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### **For Immediate Release**

## **Online Recreation Survey Conducted by Otsego County and Elmira Township**

June 20, 2016 – The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) is assisting Otsego County and Elmira Township with updating their joint 5-Year Recreation Plan.

This Recreation Plan identifies how the communities will work towards achieving goals and objectives for improving recreational opportunities in Otsego County. Communities are required to have a current, 5-Year MDNR-approved Recreation Plan in order to qualify for recreation grant funding from the Michigan DNR.

The planning process incorporates a community participation element that encourages input from citizens. These two units of government have chosen to work together to gather this public input in an online survey. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete as is available online on the following websites: [otsegocountymi.gov](http://otsegocountymi.gov); [otsegocountyparksrec.com](http://otsegocountyparksrec.com); [www.facebook.com/Otsego-County-Government-321818777939955](https://www.facebook.com/Otsego-County-Government-321818777939955); the County Library's website, <http://207.74.70.98/Default.htm>; and NEMCOG's news webpage, [discovernortheastmichigan.org/nemcognews.asp?ait=nc](http://discovernortheastmichigan.org/nemcognews.asp?ait=nc)

Direct Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HQSWB8L>

County and Township officials are encouraging citizens in and around Otsego County to complete this survey because public input is a highly valued and vital component to shaping the future of recreational opportunities in the area. The survey will be open until July 21, 2016 and responses are anonymous.