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Lakeshore Blvd. Project Public Meeting

The City of Marquette and the Superior Watershed Partnership (SWP) are embarking on the first phase of restoring over a half mile of Lake Superior shoreline adjacent to Lakeshore Boulevard in Marquette, officials announced today. The project, funded by a \$58,000 grant from the Michigan Coastal Management Program and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), seeks to restore a 3,000-foot section of shoreline currently heavily reinforced with a tall ridge of rock rip-rap that obscures the view of Lake Superior.

The SWP and the City of Marquette will host several public meetings in 2012 to invite citizen input regarding shoreline restoration design, public access, viewing platforms, road re-design and more. The project being funded is strictly for planning and design.

The first public meeting is slated for Monday, June 4th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Citizens Forum Room at Lakeview Arena; this session will include presentations from the City, SWP and the Michigan Coastal Management Program.

There will also be future opportunities for volunteers to assist with dune restoration demonstration projects. For more information, contact the SWP at 228-6095 or the City at 225-8380.

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