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Greetings,

This is Seth Harris from EUP Regional Planning & Development, the RPO for the Eastern U.P. I'm reaching out today to provide comments on the proposed master plan. You can find the comments from our organization below:

- There are several of mentions of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). These should be changed to Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) or another department, as appropriate.
- For an island community, emerging topics such as renewable energy, on-island energy production, climate change, materials management, and, especially, resiliency for changing water levels should be highlighted.
- In this island community, where there are major land constraints, and what is a reasonable expectation for this plan to aid in the addition of housing units? And how does this relate back to the community input received?
- We do commend the authors for addressing housing as was required by the update to the planning enabling act.
- It may be beneficial to include, in the appendix, either an excerpt or the entirety of the recent Housing Needs Assessment conducted by Community Research Services, LLC (attached).

Thanks, and please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

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