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DCEDC Leads Improvements to Sturgeon Bay Industrial Park

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Door County, WI – Door County Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC), in partnership with fourteen private businesses and the City of Sturgeon Bay, led a recent effort to make significant landscape improvements along State Highway 42/57 where it borders the Sturgeon Bay Industrial Park. The project involved cutting and thinning trees and brush, stump removal, grass cutting and the installation of five flower and shrub landscape beds.

“The area between the highway and the frontage road had become grossly overgrown and unsightly,” said DCEDC Executive Director Bill Chaudoir. “The businesses in the Industrial Park have spent a great deal of time and money improving their facilities in the Park; it was time to acknowledge their investments and let the public see what was behind the foliage.” The improvements were planned by Chaudoir, City Planning Director Marty Olejniczak, Bill Murrock of Murrock Landscaping and City Parks Director Bob Bordeau.

Private businesses made contributions of labor, materials and over \$13,000 in cash to support the project. Murrock Landscaping donated the project design and coordination, while Sturgeon Bay Sand and Gravel contributed the landscape bed stone. Sturgeon Bay Utilities and Wisconsin Public Service Corporation shared the \$3,400 cost of tree and brush cutting and trimming, and the Sturgeon Bay Parks Department donated landscape materials and labor, cut the grass, poison ivy and brush, and will water the new plants and maintain the grass in the future. Murrock Landscaping and Dave’s Tree Service served as contractors for the improvement project.

To complete the project, the Cub Scout Bears from Pack #4124 will repaint the Industrial Park sign as a community service project.

Industrial Park businesses that contributed to the project include: Portside Builders; Cal-Marine; Hi-Tec Fabrication; Future Machine, Inc.; N.E.W. Industries; Wulf Bros.; DCEDC; Hatco Corporation; Thermo-Tron-X; C & S Manufacturing; Murrock Landscaping; and Just in Time Corp.

The project required approvals from the Industrial Park Development Review Committee, Sturgeon Bay City Council, and, ultimately, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT). State Representative Garey Bies and State Senator Alan Lasee assisted in negotiations with the DOT.

The Door County Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC) is a public/private partnership dedicated to improving the economic vitality of the county and its residents. Founded in 1989, DCEDC has been successful in helping existing businesses create and retain thousands of jobs through a myriad of programs and initiatives. Additionally, DCEDC places strong emphasis on fostering entrepreneurial instincts in county residents as well as those who vacation on the Door County Peninsula. Door County Economic Development Corporation offices are located within the small business incubator DCEDC founded in 1997 at 185 East Walnut Street in the Sturgeon Bay Industrial Park.