Memorandum of Agreement between the Federal Highway Administration and Wisconsin State Historic Preservation Office. Construction of the trail is anticipated to begin by July of 2015.

The University of Milwaukee Cultural Resource Management Department has submitted a proposal to complete the data recovery investigation as outlined in the plan. The archaeological investigation will include hand excavation and field survey of approximately 8000 square feet of trail corridor, lab analysis of artifacts recovered and creation of a database and report that summarizes the findings.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that a Purchase of Service Agreement be awarded to UW Milwaukee Cultural Resource Management in the amount of \$215,824 to complete archaeological data recovery for Phase 1 of the Lower Yahara River Trail.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the County Executive and County Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign the agreement on behalf of Dane County.