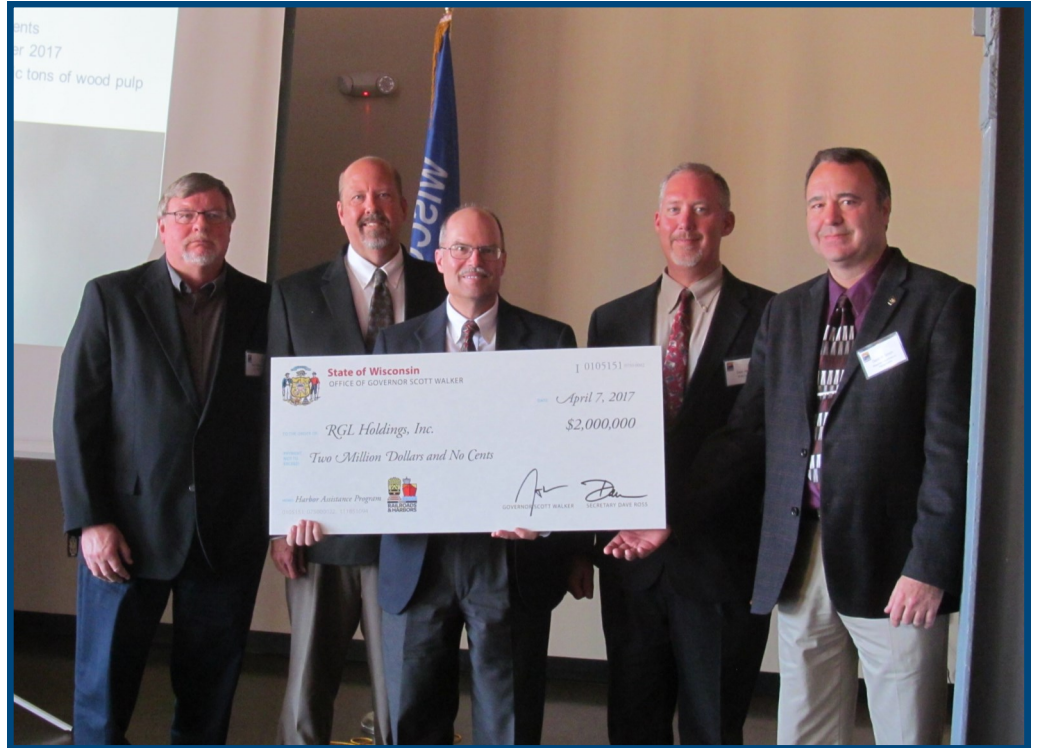


## Harbor Assistance Program Grant Award

In 2016, RGL Holdings submitted a grant application to make improvements to their shore-side facilities at their Fox River terminal including installing bollards, a metal sheet piling cap, a ladder, and a wood fender system along 553' of dock wall to accommodate vessel traffic. Additional facility upgrades include maritime security requirements related to fencing gates, lighting and cameras. Installation of crane pads and adding additional concrete and asphalt paving to accommodate unloading vessels via landside crane were part of their SOI and a subsequent HAP grant application. Mark Walter, with the Port of Green Bay, helped to develop and submit the grant on behalf of RGL Holdings for these dock improvements. In November of 2016, it was announced that RGL Holdings had been awarded a \$2,000,000 grant for their dock improvements.



RGL Holdings receiving the \$2 million HAP grant check from WisDOT.

From left to right: Randy Siewert, RGL Holdings; Al Leisgang, RGL Holdings; Steve Evans, RGL Holdings; Dean Haen, Port of Green Bay and David Simon, WisDOT.

These improvements will allow the RGL Holdings facilities to provide docking and storage services to the shipping industry currently underserved in Wisconsin. Initially, the dock improvements will directly benefit the import of pulp paper from world markets, but the potential impact is much greater as RGL Holdings is a logistics and warehousing company with access to trucks, trains and ships to move material to market. With the upgrades to RGL Holdings' Fox River terminal, they will be able to accept commercial cargo ship traffic for the first time since the late 1980s.

Each year the Port of Green Bay and terminal operators submit Statement of Intentions (SOI) to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation through the Harbor Assistance Program. The program was created to aid ports and harbors along the Great Lakes and Mississippi river maintain and improve waterborne commerce.

To be eligible for funding:

- The project must benefit facilities that are used for cargo transfer, ship building, commercial fishing or regular ferry service
- The applicant must be a local unit of government or a private owner of a harbor facility.
- The project must pass a rigorous benefit-cost analysis
- The project must have been identified in a current Three-Year Harbor Development Plan.

The Harbor Assistance Program funds are awarded on a competitive basis for harbor improvement projects which benefit commercial transportation. A project must be submitted by August 1st of the year preceding the state fiscal year in which funds are sought.