



SAND PLAINS
Community Development Fund

PROJECT # 10-P016

PROJECT NAME: Project Ojibwa

Business/Organization: Elgin Military Museum

County: Elgin

Priority Categories Addressed: Tourism

Loan Amount: \$250,000

Board-Approval Date: February 15, 2011

Project Summary: The Elgin Military Museum through its 'Project Ojibwa' will obtain, move, and mount the decommissioned submarine HMCS Ojibwa as a naval monument and museum in Port Burwell, Ontario.

Regional Economic Impacts & Benefits: The project will create a new, state of the art museum showcasing 'green technology'. HMCS Ojibwa is a cold war era vessel. It will complement the other two submarine museums on Lake Erie, both WWII boats.

Market Impact Assessment: Plans are underway to create a 'lake circle' tour of all three vessels. Research indicates the new site will attract 100,000 visitors per year from across the region, country and internationally. This project will create more than 30 long term employment positions and revenue in excess of \$1 million.

WEB: PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT