

Public Notice
Sandwich Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements

The City of Sandwich, Illinois recently began construction of upgrades to its wastewater treatment facility which will improve its ability to remove nutrients, including phosphorus, and improve water quality in Harvey Creek and waters downstream. The project includes a phosphorus-removing chemical feed system, filters, new aerobic biosolids sludge digesters, and rehabilitation of the existing digesters. The upgrades to critical treatment infrastructure will provide a safer, more resilient facility that is less costly to operate and maintain. Funding of this project was provided by a low-interest loan from the IEPA's Public Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP). The PWSLP is funded by both state and federal sources. The City of Sandwich obtained a loan of \$13.9 million with a 1.04% fixed interest rate and a term of 20 years. The project qualified for an environmental discount to its interest rate for providing nutrient removal.

