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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Forest Preserve District of Kane County will hold a public hearing on Friday, June 5, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. or immediately following the District Executive Meeting, via web conference and teleconference to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed 2020 Rebuild Illinois Grant opportunities. Fast Track Public Infrastructure, Competitive Regional Economic Development, Competitive Public Infrastructure and Competitive Shovel-Ready Sites Grant projects.

The meeting information, is also available on the Forest Preserve District's website at <https://kaneforest.com> or the Kane County website at <https://www.countyofkane.org>. The meeting is being held by web conference and teleconference.

The following information is being made available to the public for the purpose of public participation in the spirit of transparency and an open meeting process. Please use the following instructions to participate in the meeting by telephone and use the email information provided for comments or statements.

Public Participation

The public will be provided a dial-in number on our web site that is setup to listen. We have a conference bridge number for up to 500 people to listen only. That number will be provided on our website. The listen only conference number is 888-585-9008 and the conference room number is 320-869-057.

Public Comment

During the Public Comment section, the public will have the opportunity to submit in writing via email their comments or statements. If they wish to submit a question or make a comment they will need to send it via email to the moderator at moderator@countyofkane.org. Staff will be receiving the moderator emails and working to get those ready for public comment. When we are at the public comment section of the meeting staff can read the public comments or statements. The public comments and statements will be stored in a separate email account and forwarded to all members of the board and be made available through the Forest Preserve District Office.

On or about June 15, 2020, the Forest Preserve District of Kane County intends to apply to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for grants from the Rebuild Illinois program. This program is funded by state funds as included in the 2019 Capital Bill. These funds are to be used for community development projects throughout the county, that will include the following activities: the Settler's Hill Golf Course improvements, redevelopment of the Oakhurst Forest Preserve, and the Jon J. Duerr Forest Preserve, maintenance and parking lot improvements at Hughes Creek and a development of a wetland bird habitat at the Pingree Grove Forest Preserve. The total amount of Rebuild Illinois funds to be requested for the six projects is \$10,500,000. The Forest Preserve District of Kane County also proposes to expend \$1,879,526 in non-Rebuild Illinois funds on the project. These non-Rebuild Illinois funds will be derived from the Capital Development Fund, and two grants from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the Wadsworth Foundation Grant in the amount of \$650,000.

Information related to this project will be available for review prior to the public hearing as of June 2, 2020 at the Forest Preserve District Administration offices located at 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, Illinois 60134, Monday – Friday, between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm. Or on the website at www.kaneforest.com. Interested residents are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. For additional information concerning the proposed projects, please contact Ken Anderson, via email at andersonken@kaneforest.com.