



The Village of
Glenview

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Dear Resident:

In light of recent storm events and concerns raised to my office, I wanted to update you on efforts to secure funding and move projects forward that can help control flooding in your neighborhood east of Harms Road. As you may be aware, the Village has been working since 2008 to reduce the risk of flooding, including investments to remove stormwater from the sanitary system and construction of new local detention.

After the April 18 storm – during which 4.5 inches of rain fell in Glenview in just a few hours – we learned that the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) planned to commit funds to locally-developed regional flood control projects in areas that had not historically been eligible for consideration. Prior MWRD studies did recommend stormwater projects to benefit your area, however nothing moved beyond concept planning. The Village provided to MWRD by the May 28 deadline notice of a project estimated at a total \$6 million, with the intent of submitting final design plans and specifications by July 1. Since the April 18 storm, the Village has been meeting with MWRD regularly to investigate its willingness to consider this project and staff is actively attempting to acquire property, easements and permits for the necessary infrastructure. This project would include:

- Installing backflow prevention at three storm sewer outfalls to prevent the Main Stem of the North Branch of the Chicago River from backing into local neighborhood storm sewers;
- Installing two new lift stations to pump out storm water before the river starts to recede; and
- Providing new storm water conveyance and detention storage sewer piping.

MWRD staff is beginning to summarize and prioritize all the project submittals received from municipalities in Cook County, and intends to present recommendations to the MWRD Board of Commissioners in September. The MWRD Board of Commissioners has the final say on which projects are funded for construction, as well as the types of projects eligible to connect into their waterway system.

The Village would appreciate your support for this project, which, if approved, would significantly improve flood control efforts for the 1,150 residences in your area. We want to make clear that as with any project of this size, residents would be impacted by the construction necessary to achieve this new infrastructure.

We would encourage you to follow the progress of the proposed project as it makes its way through the MWRD evaluation process. Meetings will be scheduled in the next few weeks to brief residents about the project, and information can be found on our website at: <http://bit.ly/124VJji>

This website is linked from the Capital Projects/Inspectional Services page on the Village website. You may also call the Capital Projects/Inspectional Services Department at (847) 904-4400.

Sincerely,

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