
DEVELOPMENT WITH AN EYE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

**Kishwaukee Headwaters Conservation Area,
Woodstock, IL**

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Opened September 3, 2010. The site design features included a 1.75-mile looped nature trail, boardwalk, picnic shelter, restrooms and parking lot. The completed site improvements included the installation of a rain garden in the center island of the parking lot and pervious concrete walkways. Continuing CCE's commitment to provide design solutions meeting the clients goals.



**Nippersink Canoe Base,
Burton Township, IL**



Re-opened September 18, 2010. The existing site was updated with improvements including nature trail, fishing access to Nippersink Creek, interpretive signage, picnic shelter, new restrooms, drinking fountain and a 15 car parking lot. The design featured porous pavers and an aggregate access drive with ribbon curb, promoting infiltration and reducing stormwater runoff, while limiting the construction footprint to protect the existing mature oak woodland

The Sustainable Sites Initiative

The Sustainable Sites Initiative is a partnership of the American Society of Landscape Architects, the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center at The University of Texas at Austin and the United States Botanic Garden in conjunction with a diverse group of stakeholder organizations to transform land development and management practices with the first national rating system for sustainable landscapes. The guidelines can be used by anyone in the design, construction and maintenance fields, as well as homeowners, governments and those who maintain existing green building standards. The program is currently conducting pilot projects to make final revisions to the rating system. CCE will be following the program in anticipation of incorporating the guidelines into future projects.

Certified Floodplain Manager, (CFM)

Congratulations to staff member, Christopher Schmitt, P.E., CFM. Chris recently successfully passed the national CFM examination.

What is a Certified Floodplain Manager? At the ASFPM Annual Conference in Austin, Texas, the Chair of the ASFPM Certification Board of Regents answered this question. "I think the simplest way to put it is that Certified Floodplain Managers are people who know their stuff. They have a proven level of expertise in:

- Floodplain mapping,
- "The requirements and standards of the National Flood Insurance Program,
- "The requirements and standards of their state floodplain management programs, and
- "The administrative procedures needed to make floodplain management work at the community level.