



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A Resolution Opposing the United States Army Corps of Engineers Proposed Use of the Fullerton Woods and Harry Semrow Golf Driving Range for Stormwater Management

WHEREAS, in August of 2013, the United States Army Corps of Engineers (“U.S. Army Corps”) issued an Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment for the Upper Des Plaines River and Tributaries of Illinois and Wisconsin (the “Report”);

WHEREAS, the Report sought to create a comprehensive plan for addressing flooding and stormwater along the Des Plaines River; and

WHEREAS, the Report proposed a variety of remediation measures along the Des Plaines river, including the creation of a reservoir within the Aptakisic Creek watershed, in Lake County, Illinois, near the Village of Buffalo Grove; and

WHEREAS, in October, 2013, the Village of Buffalo Grove passed a resolution opposing the siting of the reservoir at Aptakisic Creek; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps issued a “Documentation of Changes to the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment” (the “Documentation of Changes”) in response to the Village of Buffalo Grove’s resolution;

WHEREAS, the Documentation of Changes removed the proposal for a reservoir within the Aptakisic Creek watershed and proposed the creation of two reservoirs at Fullerton Woods and the Harry Semrow Driving Range within the Forest Preserve District of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County were never presented with and have not ruled upon the proposal within the Documentation of Changes;

WHEREAS, the proposed creation of the reservoirs is not supported as a land use under law and is against the mission and land use policies of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Real Estate Committee of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners convene a public hearing to discuss the proposed creation of reservoirs at Fullerton Woods and the Harry Semrow Driving Range; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, and/or his designee, report to the Real Estate Committee of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Commissioners on the proposed reservoirs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County will investigate the creation of reservoirs at Fullerton Woods and the Harry Semrow Golf Driving Range; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an official copy of this Resolution be tendered to the United States Army Corps of Engineers.