



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED GRANT AWARD AMENDMENT

Department: Department of Resource Management

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

Grantor: Audubon Great Lakes ("Audubon") via the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Request: Authorization to extend grant agreement

Purpose: Engineering design and construction of a water control and fish passage system at Powderhorn Lake, utilizing grant funding received from Audubon via the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Grant Amount: \$967,770.00 (includes \$807,290.00 original award, plus \$160,480.00 in supplemental grant funding authorized under Board Item No. 21-0451)

Grant Period: 5/6/2020 - 7/31/2022; Board Approved Extension 8/1/2022 - 7/31/2023

Proposed Grant Extension: 8/1/2023 (retroactive) - 7/31/2024

Fiscal Impact: Not to exceed \$300,000.00 in direct match. There is no additional cost associated with the extension.

Accounts: Grant and Mitigation 51010.521314; Professional Services 51031.520840; and all future Professional Services accounts

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

District(s): 4

Summary: On 5/1/2020, the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the acceptance of grant funding from Audubon via the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to complete the design, permitting, and construction of a water control and fish passage system at Powderhorn Lake (Board Item No. 20-0169). The grant was subsequently amended on 10/5/2021 (Board Item No. 21-0451) to accept supplemental grant funding, and on 11/15/2022 (Board Item No. 22-0496) to extend the project through July 2023 and increase the Forest Preserves' match contribution to cover unforeseen design and construction costs.

A second extension of the grant is being requested, at no cost to the Forest Preserves, to allow for completion and final payout of the project. Construction is substantially complete, but experienced significant delays in construction and

permitting which affected the overall project timeline. Total project costs are estimated to be around \$1,267,770.00, of which the Forest Preserves proposes to contribute up to \$300,000.00 or approximately 23.6% in direct match.