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Subject: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, Phase II
City of Batavia 2007-2008 Annual Inspection Report

Dear Sir or Madam,
Attached is the Phase II NPDES Annual MS4 Facility Inspection Report for the City of Batavia that covers the period from March 2007 to March 2008. We are unable to submit Item E, Permit Obligations Provided by Other Government Entity, because the Kane County Department of Environmental Management has not completed that report as of the date of this letter. In addition, Item D, Proposed Permit Activities, is not being submitted this year since the proposed activities for 2008-2009 are addressed within the new City of Batavia Notice of Intent that was submitted on February 29, 2008 to re-apply for NPDES Permit No. ILR400288 for the 2008-2013 time period.

Please call me at (630) 454-2755 or e-mail me at sscheffel@cityofbatavia.net if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

Steven K. Scheffel, P.E., CFM
Assistant City Engineer

**ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
ANNUAL FACILITY INSPECTION REPORT
NPDES PERMIT FOR STORM WATER DISCHARGES
FROM MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4)**

Complete each section of this report.

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| REPORT PERIOD: | FROM: MARCH 2007 | TO: MARCH 2008 |
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MS4 OPERATOR INFORMATION: (As it appears on the current permit)

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| NAME: City of Batavia | TELEPHONE NUMBER: (630) 454-2755 | |
| MAILING ADDRESS: 100 North Island Avenue | | |
| CITY: Batavia | STATE: Illinois | ZIP: 60510-1930 |
| CONTACT PERSON: Steve Scheffel, City of Batavia Engineering Department (Person responsible for Annual Report) | | |

NAME(S) OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY(IES) IN WHICH MS4 IS LOCATED: (As it appears on the current permit)

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| Kane County | |
| DuPage County | |

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE ADDRESSED.

A. CHANGES TO BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (check appropriate BMP change(s) and attach information regarding change(s) to BMP and measurable goals.)

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| 1. Public Education and Outreach | "> <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Construction Site Runoff Control | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Public Participation/Involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Post-Construction Runoff Control | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> |

B. Attach the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessment of the appropriateness of your identified best management practices and progress towards achieving the statutory goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the MEP, and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum control measures.

C. Attach results of information collected and analyzed, including monitoring data, if any during the reporting period.

D. Attach a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle (including an implementation schedule.)

E. Attach notice that you are relying on another government entity to satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).

F. Attach a list of construction projects that your entity has paid for during the reporting period.

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| SIGNATURE: | DATE: 05/12/2008 |
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Information required by this form must be provided to comply with 415 ILCS 5/39 (1996). Failure to do so may prevent this form from being processed and could result in your application being denied. This form has been approved by the Forms Management Center.

Item B: - Status of Compliance With Permit Conditions 2007-2008

PERMIT CONDITION: BMP No.A6: Public Education and Outreach: Other Public Education

The City of Batavia proposes to develop a database of all property owners that abut and include local streams. Best Management Practice information will be mailed and otherwise made available to these property owners to help them in preserving and maintaining the riparian areas along the streams. The City will offer assistance and educational programs toward this end also. The City's plan to acquire GIS capabilities will improve future implementation of this program.

Measurable Goal(s), including frequencies: Goals will include timelines for completion of the property owner database, mailings, and other educational programs.

Milestones: Year 1: Complete property owner database.

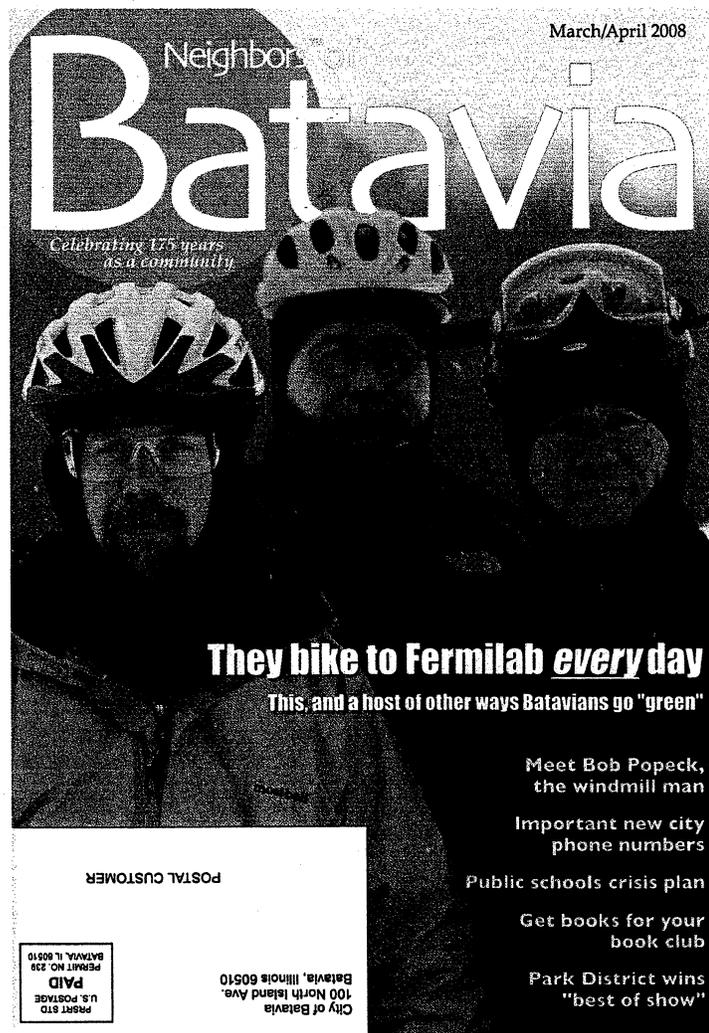
Year 2: Complete initial contact and mailing.

Year 3: Hold an educational seminar for property owners. Have experts in riparian area management give presentations, etc.

Year 4: Complete GIS integration of property owner database.

COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES:

1. **Neighbors of Batavia Magazine:** The March-April 2008 edition of the Neighbors magazine featured stories about how various Batavia citizens go "green" in their everyday activities and included suggestions for how residents could implement similar measures into their lifestyles (See cover below).



This edition also included a pictorial (shown below) about Batavians for A Healthy River (BHR), the local volunteer group that the City has worked with on many NPDES activities over the past five years. This pictorial will help increase citizen awareness and knowledge about local water resource quality, stewardship issues, and activities. The Neighbors of Batavia magazine is mailed to all City residents.

Neighborhood Watch

Batavians for a Healthy River

Batavia Creek Cleanup 07 --
Volunteers use chain saws, loppers and lots of muscle to help clear the invasive trees and plants that are thick along Batavia Creek, near Hart Road in southeast Batavia.

Batavians for a Healthy River take the environment seriously. Formed in 2003 to support efforts to remove Batavia's structurally-failing North Dam on the Fox River, the group focuses on educating the community about the benefits of the removal, including enhanced water quality. They focus on stewardship activities for the Fox River and the tributary streams in Batavia, conducting more than 15 clean-up and area restoration events. For more information visit bataviansforahhealthyriver.org.

Batavians For A Healthy River member Steve Scheffel (left) works with other volunteers during a clean-up along the east side of the Fox at Island Park.

Jessi DeMartini and her son use a canoe to access large articles of trash in the Fox River as one of the clean-ups.

Tires, trash barrels, bikes, snowmobiles, gas tanks, furniture, fishing equipment -- you name it -- and it has been pulled out of the river.

Don Lobbes shows it can take hip-waders and actually getting in the river to recover some of the trash.

Batavians For A Healthy River founder Jessi DeMartini sets up the group's information table for another river clean-up.

Karen Kosky brings her kids along when she lends a hand with a clean-up.

Signs, like this for Batavia Creek, have been placed throughout Kane County to mark the streams of the Fox River and help raise awareness of these important elements of the watershed.

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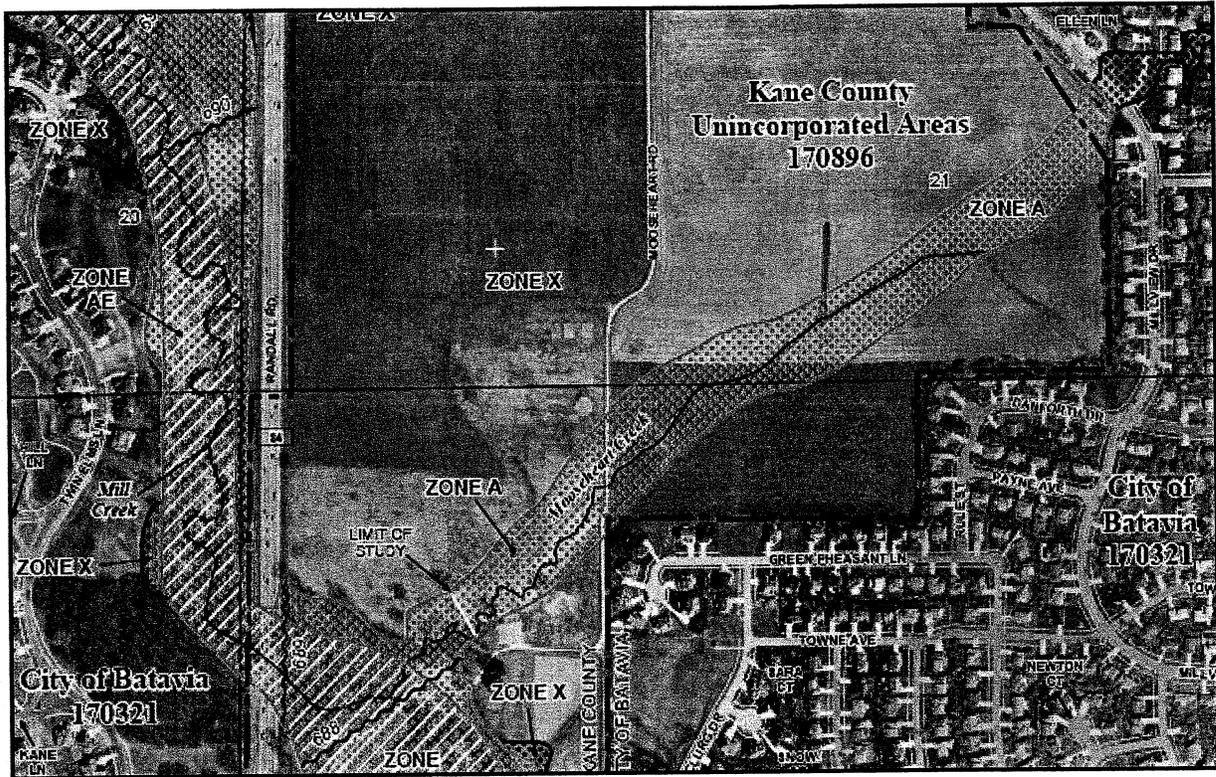
2. **Batavia Creek Restoration Work Resident Coordination:** As reported previously, ecosystem restoration work began on Batavia Creek in mid-October 2006. Prior to that first event, City staff and the Batavia Park District developed informational letters that were mailed to homeowners whose residential properties abut the creek corridor. These letters provided notification of the restoration work as well as information about the detrimental effects of encroachments and other unauthorized uses of the riparian areas. These letters were a first step in educating the adjacent landowners about the water quality impacts of their activities. Additional information letters were provided to residents in January 2008 to introduce a new phase of the restoration work. Copies of these letters can be provided if requested.

3. **Stream Naming- Mooseheart Creek:** As reported in the City of Batavia 2003-2004 MS4 Annual Report, the City has started to assign names to the un-named tributaries within our jurisdiction to raise local awareness of the streams and foster a sense of citizen ownership for them.

Presented in this same report was a compliance activity for BMP No. F5, which was the City's initiative to complete an initial detailed hydrologic and hydraulic study of an un-named tributary of Mill Creek that flows through the near southwest section of the City. While this un-named intermittent tributary was identified on the currently effective FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) panel 17089C0329F, the floodplain shown was delineated using only approximate engineering methods.

During the early coordination work with the County and the engineering consultant completing the study, City staff began using the term "Mooseheart Creek" as a descriptive, easy reference for the un-named tributary. This stream flows through agricultural land owned by the Mooseheart Child City and School, a residential childcare facility dedicated in July 1913 by the Moose fraternal organization.

Use of the "Mooseheart Creek" name caught on and during the initial coordination phases of the 2007 FEMA Map Modernization project, Kane County officials requested that the name be incorporated into the new digital version of panel 17089C0329F; the preliminary version of which (shown below) is currently out for public review. In 2008, the City of Batavia intends to install a set of stream signs at the location where the Mooseheart Creek corridor crosses Millview Drive (upper right-hand corner of the picture below) to bring additional awareness of this stream to the public.



4. **Stream Naming- Batavia Creek:** The City of Batavia 2003-2004 MS4 Annual Report, the City has started to assign names to the un-named tributaries within our jurisdiction to raise local awareness of the streams and foster

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UNITED STATES BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

In reply please use this address:
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 Reston, Virginia 20192-0523

October 25, 2007

Mr. Steve Scheffel
 Assistant City Engineer
 Batavia Engineering Department
 100 North Island Avenue
 Batavia, Illinois 60510-1930

Dear Mr. Scheffel:

We are pleased to inform you that the U.S. Board on Geographic Names, at its October 3, 2007 meeting, approved your proposal to make official the name Batavia Creek for a stream in the City of Batavia. The name has been entered into the Geographic Names Information System, the nation's official geographic names repository, which is available and searchable online at <http://geonames.usgs.gov>. The entry reads as follows:

Batavia Creek: stream: 2.1 km (1.3 mi) long; in the City of Batavia, heads in Big Woods Park at 41°50'09"N, 88°17'41"W, flows S then W to enter the Fox River at the Glenwood Park Forest Preserve; Kane County, Illinois; Secs 27&26, T39N, R8E, Third Principal Mer.; 41°50'02"N, 88°18'42"W; USGS map - Aurora North 1:24,000.

Sincerely yours,

Lou Ybst
 Lou Ybst
 Executive Secretary
 Domestic Names Committee
 U.S. Board on Geographic Names

PERMIT CONDITION: BMP No.B6: Public Participation/Involvement: Program Coordination

The City of Batavia proposes to develop a program, in cooperation with the Batavia Park District, to assist and work with local citizens groups to organize stream clean ups and streambank stabilization and improvement projects for the Fox River and tributary streams within the City's jurisdiction.

Measurable Goal(s), including frequencies: Goals will be set in terms of annual number of stream miles cleaned and stabilized.

- Milestones:**
- Year 1:** Develop and coordinate program with Park District, and initiate contact with local citizens environmental groups.
 - Year 2:** Organize and hold first stream clean-up event.
 - Year 3:** Complete first stream restoration and stabilization project.
 - Year 4:** Continue program with at least one annual project.

COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES:

1. **May 19, 2007 Fox River Trail Clean up:** City staff worked with BHR and other local volunteers to co-host a spring clean-up workday that focused on the Fox River shoreline and adjacent trails south of downtown Batavia (see picture below). The City of Batavia provided the dumpster for debris removal and the equipment to transport the collected debris to the dumpster. City staff also participated in the clean-up work.

Fox River Rescue



RECRUIT Your Friends



TELL Your Community



HELP Make A Difference

We need everyone's help to protect the Fox River and its tributaries. We invite you to pitch in at The Fox River Rescue Cleanup. Join Friends of the Fox River and Batavians for a Healthy River at Clark Island Park on Route 25 just south of Wilson St. from 9 a.m. to noon on May 19, 2007. A Thank you Lunch will be provided.

We have various cleanup locations available to suit all ages. Please dress appropriately for the weather and task at hand. Clothes that you can get wet and dirty are recommended: persons with hip waiters, canoes, kayaks are extremely welcomed.

Volunteers Needed!

May 19, 2007
9:00am - Noon
Clark Island on Rte 25
Batavia, Illinois

Contact Jen at (773) 458-3470

2. **September 15, 2007 Batavia Creek Restoration Work Day:** City staff worked with BHR and the Batavia Park District (BPD) to host this first restoration event for the Fall 2007–Winter 2008 season; working on the same 3.5-acre BPD parcel and continuing west from where the March 10, 2007 workday left off. Restoration work included cutting and chipping of invasive, non-native vegetation, stump herbiciding, and sowing native plant seeds in the cleared areas. City staff participated in the cutting and clearing portion of the restoration work. A City wood chipper and crew chipped and disposed of the cut vegetation.

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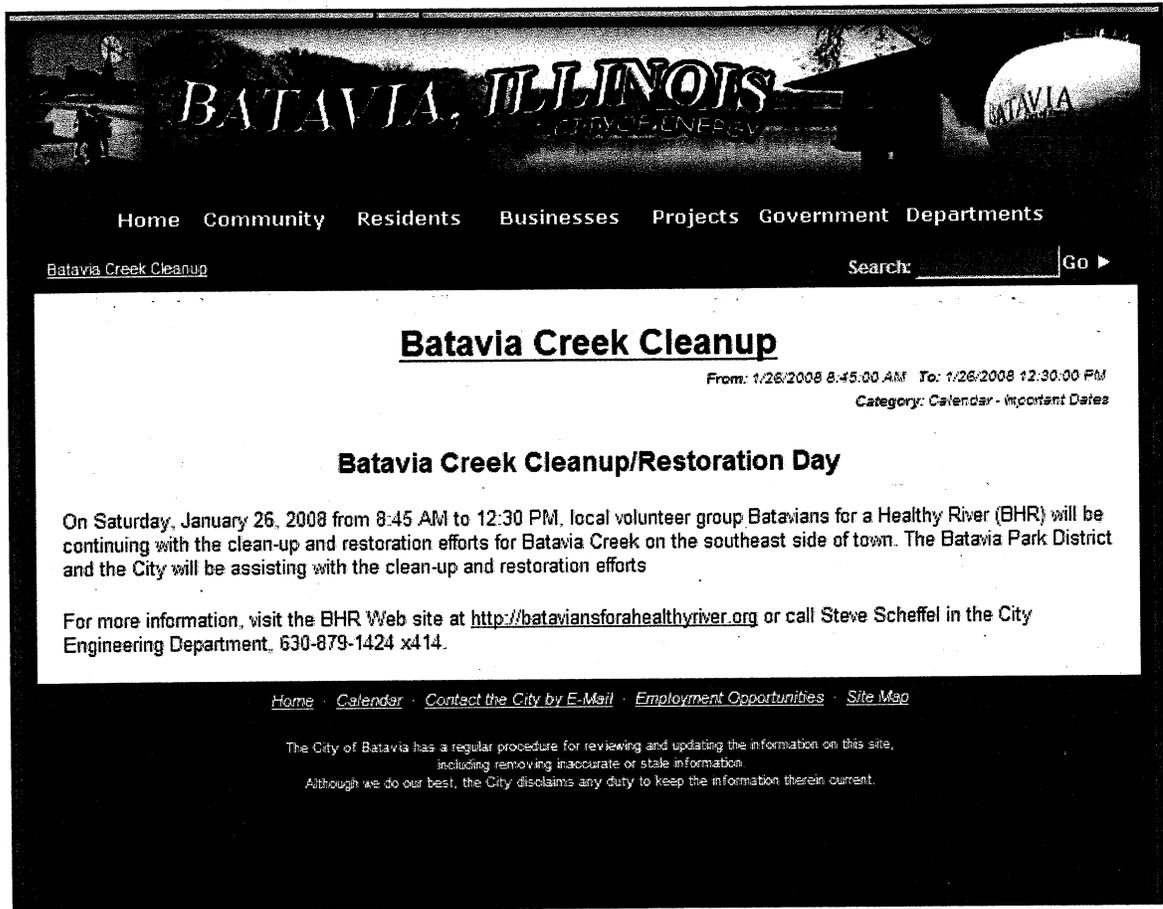
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3. **October 20, 2007 Batavia Creek Restoration Work Day:** City staff worked with BHR and the BPD to host another restoration workday event for the same 3.5-acre BPD parcel and continuing west from where the September 15, 2007 workday left off. City staff participated in the cutting and clearing portion of the restoration work. At the conclusion of this workday, all of the invasive vegetation removal work on the south side of Batavia Creek, that began October 14, 2006, was completed.



4. **January 26, 2008 Batavia Creek Restoration Work Day:** City staff worked with BHR and BPD to host another restoration event for this stream. Work began on the north side of Batavia Creek within the same 3.5-acre BPD property. City staff participated in the cutting and clearing portion of the restoration work. These workdays have been publicized in local newspapers and on the city web site, as illustrated below.



The screenshot shows the City of Batavia website with a navigation menu including Home, Community, Residents, Businesses, Projects, Government, and Departments. A search bar is present. The main content area features a calendar entry titled "Batavia Creek Cleanup" with a sub-header "Batavia Creek Cleanup/Restoration Day". The entry text states that on Saturday, January 26, 2008, from 8:45 AM to 12:30 PM, local volunteer group Batavians for a Healthy River (BHR) will be continuing with the clean-up and restoration efforts for Batavia Creek on the southeast side of town. The Batavia Park District and the City will be assisting with the clean-up and restoration efforts. For more information, it directs users to the BHR Web site at <http://bataviansforahealthyriver.org> or call Steve Scheffel in the City Engineering Department, 630-879-1424 x414. The footer includes a disclaimer: "The City of Batavia has a regular procedure for reviewing and updating the information on this site, including removing inaccurate or stale information. Although we do our best, the City disclaims any duty to keep the information therein current."



There have been many cooperative efforts between the City of Batavia and Batavians For A Healthy River over the past five years that have helped get the local citizenry involved in water resource stewardship activities. This partnership contributed toward the group receiving an award from The Chicago Wilderness Habitat Project as shown below. Chicago Wilderness is an alliance group of more than 200 public and private organizations working together to protect, restore, study and manage the natural ecosystems of the Chicago region, to contribute to the conservation of global biodiversity, and to enrich local residents' quality of life.



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THE CHICAGO WILDERNESS HABITAT PROJECT

2008 GRASSROOTS CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The Habitat Project is about effecting change. It is about building a culture of conservation that connects people to our natural heritage and brings neighbors together to protect, enjoy, and know it. The following people exemplify the Habitat Project spirit. They are changing the world, and we are all a part of their success.

These awards are "the Academy Awards of conservation". All nominees are proposed by the region's leaders and volunteers – and all decisions are made by a review committee of leaders and volunteers.



BATAVIANS FOR A HEALTHY RIVER

Batavians for a Healthy River was formed by local citizens in 2003 to support efforts to remove Batavia's structurally-failing North Dam on the Fox River. The group focused on educating the community about the benefits of the removal, including enhanced water quality. They also made a long-term commitment to help with the river restoration. While the Batavia City Council and Park District voted in favor of dam removal, funding has not yet been appropriated by the State of Illinois. In the interim, Batavians for a Healthy River has focused on stewardship activities for the Fox River and the tributary streams in Batavia, conducting more than 15 clean-ups and riparian area restoration events. Through these endeavors, the group is steadily expanding the awareness, appreciation, and active involvement of Batavia citizens in protecting and enhancing the Fox River and local streams for the betterment of the environment and the community. More information about BHR can be found at: <http://bataviaforhealthyriver.org>.

PAUL BOLLINGER

Paul Bollinger is a wetland ecologist and crack botanist, and he has used these skills each of the past four summers to collect data for the *Chicago Wilderness Land Audit* of woodlands and grasslands. In 2007, he went a step further and began recruiting other professionals from within the landscaping and consulting communities. He organized a seminar to introduce these pros to the audits, and he followed through with letters and phone calls to invite them to participate. The result was a new influx of highly skilled botanists, dedicating their free time to assess the health of our forest preserves.





DAVE CARSON

Dave Carson has been an inspiration to the "Wednesday Volunteers" at the *Orland Grassland* in Cook County for more than six years, as a steward, friend, restoration interns supervisor, and really hard worker. He does it all, outreach projects, brush cutting, savanna clearing, plant rescue, and seed collecting; he has never missed a meeting and has valuable input in every project. He has made the control of teasel his personal mission, going out almost every day in the growing season, in the wee hours of the morning, hunting out the offending plants over the entire 900-acre site. He herbicides them or leads workers in cutting the seed heads at just the right moment. He obtained his herbicide license with the sole purpose of eradicating every last plant. The result is that he is winning! It will take years for him to completely reach his goal but if anyone can do it will be Dave. The Orland Volunteers admire him, respect him, and fondly call him "The Teasel King".

PERMIT CONDITION: BMP No.F5: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping: Flood Management/ Assess Guidelines

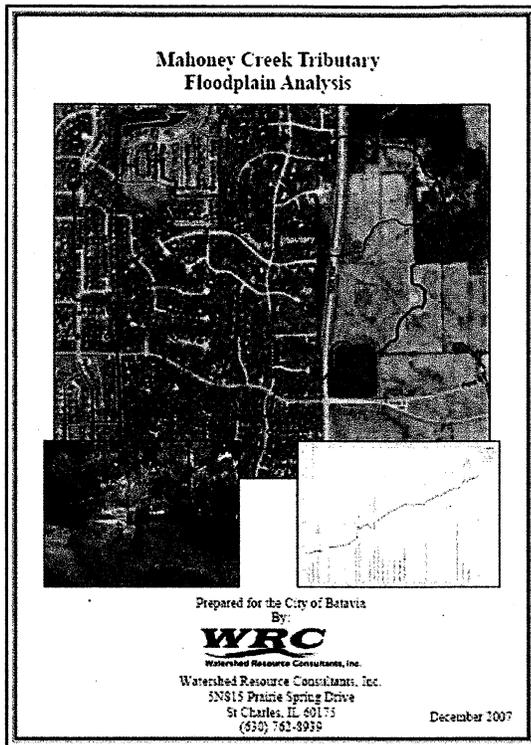
The City of Batavia proposes to complete updated hydrologic and hydraulic studies for all perennial and intermittent streams within the municipal boundaries using current data and modeling methodology. In addition to accurately quantifying floodplains and flood risks, these studies will help identify and quantify riparian areas that are eligible for protection as special management areas under the Kane County Stormwater Management Ordinance.

Measurable Goal(s), including frequencies: Complete one study per year in accordance with funding availability. Start implementing study recommendations in the first fiscal year after the study is completed.

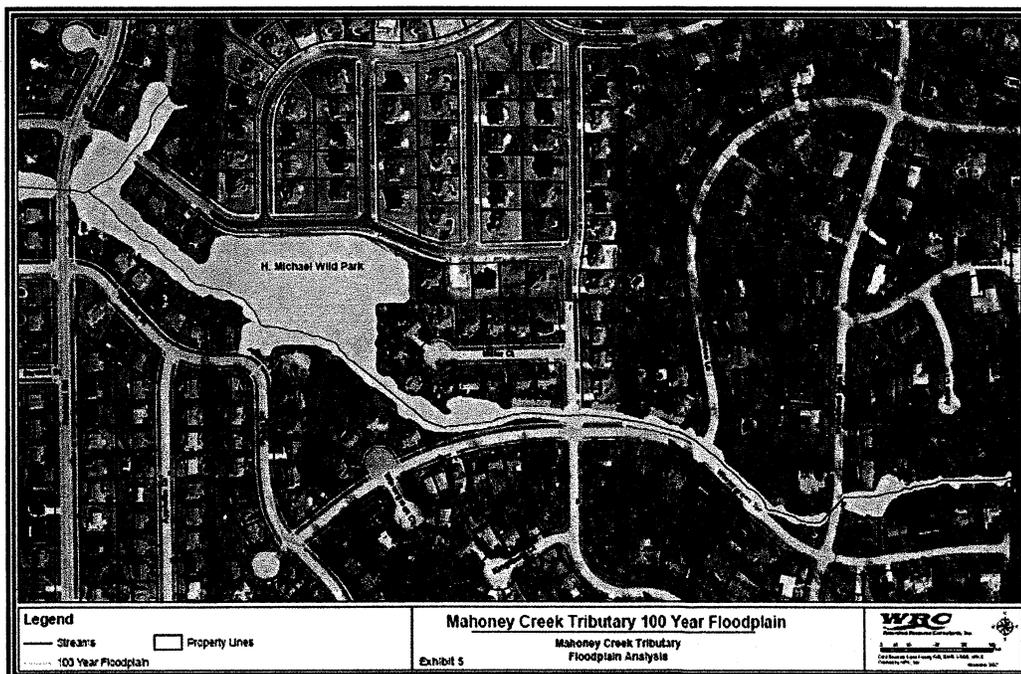
Milestones: Year 1: (As stated above.)

COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES:

1. **Mahoney Creek Tributary Floodplain Study:** This item, completing a hydrologic and hydraulic study of the Mahoney Creek Tributary, was initially proposed as a compliance activity in our 2004-2005 MS4 Annual Report. The purpose of the study is to develop baseline floodplain mapping for this stream since it was not included in the FEMA Flood Insurance Study for the Mahoney Creek main-stem first completed in 1981.



A final study scope-of-work and cost proposal was approved in March 2007 and the study was completed in January 2008. The City will use the new floodplain defined for the Mahoney Creek Tributary as an internal regulatory standard to evaluate permit applications for fences, decks, sheds, etc., to prohibit encroachments into the riparian area of the stream. In addition, the City will initiate a public education and outreach program for all property owners along the Mahoney Creek Tributary to promote the use of best management practices for the riparian areas on private property. The City and the Batavia Park District will work together to formulate future Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project proposals to address the current streambank erosion problems within the two BPD properties that the Mahoney Creek Tributary flows through. Riparian best management practices will be incorporated into the CIP projects to the maximum extent practicable.



2. **Fox River East Bank Restoration Project:** First reported last year, this proposed project involves the clearing, removal, and herbiciding of invasive, non-native vegetation from an 11-acre overbank area on the east side of the Fox River, just south of downtown Batavia (area circled in the photo below), and restoring the site with native trees and grasses. This restoration project is intended primarily as a benefit to the riparian habitat of the Fox River while also providing a substantial aesthetic benefit to the community, given its proximity to the downtown. The Kane County Forest Preserve District (KCFPD) and the Batavia Park District own the majority of this site.



City staff initiated this project and completed the preliminary coordination work with the KCFPD and BPD in April 2006. In March 2007, a grant application was submitted to Kane County to seek funding for the project. In September 2007, the City received notification that the grant request was approved (See below). The City plans to complete this project during the 2008-2009 NPDES Phase II reporting period.

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September 12, 2007

Mr. Steve Scheffel
City of Batavia
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Dear Mr. Scheffel:

Your request for riverboat funding for a Fox River restoration project was approved by the Kane County Board in the amount of \$20,000. A copy of the County Board's Resolution No. 07-304 is included with this letter.

The grant to your organization is for the sole purpose specified in this letter and described in your detailed application. Because your original request was for \$40,000, please submit a revised scope of work and budget for the \$20,000 that was approved or provide your operating plan for funding the deficit. Modifications to the project may be made only with Kane County's written approval. If any material changes occur in the project, you must notify us in writing before making further expenditures.

Payment Schedule: Payments will be made to your organization upon receipt of bills/invoices consistent with the approved budget for your project/program.

Reports/Special Conditions: Proof of any matching funds on the project/program must be provided before any Riverboat Grant funds are disbursed.

Kane County requires verification that any grant checks are deposited in an account owned by the grantee or its fiscal agent.

Item E: - Permit Obligations Provided by Other Government Entity

NPDES Phase II – 2007-2008 Kane County Activities

Kane County Department of Environmental and Building Management

General:

1. The following activities were conducted county-wide by Kane County and are intended to satisfy NPDES Phase II permit requirements for these two control measures for local governments within Kane County. This information is excerpted from the Kane County Department of Environmental and Building Management 2006-2007 NPDES Phase II Report provided with their cover letter dated May 29, 2007.

CM 1: Public Education and Outreach:

1. **Brochure Development and Distribution:**
Draft designs for two brochures were developed with members of the Friends of the Fox River environmental group. Due to budget constraints and re-adjusted priorities, the County was unable to print the brochures this year. Kane County will continue to seek means to print these brochures in 2007/2008.
2. **Speaker's Bureau:**
Kane County staff made presentations to local groups on an as-needed basis. County staff made presentations to the Fox River Ecosystem Partnership, High School groups, the Batavia EnvironExpo Fair, and other groups in 2006/2007. Due to budget constraints and re-adjusted priorities, the County was unable to make an official Speaker's Bureau officially available to groups this year.
3. **Newspaper and Newsletter Articles:**
The County continues to work on developing newspaper and newsletter articles. Due to staff constraints and re-appropriated priorities, the County was unable to distribute articles to municipalities and chambers of commerce, but plan to pursue those activities in the coming year.
4. **Other Public Service Announcement Activities:**
 - a. **School Education:** The County has, in the past, contracted with the Kane-DuPage Soil & Water Conservation District (KDSWCD) to conduct related K-12 educational activities in Kane County schools. During the 2006-2007 school year, the District presented water-related programs in several local schools.
 - b. **Public Education:** The County published the annual edition of "Kane County Recycles" which includes information on household hazardous waste and used motor oil recycling programs. 110,000 copies were distributed in local newspapers. The information contained in the Kane County Recycles publication can be found online at <http://www.co.kane.il.us/Environment/recycle/index.htm>.
 - c. The Kane County Stormwater Management Committee Annual Report was prepared and distributed to approximately 400 individuals and organizations in and around Kane County.
 - d. The County's Environmental Management Department website was further updated in 2006/2007 and now includes improved access to, and information about, flooding and water conservation information for Kane County residents. The Kane County Environmental Management Department website address is www.co.kane.il.us/kcstorm/index.asp.

5. **Tributary Signage:**
In 2003, Kane County developed standard tributary identification signs featuring the winning artwork from a student poster contest. Prior to 2006, the signs were placed at 130 stream crossings. Both the Kane County Division of Transportation and 10 separate municipalities and townships have participated in installing stream signs.

CM 2: Public Involvement and Participation:

1. **Stream Monitoring Program:**
The Friends of the Fox River continued to operate its stream-monitoring network, although not under contract with Kane County. A total of 44 locations are now being monitored throughout Kane County. In 2006 Kane County assisted the Friends of the Fox River in assembling a website to display and disseminate data from the monitoring. The website link is http://www.friendsofthefoxriver.org/frwmn-sites/frwmn_main.htm
2. **Stream Clean-up Program:**
The County met its goal of providing financial assistance for 10 stream cleanups in Kane County prior to 2006. Six stream cleanups were funded in 2006/2007 at a cost of \$1,500 to Kane County. Through this program, local nonprofit environmental groups completed clean-up events on the Fox River.
3. **Storm Drain Stenciling Program:**
The Kane-DuPage Soil & Water District continues to make storm drain stenciling supplies available to local interested groups.
4. **Other Public Participation/Involvement Activities:**
 - a. **Public Meetings:** Kane County conducted four bi-monthly public meetings of the Kane County Stormwater Management Committee to discuss stormwater management and water quality issues.
 - b. **Used Motor Oil and Household Hazardous Waste Programs:** The County conducted two drop-off events for used motor oil, which were attended by 339 participants. 6,500 gallons of used motor oil were collected for recycling.
 - c. **The County continued operation of its comprehensive Household Hazardous collection program.** The program includes a permanent drop-off facility, a one-day collection event, and a door-to-door collection service. A total of 2,469 households participated in this program during the past year.