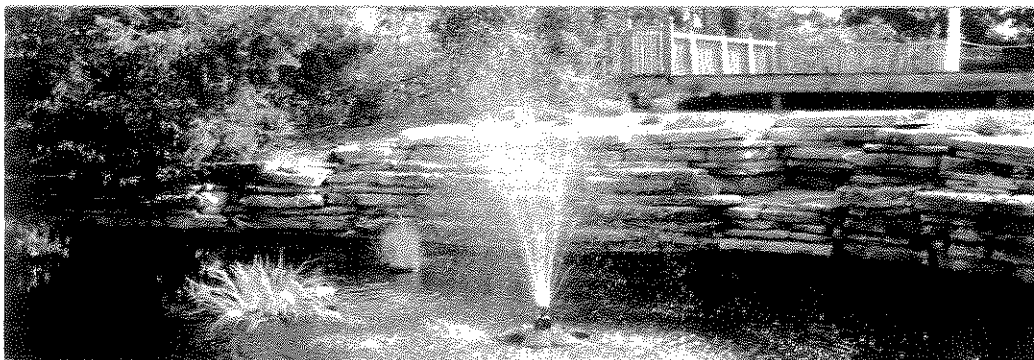


Quarterly Ordinance Update



Ordinance Update Overview

DuPage County is in the process of re-evaluating and updating its existing Stormwater Ordinances to bring them up-to-date and to comply with changes in the development and regulatory landscapes. The County is now experiencing more redevelopment than development projects. Federal and state mandates now require stormwater based ordinances on existing developments, which do not readily fit into

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DuPage County considers public involvement essential in the Stormwater Ordinance update. The Steering Committee is reaching out through public meetings and by use of a project Web site that is used to post all information under consideration. The project Web site, <http://ec.dupageco.org/StormWaterUpdate>,

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As part of the ordinance update process, DuPage County has conducted a review of successful stormwater management programs across the Country that are based on the state of the science and advanced practices, and that demonstrate community awareness and support in meeting program goals. Twelve programs were reviewed to determine how they address key stormwater categories, including management of water quality and quantity, restoration and protection of sensitive areas, natural areas and open space, development, redevelopment, erosion and sediment control, floodplains, wetlands, and roadways. The report highlights innovative practices associated

the County's existing ordinance structure.

This newsletter will be produced and distributed quarterly to update community residents and stakeholders on the major ordinance update activities in process, and to provide information on how to become involved.

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is an up-to-date source of project information. Committee meeting agendas, minutes, public meeting announcements, and key documents under consideration are all posted and available to anyone through this medium.

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with these categories. For instance, volume control for large events and for the Water Quality Storm event, BMPs, detention and infiltration, and continuous flow modeling and maintenance are standards identified as practiced by other successful stormwater programs.

Some key findings, among others, are that many programs are now using a water quality treatment volume sized to treat 90 percent of the annual volume of runoff from a site. The redevelopment portion of the report discusses the different degrees of stormwater management that are required, as well as credits for redevelopment of Brownfield sites and Transit-Oriented sites.

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Kickoff Public Meeting Summary

A kick-off meeting was held on Thursday, November 5, 2009 at the BP Campus in Naperville from approximately 8:30 am to 10:30 am. The targeted audience consisted of "permit users" from the business community. There were 106 people in attendance from the business community. Stormwater Committee Chairman Jim Zay provided the welcome and introduction. A brief overview of the ordinance update process was given that covered the existing ordinance, the scope of the update, and the update process.

Approximately half the meeting was spent receiving comments and questions from the attendees.

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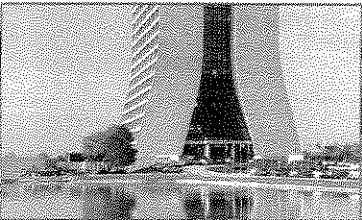
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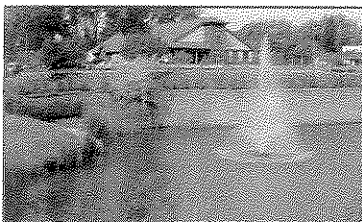
DuPage County conducted a survey of past permit applicants to obtain insight on the perception of the permit application. The results have been a valuable input to the ordinance update process. A summary of findings is available on the project website (<http://ec.dupageco.org/StormWaterUpdate/>) under "Survey."



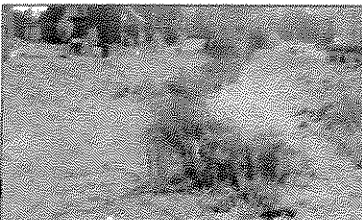
Raingarden



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McKenzie Station Retention Basin



Willow Glen Detention Basin

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A steering committee comprised of representatives of DuPage County, municipal representatives, and industry representatives are overseeing the development of the new ordinance. The development process includes several steps. A survey of permittees was performed to gain insight into the permitting process. The results indicated that process improvements are needed. A review of select ordinances around the country was performed to determine if aspects of their programs are suitable for inclusion in the updated countywide stormwater management ordinance for DuPage County. The technical memorandum summarizing the

findings may be found on the National Storm and Flood Ordinances page of the project website (<http://ec.dupageco.org/StormWaterUpdate/>). A kickoff meeting (see *Breaking News* in this issue) was also held to obtain further input on the needs of the development community. These activities have provided valuable information that is now being used to begin the actual re-write of the ordinance.

You can follow the Steering Committee as it considers changes to the ordinance by reviewing its blog postings on the project website (see *Public Comment Tool* in this issue).

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Innovative floodplain management strategies that were highlighted include prohibiting floodplain developments to increase the flood elevation, mapping the 100- and 500-year using an ultimate build-out scenario, and limiting development using the 500-year

floodplain boundary instead of the 100-year floodplain boundary.

These are just a few examples of what is discussed in the report. To view the full report, please visit the website and click on "National Ordinance Review," at <http://ec.dupageco.org/StormWaterUpdate/>.

Ordinance Update Meeting with Key Stakeholders

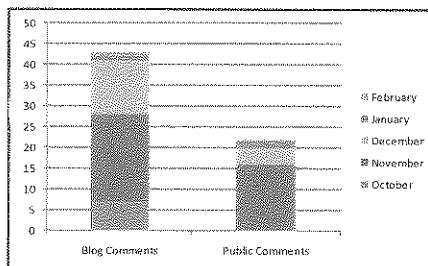
Members of the Ordinance Update Steering Committee met with the DuPage County Forest Preserve District on January 12, 2010 and with the DuPage Mayors and Managers Council on January 21, 2010. These groups received a briefing on the progress of the update, including a summary of areas under consideration for modification. The meetings were

very beneficial as these key stakeholder groups were able to provide feedback on their views and needs concerning the Ordinance Update. For meeting minutes and materials presented during this evening, consult the website under the "Public Involvement" page.

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The Web site offers innovative features like blog postings and the ability for users to submit comments. Representatives from all participating municipalities, as well as the Steering Committee, exchange comments and collaborate through the blog to develop the specific modifications to the ordinance. The public can follow these activities, and is encouraged to provide

comments on the Steering Committee deliberations by using the "Provide us your comments" link, which stores the information in a comments database that is frequently reviewed by Steering Committee members. Public comments will be addressed through periodic postings on the blog.



Website Comment Counter

The Steering Committee members and Community stakeholders are users of the blog and they are encouraged to provide comments. There is also an opportunity for the general public to provide comments on the webpage. Public comments will be reviewed and are a valued source of input.