

Your Water! Your Future!



The City of Crest Hill invites you to participate in a public forum on the future of Crest Hill's water supply. Topics to be discussed include:

Excessive de-icing and salt usage in urban Chicagoland is causing chlorides in aquifers to rise.



Minor levels of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) have been detected in five of the city's nine shallow wells.



The ability to plan for future wells is limited by protected species, existing municipal wells, rising potential contaminants, and private wells.



The City spent several months comparing the costs and benefits of staying on shallow wells and treating for chlorides and PFAS versus joining a Regional Water Commission to receive Lake Michigan water.

Following the evaluation, the City is strongly considering switching to Lake Michigan water.



In Joining the Regional Water Commission, the City will be partnering with surrounding communities to implement sustainable drinking water practices and conserve a precious resource.



Water rate increases will pay for the costs of joining the Commission, performing corrosion testing, connecting to Chicago's system, a new 3.5 million gallon storage tank, a major pumping station, and 3.5 miles of internal water main improvements.



Lake water is naturally soft so water softeners may eventually become unnecessary.

Public Forum Information

November 29, 2021 – 6:30 at the City of Crest Hill Public Works Building, 2090 Oakland Ave. Crest Hill, IL 60403

November 30, 2021 – 6:30 at Chaney Monge, 400 Elsie Ave, Crest Hill, IL 60403

December 1, 2021 – 6:30 at Carillon Lakes Senior Community for the Carillon Lakes residents

December 2, 2021 – 6:30 at Richland School 1919 Caton Farm Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403