



Legislation Text

File #: 16-0464, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Resource Management

Grantee: Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves")

Grantor: The Nature Conservancy via the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Hydrologic restoration at Eggers Marsh

Grant Amount: \$100,000.00

Grant Period: 12/13/2016 - 9/30/2018

Fiscal Impact: \$100,000.00 match

Accounts: 09-6750 Habitat Restoration, 09-6755 Habitat Enhancement, 09-6757 Potential Grant Match and Work Fund, Grant Accounts 10-6750, 10-6757, & 10-5800

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): 4

Summary: The Nature Conservancy recently received a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to complete hydrologic restoration in the Calumet region. The Preserves have been subawarded a portion of these funds to complete the construction of a water level control structure and other site improvements which will restore the hydrology of approximately 40 acres of hemi-marsh habitat at Eggers Marsh. The restoration of water flow at the site will improve nesting conditions and provide quality habitat for rare wetland birds.

The hydrologic recovery plan being implemented was developed by a consultant as part of a 2014 grant awarded to the Preserves through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Coastal Management Program.