



Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup

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RE: Data Collection in the DRWW Service Area

To whom it may concern,

The Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup is conducting a comprehensive biological and water quality sampling program throughout the Des Plaines River watershed within Lake County. The program is designed to collect information on the health of the rivers and streams in the area. The assessment will include sampling fish, macroinvertebrates, habitat and water chemistry at approximately 44 locations in the Des Plaines River watershed. The information collected will be used to identify and evaluate various projects to improve water quality.

We wish to inform you of sampling activities that will be occurring in your community. The Workgroup has contractors to complete biological, water and sediment chemistry sampling. Staff will be sampling from **September through November, 2015**. Most of the sampling will occur around bridge crossings, although some will be accessed from bike paths or Forest Preserve District service roads.

The Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup is an organization that formed with the goal of improved water quality in the watershed. The Workgroup is made up of municipalities, publically owned treatment works, consultants and environmental groups. More information can be found at www.drww.org.

Thank you for your cooperation and we look forward to working with you on improving water quality throughout the watershed. If you have any questions pertaining to this matter please do not hesitate to contact me at 847-623-6060.

Sincerely,

Joe Robinson
Monitoring Committee Chair