



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

To: Stormwater Management Commission
Public Works, Planning & Transportation Committee
Finance and Administrative Committee

From: Sharon Østerby, Water Resource Professional
Mike Warner, Executive Director

Date: June 6, 2019

RE: Application to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Section 319(h) Program for a Squaw Creek and Fish Lake Drain Watershed Planning Grant (\$244,200)

ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR IL EPA Section 319(h) WATERSHED PLANNING GRANT

SMC is requesting approval to apply for an IEPA Section 319(h) grant to update the Squaw Creek and Fish Lake Drain watershed plans. In early 2018, a number of stakeholders in the Squaw Creek and Fish Lake Drain watersheds expressed a desire for SMC to pursue the update of the Squaw Creek and Fish Lake Drain watershed-based plans at watershed planning and SMC meetings. Since that time, SMC staff have coordinated potential sources of local cost share that would be needed to apply for a grant to complete this project.

The scope developed for this project proposes \$144,078 in IEPA 319(h) grant funding, matched by \$100,122 in local contributions. SMC has solicited letters of commitment from local units of governments and non-profit organizations for \$55,722 of local cash match. SMC staff proposes to contribute \$36,400 of in-kind services for stream and detention basin inventories, and between \$8000 and up to \$30,000 of budgeted watershed planning funds towards the \$100,122 of match required for the grant application. Local unit of government contributions are based on acreage within the Squaw Creek and Fish Lake Drain watersheds and are a one-time contribution. The local cash match will provide for a consultant to assist with nonpoint source pollutant load and load reduction modelling and the development of the watershed action plan. Approximately \$86,685 of grant funds and local cash match will be used to reimburse SMC for its planning work and project administration.

	Project Cost	Revenue	SMC In-Kind Match	WMAG Funding	SMC Cash Match*	Local & NGO Cash Match
SMC Task Subtotal	\$123,085	\$72,620	\$36,400			\$14,065
Consultant Task Subtotal	\$121,115	\$71,458		\$12,000	\$30,000	\$7,657
Total Project Cost	\$244,200	\$144,078	\$36,400	\$12,000	\$30,000	\$21,722

*SMC proposes to provide cash match between \$8000 and up to \$30,000, dependent upon actual stakeholder contributions.