

Protect wildlife and DuPage taxpayers! Save Salt Creek!

There is a simple but vital step that you can take to protect both wildlife and taxpayers in DuPage County. You can go to <http://restoresaltcreek.org/>, take the survey, and tell the DuPage Forest Preserve Commission to **proceed with the Master Plan that removes the Graue Mill Dam.**



The dam creates a dead zone upstream in Salt Creek that has so little dissolved oxygen that most wildlife dies. Fish cannot swim past the dam to breed. The situation is so bad that the Illinois EPA has demanded the situation be fixed. **If the dam is not removed, wastewater treatment plants will incur \$213 million in capital costs and an extra \$8 million each year operating costs, an expense DuPage residents will pay for, an expense caused entirely by the dam. Moreover, according to the Forest Preserves own information, these expenses still will not improve water quality in that reach of Salt Creek.**

The Master Plan for Salt Creek, on the other hand, not only removes the dam but gets rid of the eyesore pond behind it, creates scenic riffles, restores a mile of river bank with native habitat and creates recreation opportunities for canoeing, fishing and kayaking.

Moreover, the historic value of Graue Mill will be preserved. The grist mill will operate as it does today; the wheel and all buildings will remain.



We can save DuPage residents millions of dollars in totally unnecessary expense and turn Salt Creek into a clean, free flowing river but we need your help. Please join your fellow River Prairie Group members and other DuPage residents who care about clean water and wildlife by going to <http://restoresaltcreek.org/> . You can scroll directly to Public Comment Survey to take the survey immediately. Or you can find out more by watching the videos or go to [View the Fact Sheet](#). But *please* participate in the Public Comment section.

With your help we will make this happen! Thanks for all you do! Let the DuPage Forest Preserve Commission know you are in favor of removing the dam.

Your River Prairie Group of Sierra Club