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**Subject:** Project ID 5991-07-72/73, Wagon Wheel Trail, City of La Crosse  
**Attachments:** Wagon Wheel Project Location Map.pdf

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Tim,

WisDOT would like us to coordinate with the City of La Crosse Heritage Preservation. Also, this link [Wisconsin Local Historical Societies Directory | Wisconsin Historical Society \(wisconsinhistory.org\)](#) has a local history directory and City of La Crosse is not listed. Below is our request for coordination. Please let me know if the requested response timeline does not correlate with the city's review and comment period. We will want to wait to submit the Section 106 document until after the city completes its own process.

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Dear City of La Crosse Heritage Preservation,

The City of La Crosse has scheduled a project for the Wagon Wheel Trail along US 14/61 from La Crescent, MN to La Crosse, WI. This is a multi-use trail project that will widen the existing northern sidewalk/bike path along USH 14/61 starting at the Wagon Wheel Trail terminus at Sportsmen's Landing in La Crescent, MN; crossing the Mississippi River West Channel; and ending at the Cass Street and Cameron Avenue Bridge underpasses in La Crosse, WI. The improvements will also include a new pedestrian bridge structure across the Mississippi River West Channel.

As part of the environmental review process, effects of the project to cultural resources must be considered. I am reaching out to you for comments and/or concerns of the proposed undertaking regarding the determined area of potential effect (see attached project location map) and potential impacts to historic properties, structures and/or other sites of significance.

To ensure your comments are considered during this early phase of project development, we request a response by July 28, 2023.

Thank you,

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Yes, it can't hurt. Historical Societies are county based. I think the La Crosse Heritage is municipality based. Not sure how well they coordinate between the two. I would just do it to cover yourselves.

**Steve Vetsch**

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Afternoon Steve,

I believe the answer to my question is yes, but would like verification.

Should SEH reach out to the City of La Crosse Heritage Preservation for historical society/organization coordination? This will not be coordinated by SHPO and should be included in the typical historical society/organization project notice.

Thank you,

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