WEDC funds will assist purchase of decommissioned Pulliam Plant property, coal pile relocation.

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers announced Monday that Brown County will receive a $500,000 grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to assist in purchasing the former WPS Pulliam Plant property as part of the effort to relocate coal piles away from downtown and expand the economic activity of the Port of Green Bay.

"I am incredibly thankful to Gov. Evers and his team for identifying the much-needed funds to advance the vital project of relocating the coal piles from along the Fox River," Said Rep. Shelton. "Relocation will free up land for the potential development of riverfront amenities and will likely reduce potential health hazards associated with the piles.

This is a big win for Green Bay and the rest of northeast Wisconsin. It is critical we continue to pursue an economic development strategy that is preserves our natural resources and protects our communicates from environmental health hazards"

The Pulliam Plant property has been identified as a critical parcel for the port expansion project. The port is a designated Foreign Trade Zone and this strategy includes expanding the port activities which will result in increased economic activity and jobs in Green Bay and the

northeast region.

The WEDC ISR Program offers grants to Wisconsin communities to redevelop sites that have been idle, abandoned, or underutilized and redevelopment results in the potential to elevate local economies.