

September 21, 2018

MEMORANDUM

To: Stormwater Management Commission

From: Ashley Warren, Water Resource Professional Mike Prusila, Planning Supervisor

RE: Illinois EPA Section 319 Grant for North Branch Chicago River Watershed-Based Plan (\$69,670)

ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVAL OF GRANT AGREEMENT

SMC has been awarded a \$69,670 grant from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) Section 319 Grant Program to update the North Branch Chicago River Watershed-Based Plan. Local match for the grant valuing \$85,400 will be provided by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) in-kind contributions in the form of Cook County stream and detention basin inventories and by the North Branch Chicago River Watershed Workgroup (NBWW) in-kind contribution of watershed monitoring data. SMC was project manager for development of the North Branch Chicago River Watershed-Based Plan in 2008 and a 10-year update is required by the Illinois EPA for the plan to continue to be an "approved" watershed-based plan under Clean Water Act guidance.

SMC will administer the grant, manage the watershed-based plan update and provide professional/technical assistance services to the MWRD and NBWW who are providing the cost-share match for the grant award. A draft of the award agreement is attached.

Please contact Ashley Warren at <u>awarren@lakecountyil.gov</u> or 847-377-7710 with any questions prior to the SMC meeting.