

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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MWRD offers new procurement guide to increase business partnerships

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) has released a new procurement guide to help pave the way for increased business partnerships. With new business opportunities on the horizon, the brochure offers a general overview of the MWRD's purchasing process.

"We thought it would be helpful to provide a document that highlights the most important steps of the District's purchasing processes," said Commissioner Barbara McGowan, MWRD vice president and chairman of the MWRD's Procurement committee.

MWRD will be seeking business partners on projects ranging from \$50,000 through \$5 million over the next 12-24 months.

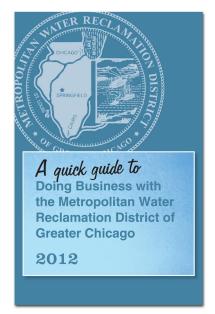
The MWRD also has an active affirmative action program which is designed to ensure that minority, women, and small businesses are given an equitable opportunity to participate

in construction and professional service contracts.

The goals of MWRD's affirmative action program are to achieve 20 percent minority participation, 10 percent women-owned participation, and 10 percent small business enterprise participation in the agency's professional service and construction contracts.

For additional information about the MWRD's procurement process or to receive a free copy of "A Quick Guide to Doing Business with the MWRD 2012," (pictured below) visit www. mwrd.org or call (312) 751-6643.





In the photo: (L-R) Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Commissioner Frank Avila, Resolute Consulting representative Emily Tapia-Lopez, HNTB Corporation Communications Coordinator Barbara Keaton, and Illinois Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Doug Whitley discussed the MWRD's new procurement guide during a Chamber-hosted Lake Michigan cruise on June 7.

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