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Lake Wisconsin water habitat improvement project grants now available

Up to \$50,000 available annually from Prairie du Sac Dam Aquatic Resources Enhancement Fund

Prairie du Sac, Wis. – December 9, 2016 – Qualifying entities have until January 5, 2017 to apply for grants from the Prairie du Sac Dam Aquatic Resources Enhancement Fund. The fund will provide monies for 2017-2018 projects focused on improving the waters of the Lake Wisconsin basin and is open to governmental units, conservation and river management groups, and educational institutions.

“We’re pleased that these dollars are available to ensure future generations enjoy Lake Wisconsin and the waters connected to it,” said Amanda Blank, Alliant Energy’s Site Manager for Hydro and Gas Generation. “When our Prairie du Sac Dam was built over a century ago, it created Lake Wisconsin, and they have been linked together ever since.”

Projects eligible for financial support include aquatic studies and research, water quality enhancements, and habitat mitigation and enhancement. Projects must be located between state Highway 12 and the tailrace of the Castle Rock Dam, including tributaries of the Wisconsin River, such as the Baraboo River.

The River Alliance of Wisconsin, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will select the projects that will receive grants. Requests should not exceed \$50,000 per year for a maximum of two years. The grant awards will be announced in late March 2017.

For more information on the fund and to obtain grant application materials, please visit alliantenergy.com/lakewisgrants.

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