



Legislation Text

File #: 19-0264, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Planning and Development

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

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

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Board authority is needed to enter into an agreement with IDNR to accept an Open Space Land Acquisition & Development (OSLAD) grant of \$673,900.00 with a local match of \$673,900.00 for improvements at the Sand Ridge/Shabbona/Green Lake Nature Campus.

Grant Amount: \$673,900.00

Grant Period: Two (2) years from approval date of grant

Fiscal Impact: \$673,900.00 (local match over two (2) year grant period)

Accounts: Construction and Development and capital bond accounts to be identified at the time of contract awards.

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 4

Summary: The grant will fund nature-based building and site improvements to support the development of a cohesive campus that includes Sand Ridge Nature Center, Camp Shabbona Woods, Green Lake Aquatic Center and the Sand Ridge Nature Preserve. Proposed improvements are intended to welcome and orient new visitors through new wayfinding signs, trail connections, interpretive exhibits, fishing outcroppings and landscape restoration.