

**Fiscal Year 2010/2011 Budget
Highlights and Goals**

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

FY2010 Highlights

- Completed the 2030 Comprehensive Plan with the RPC, P&D Committee, and County Board.
- Issued an RFP to select a consultant to develop a Unified Development Ordinance.
- Reorganized the department to provide better public service.
- Promoted creation of the Housing Commission and facilitated organization and appointment of members to the Commission.
- Developed a countywide stormwater management permit, Wetland Restoration Fund, and other amendments to the Stormwater Management Ordinance for review by the Stormwater Management Commission and adoption by the County Board (anticipated adoption Nov. 2010).
- Converted the official zoning maps to GIS.
- Finalized implementation of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program; closed on first several home resales, anticipate closing on last home purchases by September; resolved previous HUD monitoring findings; and continued training on HUD compliance requirements.
- Revised the Sign Ordinance to address enforcement issues.

FY2011 Goals

- Manage the selected consultant's development of a new Unified Development Ordinance that updates and consolidates the zoning, subdivision, sign, and earth extraction groundwater monitoring ordinances, and includes possible new property maintenance regulations.
- Revise the Stormwater Management Ordinance to require groundwater infiltration and address other areas of concern.
- Develop a Wind Turbine Model Ordinance in conjunction with interested municipalities, other officials, industry representatives, and property owners.
- Implement a new permit management system (pending budget approval).
- Implement an Administrative Adjudication process (pending budget approval).
- Improve planning, allocating, administering, and monitoring HUD grants to increase our efficiency and ensure we are meeting all Federal requirements.
- Integrate the Water Resources function and staff into the Department and assume responsibility for preparation of the County's annual NPDES permit.
- Complete the IDNR/FEMA Community Rating Program to reduce flood insurance premiums for McHenry County property owners.
- Develop a Countywide Greenways Plan with assistance from the Strategic Watershed Action Team (pending grant award).