



Fox River Ecosystem Partnership

Resolution No. 2012-05

**A Resolution Supporting the Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan**

**WHEREAS**, the Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan, completed in December 2011, was developed in a collaborative manner with diverse stakeholder input; and

**WHEREAS**, Blackberry Creek is a 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 Blackberry Creek Watershed and elsewhere in the Fox River Basin; and

**WHEREAS**, a purpose of the Blackberry Creek Watershed Action 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 Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan is to identify opportunities to protect and improve surface water and groundwater quality by implementing best management practices and programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan offers reasoned guidance to urban and rural landowners and decision-makers alike for conserving the land, soil, and water resources of the Blackberry Creek Watershed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan's recommendations support 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 Blackberry Creek Watershed Action Plan.

Passed and approved by members of the Executive Committee, Fox River Ecosystem Partnership, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012, in South Elgin, Kane County, Illinois.

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President

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