



Village of Lake in the Hills Press Release

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The Village applied for and is receiving a 319 grant through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) to help pay for streambank stabilization improvements to its portion of the Woods Creek streambank that is experiencing severe erosion. The erosion causes silt and sediment build-up which decreases the channel depth and must be remedied by periodic channel dredging at a cost of approximately \$300,000 for each occurrence. The grant money received will be used to pay for a project that will stabilize approximately 1,817 linear feet of streambank and improve approximately 27 acres of adjacent wetland.

“The project highlights the Village commitment – not only to storm water management, but also water quality as the reduction of silt and sediment will improve water quality for the region,” said Peter D’Agostino, Village Management Analyst.

The implementation of this project will complement adjacent projects to this streambank completed by the Village of Algonquin and the project is supported by the McHenry County Soil and Water Conservation District, the Village of Algonquin and the Friends of the Fox. The total project cost is \$839,100, with the Village paying for \$355,640 (40%) and the IEPA grant paying for \$503,460 (60%) of the project cost. Although the construction portion of this project is not anticipated to begin until the summer of 2019, Village staff will begin preparing for this project later this year.

