



# 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 15, 2017**

#### COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to issue a four (4) year permit to the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways to test and remove approximately 260,000 cubic yards of soil on District real estate adjacent to the Majewski Reservoir in unincorporated Cook County, Illinois, for construction of the Touhy Avenue segment of the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Dear Sir:

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways ("Cook County"), in conjunction with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority, is working on certain segments of the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project ("Project"). Cook County has requested a four (4) year permit to test and remove approximately 260,000 cubic yards of soil from District real estate designated as Site B adjacent to the Majewski Reservoir ("Reservoir"). The soil will be used for certain construction and improvement work made to the Touhy Avenue segment of the Project. The Mt. Prospect Park District ("MPPD") leases the 50 acre area of land adjacent to the Reservoir under a lease that commenced in 2000 and expires in 2050 for public recreational use. The MPPD leasehold contains approximately 2,400,000 cubic yards of fill and spoil (stockpiled when the Reservoir was constructed) and Cook County has requested to extract approximately 260,000 cubic yards of this spoil. Because the removal of the spoil and fill is beneficial to the District and ultimately to the development of the site by the MPPD under its lease, it is recommended that Cook County be allowed to export it for road building purposes. The soil will be removed at no cost to the District or to MPPD. The permit is subject to MPPD's consent, to which it already indicated it is amenable.

The District's technical departments have reviewed Cook County's request to test and remove the soil located on Site B, and have no objections thereto.

A nominal fee of \$10.00 is recommended as is customary for governmental entities using District property for a public purpose.

It is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it issue a four (4) year permit to the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways to test and remove approximately 260,000 cubic yards of soil on District real estate adjacent to the Majewski Reservoir in unincorporated Cook County, Illinois, for construction of the Touhy Avenue segment of the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project. 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 on behalf of the District after it is approved by the Acting General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, Susan T. Morakalis, Acting General Counsel, STM:CMM:MLD:vp  
Recommended, David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Respectfully Submitted, David J. Walsh, 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 15, 2017

Attachment