



Fox River Water Reclamation District CSO Public Notification Plan

For the Albin D. Pagorski WRF NPDES Permit No. IL0028657.
In accordance with the "EPA Combined Sewer Overflows,
Guidance for Nine Minimum Controls"

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Overview

Fox River Water Reclamation District (FRWRD) owns only one CSO outfall on the Fox River, located at Pump Station 31 on Lower Wellington Avenue in Elgin. NPDES Permit No. IL0028657 identifies the CSO outfall owned by FRWRD as outfall 004.

The City of Elgin owns all other CSO outfalls as well as the combined sewers, manholes, catch basins, inlets, outfall sewers, and outfall headwalls in the system.

The IEPA assigned a Special Condition in the NPDES permit requiring that a Public Notification Program be developed employing a process that actively informs the affected public in accordance with Section II.B.8 of the federal Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Control Policy of 1994. Further guidance for developing a Public Notification Program is provided in the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) document, *“Combined Sewer Overflows, Guidance for Nine Minimum Controls.”* In response to the Special Condition, FRWRD has developed the following CSO Public Notification Plan.

The objective of public notification is to inform the public of the location of CSO outfalls, the actual occurrences, of CSOs, the possible health and environmental effects of CSOs, and the recreational activities (e.g. swimming, fishing, etc.) curtailed as a result of CSOs. The purpose of this plan is to provide a plan to ensure the general public is adequately informed of the presence and effects of CSOs.

The FRWRD CSO Public Notification Plan includes the following elements:

- A. Website Notifications
- B. Sign Posted at CSO Outfall
- C. Public Information Meeting

Each of these elements are discussed in the following pages. Additionally, FRWRD works cooperatively with the City of Elgin that owns the combined sewers tributary to FRWRD. The City of Elgin will be developing a Public Notification Plan to describe the City’s procedures. Currently all of the City of Elgin CSO Outfalls are also posted with signs.

Website Notifications

FRWRD will post data associated with CSO events to its website: www.frwrdd.com under the Community Resources Page: CSO Information. In general, the website will include the following information:

- General information about the City of Elgin and FRWRD combined sewer system
- Copies of the CSO Pollution Prevention Plan, CSO Operations and Maintenance Plan, and CSO Public Notification Plan
- FRWRD CSO Overflow permit identification name and number
- Location of all City of Elgin and FRWRD combined sewer system outfalls
- Dates of each FRWRD CSO Overflow occurrence
- Duration of each FRWRD CSO Overflow occurrence
- Rainfall data associated with each FRWRD CSO Overflow occurrence

Sign Posted at CSO Outfall

A sign is installed by the FRWRD CSO outfall both facing into the Fox River waterway where discharge occurs. The following pictures show the sign at the outfall.



Public Information Meeting

As required by a Special Condition of the NPDES Permit, FRWRD is hosting a public information meeting to solicit comments and feedback from the affected public on the Public Notification Plan and February 29, 2016. Notification of Public Meeting was posted to the FRWRD website and published in the Elgin Courier News two separate times. The notice was also posted at the entrance of the FRWRD Administration Building. A copy of the public notice

is included in Appendix A. A copy of the sign-in sheet from the public meeting is included in Appendix B.

APPENDIX A

**FOX RIVER WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT
COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW PROGRAM
NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**

On Monday, February 29, 2016 at 7:00 p.m, the Fox River Water Reclamation District (FRWRD) will conduct a Public Information Meeting at the Fox River Water Reclamation District Administration Building located at 1957 N. LaFox (Rte. 31), South Elgin, Illinois on its Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Program. At the public information meeting, FRWRD will present to the general public the following information: CSO Public Notification Program, CSO Pollution Prevention Plan, and CSO Operations and Maintenance Plan. This public information meeting is required by a Special Condition of the FRWRD National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. IL0028657.

APPENDIX B

