

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Little Vermilion River Watershed (LaSalle County)

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Bureau of Water
will hold a public meeting on

Thursday, September 11, 2014 (1:00 pm)

at the

**LaSalle Public Library
305 Marquette Street
LaSalle, Illinois**

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an opportunity for the public to receive information and comment on the draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) concerning impairments to two water body segments within the Little Vermilion River Watershed-Little Vermilion River and Mendota Creek. The potential causes of impairment for these segments of the watershed are chloride, zinc, pH, fecal coliform and dissolved oxygen.

This report includes watershed characterization, data analysis and selection of potential models that will be used to determine the pollutant loading capacity and reductions necessary to meet designated uses and water quality standards.

The IEPA implements the TMDL program in accordance with Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act. A TMDL is the sum of the allowable amounts of a single pollutant (phosphorus, metals, etc.)

that a waterbody can receive from all contributing sources and still meet water quality standards or designated uses.

Stakeholders and participants will also be asked for input and ideas to be applied to the draft Stage 1 report. An additional public meeting will be held in the future to discuss the next stage of the TMDL.

The draft stage one report for the Little Vermilion River Watershed will be available on-line at www.epa.state.il.us/public-notice. A hard copy of the draft report will be available for viewing at the LaSalle Public Library or Mendota City Hall during business hours. Questions about the TMDL should be directed to the project manager, Mike Eppley by phone at 217-782-3362 or email Mike.Eppley@illinois.gov or contact Abel Haile (see contact information below).

Closure of the Meeting Record

The meeting record will close as of midnight, October 14, 2014. Written comments need not be notarized but must be postmarked before midnight and mailed to:

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