


TO: Michael C. Van Milligen, City Manager
FROM: Gus Psihoyos, City Engineer 
DATE: March 14, 2016
RE: Holy Family Bee Branch Clean-Up and Testing Agreement

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this memo is to provide information on an agreement between Holy Family and the City of Dubuque for the purpose of stream cleanup activities.

BACKGROUND

The City of Dubuque is required through the State permitted MS4 permit (Public Involvement section) to: "continue to work with local water quality monitoring groups to determine the water quality of waters of the state that receive discharges from the MS4."

DISCUSSION

City staff has been working with Holy Family to create an agreement which would allow students and teachers access to City property where the Bee Branch Creek flows for the purposes of water quality monitoring and stream clean-up activities. The agreement is attached for your signature.

Wahlert students and teachers would periodically access the Bee Branch to remove debris and trash from the property. They are also investing in water quality monitoring gear for the purposes of testing the Bee Branch Creek. Information gathered would be shared with the City of Dubuque to include in our measurable goals and annual reporting requirements.

REQUESTED ACTION

I respectfully request that the attached agreement be signed.

Prepared by Dean Mattoon

Cc: Deron Muehring, Civil Engineer II