A Resolution Supporting the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan

WHEREAS, the 9 Lakes Watershed-based Plan, completed in June 2014, was developed in a collaborative manner with diverse stakeholder input; and

WHEREAS, the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan planning area – including the Cotton-Mutton Creek, Slocum Lake Drain/Fiddle Creek, and Tower Lake Drain watersheds – is tributary to the Fox River; and

WHEREAS, stewardship of watershed resources including water quality is important to the prosperity of residents and landowners in the 9 Lakes planning area and elsewhere in the Fox River Basin; and

WHEREAS, a purpose of the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan is to identify opportunities for watershed communities to integrate watershed management goals and objectives in local planning, natural resource protection, and development activities; and

WHEREAS, a purpose of the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan is to identify opportunities to protect and improve surface water and groundwater quality by implementing best management practices and programs; and

WHEREAS, the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan offers reasoned guidance to urban and rural landowners and decision-makers alike for conserving the land, soil, and water resources of the 9 Lakes planning area; and

WHEREAS, the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan supports the vision and strategies of the Fox River Ecosystem Partnership's Integrated Management Plan for the Fox River Watershed in Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fox River Ecosystem Partnership supports a collective effort to implement the projects, programs, and policies recommended in the 9 Lakes Watershed-Based Plan.

Passed and approved by members of the Executive Committee, Fox River Ecosystem Partnership, this 11th day of May, 2016, in Algonquin, McHenry County, Illinois.

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