



Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup (DRWW)

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FY2026 Budget

\$512,975.51 (Membership Revenues + FY25 Carryover)

Number of Offices

1

Total Number of Budgeted Employees

Employees: 0
DRWW contracts out administrative and technical services to multiple agencies (see organizational chart).

Purpose

The mission of the Workgroup is to bring together a diverse coalition of stakeholders to preserve and enhance water quality in the Des Plaines River and its tributaries within Lake County, Illinois. Membership dues will be used to implement the DRWW water quality program, which includes data collection, analysis, and identification of potential water quality impairments based on the collected water quality data.

Executive Board

Paul Kendzior, President
Alternate: Brian Kuebker
Village of Libertyville

Chuck Bodden, Vice President
Alternate: Dave Miller
North Shore Water Reclamation District

Michael Talbett, Treasurer
Alternate: Vacant
Village of Kildeer

Vacant, Secretary
Alternate: Austin McFarlane
Lake County Public Works

Gary Glowacki, Member At-Large
Alternate: Pati Vitt
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Steve Waters, Monitoring Committee Chair
Alternate: Rob Flood
North Shore Water Reclamation District

Alana Bartolaj, Lakes Committee Chair
Alternate: James Fitzgerald
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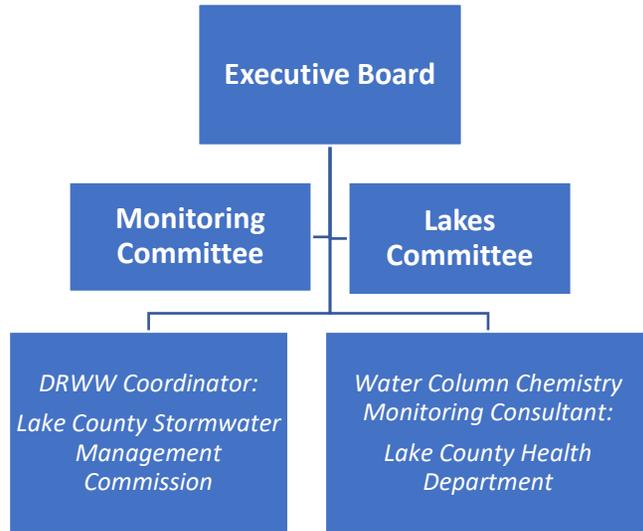
Brian Kuebker, Member At-Large
Alternate: Vacant
Village of Libertyville

Chris Johnson, Member At-Large
Alternate: Linda Tilton
Illinois Sierra Club

Vacant, Member At-Large
Alternate: Don Wilson
EPS, Inc.

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Organizational Chart



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DRWW Goals

Facilitate collection and analysis of water quality monitoring data to achieve attainment of water quality standards and designated uses for the watershed, education and outreach targeted towards achieving attainment of water quality standards and designated uses for the watershed and fostering general membership forums.

DRWW Budget and Staffing

The DRWW adopted a FY26 budget on November 20, 2025. The DRWW has an operating budget of \$512,975.51 (including annual membership dues and FY25 carryover funds). The DRWW does not have any employees but does contract out administrative and technical services to multiple agencies (see organizational chart above).

Lakes Committee

Alana Bartolai, Lakes Committee Chair
Lake County Health Department

Nick Huber,
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Rob Flood, Member At-Large
North Shore Water Reclamation District

Gerard Urbanozo, Member At-Large
Lake County Health Department

Tom Morthorst, Member At-Large
Village of Third Lake

General Membership

- City of Lake Forest
- City of Park City
- City of Waukegan
- City of Zion
- Ela Township
- Fremont Township
- Libertyville Township
- Vernon Township
- Village of Buffalo Grove
- Village of Deer Park
- Village of Deerfield
- Village of Grayslake
- Village of Green Oaks
- Village of Gurnee
- Village of Kildeer
- Village of Lake Zurich
- Village of Libertyville
- Village of Lincolnshire
- Village of Lindenhurst
- Village of Long Grove
- Village of Riverwoods
- Village of Round Lake Beach
- Village of Round Lake Park
- Village of Third Lake
- Village of Vernon Hills
- Village of Old Mill Creek
- Applied Technologies, Inc.
- Christopher B. Burke Engineering
- EPS, Inc.
- Geosyntec Consultants
- Gewalt Hamilton
- Hey & Associates
- ILM Environments
- Sierra Club
- Vernon Hills Park District
- Fehr Graham Engineering & Environmental
- Illinois Department of Transportation
- Lake County (Division of Transportation, Public Works)
- Lake County Forest Preserve District
- North Shore Water Reclamation District
- Lake County Stormwater Management Commission