

Welcome to the
11th Annual
Stormwater Awards

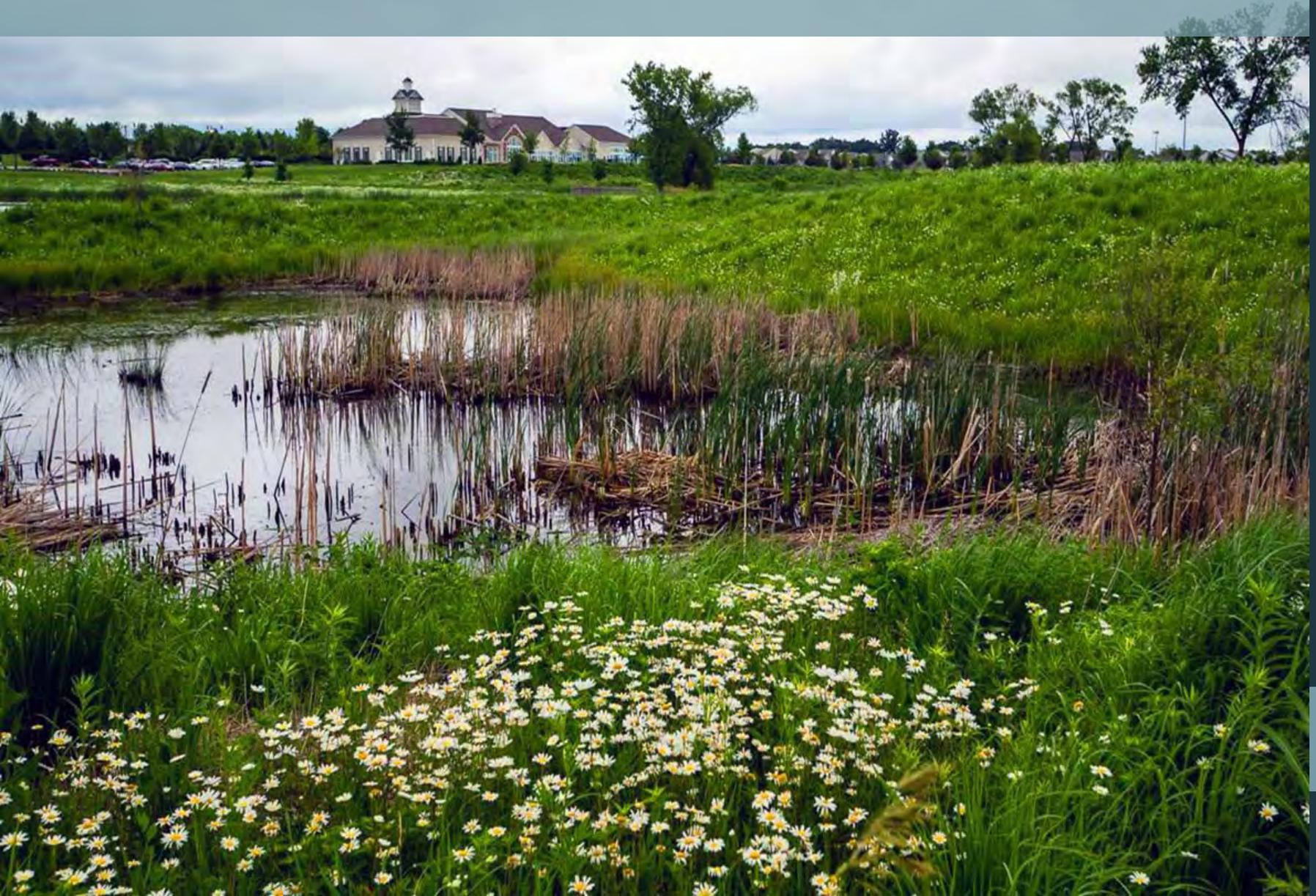
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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Community of the Year Grand Dominion





Grand Dominion

The Wetlands Commission, a group of 11 volunteers, has donated hundreds of hours to ensure that the stormwater system and open space remain high quality both aesthetically and functionally.



Grand Dominion

The community newsletters also feature articles on their work and the importance of a properly maintained open space. The Association pursues projects, maintenance, and education that benefits not only their community, but the watershed as a whole.

Stewardship of the Year Jeffrey Weiss





Jeff Weiss

Jeff Weiss founded the Buffalo Creek Clean Water Partnership and led the grassroots effort to develop and implement the Buffalo Creek Watershed-Based Plan. He also spearheaded a watershed-wide monitoring effort that included portions of both Lake and Cook Counties.

Best Management Practice (BMP) Project of the Year Skokie River Woods Wetland Restoration





Skokie River Woods

The Park District of Highland Park's project at the southeast corner of US 41 and IL 22 (Half Day Rd.) improved stormwater, water quality, and habitat wetland functions and resulted in 2.76 acres of wetland restoration/creation, 13.75 acres of wetland enhancement, and 9.71 acres of buffer enhancement.

Education, Outreach and Media Award Friends of the Chicago River





Friends of the Chicago River

Friends has been dedicated solely to the improvement of the Chicago River system and its watershed since 1979. During the 2016 Chicago River Day event, Friends coordinated the river cleanup efforts of 2,500 volunteers at 60 river sites in Lake and Cook Counties.

Richard A. Welton Stormwater Manager of the Year Scott Drabicki





Scott Drabicki

Scott has been key in the Village of Gurnee's proactive approach to monitoring and maintaining local stormwater management systems. He is a leader in the Village's flood mitigation efforts, resulting in numerous buyouts of floodprone properties and conversion to publicly beneficial open space.



Scott Drabicki

Scott was instrumental in shifting MAC from a forum for discussion of stormwater issues, to a group that provides tools to municipal stormwater managers and a beneficial shared service for local units of government in Lake County.



Congratulations

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thank you all for your commitment.