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September 3, 2010

To: Property owners near Cherokee Marsh and Wheeler Rd

Re: Public Meeting Notice
Cherokee stormwater management pond and wetland restoration project
Tuesday Sept 28th, 6:00pm- 8:00pm
Madison Public Library, Lakeside Branch
2845 N. Sherman Ave, Madison

The City of Madison is proposing a construction project on the land owned by City Parks Dept on the north side of Wheeler Rd. across from Northland Manor Park. Please see the attached map for details.

This project will consist of the construction of two stormwater management ponds and one restored wetland. Currently this site consists of two large stormwater ditches that discharge water from the Northland Manor and Sherman Village neighborhoods. These ditches were cut through existing wetland in the 1950's and 1960's. Material was also quarried from the site at this time for highway construction. Since this time the area has grown up in cottonwood and ash trees. A grove of 200+ year old white oaks remain at the center of the site.

The proposed project would create a pond at the outfall of each of these stormwater ditches. The primary purpose of these ponds would be to treat the stormwater before it is discharged to Cherokee Lake. Treatment of this water is necessary to help bring the City of Madison into compliance with its DNR stormwater management permit by the year 2013. Ponds are the most cost effective way for the city to meet this requirement.

The city is also proposing a shallow wetland on the site. This will further treat the stormwater from the area and help the city meet its stormwater management requirements. It will also enhance wetland ecology in the area and provide educational opportunities.

Walking paths would be created throughout the site to provide access and viewing opportunities for residents in the area.

As part of this project many of the cottonwood and ash trees would need to be removed. However the ponds would be constructed in such a way to save the old growth oak trees on site. City Parks dept would then pursue removal of invasive species on site such as buckthorn to restore the area to an oak savanna landscape.

This project would be completed at no cost to property owners in the area. The city is currently pursuing permitting with the DNR and hopes to begin construction in 2011. This meeting is an opportunity for the public

to voice any questions or concerns about the project. The meeting will include a short presentation by city staff followed by a public comment session.

If you have any further questions about this project, please contact Corey Stelljes of my staff at cstelljes@cityofmadison.com or (608) 266-9721.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive style with large, looping letters.

Robert F. Phillips, P.E., City Engineer

RFP:ccs

cc: Mike Dailey, City Engineering
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CHEROKEE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PONDS

