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## COORDINATOR'S REPORT

### September 2015

#### Prairie Grassland Project Mowing

The northern half of the 87-acre native prairie grassland was mowed with special thanks to the Clinton County Buildings and Grounds department and the Drain Commission for use of their equipment and time. The taller weeds and grasses were cut at a height of approximately 8" in order to allow the shorter, planted rows to compete for sunlight. The southern half of the grassland will be mowed prior to the winter season if the initial mowing proves successful.



#### Green Mid-Michigan Video Update

Funding was made available through the Tri-County Planning Commission and Greening Mid-Michigan to sponsor new footage of parks and conservation districts in the tri-county area. The footage will highlight programs and facilities in the local region and will be a valuable marketing and outreach tool. Motz County Park, Clinton Lakes County Park, the CIS trail, and the grassland project are just a few of the facilities that will be documented, including drone flyover footage.



### **Latoff Landing Update**

The sign at the Latoff Landing on the Maple River is in place and the site was mowed and cut back to allow easier boat access to the river. The site will be maintained by the Clinton County Buildings and Grounds department every two weeks to provide adequate upkeep.

### **Clinton Lakes Beach Improvements**

The gravel beach at Clinton Lakes Park is in the process of being turned-over to help prepare it for the installation of sand similar to that at Motz Park. Using equipment on loan from Chuck Nelson and a York rake, the top layer of gravel was broken up revealing rocks, leftover excavation material, and a variety of plant root systems. A group of volunteers from Michigan State University will help remove the larger rocks and old material to prep the beach area as best as possible before next season. The beach will continue to be turned-over for the remainder of this season and sprayed before and after the winter to eliminate the growth of any future weedy plants that may come through the surface.

### **Other Duties Assigned to the Coordinator:**

-Capital Improvement Replacement Schedule

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