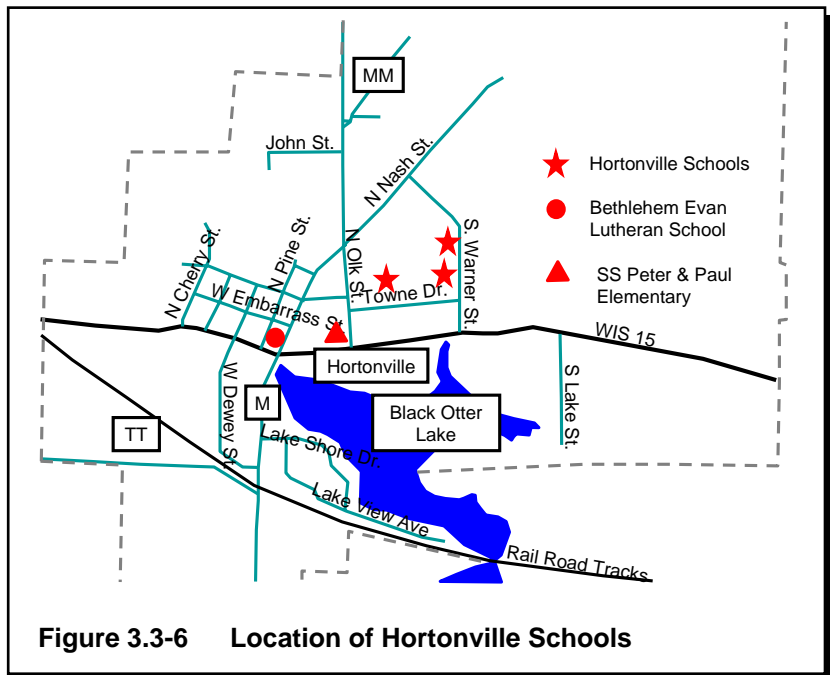


C. Community Characteristics

- 1. Community Facilities
 - Schools

The project corridor is predominantly served by the Hortonville School District. The Village of Hortonville and the town of Greenville are included in the school district. Three of its public schools (elementary, middle, and high) are directly off the intersection of WIS 15 and Warner Street within the Village limits, and one middle school is located in Greenville. The total number of students attending the schools is 1,923. Hortonville also has two private elementary schools for Kindergarten through eighth grade, Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran and SS Peter and Paul Elementary. Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran school is located on the corner of WIS 15 and Pine Street. The total number of students attending the school is 196. SS Peter and Paul Elementary is located on the corner of North Oak Street and WIS 15. The total number of students attending the school is 94. Greenville also has two private schools, Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran School and St. Mary Elementary school. The number of children enrolled in the school district is projected to rise in the future. The Hortonville district's enrollment increased 6 to 8 percent from 2003 to 2004. The school locations are identified in Figure 3.3-6.



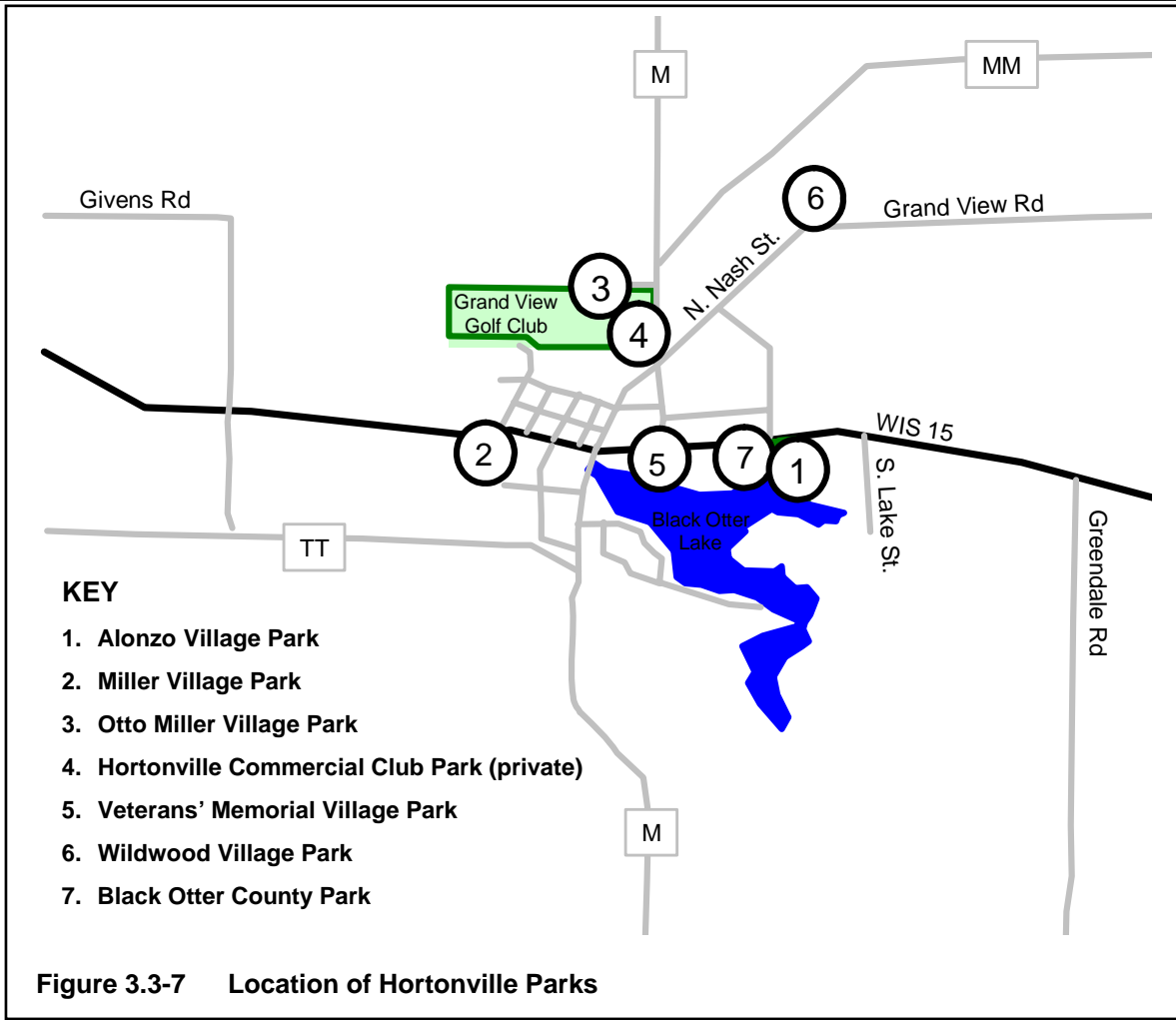
A small area of the east end of the project corridor is served by the New London School District. This school district includes four public elementary schools, one public middle school, and one public high school. The city of New London also has six private schools; New London Independent School, Starr Academy (Rawhide Boys Ranch), New London Community Pre-School, Emanuel Lutheran Elementary School, Most Precious Blood Catholic School, and the Head Start Center.

- Postal Service

Postal service in the project corridor is provided by U.S. Post Offices in New London (54961), Hortonville (54944), Town of Dale (54931), and Greenville (54942).

- Parks

Park systems within the project corridor include municipal parks, county parks, and state parks. The city/state parks in the proximity of the project include Alonzo Park, Miller Village Park, Otto Miller Village Park, Veteran's Memorial Village Park, Wildwood Village Park, Hortonville Commercial Club Park, and Black Otter County Park and their locations are illustrated in Figure 3.3-7. Parks within 20 miles of Hortonville are High Cliff State Park and Plamann County Park.



2. Utilities

Utility availability varies throughout the project area. The Village of Hortonville supplies water and sanitary sewer inside the city limits. The sanitary sewer is a 500,000-gallon design flow capacity with a 240,000-gallon average daily flow demand. Solid waste is contracted separately with a private hauler for commercial and industrial users. Electricity and natural gas are both provided by WE Energies. There are transmission lines crossing WIS 15, just east of Julius Road. Power lines are located throughout the corridor along WIS 15 with periodic crossings such as at North Road, Manley Road, County JJ, and other locations along the corridor.

Various companies provide telephone and cable service for the corridor area, including Charter Communications, SBC, and Time Warner Cable.

3. Emergency Services

▪ Fire

The Village of Hortonville has a volunteer fire department with 42 volunteers. Hortonville's fire department covers the Village of Hortonville and Town of Hortonia. Greenville has 43 volunteers in their fire department that covers the Town of Greenville to the Village of Hortonville. New London's fire department has approximately 40 members. In 2004 the New London Fire Department responded to 457 calls.

- Ambulance

Gold Cross Ambulance Service provides paramedic treatment on scene to a significant amount of the WIS 15 corridor. The service area is approximately 954 square miles throughout portions of Outagamie, Winnebago, and Calumet counties. Approximately 220,000 people are served. The Town of Greenville and Village of Hortonville use the Gold Cross ambulance service. New London's ambulance service is New London Family Medical Center Ambulance.

- Health Care

A wide variety of services ranging from medical, dental, elder care, cardiologists, private physicians, eye doctors, obstetricians, pediatricians, and more are all located within the WIS 15 corridor. Hortonville has two dentists located off WIS 15. The Village also has an oral surgeon and chiropractors. New London and Appleton are the primary sources for general physicians since the village does not have a hospital or clinic.

New London Family Medical Center is a critical access hospital serving New London and the surrounding area. The 25-bed medical center employs 17 active staff physicians, more than 50 subspecialty physician consultants, and 250 employed staff. The hospital provides inpatient and outpatient services; a 24-hour emergency department; rehabilitation services; diagnostic services including laboratory and imaging; pain management; and transitional care. There is also a New London Birth Center.

Appleton Medical Center has 151 beds and 20 active physicians. The hospital provides general medical and surgical care, general intensive care, cardiac intensive care, a cardiology department, open-heart surgery, pediatric medical and surgical care, obstetrics, orthopedics department, emergency department, and trauma center.

Both medical centers are affiliated with the Theda Care Regional Medical Centers.

- Law Enforcement

The Village of Hortonville has five full-time and two part-time officers. The police department only patrols the Village of Hortonville. Any areas outside of the Village are patrolled by the Outagamie County Sheriff Department. The town of Greenville is served by the Outagamie County Sheriff Department. New London's police department employs about 10 full-time officers.

D. Employment and Work Force Characteristics

The 2000 Village of Hortonville Comprehensive Plan, prepared by Ruckert & Mielke, Inc., identifies business employment within 5 miles of the Hortonville village hall (see Table 3.3-1). Three hundred and thirteen businesses exist within 5 miles of the village hall. Service-related businesses make up the largest category with 102 total businesses. Businesses in this category include personal services, business services, motion picture and amusement, health services, legal services, education services, and social services. Retail trade consists of 65 businesses and construction has 43 businesses. There are also 24 manufacturing businesses and 23 eating and drinking places. Eleven agricultural businesses are located within 5 miles of the village hall. Services businesses and manufacturing businesses employ the largest number of employees with 852 and 750 employees respectively. Businesses with the largest number of individuals per business include manufacturing (31.3 employees), transportation/communications/public utilities (28.8 employees), and education (28.5 employees). Agriculture has 4.3 employees per business.

Type of Business	Number of Businesses	Number of Employees	Number of Employees per Business
Total Businesses	313	3,361	10.7
Total Retail Trade	65	541	8.3
Home Improvement Stores	9	97	10.8
General Merchandise Stores	0	-	0.0
Food Stores	9	53	9.6
Auto Dealers and Gas Stations	8	47	5.9
Apparel and Accessory Stores	2	4	2.0
Furniture/Home Furnishings	4	26	6.5
Eating and Drinking Places	23	214	9.3
Miscellaneous Retail	11	66	6.0
Total Finance-Insurance-Real Estate	28	156	5.6
Banks, Saving and Lending Institutions	8	71	8.9
Securities Brokers and Invest	2	8	4.0
Insurance Carriers and Agencies	8	42	5.3
Real Estate-Trust-Holding Companies	9	35	3.9
Total Services	102	852	8.4
Hotels and Lodging	0	-	0.0
Personal Services	35	136	3.9
Business Services	16	149	9.3
Motion Picture and Amusement	13	94	7.2
Health Services	10	119	11.9
Legal Services	2	5	2.5
Education Services	10	285	28.5
Social Services	6	42	7.0
Other Services	10	22	2.2
Agriculture	11	47	4.3
Mining	1	2	2.0
Construction	43	265	6.2
Manufacturing	24	750	31.3
Transportation, Comm./Public Utilities	13	375	28.8
Wholesale Trade	19	310	16.3
Government	8	62	7.8

Source: 2000 Village of Hortonville Comprehensive Plan, Ruekert & Mielke, Inc., Claritas, Inc. (2001)

Table 3.3-1 Business Employment Within Five Miles of the Hortonville Village Hall

Table 3.3-2 illustrates the percentages of employment by industry. Approximately 30 percent of employees 16 years and over were employed in the manufacturing sector in 2000. Educational, health and social services industries employ the second largest percent of employees ranging from 13 percent in the Town of Ellington to 19 percent in the Town of Hortonville. The agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining industries have the largest difference in the percentage of employees for communities in the study area. One percent of employees in the Village of Hortonville work in the agricultural industry compared to 7 percent in the Town of Ellington. The Hortonville School District is the major employer in the area with five public schools. The largest industrial employer is Tom-Cin Metals, with 60 or more employees. The company fabricates bulk storage bins for the feed and grain industry.

The largest employer in New London is Sara Lee Foods. The meat-producing company employs approximately 1,300 people. The New London School District is the second largest employer with 375 employees. St. Joseph Residence, Steel King Industries, Wolf River Lumber, and Piping Systems are also major employers.