



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

# Media Advisory

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## Sixth Annual Sustainability Summit highlights MWRD partners' efforts to protect planet

**WHO:** The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) and partners

**WHAT:** The MWRD's Sustainability Summit will address environmental measures the MWRD is taking to manage stormwater and improve resource recovery and empower and equip partnering municipalities and environmental advocates with the latest trends in sustainability.

**WHERE:** Stickney Water Reclamation Plant Auditorium, 6001 W. Pershing Rd., Cicero, IL.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, October 16, 2018, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's (MWRD's) Sixth Annual Sustainability Summit will highlight the MWRD's many emerging programs in resource recovery and stormwater management and offer an educational forum for community leaders, elected officials, public administrators and land managers looking to play a role in utilizing renewable resources. The Summit will provide an outlet for sharing strategies and resources in promoting the environment, while also honoring individuals, organizations, municipalities and other agencies for modeling best practices in sustainability.

Projects from across Cook County that speak to the MWRD's mission in renewable resources, flood control and water quality improvements will be honored. Awards presented at the Summit recognize the best activities and innovations in green infrastructure to manage stormwater and spotlight the best examples of sustainable landscaping practices and MWRD biosolids use. Exceptional Quality

biosolids and biosolids compost are a product of the MWRD's water treatment process.

In addition to improving turf quality as a soil amendment and sustainable alternatives to other materials, the local use of biosolids can reduce carbon footprints.

Following the Summit, optional tours of the MWRD's Harlem Avenue Solids Management Area will be provided to attendees. For more information about the Sustainability Summit, contact (312) 751-6633 or email [public.affairs@mwr.org](mailto:public.affairs@mwr.org).



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