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# Environmental Working Group Meeting #3

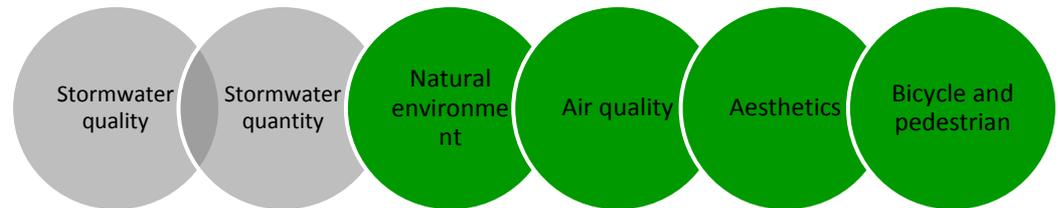
October 20, 2015

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# Agenda

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- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ Corridor Planning Council Recommendation and Priorities
- ▶ Discussion on:
  - ▶ Natural environment
  - ▶ Air quality
  - ▶ Aesthetics
  - ▶ Bicycle and pedestrian
- ▶ Next steps
- ▶ Public comment
- ▶ Adjourn

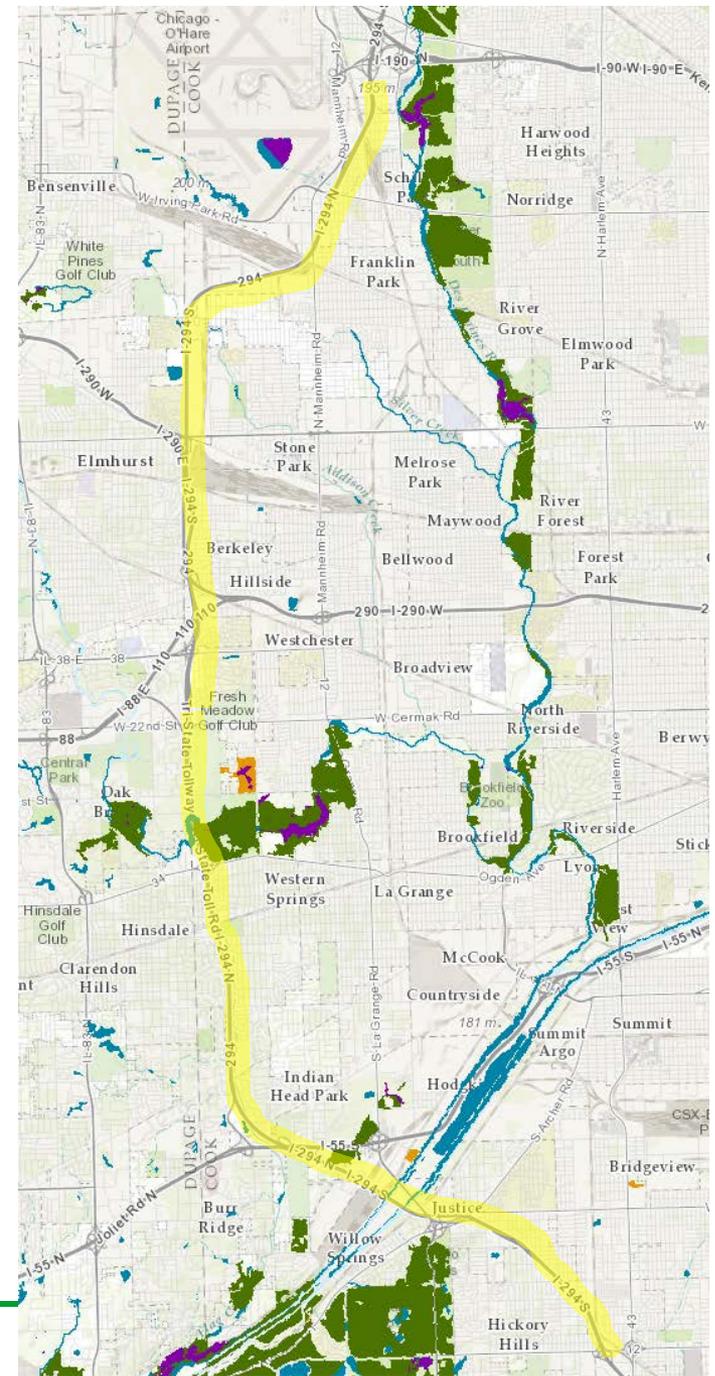


# CPC Recap

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- ▶ **September Environmental Working Group**
  - ▶ Stormwater quality
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- ▶ **October Corridor Planning Council recap**
  - ▶ Recommendation elevation
  - ▶ Top four priorities were:
    - ▶ Congestion
    - ▶ Access
    - ▶ Flooding & drainage
    - ▶ Freight

# Natural Environment



Chicago Wilderness Green Infrastructure Vision



# Air Quality

- ▶ **Provide accommodation for Zero Emission vehicles.**
- ▶ **Utilization of renewable power sources for roadway lighting (i.e. solar and wind).**
- ▶ **Consider revisions to the Construction Air Quality – Diesel Vehicle Emission Controls to require EPA Tier 4 diesel construction equipment.**



# Aesthetics

- 13 interchanges
- 65 bridges carrying I-294 over different features
- 21 bridges over I-294
- 2 oases
- 5 mainline toll plazas
- 18+ miles of noisewalls



# Aesthetics

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- ▶ **Consider creating a consistent corridor wide theme**
- ▶ **Incorporate wayfinding into interchange aesthetics (structure, landscaping, etc.)**
- ▶ **Balance aesthetics with function of roadway**



# **Pedestrian & Bicycling Accommodations**

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- ▶ **Improve connectivity to existing trails**
- ▶ **Coordinate with existing plans along corridor**
- ▶ **Focus on opportunities and partnerships to fund and implement improvements**