

PROGRESS REPORT

July 1, 2003

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Implementation of the Fox River Watershed Management Plan – Phase 1

Project Name: Fox River North Watershed Improvement

Contact: Kenneth N. Anderson, Jr., Kane County Department of Environmental Management

ACTIVITIES OCCURRING DURING PROGRESS REPORT PERIOD

April 1, 2003 to June 30, 2003

Project Design

The County has requested approval from NIPC and IEPA to extend the project improvements downstream. The proposed streambank improvements would be located on the east side of the Fox River from 115 Water Street to Illinois Route 72. This would include 5 additional property owners. We are also proposing to extend the improvements within Four Winds Way Creek. This stretch of creek is experiencing tremendous down cutting and we are evaluating the need to prevent further down cutting.

The consultant Earth Tech, Inc. is in the process of submitting the required documentation to NIPC and IEPA and the project has received preliminary acceptance from the IEPA as proposed.

We are also submitting the extended project improvements to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for permitting.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

The Village of East Dundee has obtained landowner agreements and easements for access to the new property owners within their Village. All landowner agreements have been secured for this project.

All required permits have been secured from the Corps and IDNR with the exception of the new improvements proposed. We anticipate similar conditions as required previously by the two agencies.

Project Implementation

The following list describes where each of the segments are within the construction process.

No-Name Creek

- Work completed with the exception of the retaining wall. A structural engineer with Earth Tech Inc. is reviewing the new retaining wall design.

Sleepy Creek

- The tree contractor is mobilizing to begin this section of the project.

Jack Hill Park

- Final grade, topsoil, and seeding completed
- Plantings and plugs installation delayed until hot weather subsides.

McNamee Park

- Final grade, topsoil, and seeding completed
- Plantings and plugs installation delayed until hot weather subsides

- Contractor to install fence to protect seeded areas

Carpenter Creek

- The A-jax and coir fiber rolls installation is complete. The contractor and design engineer shall do further evaluation on the A-jax installation.
- Awaiting revised Madden cost for clean-up of south bank

Fox River 1A & 1B East

- Final grade, topsoil, and seeding completed
- Plantings planned for appropriate weather conditions
- One turtle nest relocated out of construction area

Four Winds Way Creek

- Selective clearing to be performed pending Forest Preserve District approval
- Plug installation delayed for appropriate weather conditions

South End Park

- A-jacks installation completed
- Seeding and plantings planned for appropriate weather conditions

Other Activities

The required Corps signs identifying the regulated wetlands are complete and will be installed within a couple weeks.

The County is working with Mr. Gary Swick (Dundee-Crown High School Teacher) on the development of a video. Videotaping and digital pictures are being conducted on the construction activities.

All of the six identification signs have been installed at various locations within the project. Village personnel completed this task.

Due to the late start of construction on this project some of the time deadlines will need to be extended. A revised time schedule shall be forwarded to NIPC and IEPA for review and approval.

Additional Information

- Describe any problems you have encountered while working on the project.
- Describe lessons learned by you and any collaborators in undertaking the project.

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January 1, 2003 to March 31, 2003

Project Design

The consultant Earth Tech, Inc. submitted the required documentation to NIPC and IEPA and the project has received acceptance from the IEPA as proposed.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

The County has received signed Intergovernmental Agreements from the Villages of Carpentersville and West Dundee. The Village of East Dundee has obtained landowner agreements and easements for access to private properties within their Village. All landowner agreements have been secured for this project.

All required permits have been secured from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Various conditions have been required by the two agencies.

Project Implementation

Construction continued through most of the winter season. Tree removal has occurred at all locations with the exception of Sleepy Creek. A-Jax structures were installed at South End Park, Carpenter Creek and a portion of No-Name Creek. Coir fiber rolls were installed at Carpenter Creek. Some issues have been raised at Carpenter Creek with the installation of A-Jax structures and coir fiber rolls. The issues are to be addressed with the contractor and engineer.

The contractor is proposing to continue work on No-Name Creek and then proceed to Sleepy Creek.

Other Activities

Earth Tech Inc. has been hired to do construction observation and has been conducting site visits to insure compliance with the plans and soil erosion and sediment control requirements.

The County is working with Mr. Gary Swick (Dundee-Crown High School Teacher) on the development of a video. Videotaping is being conducted on the construction activities. A draft outline will be forthcoming sometime this spring.

All of the six identification signs have been installed at various locations within the project. Village personnel completed this task.

In addition to the original proposed improvements two additional areas are being evaluated for further streambank stabilization. One area is located on the east side of the Fox River just north of Illinois Route 72 and the other area is an area west of the proposed improvements located on Four Way Winds Creek. These two sites will be engineered and brought through the permit process. The goal is to install the recommended improvements while the contractor is actively on site. Schedule of activities will be forth coming.

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ACTIVITIES OCCURRING DURING PROGRESS REPORT PERIOD October 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002

Project Design

The consultant Earth Tech, Inc. submitted the required documentation to NIPC and IEPA and the project has received acceptance from the IEPA as proposed.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

The County has received signed Intergovernmental Agreements from the Villages of Carpentersville and West Dundee. The Village of East Dundee has obtained landowner agreements and easements for access to private properties within their Village. Landowner agreements continue to be processed within the Village of West Dundee, they have secured all but one landowner agreement

All required permits have been secured from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Various conditions have been required by the two agencies.

Project Implementation

Construction has begun with the initial activities being the removal of trees and other vegetation. The South End Park portion of this project has begun with the installation of the A-Jax structures. Structural construction has begun on Carpenter Creek. Once Carpenter Creek is completed the contractor anticipates moving to No-Name Creek.

Other Activities

The County has conducted weekly site visits. Earth Tech Inc. has been hired to do construction observation and has been conducting site visits to insure compliance with the plans and soil erosion and sediment control requirements.

The County is working with Mr. Gary Swick (Dundee-Crown High School Teacher) on the development of a video. Videotaping is being conducted on the construction activities. A draft outline will be forthcoming sometime this winter.

All of the six identification signs have been installed at various locations within the project. Village personnel completed this task.

The improvements proposed for Four Way Winds Creek property can begin due to the purchase of this property by the Kane County Forest Preserve District. The original landowner was not

interested in signing the landowner agreement because he thought it would impact the sale of his land to the Kane County Forest Preserve.

The County has proposed to NIPC an extension of stream bank improvements along the east side of the Fox River just North of Illinois Route 72. The additional land will include about 600' and involve 5 private landowners. It is anticipated that the cost for these improvements would be \$134,520.00. Once the County secures landowner agreements for this area, the engineering and permitting process will proceed.

Additional Information

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ACTIVITIES OCCURRING DURING PROGRESS REPORT PERIOD July 1, 2002 to September 30, 2002

Project Design

The consultant Earth Tech, Inc. submitted the required documentation to NIPC and IEPA and the project has received acceptance from the IEPA as proposed.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

The County has received signed Intergovernmental Agreements from the Villages of Carpentersville and West Dundee. The Village of East Dundee has obtained landowner agreements and easements for access to private properties within their Village. Landowner agreements continue to be processed within the Village of West Dundee, they have secured agreements with all but one landowner.

The consultant has been working through the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) permit process. As of the date of this update it is the County's understanding that the only outstanding issue is to address the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act.

The County working with the Shedd Aquarium has completed a mussel survey for all of the areas associated with this project. This was required per the Illinois Department of Natural Resources prior to the issuance of a Corps permit. A copy of the mussel survey results is attached. We also received media coverage during the mussel survey in one of the County's local newspapers. A copy of the article is attached.

Project Implementation

A contract has been awarded to Thos. M. Madden Company of Carol Stream, Illinois. Thos. M. Madden Company submitted a responsive low bid in the amount of \$1,175,428.00.

Due to the delay in the issuing of the Corps permit the anticipated start of construction is to be October 7, 2002. Tree clearing will be the first activity undertaken by the contractor, followed by the installation of A-Jax structures at various locations. Most of the vegetative stabilization will occur in the Spring 2003.

Other Activities

The County held a Pre-Construction Workshop and Tour (August 28, 2002) at the Village of East Dundee to discuss the project with the landowners, Villages and contractor. The consultant, contractor and County went through the project history, funding and proposed construction activities and schedules. Attendees walked various portions of the project.

On September 26, 2002, an additional pre-construction meeting was held with the contractor, consultant, Villages and County to finalize the time schedule and construction activities.

Additional video footage has been completed documenting existing conditions. The County is working with Mr. Gary Swick (Dundee-Crown High School Teacher) on the development of a video. A draft outline will be forthcoming this Fall.

Six identification signs have been made by a professional sign maker and are ready for installation. The County is coordinating efforts with the Kane County Division of Transportation for installation of the signs at various locations.

County interns have developed a draft educational sign utilizing software called Macro Media.

Additional Information

- Describe any problems you have encountered while working on the project.
Meeting time schedule has been difficult especially dealing with consultant, officials and landowners. Permitting review is a lengthy process much fortitude is required.
- Describe lessons learned by you and any collaborators in undertaking the project.
The mussel survey was very educational. With so many players involved with the project, coordination is critical.

September 16, 2002

The following is a survey list of unionid mussels that were relocated farther off shore for the Kane County Forest Preserve District, Fox River Stream bank Restoration Project. All localities named refer to the names as given in the plan sheets labeled as project 46889.

Location: South End Park, West Dundee

Living Unionids Collected

1. <i>Alasmidonta marginata</i> Elktoe	6
2. <i>Lamsilis cardium</i> Plain Pocketbook	27
3. <i>Lasmigona complanata</i> White Heelsplitter	5
4. <i>Ligumia recta</i> Black Sandshell	2 returned
5. <i>Pleurobema sintoxia</i> Round pigtoe	1
6. <i>Pyganodon grandis</i> Giant Floater	370
7. <i>Quadrula pustulosa</i> Pimpleback	53
8. <i>Utterbackia imbecillis</i> Paper Pondshell	10

Total 474

Dead shells only, not represented in living collection

1. *Actinonaias ligamentina* Mucket
2. *Amblema plicata* Three-ridge

Location: Fox River at Jack Hill Park

Living Unionids Collected

1. <i>Alasmidonta marginata</i> Elktoe	8
2. <i>Lamsilis cardium</i> Plain Pocketbook	56
3. <i>Lampsilis siliquoidea</i> Fatmucket	1
4. <i>Lasmigona complanata</i> White Heelsplitter	19
5. <i>Pleurobema sintoxia</i> Round pigtoe	9
6. <i>Pyganodon grandis</i> Giant Floater	164
7. <i>Quadrula pustulosa</i> Pimpleback	133
8. <i>Toxolasma parvus</i> Lilliput	1
9. <i>Utterbackia imbecillis</i> Paper Pondshell	12
<i>Totals</i>	403

Non-Unionid *Driessena polymorpha* Zebra mussel 7

Dead shells only not represented in the living collection

1. *Actinonaias ligamentina* Mucket
2. *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis* Ellipse
3. *Lasmigona costata* Fluted-shell

Location: Fox River East

Living Unionids Collected

1. <i>Actinonaias ligamentina</i> Mucket	1
2. <i>Alasmidonta marginata</i> Elktoe	20
3. <i>Lamsilis cardium</i> Plain Pocketbook	91
4. <i>Lasmigona complanata</i> White Heelsplitter	15
5. <i>Pleurobema sintoxia</i> Round pigtoe	1
6. <i>Pyganodon grandis</i> Giant Floater	488
7. <i>Quadrula pustulosa</i> Pimpleback	92
8. <i>Toxolasma parvum</i> Lilliput	5
9. <i>Utterbackia imbecillis</i> Paper Pondshell	9

Total 722

Non-unionid *Dreissena polymorpha* Zebra mussel 2

Unionids represented as dead shells only

1. *Actinonaias ligamentina* Mucket
2. *Amblema plicata* Three-ridge
3. *Ligumia recta* Black Sandshell
4. *Elliptio dilitata* Spike
5. *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis* Ellipse

Location: McNamee Park, Continuation of Fox River East

Living Unionids Collected

1. <i>Alasmidonta marginata</i> Elktoe	2
2. <i>Lamsilis cardium</i> Plain Pocketbook	3
3. <i>Pyganodon grandis</i> Giant Floater	56
4. <i>Quadrula pustulosa</i> Pimpleback	1
5. <i>Toxolasma parvum</i> Lilliput	1

Total 63

Non-unionid *Dreissena polymorpha* Zebra mussel 1

Unionids represented as dead shells only

1. *Actinonaias ligamentina* Mucket
2. *Elliptio dilitata* Spike
3. *Venustaconcha ellipsiformis* Ellipse
4. *Pleurobema sintoxia* Round pigtoe

Location: Carpenter Creek, Carpentersville

No living or dead unionids found

Location: No Name creek, Fox River East
No living or dead unionids present

Location: Sleepy Creek, West Dundee
No living unionids found
Two partial valves of *Pyganodon grandis*, the giant floater were taken as dead shell only.

Location: Four Winds Way Creek, Carpentersville
No living unionids were taken.
One broken valve of a *Lampsilis cardium*, plain pocketbook, was taken.

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Conservationists move mussels for river project

EAST DUNDEE -- Three men in waders walked slowly up the Fox River on Wednesday, bending down to pick up mussels near the shore and move them to the center of the river. By 4 p.m., about 400 of the marine creatures were relocated, said Ken Anderson, project manager for the Kane County Department of Environmental Management.

Along with Roger Klocek, a conservation biologist at Chicago's Shedd Aquarium, and Rob Linke, a member of the local conservation group Friends of the Fox River, Anderson was moving the mussels so they will not be harmed or displaced during a \$2 million project intended to improve water quality in this area of the Fox River.

The project involves construction work to repair and prevent erosion along the river and its tributaries. Workers will plant vegetation and implement other methods to restore the watershed.

The repair work will be concentrated along a mile of the Fox River and another mile of its tributaries in Carpentersville and East and West Dundee, Anderson said.

Workers will begin clearing trees to start construction along the river at South End Park in West Dundee next week, he said.

Anderson said the project might take two years to complete and will have to be maintained for the next decade.

Anderson said he hopes the conservation work can be extended to other areas of the river.

"We figured we'd start in the north and as funding became available and communities want to participate, continue south," Anderson said. He added that state and federal budget cuts indicate that little money might be on hand.

The project is largely financed by a \$1.2 million grant from the federal Environmental Protection Agency. The balance was donated by the Kane County Forest Preserve District, the Kane County Environmental Management Department and the villages of Carpentersville and East and West Dundee.

This is the first time a project such as this has been undertaken along the Fox River, Anderson said.

Nearly 10 species of mussels were moved in the past 10 days, but none of them were endangered or threatened, Anderson said. The group continued looking for mussels in the Fox River on Thursday.

Department of Environmental Management, and Shedd Aquarium senior conservation biologist Roger Klocek feel the shoreline of the Fox River in East Dundee on Wednesday as they search for mussels. Searching a total of two miles of the river and tributaries, the men will relocate the mussels to deeper water to minimize impact from a \$2 million stabilization project. Mussels that have been collected for count and species identification lie on the shore. These mussels, which consist of giant floaters, pimplebacks, pocketbook, paper pond and white heelsplitters,

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Project Design

Consultant Earth Tech, Inc. submitted a revised Final Design Plans, Report and supplemental information for review and comment. This information was then submitted to NIPC and other regulatory agencies for review and comment.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

The County has received signed Intergovernmental Agreements from the Villages of Carpentersville and East Dundee. The Village of East Dundee is working with their respective landowners to get landowner agreements and easements for access to private properties. Landowner agreements are also being processed with the Village of West Dundee for a portion of the project that will be on private property.

The consultant submitted for permit during the middle part of June. The County met with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) to discuss the project. The Corps will process in accordance to their requirements. The County has also contacted the IEPA to discuss their review of the permit application and they indicated they would review in accordance to their requirements.

The County has requested to NIPC a date change to the project. The date change was related to the “Permits and Landowners Agreement: Executed Arrangement” the new date is September 1, 2002, changed from June 1, 2002. NIPC and IEPA have accepted this date change.

Project Implementation

The consultant is finalizing documents for the bid process. They should be ready by July 1, 2002. Anticipate start of construction to be September 1, 2002, or once required permits are obtained.

Other Activities

A summary of the “Pre-Construction Survey” has been completed by NRCS and has been forwarded to NIPC for review. In mid February 2002, the County mailed the “Pre-Construction Survey” to 167 landowners. We received 79 responses that were useable for survey purposes from landowners who live along the Fox River and its tributaries in the subject project area. According to the NRCS no clear trend of landowner thinking was determined by the survey. But generally people did prefer softer landscapes compared to hard landscapes.

The County and consultant have meet with Village officials and interested property owners on various occasions to discuss the project and its benefits.

Some video footage has been completed documenting existing conditions. The County is working with Mr. Gary Swick (Dundee-Crown High School Teacher) and two County interns to develop an outline and script for the educational video requirements of this project.

County interns are working on creating draft educational signage utilizing power point.

County met with a sign company who could produce the project identification and educational signs. The cost to do the required colors increases the cost of the signs. We may need to evaluate the colors or sizes of signs so we stay within budget for signage.

The County is proposing a summer streambank stabilization tour and workshop. It is anticipated that this tour and workshop would be considered a kickoff meeting prior to construction.

Additional Information

- Describe any problems you have encountered while working on the project. **Meeting time schedule has been difficult especially dealing with consultant, officials and landowners.**
- Describe lessons learned by you and any collaborators in undertaking the project. **With so many players involved with the project, coordination is critical.**

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Project Design

Final field reconnaissance and field survey work completed by Earth Tech, Inc. On April 1, 2002, the Final Design Report and supplemental information was submitted to NIPC and other regulatory agencies for review and comment.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

On March 1, 2002, the final landowner agreement was submitted to the Villages for signature. On April 1, 2002, the Final Design Report and supplemental information was submitted to regulatory agencies for permit. Also, developing formal intergovernmental agreements between Villages and the County.

Project Implementation

Anticipate start of construction is June 1, 2002, or once required permits are obtained.

Other Activities

On January 17, 2002, held a Draft Design Discussion Meeting with NIPC, Villages of Carpentersville, East Dundee and West Dundee and the Kane County Forest Preserve representatives. At this meeting project was discussed and specific site locations for were determined for stabilization.

On February 19, 2002, conducted first Public Workshop on this project at the Village Hall of West Dundee, provide coffee and cookies. There were over twenty people in attendance. The project was presented by the Earth Tech, Inc. Questions were answered and a few residents indicated a desire to participate in the project. The individual Villages will work with those interested individuals in coordinating project for construction and maintenance.

Mid February 2002, the County mailed the Pre-Construction Survey to 167 landowners who live along the Fox River and its tributaries in the subject project area. As of April 1, 2002, we have received 100 responses and we are in the process of compiling the information with the assistance of the NRCS.

IEPA and NIPC have approved the Draft Operation and Maintenance Plan.

IEPA and NIPC have approved the project schedule extensions for the following areas: Design Specifications (Final Design) extension to April 1, 2002 and Permits and Landowner Agreement (Executed Arrangement) extension to June 1, 2002.

IEPA and NIPC have approved the additional signage. Costs of signs may be higher than budgeted. The County is in the process of determining the exact costs for the types of signs required.

Additional Information

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 - Describe lessons learned by you and any collaborators in undertaking the project.
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Project Design

Field reconnaissance and field survey work completed by Earth Tech, Inc. On December 3, 2001, the draft Design Report and supplemental information was submitted to NIPC for review and comment.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

On December 3, 2001, the draft landowner agreement was submitted to NIPC for review and comment. Landowner information will be compiled and forwarded to NIPC for review.

Project Implementation

None

Other Activities

This Fall, representatives with Friends of the Fox's Fox River Watershed Monitoring Network Volunteers video taped the portions of the Fox River that were identified in the original scope of work. This is to be used as background video for the video portion of this project.

The draft "Pre-construction Survey" has been completed by the NRCS and has been submitted to NIPC for review and comment. It will be field tested and put into use.

Student from Northern Illinois University created a draft of a project sign as part of an independent study class. Sign to be finalized as sites and designs are finalized.

Have requested project schedule extensions for the following areas: Design Specifications (Final Design) extension to April 1, 2002 and Permits and Landowner Agreement (Executed Arrangement) extension to June 1, 2002.

Additional Information

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Project Design

Earth Tech has been selected as the design consultant for this project. A final scope of work is to be completed by early October. Field reconnaissance and field survey to begin late September.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

Presently working with Kane County GIS Department to get names of landowners so information can be provided about project once Draft Design Report is generated.

Project Implementation

None

Other Activities

Second meeting was held with educators from the Friends of the Fox's Fox River Watershed Monitoring Network. Volunteers identified to assist with planning and implementation of workshop and video for educators and general public.

Meeting scheduled for October 17, 2001, to review the needs for the draft "Pre-construction Survey". Working with NRCS on this portion of the project.

Student from Northern Illinois University created a draft of a project sign as part of an independent study class. Sign to be finalized as sites and designs are finalized.

Have requested project schedule extensions for the following areas: Design Specifications (Draft Design), Permits and Landowner Agreement (Draft Arrangement), and Additional Signage, these dates have been extended to December 1, 2001.

Additional Information

- Describe any problems you have encountered while working on the project – I believe many of the dates are going to need to be adjusted to more realistically represent present day conditions.
- Describe lessons learned by you and any collaborators in undertaking the project

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Contact: Karen Kosky, Kane County Environmental Management Department

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Project Design

Request for Qualifications sent to six engineering firms, responses in the form of Statements of Qualifications received from six firms. Project team interviewed one firm, contract now being negotiated.

Permits and Landowners Agreements

None

Project Implementation

None

Other Activities

Initial meeting held with educators from the Friends of the Fox's Fox River Watershed Monitoring Network. Volunteers identified to assist with planning and implementation of workshop for educators.

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