



Legislation Text

File #: 22-0374, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD EXTENSION

Department: Department of Resource Management

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

Grantor: Forest Preserve Foundation

Request: Authorization to extend grant agreement

Purpose: Resilient Communities Program for ecological restoration at Sweet Woods

Original Grant Amount: \$252,500.00

Proposed Supplemental Grant Amount: N/A

Original Grant Period: 11/16/2020 - 10/10/2022

Proposed Grant Period Extension: 10/11/2022 - 4/28/2023

Fiscal Impact: Not to Exceed \$325,000.00 in direct match, per the original award. There is no additional cost associated with the extension.

Accounts: Professional Services 51058.520830, 51051.520830, 51028.520830; Special or Co-op Programs 51058.521313, 51051.521313, 51028.521313; Grant and Mitigation 51010.521444; and all future Professional Services accounts and Special or Co-op Programs

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 6

Summary: On 9/22/2020, the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approved the acceptance of grant funding from the Forest Preserve Foundation through the Resilient Communities Program administered in partnership with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Wells Fargo (Board Item No. 20-0320). The Forest Preserves has been sub-awarded a portion of these funds to support 180 acres of ecological restoration at Sweet Woods preserve in the Village of Thornton in southeastern Cook County.

A no-cost extension of the grant is being requested to allow for supplemental restoration work within the existing project

footprint to be completed during the winter of 2022. Achieved cost efficiencies in the original scope of work made this additional work possible. Total project cost for work dedicated to Forest Preserves property is \$617,500.00, of which the Forest Preserves will continue to contribute up to \$325,000.00 or an approximately 53% cash match.