

RESOLUTION # _____ - 2022

Resolution to Approve a Water Quality Brokering Agreement with the Village of Cazenovia

Resolution offered by the Land Resources and Environment Committee

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Sauk County, Wisconsin:

BACKGROUND: In Wisconsin, municipal and industrial wastewater dischargers hold Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits that are issued through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Permit holders must demonstrate compliance with water quality-based effluent limitations (WQBELs) by making upgrades to their facilities or participating in adaptive management or water quality trading. Water Quality Trading (WQT) provides permit holders with the flexibility to acquire pollutant reductions from other sources in the watershed to offset their discharge load so that they will comply with their own permit requirements. The Village of Cazenovia has requested assistance from the Sauk County Land Resources and Environment Department to act as a broker and credit generator and assist with the development of a water quality trading plan. A Water Quality Brokering Agreement is attached and outlines the responsibilities of the county and the village.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, approves the Water Quality Brokering Agreement (Exhibit A).

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Land Resources and Environment Committee, this 13th day of January, 2022

Consent Agenda Item: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Fiscal Impact: ☐ None ☐ Budgeted Expenditure ☐ Not Budgeted

Vote Required: Majority = _____ 2/3 Majority = _____ 3/4 Majority = _____

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes _____ No _____ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, _____, Date: _____.

Offered and passage moved by:

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Fiscal Note: The approved 2022 budget shows \$7,500 collected from the Village of Cazenovia to compensate for 40% of the cost of LRE staff time utilized. Staff is conducting work for this project that it would normally be part of the department's responsibility. However, given that this work is attributed to WPDES Permit, the County is able to enter into an agreement to recoup some County costs.

MIS Note: None.