



Study Session
MWRD Rain Barrel Program
June 2, 2016



Consent Decree Requirement
10,000 rain barrels by January 6, 2017
15,000 rain barrels by January 6, 2019



Rain barrel program partnerships

65 IGAs with municipalities
6 pending execution
16 MOUs with non-governmental organizations
3 pending execution

Courtesy of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Municipalities

Alsip	Crestwood	Homewood	Oak Park	Rolling Meadows
Arlington Heights	Des Plaines	LaGrange Park	Township of Orland	Sauk Village
Belwood	Dolton	Lansing	Orland Park	Skokie
Berkeley	Elmwood Park	Lincolnwood	Olympia Fields	South Barrington
Berwyn	Evanston	Maywood	Palos Hills	South Holland
Blue Island	Forest View	McCook	Park Ridge	Storkey
Brookfield	Forest Park	Midlothian	Posen	Stone Park
Burbank	Franklin Park	Morton Grove	Prospect Heights	Streamwood
Calumet City	Glenview	Mount Prospect	Righton Park	Summit
Calumet Park	Glenview	Niles	Riverside	Thornton
Chicago Heights	Harwood Heights	Norridge	River Forest	Tinley Park
Chicago Ridge	Hickory Hills	North Riverside	River Grove	Westchester
Cicero		Oak Lawn	Riverside	Wilmette

Non Government Organizations

19th Ward Youth Foundation	Gathering Point Community Council	Openlands
Albany Park Community Center	Greater Ashburn Planning Association (GAPA)	Rosemoor Community Association
Chicago Parks Foundation	Historic Chicago Bungalow Association	South Suburban College
Edgewater Chamber of Commerce	I Grow Chicago	West Ridge Chamber of Commerce
Emerald Society	Lincoln Central Association	
Faith In Place	Marian Catholic High School	



Rain barrels delivered to date
52,000

Rain barrels ordered to date
67,000

~ Barrels ordered in April 2016: 10,593

~ Barrels ordered in May 2016: 9,800
*There are an additional 2,600 on order pending signed agreements



Total Cost to Date
(Jan. 2014 - May 2016)
\$ 2,701,166

Estimated cost through 2016
\$ 6,186,273

Additional cost to continue through 2017
\$ 4,800,000



Recommendation

End free rain barrel program Dec. 31, 2016

- ~ Begin communication campaign
- ~ New IGA/MOU deadline: August 31, 2016
- ~ Restore market cost program January 1, 2017



Discussion