

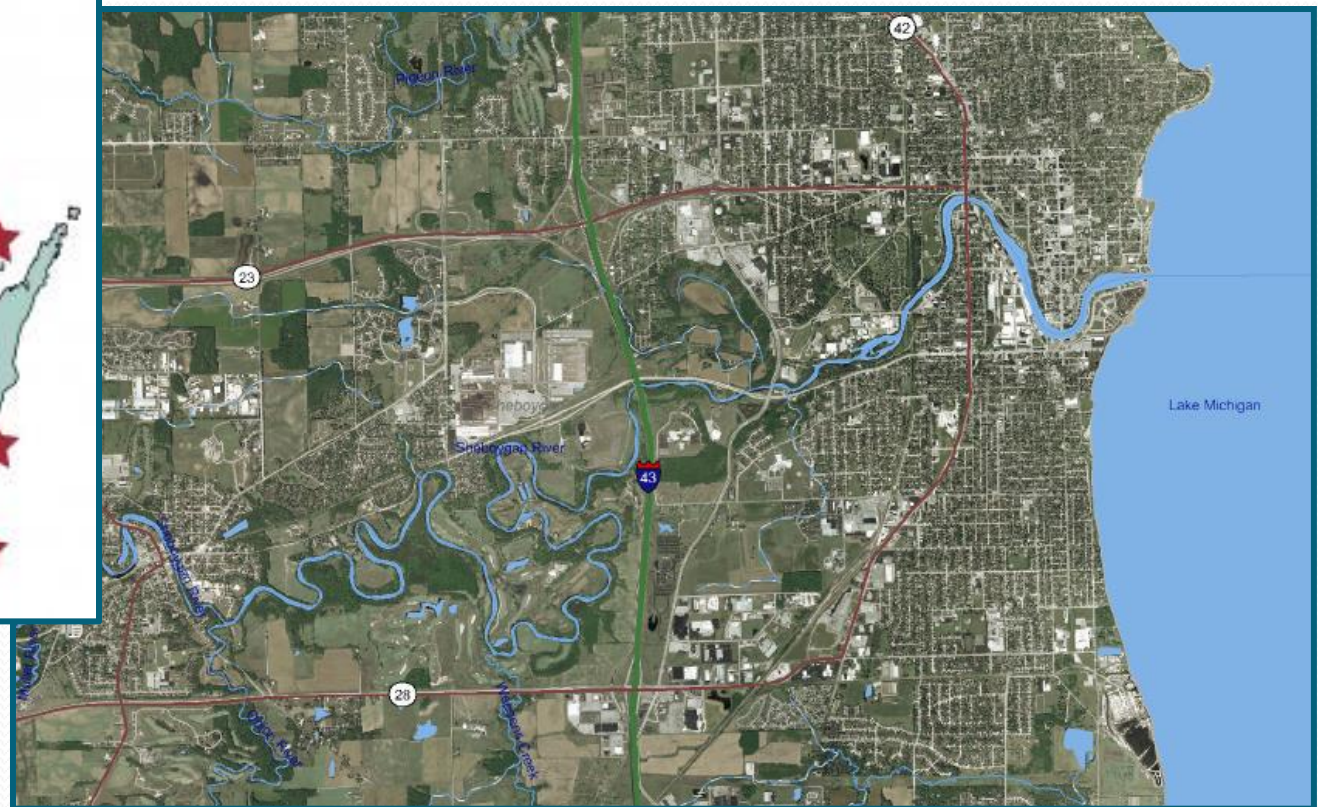
Accelerating Management Actions in the Sheboygan River Area of Concern

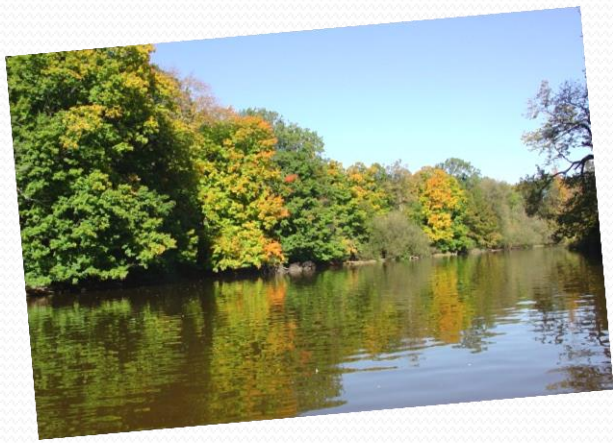
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Restoring an Area of Concern



An Accelerated Pace

- Management Actions: what needed to happen “on the ground” to address the impairments

Dredging



Habitat Restoration



Monitoring/
Assessment



Management Actions



Monitoring and Assessment



Dredging

- 4 projects – concurrent!
- Two projects were Superfund (regulatory) and two were GLRI cooperative projects with local matching funds
- 400,000 CY of contaminated sediment removed
- 24/7 operation in 2012



Habitat Restoration

- 7 projects implemented by DNR and partners
- Miles of river corridor & acres of habitat restored
- Vetting to Completion in under 2 years!



All of the pieces falling into place


Superfund Projects were coordinated for dredging in 2011 & 2012 (~\$22.5 million)



EPA funded Great Lakes Legacy Act Dredging project and Sheboygan Harbor navigational dredging (~\$55 million)



In 2011 DNR received GLRI grants for habitat restoration and fish and wildlife assessment projects (~\$6.7 million)



Final Goal of Delisting the AOC – with all work complete by September 30, 2012

Lessons Learned



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Engaging Stakeholders

- **Partnership – the key to success**
- Not just an EPA or State project
- AOC program is locally based, need solutions that work for the community
- Stakeholder Forums: Dredge Workgroup, TAC



Community Outreach & Education



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Maintaining Quality



Management Support



Have a Plan, Move In





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