



Office of Water Resources • 2050 West Stearns Road • Bartlett, Illinois 60103

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE WILDS OF RED OAK AND LES ARENDS FOREST PRESERVE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER THE FOX RIVER BY THE FOX VALLEY PARK DISTRICT IN KANE COUNTY

The Fox Valley Park District, 101 West Illinois Avenue, Aurora, IL 60506, has applied for a permit from the IDNR, Office of Water Resources, to authorize the construction of a pedestrian bridge over the Fox River. The work is proposed to approximately 8,400 feet north of the North Aurora Dam in and near the Village of North Aurora. This notice is being sent pursuant to State rules for construction in public waters.

The proposed work involves the construction of a 7-span, 900 foot long, 10 foot wide pedestrian bridge over the floodway and public waters of the Fox River. The bridge will be a steel truss design with a concrete deck. It will be supported by 6 support structures. The support structure will not be located within the river. The bridge will include a small platform to be used as a viewing area. The low steel of the bridge will be at least 7.6 feet above the normal water surface elevation of the Fox River. The bridge will be located between the two parks listed in the title. Two temporary causeways are proposed to help in the construction of the bridge. The causeways will be in the two side channels and not in the main channel of the Fox River.

The project site is in the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 39 North, Range 8 East of the Third Principal Meridian in Kane County.

Plans for the work may be seen by appointment at the Northeastern Illinois Regulatory Programs Section office, 2050 West Stearns Road, Bartlett, Illinois 60103. Inquiries and requests to review the plans may be directed to Bill Boyd of the Bartlett Office at 847/608-3116. You may also contact the applicant's agent Patrick Hickey of Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc. at 847/697-6700. Additional information about this project can be found on our website at dnr.illinois.gov/waterresources/publicnotices.

Review of this project will be limited to the following issues: 1) Any obstruction to, or interference with the navigability of the river; 2) Any encroachment on the river; and 3) Any impairment of the rights, interests, or uses of the public on the river or in the natural resources thereof.

You are invited to send written comments regarding the proposed work to the Bartlett Office by October 14, 2026.

September 23, 2026

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