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We save land. We save rivers.

July 10, 2009

Ms. Marcia Willhite
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
1021 North Grand Avenue East
Springfield, Illinois 62702

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Ms. Dawn Thompson
Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60606

RE: Letter of support for Settlements of LaFox
LaFox, Illinois

Dear Ms. Willhite/Thompson;

On behalf of The Conservation Foundation (TCF), I would like to support the conservation initiatives to be included in the Settlements of LaFox subdivision and Grand Prairie Sanitary District in LaFox, Illinois.

Settlements of LaFox, which has received Kane County Preliminary Plan and PUD Zoning approval, is an 1,251 acre Transportation Oriented Development (TOD) and will provide 1,275 residential units, 48 acres of commercial/town center areas, and 657 acres of open space. The subdivision straddles an open space corridor along Mill Creek, south of Illinois Route 38 and is part of the Grand Prairie Sanitary District. We need more of these types of developments that showcase environmentally-friendly practices.

As part of the environmentally conscious planning of Settlements of LaFox, all wastewater generated on-site will be treated by the Grand Prairie Sanitary District Land Application Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP). Funding for the WWTP is being sought from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), which is to be administered through Illinois' Revolving Loan Fund Program.

The Conservation Foundation supports the Settlements of LaFox subdivision based on the level of conservation practices incorporated throughout the site, and especially the use of a membrane bioreactor spray irrigation waste water treatment plant. Please contact me at 630-428-4500 or Andrea Cline if you have any questions regarding this letter of support.

Sincerely,

Brook McDonald
President/CEO