

# URBAN STORMWATER WORKING GROUP

MEETING 2: DEC 11, 2015



# Introductions

Nora Beck, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Steve Brendel, Madison County

Tyler Carpenter, Greater Egypt Regional Planning and Development Commission

Alec Davis, Illinois Environmental Regulatory Group

Josh Ellis, Metropolitan Planning Council

Mary Beth Falsey, DuPage County

Jeff Hutton, Illinois EPA

Andrea Klopfenstein, City of Peoria

Kim Knowles, Prairie Rivers Network

Lauren Lurkins, Illinois Farm Bureau

Scott Marlow, Illinois Dept. of Transportation

Sally McConkey, Illinois State Water Survey

Stephen McCracken, The Conservation Foundation

Jason Navota, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Cristina Negri, Agronne National Laboratory

*(Continued on next slide)*

# Introductions (con't)

Bob Newport, U.S. EPA

Mike Novotney, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission

Andrew Rehn, Prairie Rivers Network

Trevor Sample, Illinois EPA

Dale Schepers, Village of Tinley Park

Eric Schoeny, City of Aurora

Cindy Skrukrud, Sierra Club

John Sloan, National Great Rivers Research and Education Center

Kelly Thompson, Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts

Justin Vick, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Amy Walkenbach, Illinois EPA

Mike Warner, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission

Patty Werner, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission

Marcia Willhite, Illinois EPA

Nancy Williamson, Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources

Rick Winkel, Institute of Government and Public Affairs/Prairie Research Institute

# Today's goals

- Review background information
- Review committee charge
- Start to determine actions and set priorities
- Determine next steps for future meetings

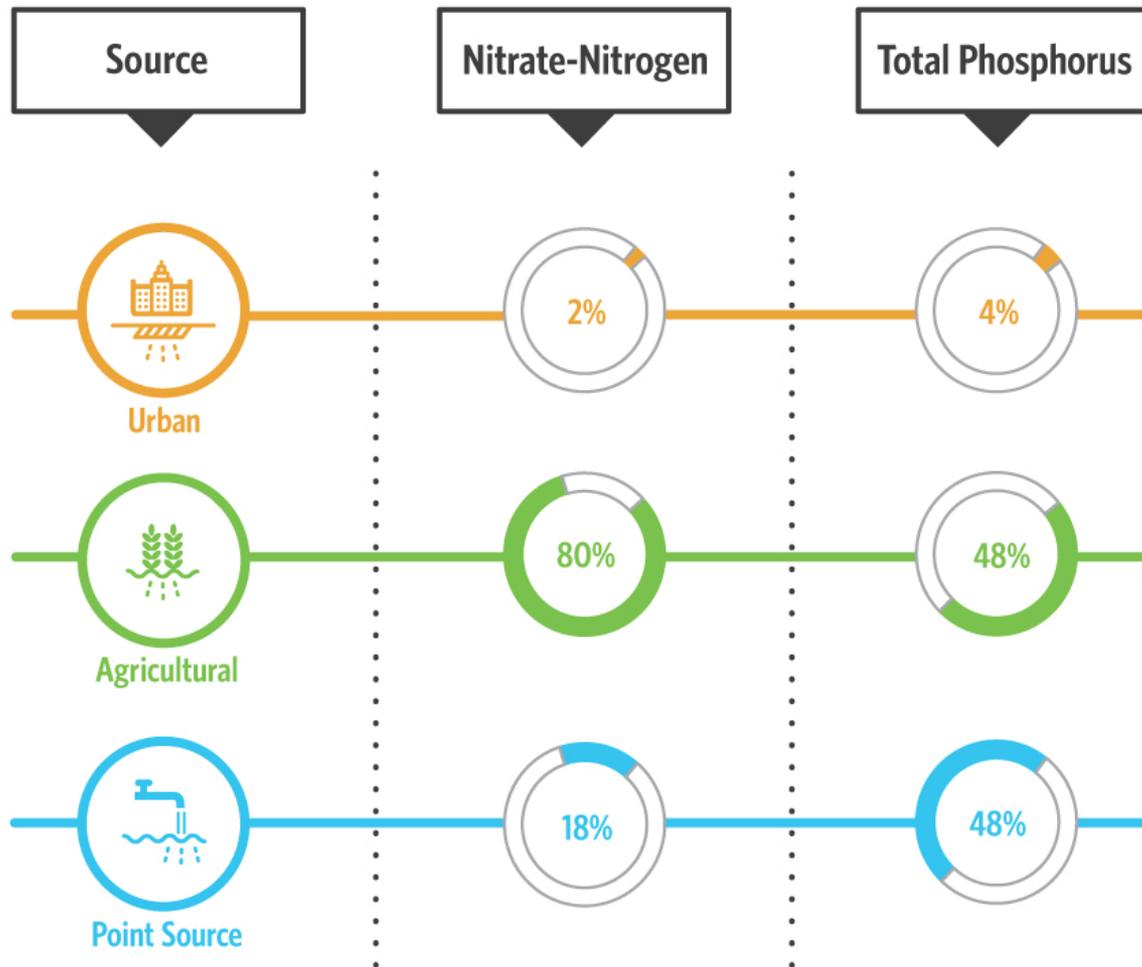
# Review background information



**ILLINOIS**  
NUTRIENT LOSS  
REDUCTION STRATEGY

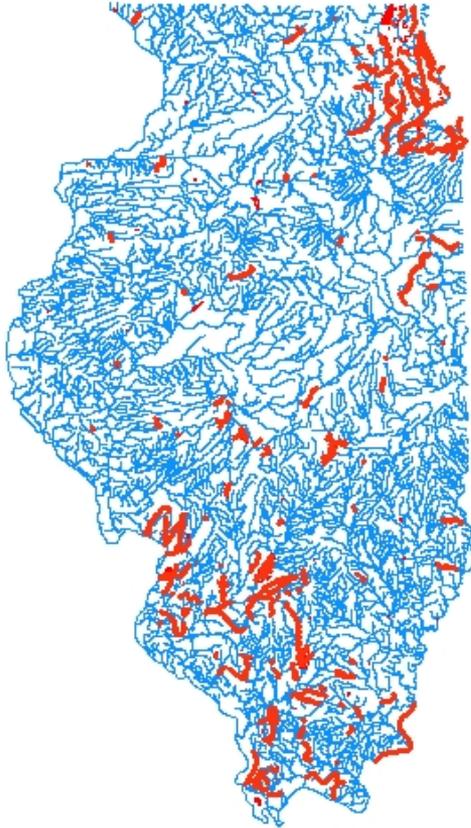


# Nutrient Contributions by Source

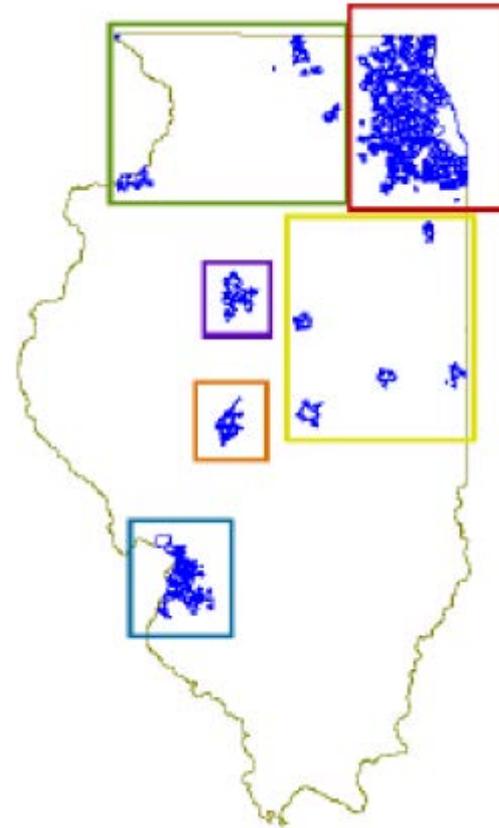


Source: Illinois Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy, Science Assessment

# Stormwater is important locally



2014 stream impairment due to urban runoff



MS4s

# NLRS Implementation Committees

- 1) Policy Working Group
- 2) Nutrient Monitoring Council
- 3) Nutrient Science Advisory Committee
- 4) Agriculture Water Quality Partnership Forum
- 5) Urban Stormwater Working Group
- 6) Point Source Working Group
- 7) Performance Benchmarks Working Group

# Policy Working Group participation By Sector

## Agriculture

## Point Source

## Stormwater



## Public Water Supply

## University/ Technical Assistance

## Government



## Environmental



# Question

At Policy Working Group meetings:

1. Working groups and forums provide a status update. **Amy Walkenbach covers this.**
2. The Sectors provide an implementation report.

**Who would be willing to cover the stormwater sector report?**

# Question

Chair?

Co-Chair?

# History: USWG Conclusions (Feb 2014)

- Small statewide, but in urban watersheds it's locally important.
- Reducing volume reduces nutrient load, therefore Green Inf.
  
- Changes needed to improve stormwater:
  - 1. Funding (State Revolving Loan funding)
  - 2. Legislative initiatives
  - 3. MS4 permit requirements
- Public outreach important to create community will.
- We need a way to connect existing initiatives and identify gaps.

# MS4 Permit Update

- Expired March 31, 2014
- Draft Public Notice period: June 9 – July 9, 2014
- Expected to be finalized by the end of 2015

# Urban Stormwater Working Group

## Committee Charge

- Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives, and develop plans.
- Coordinate outreach.
- Orchestrate statewide efforts related to green infrastructure expansion, MS4 program training, and urban stream, lake, and stormwater monitoring.

# Urban Stormwater Working Group

## Committee Charge

- Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives, and develop plans.
- Coordinate outreach.
- Orchestrate statewide efforts related to green infrastructure expansion, MS4 program training, and urban stream, lake, and stormwater monitoring.

Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives,  
and develop plans.

## Legislative initiatives

- **Urban Flooding Awareness Act (SB2966; now Public Act 98-0858 as of 8/4/14)**

- Defines “urban flooding”.

- Calls for IDNR report by June 2015. Completed report:

[https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/WaterResources/Documents/Final\\_UFAA\\_Report.pdf](https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/WaterResources/Documents/Final_UFAA_Report.pdf)

Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives,  
and develop plans.

## Legislative initiatives

- **County Stormwater Management (HB1522; now Public Act 098-0335 as of 8/13/13)**
- Provides that DuPage and Peoria counties may adopt stormwater utility fees.

Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives,  
and develop plans.

## Legislative initiatives

- **Gaps – what is needed?**
- **How to approach?**

# Urban Stormwater Working Group

## Committee Charge

- Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives, and develop plans.
- **Coordinate outreach.**
- Orchestrate statewide efforts related to green infrastructure expansion, MS4 program training, and urban stream, lake, and stormwater monitoring.

# Agriculture Sector Outreach and Education

Group of independent organizations that have come together to coordinate outreach. Once a month calls.

## **Outreach includes:**

- Newsletter articles
- Direct correspondence
- Meetings with members
- 11 Roadshows
- Social media
- Connecting NLRs to existing programs
- Robocalls

**Do we want a subcommittee for Stormwater Outreach?**

# Outreach: Discussion

- What are existing efforts?
- How to connect these efforts?
- What are the gaps?



Photo by: Jennifer Byard

# Committee Charge

- Explore funding, identify legislative initiatives, and develop plans.
- Coordinate outreach.
- Orchestrate statewide efforts related to green infrastructure expansion, MS4 program training, and urban stream, lake, and stormwater monitoring.

# Next Steps

- How to manage progress on the charge?
- Next meeting
  - Topics

# THANK YOU!



Photo by: Thomas Durbin