



Legislation Text

File #: 21-0101, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Grantee: Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”)

Grantor: The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (“IDNR”)

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Authorization is sought for the Forest Preserves to accept grant and enter into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the renovation of Crabtree Nature Center located in Barrington Hills.

Grant Amount: \$750,000.00

Grant Period: Two (2) years from date of full contract execution

Fiscal Impact: \$250,000.00

Accounts: Revenue 51010.411437

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final grant agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

District(s): 15

Summary: Renovation of the Crabtree Nature Center is proposed to update exhibits and signage as well as improve accessibility and energy efficiency. Building renovation would include new entrance doors and welcome desk, redesigned and refreshed interpretive exhibits, energy-efficient lighting, windows and HVAC system replacement. Site enhancements would include new signage and access improvements. The IDNR Museum Capital Grant would fund 75% of the estimated cost of improvements.

Total project costs are estimated to be \$1,000,000.00 of which the Forest Preserves is providing \$250,000.00.