

Legislation Text

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As a requirement to receive low interest loans from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund, public notice is hereby given that the IEPA has required the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) to hold a public hearing for 20-858-3D Rehabilitation of North Branch Pumping Station and Other Miscellaneous Work, NSA, OSA, SRF Loan No. L175900. The public hearing will afford the public opportunity to provide public comment on environmental impacts of the project.

The Public Hearing will be held on May 6, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. by remote meeting.

The MWRD Board Room and building will remain closed to protect the health and safety of the public and staff, only essential personnel will be allowed entry. The public is encouraged to participate by visiting mwrd.org to view the proceedings via live stream. Public comment may be made during the Public Comment Period by calling (312) 751-3299. Public comment may also be made by submitting an electronic comment by registering under the eComment link during the live meeting. Electronic comments will not be read during the meeting. Electronic comments will be distributed to the Board and will be posted online.

The North Branch Pumping Station is nearly 100 years old and requires structural rehabilitation in order to properly maintain the facility. The purpose of this project is to replace deteriorated concrete deck, stairs, and railings at the North Branch Pump Station (NBPS), replace flap gates and removable slabs in the Connecting Structure at Drop Shaft DS-91 adjacent to the NBPS, and to rehabilitate the pipe supports and dresser couplings for the discharge headers for Raw Sewage Pumps 1, 2, and 3 at the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) pump station. The work at these locations will ensure the North Branch Pump Station, Drop Shaft DS-91, and Kirie WRP remain fully operational. All work will take place entirely on MWRD property.

The North Branch Pumping Station and DS-91 are located at 4860 N. Francisco Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625. The Kirie WRP is located at 701 W Oakton St, Des Plaines, IL 60018.

The public can additionally submit written comments on the proposed project through May 16, 2021. Comments can be sent to Ms. Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering, MWRDGC, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611 or to Mr. Bill Jankousky, IEPA, Infrastructure Financial Assistance Section, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.

Additional information and access to planning documents can be found at MWRDGC offices at 111 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois. Please contact Mr. Louis Storino at (312) 751-3167, or louis.storino@mwrd.org, for an appointment.

/s/ Jacqueline Torres Clerk of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago