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## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: September 29, 2023

TO: Parties with interest in Human Services Transportation in Lincoln County

FROM: Darryl L. Landeau, AICP
RE: Invitation to Meeting

## NOTICE OF HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION MEETING

Please attend...

DATE: October 23, 2023

TIME: 9:30 am

LOCATION: Lincoln County Service Center, County Board Room

801 N Sales Street, Merrill

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LINCOLN COUNTY DEP OF SOCIAL SERVICES

A county meeting is scheduled for stakeholders in public transit / human services transportation coordination for Lincoln County on Monday, October 23 beginning at 9:30 A.M. The meeting will take place at the Lincoln County Service Center in the County Board Room, 801 N Sales Street in Merrill. This meeting will include an assessment of human services transportation needs and gaps within Lincoln County and identification of strategies to address these issues with emphasis on improving service coordination. Written comments may be submitted to: NCWRPC, 210 McClellan St. Ste. 210, Wausau WI 54403 or dlandeau@ncwrpc.org.

If you have questions regarding this meeting, please contact me at <a href="mailto:dlandeau@ncwrpc.org">dlandeau@ncwrpc.org</a> or 715-849-5510 extension 308. If you are elderly and/or disabled and need transportation assistance to this meeting or other accommodations, please contact the Lincoln County Social Services Department at (715) 539-1331.

## **BACKGROUND ON MEETING**

The federal surface transportation program requires applicants for the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program (5310) grants, as well as state 85.21 projects must be part of a "locally-developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan." This plan is required to be developed through a process that includes representatives of public, private, and non-profit transportation services, human services providers and the general public.

To maintain local eligibility for these grants, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation has developed a county meeting process to comply with federal requirements. Regional Planning Commission (RPC) planners are coordinating and conducting these meetings statewide on behalf of WisDOT and the counties as independent and objective entities. Your participation is critical for the development of a qualifying plan that will effectively serve Lincoln County.