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1) WMSRDC Update

- CEDS five-year update is complete. Still wrapping up some final details, but here is a sneak peek at the [final draft](#).
 - *Thanks for input and feedback along the way!*
- Should we bring back a “call for projects”? ... stay tuned!

2) EDA Update

- Not many construction projects currently in Michigan, which means increased odds for a project to be awarded. *Contact WMSRDC ASAP if you have a potential project for EDA.*
- EDA federal reauthorization possible!

3) Introducing: Economic Recovery Corps Fellow

- Annika Gacnik, agacnik@economicrecoverycorps.org
- <https://economicrecoverycorps.org/>
 - See link above to explore the 64 national ERC projects
 - *Let WMSRDC know if you have interest in following the results of any particular project!*

4) Broadband

- BEAD challenge process underway for communities and other public/nonprofit institutions
 - April 23 deadline
 - Assistance available through MIHI “Office Hours.” Times and meeting links below. No registration required.
 - [Thursday, April 11th 12:30-2:30](#)
 - [Tuesday, April 16th 12:30-2:30](#)
 - [Thursday, April 18th 12:30-2:30](#)
 - [Monday, April 22nd 12:30-2:30](#)

5) Roundtable Notes

- Lake County:
 - housing needs assessment completed
 - consultant selected for EDA study

Current EDA Grants in the Region

- 1) Greater Muskegon Economic Development: Muskegon Heights Industrial Parks Master Plan
- 2) Muskegon County Broadband Gap Analysis
- 3) City of Hart: Wastewater Upgrades
- 4) Oceana County: Workforce and Economic Diversification Study
- 5) Lake County Economic Diversification

Potential Projects

- 1) Mason County
- 2) FARM
- 3) Hart Community Center

- land bank active
- Baldwin farmer's/makers market coming on Wednesdays in June
- ORV training facility to open memorial weekend through labor day weekend
- Chamber of Commerce website updated and improved
- Mason County:
 - Current emphasis on housing, trails, and industrial space
- Oceana County:
 - Monthly broadband task force
 - Developer workshop April 11
 - EDA study presented April 4 with a facilitated action planning session
- Muskegon County
 - Muskegon-Coopersville wastewater extension
 - Muskegon Lake close to being removed from Areas of Concern list

Next CEDS Strategy Committee Meetings

- July 26
- October 25