



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2012-0202

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Allan E. Schneck, P.E., Department of Public Services Director

DATE: June 18, 2012

SUBJECT: Crooks Road Star Batt to Bonnie Brae Floodplain Use Permit
City File No. E03-007D

REQUEST:

City Council is asked to approve a resolution for issuance of a floodplain use permit to the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) on the Crooks Road construction work between Star Batt and Bonnie Brae.

BACKGROUND:

The Road Commission for Oakland County plans to rebuild Crooks Road between Star Batt and Bonnie Brae during the 2012 construction season. The work will include the construction of eight-foot wide pathways along each side of Crooks Road and the proposed pathway work will encroach onto existing wetland and floodplain property. The RCOC applied for and was issued a permit from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) to complete work within the existing wetland and floodplain limits. The approved permit is attached for reference and grants permission for placement of 2,025 cubic yards of fill along edges of existing wetland area and placement of 295 cubic yards of fill within the Clinton River floodplain.

The proposed pathway work is being included per request by Rochester Hills and will further expand the public network owned and maintained by the City for the enjoyment of its residents. The pathway work assists to provide improved connectivity to the Clinton River Trailway which crosses Crooks Road within the limits of the proposed project.

Wetland and floodplain impacts are considered negligible so mitigation and compensatory offset cutting are not required as a condition of approval by the Department of Public Services. At the February 13, 2012 regular meeting, City Council approved four temporary construction easements for the RCOC to perform grading on City-owned properties within the project limits. The proposed placement of fill within the floodplain will occur within these temporary easements.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Public Services recommends that the City Council approve a floodplain use permit for the Crooks Road construction work between Star Batt and Bonnie Brae Roads.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
City Council Liaison		

Attachment(s): MDEQ Part 31 (floodplain) and 303 (wetland) approvals; permit no. 12-63-0066-P
RCOC Prop. Wetland Fill.pdf
Easement Location Drawing.pdf

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