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DATE: April 3, 2017

MEMO TO: Carol Calabresa, Chair
Planning Committee

FROM: Randall S. Seebach,
Director of Planning and Land Preservation

REQUEST: Provide policy direction regarding a request from the Lake County Public Works Department, representing the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (CLCJAWA), to consider the routing of a proposed Lake Michigan water line extension at Fish Lake Road and Gilmer Roads adjacent to Singing Hills Forest Preserve, and to authorize negotiation of an Intergovernmental Agreement.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED: Leadership

FINANCIAL DATA: At this time there is no financial impact.

BACKGROUND: The Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (“CLCJAWA”) is currently in the process of preparing preliminary plans for future improvements to extend Lake Michigan water to the City of Wauconda and Village of Volo.

As part of the planned improvements, CLCJAWA has identified a preliminary route which will run along Fish Lake Road and Gilmer Road adjacent to Singing Hills Forest Preserve. These improvements will require temporary and permanent easements at Millennium Trail and Singing Hills Forest Preserve.

Staff is seeking preliminary approval of the proposed water line routing and for authorization to negotiate an Intergovernmental Agreement.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: Executive Director, Chief Operations Officer, Director of Planning, Corporate Counsel