

# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street Chicago, IL 60611

## **Legislation Text**

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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2015

#### COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to issue a 13-month permit to the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to access Dead Stick Pond located east of Stony Island Avenue, south of 122<sup>nd</sup> Street, and north of the Calumet River in Chicago, Illinois to conduct bird surveys in June, 2015, and from May 1, 2016, through June 15, 2016. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

#### Dear Sir:

The Forest Preserve District of Cook County ("Forest Preserve") has requested to access Dead Stick Pond located east of Stony Island Avenue, south of 122<sup>nd</sup> Street, and north of the Calumet River in Chicago, Illinois. The Forest Preserve intends to survey the population status of threatened bird species and the overall quality of the Calumet wetland system so that it and its Millennium Reserve partners can develop a plan to improve the habitat for threatened birds in the Calumet Millennium Reserve.

A two-person team will access the area a total of six times; three times in June, 2015, and three times from May 1, 2016, through June 15, 2016, between the hours of 5:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Nothing will be sampled or removed from the site.

The technical departments have no objections to the Forest Preserve's access to Dead Stick Pond.

As is customary with governmental entities using District land for a public purpose, a nominal fee of \$10.00 is recommended.

It is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize the issuance of a 13-month permit to the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to access Dead Stick Pond located east of Stony Island Avenue, south of 122<sup>nd</sup> Street, and north of the Calumet River in Chicago, Illinois to conduct bird surveys in June, 2015, and from May 1, 2016, through June 15, 2016. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00.

It is also requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize and direct the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and the Clerk to execute the permit agreement after it is approved by the General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel, RMH:STM:BEB:vp

Recommended, David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos Chairman, Committee on Real Estate Development Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for June 4, 2015

#### Attachment

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