



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

September 21, 2018

MEMORANDUM

To: Stormwater Management Commission
From: Ashley Warren, Water Resource Professional
Mike Prusila, Planning Supervisor
RE: Des Plaines River Watershed-Based Plan Adoption

ACTION REQUESTED: WATERSHED PLAN ADOPTION

Staff requests that the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission adopt the Des Plaines River Watershed-Based Plan as an amendment to the Lake County Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan.

SMC worked with numerous stakeholders including local units of government, the Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup, non-profit organizations, and residents to develop the watershed-based plan for the Des Plaines River Watershed in Lake County and small portions of Cook County, Illinois and Kenosha County, Wisconsin. Following completion of a draft plan report, SMC held a 30-day public review period that included a public information meeting (April 12, 2018 in Libertyville) and a public hearing (April 27, 2018 in Waukegan). The plan was approved by Illinois EPA and meets Clean Water Act guidelines for watershed planning.

The draft watershed plan was revised based on the comments received throughout the review period. The watershed plan report is now complete in final publication format and is available for viewing or download on the SMC website at: <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/2376/Des-Plaines-River-Watershed>. The Executive Summary is attached.

Please contact Ashley Warren if you have questions or comments prior to the SMC meeting at: (847) 377-7710 or awarren@lakecountyil.gov.