



## Executive Summary Facilities Committee Meeting

DATE: May 18, 2021

TOPIC: Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's Greening Cook County Schools Pilot Program

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### Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

### Purpose/Background:

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) is seeking to pilot its Greening Cook County Schools program in Suburban Cook County. The program has been working in Chicago Public Schools over the past several years. MWRD is looking to partner with districts on projects such as permeable paver, permeable playground surface, artificial turf fields, rain gardens, and courtyard renovations. Projects would have the purpose of retaining water where it falls rather than running into the storm sewer system. The types of projects within the scope of this program appear similar to those that have been discussed for long-range campus planning. Currently, MWRD is considering the District for this pilot group.

### Fiscal Impact:

N/A

### Recommendation:

This summary is for informational purposes. The Administration requests direction from the Facilities Committee as to whether or not to continue a dialogue with MWRD about participation in this pilot program should MWRD identify the District as a potential partner.