

#### **ENGINEERING DIVISION**

### **M** E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Prussing and Members of the City Council
FROM: William R. Gray, Public Works Director
Bradley M. Bennett, Assistant City Engineer
DATE: May 19, 2016
RE: 2016 Boneyard Creek Community Day

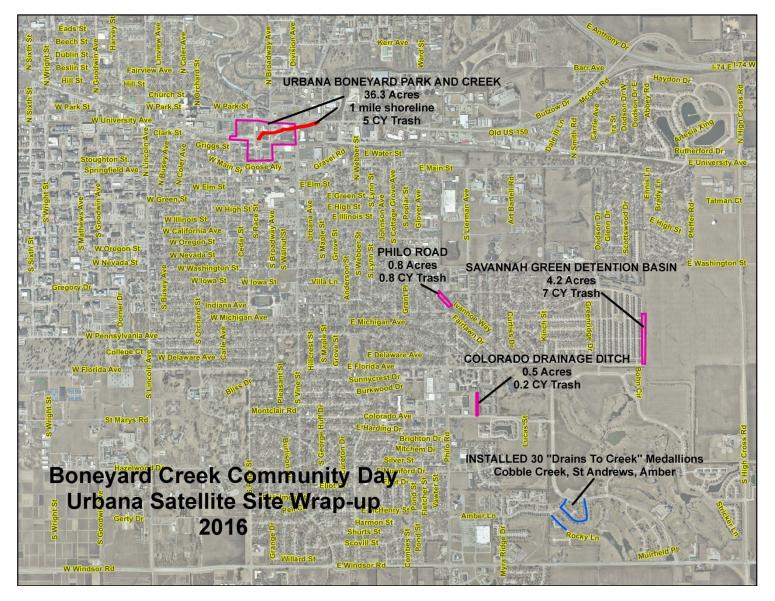
The purpose of this report is to inform the Mayor and members of the City Council of the eleventh annual Boneyard Creek Community Day activities that occurred on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Close to five hundred volunteers from Urbana, Champaign, and the University of Illinois clad in orange tee-shirts were deployed from Scott Park and satellite sites, including the Anita Purvis Nature Center and the new Boneyard Creek Park in Urbana, to aid in the restoration and clean-up of the Boneyard Creek and Saline Branch. The Boneyard Creek Park Satellite Site in Urbana had 52 volunteers.

Volunteers helped remove invasive, non-native plants from sections of the stream's corridor, pick up trash, and mark storm drains with medallions that said, "Dump No Waste – Drains to Creek." Other groups cleaned up trash at various locations across Urbana. Thirteen cubic yards of trash were collected from the sites in Urbana as shown in Attachment A. Pictures of the Boneyard Creek Community Day activities are shown in Attachment B.

Organizers for the 2016 Boneyard Creek Community Day included the City of Urbana, City of Champaign, the University of Illinois, Urbana Park District, Champaign Park District, and the Prairie Rivers Network. Urbana contributed staff time, trash pick-up kits and T-shirts for the event.

Thank you for your support of this activity.

#### ATTACHMENT A



## ATTACHMENT B 2016 BONEYARD CREEK COMMUNITY DAY PICTURES



Photo of Trash Collected from Boneyard Creek

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Photo of Storm Sewer Medallion Installation