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Local Residents to be honored for their role in Renard Island development and Cat Island Chain restoration

IMPORTANT MEDIA NOTE: The sign dedication ceremony will take place at NEW Water's Jack Day Environmental Education Center at 90 Bay Beach Road in Green Bay.

A parking map and permit are attached.

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May 6, 2016

(Green Bay, WI) Following the conclusion of the Brown County Harbor Commission meeting, at **10:45 a.m. on Monday, May 9, 2016**, a sign dedication ceremony will be held to honor and recognize several individuals and families who played important roles in the development of Renard Island and the restoration of the [Cat Island Chain](#). Renard Island is a man-made island adjacent to Bay Beach, in the city of Green Bay, that served as a site for dredged material from the Port of Green Bay shipping channel. The island is being evaluated for use as a recreational facility in the future. The Cat Island Chain is a small chain of islands, located in the lower part of Green Bay, which had been washed away in the 1970s. These environmentally significant islands were restored over the past four years by the Port of Green Bay.

The ceremony will honor and recognize the following:

- **Mike McDonald: McDonald Memorial Causeway.** This is the causeway leading from the shore of the Bay to Renard Island. It is being named in memory of Mike McDonald, whose extended family have provided an easement to access the causeway and Renard Island and whose father, Chester, served on the Harbor Commission for 14 years.
- **Clarence Renard: Renard Island.** This island was named in honor of Clarence Renard who served on the Harbor Commission from 1958 to 1980 and was president of the Commission immediately following the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway which developed an international market for Green Bay
- **Neil McKloskey: McKloskey Island.** The island was named for Neil McKloskey who served on the Harbor Commission from 1989 until 2014. He was President of the Commission when the Port developed solutions to its dredge disposal needs with the construction and operation of Bay Dredge Material Rehandling Facility and the Cat Island Restoration Project, along with the closing and environmental capping of Renard Island.

The McDonald Memorial Causeway sign will be unveiled at the event. The Renard and McKloskey Island signs have already been placed in appropriate locations.

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“These are individuals and families who have truly made their mark on our community and advancement of the Port of Green Bay,” stated [Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach](#). “That is why we believe it is important to put a lasting sign of our appreciation at each site.”

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- Construction Resources Management
- Flint Hills Resources
- Fox River Dock Company
- Georgia-Pacific Corporation
- Graymont
- GLC Minerals, LLC
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- Lafarge North America
- RGL
- Sanimax
- St. Mary’s Cement Company
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