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Understanding & Influencing the Transportation Process:

Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure in Project Planning, Design & Implementation

Hosted by the Chicago Wilderness Sustainability Team & CMAP

Friday, June 1st, 9:00am - noon (FREE)

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

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Presenters

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Welcome & Introduction: Putting it in Context

Randy Blankenhorn, CMAP & Jim Van der Kloot, CW Sustainability Team Co-Chair
Kerry Leigh, Moderator

Agenda

Regional Transportation Planning (2030 RTP)

- Scope and purpose of the RTP
- How projects are selected for the RTP and why it is important
- Level/type of environmental consideration & public influence on the process

Project Programming

- Who decides which projects are funded
- Role of the metropolitan planning agency
- Level/type of environmental consideration & public influence on the process

Phase I Project Development, Phase II Design & Phase III Implementation

- Key steps and constraints
- Level/type of environmental consideration & public influence on the process

Stearns Rd. Bridge Case Study

- How an infrastructure project can be seen as a win/win solution rather than a problem
- Funding for the long term management of the systems & Lessons learned

Rt. 47/Kishwaukee River Corridor Case Study

- How this process was different and lessons learned relating to policy and process

11:00 am Discussion on Influencing the Process

- The discussion will focus on the identification of issues of concern and how they can be addressed at policy and process levels while recognizing the limits of both regulatory 'teeth' and funding levers