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To: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Water Pollution Control  
Compliance Assurance Section #19  
2520 W. Iles Avenue  
P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, IL 62794-9276

Attn: Compliance Assurance Section #19

RE: Village of South Holland  
NPDES Permit MS4 Annual Report – *Reporting Cycle 2024-2025*  
Permit No. ILR40 – 0451

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find the following items regarding the NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) for the Village of South Holland:

- MS4 Annual Facility Inspection Report for 2024-2025
- Attachment 1 (summarizing status of Minimum Control Measures)
- Summary and Schedule of Proposed Best Management Practices
- Various Attachments supporting Minimum Control Measures

If you have any questions, please call me at (217) 530-4084.

Very truly yours,

**ROBINSON ENGINEERING, LTD.**



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# Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

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## Division of Water Pollution Control ANNUAL FACILITY INSPECTION REPORT

### for NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)

*This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Compliance Assurance Section at the above address. Complete each section of this report.*

Report Period: From March, 2024 To March, 2025

Permit No. ILR40 0451

#### MS4 OPERATOR INFORMATION: (As it appears on the current permit)

Name: Village of South Holland Mailing Address 1: 16226 Wausau Avenue  
Mailing Address 2: County: Cook  
City: South Holland State: IL Zip: 60473 Telephone: 708-339-2323  
Contact Person: Michael Cramer Email Address: mcramer@southholland.org  
(Person responsible for Annual Report)

#### Name(s) of governmental entity(ies) in which MS4 is located: (As it appears on the current permit)

Village of South Holland Cook County

#### THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE ADDRESSED.

A. Changes to best management practices (check appropriate BMP change(s) and attach information regarding change(s) to BMP and measurable goals.)

- |  |                          |   |                          |
|--|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Public Education and Outreach             | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Construction Site Runoff Control       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Public Participation/Involvement          | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Post-Construction Runoff Control       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> |

B. Attach the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessment of the appropriateness of your identified best management practices and progress towards achieving the statutory goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the MEP, and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum control measures.

C. Attach results of information collected and analyzed, including monitoring data, if any during the reporting period.

D. Attach a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle ( including an implementation schedule.)

E. Attach notice that you are relying on another government entity to satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).

F. Attach a list of construction projects that your entity has paid for during the reporting period.

**Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))**

*Michael Cramer*

05/09/2025

Owner Signature:

Date:

Michael Cramer

Director of Public Works

Printed Name:

Title:

EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: [epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov](mailto:epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov)

or Mail to: ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

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# *Village of South Holland*

NPDES Permit No. ILR40 0451

## **Annual Facility Inspection Report Attachment 1**

**Year 22  
March 2024 to March 2025**

**May 20, 2025**

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Any questions or comments regarding this report shall be directed to either of the following:

Mr. Michael Cramer, Village of South Holland, Public Works Director  
708-339-2323 or [mcramer@southholland.org](mailto:mcramer@southholland.org)

Mr. Karl Newman, PG, Robinson Engineering, Ltd.  
217-530-4084 or [knewman@reltd.com](mailto:knewman@reltd.com)



Village of South Holland, NPDES Permit No. ILR40 0451  
**Annual Facility Inspection Report - Supplemental Information**  
March 2024 to March 2025  
May 20, 2025

**Item A: Description of Changes to BMPs**

The following changes have been made in Village BMPs for the next reporting cycle:

No changes this cycle.

**Item B: Status of compliance with permit conditions  
and assessment of minimum control measures**

The Village believes that the BMPs completed within the reporting period are appropriate for the permit condition. The status of each BMP is as follows:

**A. Public Education and Outreach**

**A1: Distributed Paper Material (Newsletter and Brochure)**

The Village's Newsletter *South Holland Living* (formerly *South Holland Today* prior to February 2019) has been used to reach out to residents and businesses about a variety of topics. Articles or information appeared in several of the publications throughout this reporting cycle. A sample is enclosed which highlights e-waste recycling, flood prevention information and yardwaste pickup services. *Newsletters allow for "fair" access and are available to all in the community.*

**A3: Public Service Announcements (Cable TV)**

The Village was previously served by local Community Connections Channel for public service announcements; however, the use of the Community Connections Channel has ceased.

**A4: Village Residential Curbside Recycling**

The Village began offering residential curbside recycling, and toters for yard waste in July 2015. Free Rain Barrels were made available to residents by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) starting in August 2015 by Village ordinance approved July 20, 2015. The free rain barrel program has ended, but MWRD continues to offer rain barrels at a reduced price. *All residents can participate, so this is offered "fairly" to all in the community.* Information on electronic waste disposal dates and sites was distributed by the Village throughout the year via the website.

**A6: Other Public Education (Website, Facebook and Water Bills)**

The Village Website (which was revised and upgraded in 2022) and Facebook are used to post information throughout the reporting cycle for Public Works and information about its public services such as branch pickup, flood protection and waste disposal and recycling (see enclosed samples). All Village Board meeting agendas and minutes are also posted on the website, including those for the annual Public Hearing on NPDES-related information. The Village began stuffing water bills to all residents and businesses in 2016 and this practice has continued throughout the past cycle. *The website is a "fair access" means for communicating with residents and business owners.*

**B. Public Participation and Involvement****B4: Public Hearing**

The Village held its last informational Public Hearing on April 8, 2025. The public notice, agenda and minutes for this public hearing from March are enclosed. At these meetings, the status of the Village's compliance with NPDES Phase II is reported. The meeting is planned again for the next cycle.

**B7: Other Public Involvement (Annual Green Event)**

The Village holds its Arbor Day celebration each year in May with a tree planting. It was celebrated in a previous cycle in May 2019. In 2018 the Village was named a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation. The Village began offering residential curbside recycling in July 2015. Free Rain Barrels were made available by MWRD to all residents in August 2015 due to Village ordinance approved July 20, 2015, and the program continued until MWRD halted the free aspect of the program. Rain barrels continue to be available through MWRD at a reduced cost. The Village Public Works Department assisted residents with the collection and recycling of electronic items at South Suburban College on April 27, 2024 *All residents can participate.* Information on recycling and electronic and hazardous waste collection services is distributed by the Village throughout the year via the website.

**C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination****C1: Storm Sewer Map Preparation**

The Village has reviewed and updated the Storm Sewer Map on which the storm sewer sizes are included with lengths to scale in the previous reporting cycle 2016-2017. The Village reviewed the inventory list and map of channels and structures in November 2016. The Village recently converted their Storm Sewer Atlas to a GIS Web Application in April 2021 and updates the information annually.

**C2: Regulatory Control Program (Ordinance)**

The Village enforces its ordinance for Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, and relies on the Watershed Management Ordinance (WMO) that was adopted from MWRD for enforcement on May 19, 2014 and amended on May 7, 2020.

**C7: Visual Dry Weather Screening**

The Village conducted dry weather Outfall Inspections of its outfalls during the reporting cycle. Storm sewers were inspected and cleaned and/or repaired during the cycle and this is done on a yearly basis.

**C10: Other Illicit Discharge Controls (Monitoring)**

This BMP was added in the 2016-2017 cycle. Since the Village population is under 25,000, it has opted for visual monitoring of its upstream and downstream watercourse locations. Visual Monitoring Inspections were performed during the reporting cycle and will be conducted on a yearly basis.

**D. Construction Site Runoff Control****D1: Regulatory Control Program (Ordinance)**

There have been no changes to the codes during this cycle, but the Village continues to enforce its regulatory control program for construction site runoff control. Village Ordinance Division 1 S#6-19 provides for Erosion and Sediment Control.

**D2: Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs**

Erosion and Sediment Control BMP's are required for all developments.

**D4: Site Plan Review Procedures**

Robinson Engineering performs site plan reviews for the Village. Projects over one acre are required to obtain a Notice of Intent prior to construction. A SWPPP is required with plan sets. The Village monitors and enforces erosion control requirements for developments. The Village requires Weekly inspection reports from developers of active projects. The Village performs audit inspections as needed. The following plan reviews were conducted during the reporting cycle:

- 126 W 154<sup>th</sup> Street – M&J Works - Industrial Development
- 359 E 162<sup>nd</sup> Street – Chase Bank
- 17101 South Park Ave – Thornwood High School Stadium Improvements

**D6: Site Inspection/Enforcement Procedures**

Weekly inspection reports are required from developers of active projects. The Village performs audit inspections on an as needed basis.

**E. Post-Construction Runoff Control****E2: Regulatory Control Program (Ordinance)**

The WMO was adopted from the MWRD for enforcement on May 19, 2014 and amended on May 7, 2020. Village Ordinance D1 Section 14-56 provides for Post Construction Storm Water Runoff Control.

**E3: Long Term O&M Procedures**

These are required and reviewed where applicable during the site plan review process.

**E4: Pre-Construction Review of BMP Designs**

The ordinance requirements are enforced during the site plan review stage of a development. The site plan reviews include a review of the BMP designs.

**E5: Site Inspections During Construction**

Weekly inspection reports are required from developers of active projects. Periodic or surprise audit inspections are conducted by the Village or its consultant as needed. The Village performs audit inspections on an as needed basis.

**E6: Post-Construction Inspections**

Storm water management systems are inspected during the year depending on staff availability. Inspected storm sewers and structures that are found to need maintenance are cleaned, vacuumed, or jetted as needed.

**F. Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping****F1: Employee Training Program**

The Village provided annual training last fall on proper salting practices and salt accountability training and herbicide and pesticide application through the Illinois Department of Agriculture during this reporting cycle. Public Works employees are also informally trained throughout the year on street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, and storm sewer inspections on a yearly basis.

**F2: The Inspection and Maintenance Program**

The inspection and maintenance programs include Routine maintenance of Village streets, storm sewers, ditches, and storm water facilities as part of the Public Works responsibilities. This includes sweeping, vacuuming, jetting, repair, debris and branch and leaf collection, etc.

- Deicing materials are stored in a permanent facility.
- All fertilizers, pesticides, or other chemicals are stored indoors.
- Street-sweeping was performed in April through October of the reporting period.
- Catch Basins are cleaned yearly during the reporting period. The Village has inspected all catch basins at least once during the reporting cycle. Those in need of cleaning are then cleaned. On average, this may be between 25 to 30 per year.
- Storm Sewers were inspected and cleaned on an as needed basis during the reporting cycle.
- Snow Plowing and Deicing of roadways was conducted during the cold weather months.

**F3 and F4: Municipal Operations Storm Water Control and Waste Disposal**

For Municipal Operations Storm Water Control, in 2012 the Village completed a SWPPP Manual and Spill Response Plan for its Maintenance Yard and Operations. The plans did not require any updates during the reporting cycle.

**F5: Flood Management/Assessment Guidelines**

The Village code includes Flood Regulations which enforce floodplain and flood hazard regulations for any development in or near to floodplains. Reviews for such development are handled by Robinson Engineering, Ltd. The Village website continues to be used to inform residents and business owners regarding flood management.

**Item C: Results of information collected and analyzed, monitoring data (if any).**

Visual Monitoring Inspections were conducted at upstream and downstream locations. No chemical samples were taken.

*The U.S. Census Bureau data for the Village of South Holland demographics is:*

<b>2022 Estimated Population</b>	<b>20,875</b>
<b>Poverty Percentage</b>	<b>13.4%</b>
<b>Black Pop. Percentage</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>White Pop. Percentage</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>Hispanic Pop. Percentage</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Asian Pop. Percentage</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Two or more Races Pop. Percentage</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Other Pop. Percentage</b>	<b>2%</b>

**Item D: Summary of storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle (and implementation schedule).**

See the attached Summary that is numbered to correspond with the renewed Notice of Intent.

**Item E: Notice that you are relying on another governmental entity to satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).**

Not applicable. The Village of South Holland does not rely on another governmental entity to satisfy NPDES permit obligations currently.

**Item F: List of construction projects that your entity has paid for during the reporting period.**

The following is a list of contracts that the Village let and constructed during this reporting period:

- Village-Wide MFT Resurfacing in 2024
- 2023 CDBG Street Resurfacing



- 154<sup>TH</sup> Street Federal Aid Resurfacing Project
- Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehab Contract 2024
- Sanitary Sewer CIPP Contract 2024
- South Holland Lead Service Line Replacement Program – Year 1
- DCEO Water Main Replacement Project – Prairie Ave, Wabash Ave & 160<sup>th</sup> Pl
- South Holland Fire Station #1 – Building Expansion

Sample Documentation for Minimum Control Measures
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The remaining sheets in this report include some available documentation for various Best Management Practices discussed under Item B.

## VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND

## SUMMARY AND SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

MINIMUM CONTROL MEASURE		PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	MAR-21	MAR-22	MAR-23	MAR-24	MAR-25	MAR-26
<b>A. Public Education and Outreach on Stormwater Impacts</b>								
<b>A1</b>	Literature Distribution (brochure & newsletter)	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>A3</b>	Public Service Announcements (Cable TV)	X	X	X	X	X		A
<b>A4</b>	Curbside Collection of Recycling		X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>A6</b>	Other Public Education (website)	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>B. Public Involvement/ Participation</b>								
<b>B4</b>	Public Hearing	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>B7</b>	Annual Green Event	X	X	D	D	D	X	A
<b>C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination</b>								
<b>C1</b>	Storm Sewer Map Assessment	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
	Storm Sewer Map Preparation	X						
	Field Identification of Outfalls	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
	Storm Sewer Map Update Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>C2</b>	Regulatory Control Program	X						
	- Sewer Use Ordinance	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>C7</b>	Visual Dry Weather Screening Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>C10</b>	Other Illicit Discharge Controls (Monitoring)	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>D. Construct Site Storm Water Runoff Control</b>								
<b>D1</b>	Regulatory Control Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
	- Review of Current Ordinances	X						
	- Enforcement Ongoing	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>D2</b>	Erosion and Sediment Control BMP's	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>D4</b>	Site Plan Review Procedures	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>D6</b>	Site Inspection/Enforcement Procedures	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>E. Post-Construct Storm Water Management</b>								
<b>E2</b>	Regulatory Control Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
	- Review of Current Ordinances	X						
	- Enforcement Ongoing	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>E3</b>	Long Term O&M Procedures	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>E4</b>	Pre-Construction Review of BMP Designs	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>E5</b>	Site Inspections During Construction	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>E6</b>	Post-Construction Inspections	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping</b>								
<b>F1</b>	Employee Training Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>F2</b>	Inspection & Maintenance Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>F3 &amp; F4</b>	Municipal Operations for Stormwater Control and Waste Disposal	2012 NEW SWPPP	X	X	X	X	X	A
	- Audit existing BMP's	X	X					A
	- Audit problem areas	X						
	- Plan new BMP's and Procedures	X	X					A
	- Implement Program	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
<b>F5</b>	Flood Management/Assess Guidelines	X	X	X	X	X	X	A

A = Future Required Annual Activity

R = Future One-time Required Activity

D = Deferred Activity

X = Completed Activity

X = New Activity

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# VILLAGE NEWS

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND SOUTH HOLLAND



### JULY STORM CLEANUP

When the storm came through on July 15, it brought down many trees and fallen branches. The Village would like to thank its property owners for placing your branches on the curb as requested. The Public Works department utilized extra resources and personnel to remove all debris over the course of a few weeks. They collected over 500 truckloads of material and 1,700 tons of chippings! All of the chippings were distributed at the new disc golf course at DeYoung's Grove Park.



### WATER PAYMENT OPTIONS

The Village offers multiple ways to pay your water bill. Our electronic payment system is a user-friendly way to pay water bills online via credit card. You can schedule recurring payments, receive your bill via email, and pay by text. You can also pay using one of the methods below:

- Pay by Direct Debit (where fee is automatically paid from your checking account)
- Pay in-person at the Customer Service Center, 16220 Wasuau Avenue
- Pay over the phone at 855.786.5265

For more information and to use the online water payment tools, visit [southholland.org](https://southholland.org).



### CENTER FOR HARD TO RECYCLE MATERIALS

South Suburban College is home to the new Center for Hard to Recycle Materials, a permanent drop-off facility where residents can dispose of electronic waste, household recycling, clothing, small furniture and appliances, and more. The Center is located at 15800 State St in the overflow parking lot. Visit [cookcountyil.gov/CHaRMCenter](https://cookcountyil.gov/CHaRMCenter) for hours and more information.



### GUIDELINES FOR PRIVATE GATHERINGS

If you are looking to host a gathering at your home, it's helpful to know the ordinance in place regarding private gatherings (Ordinance 2023-28). Since neighborhoods have limited parking, and because neighbors should be able to enjoy a peaceful environment in their home, any group gathering at a house that has, or is expected to have, more than 50 people must obtain a Neighborhood Event Permit. You would also need to give written notice to everyone living within 500 feet of the house so they are aware that a gathering is taking place. Visit the Customer Service Center for the Neighborhood Event Permit and the notice form needed to deliver to neighbors.

# In The Know

## 6 WAYS TO STAY INFORMED ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SOUTH HOLLAND

The Village of South Holland takes pride in keeping its residents well-informed through a variety of communication channels. From traditional print media to modern digital platforms, the Village employs a multi-faceted approach to ensure that important information reaches every corner of the community. Residents can stay current on local news, events and initiatives through the methods outlined below. This comprehensive communication strategy reflects South Holland's commitment to transparency and engagement, making it easier than ever for residents to stay connected with their local government and fellow community members.



Here are 6 ways to stay "in the know" in South Holland:

### 1) Weekly Update Email

South Holland's Weekly Update is an email sent out every Thursday morning to inform subscribers of the latest news in the Village such as events, announcements, breaking news, and more. All subscribers' information is kept completely confidential and not sold to or utilized by any outside organization. Visit [southholland.org/intheknow](https://southholland.org/intheknow) to sign up for the Weekly Update.

### 2) Social Media

One of the primary ways the Village communicates with its residents is through social media, where we share the latest news, events, photos, videos, and useful tips. Our Facebook page serves as the main platform for delivering the most current information. Additionally, you can follow the Village of South Holland on Instagram, X (formerly Twitter) and YouTube.

Search the following names on each platform:



### 3) News List

The News List is featured on the home page of our website, [southholland.org](http://southholland.org). This is where the latest stories are posted. Information includes events, construction projects, Village updates, programs, and more.

### 4) South Holland Living

The publication you're reading right now is one of the primary ways the Village communicates with its residents. South Holland Living is a bi-monthly magazine that features the life and vitality of South Holland and provides beneficial information to residents, businesses, and community partners. The magazine is published six times a year by the Communications, Branding & Marketing Department of the Village of South Holland. The magazines are bulk mailed to all postal customers in South Holland zip code 60473, and a digital copy can be viewed at [southholland.org](http://southholland.org).

### 5) Smart911

The Village utilizes Smart911 emergency alerts to enhance public safety. By alerting residents to imminent or ongoing emergencies, we can help people take necessary precautions to mitigate risk or damage, to evacuate if needed, or to follow instructions to save lives and property. You can sign up to receive the alerts via text message, email, and/or voice message.

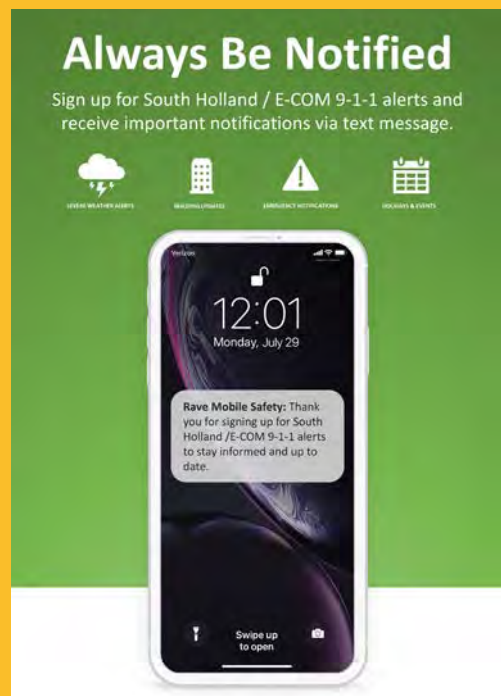
With Smart911, you can also create a personalized profile for first responders and law enforcement. This ensures they have vital information, such as medical conditions or allergies for everyone in your household, to provide the best care when needed most.

Smart911 emergency alerts are provided by the Village of South Holland at no cost to the public; however, message and data rates may apply depending on your provider and phone services. Please refer to your mobile phone's service plan for more information. Visit [southholland.org/smart911](http://southholland.org/smart911) for more information and to sign up.

### 6) Village of South Holland App (use photo that was in Village News)

Information about the Village of South Holland is at your fingertips! The Village has its own app for IOS and Android. The app features information that residents and businesses look for frequently, such as job opportunities, online payments, events, and more. The goal is to help make finding information easier and more accessible by being in the palm of your hand 24/7. The app can be downloaded for free at the Apple store or Google Play store.

**For the full list and links to the platforms mentioned above, visit [southholland.org/intheknow](http://southholland.org/intheknow). Stay connected and engaged so you can experience the best that South Holland has to offer!**





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**A Dazzling Display  
Christmas at Veterans Memorial Park**

# VILLAGE NEWS

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND SOUTH HOLLAND



### NEW AMBULANCE

The South Holland Fire Department has added a newly refurbished 2024 F550 4X4 ambulance to its fleet! This vehicle is fully equipped to provide Advanced Life Support, ensuring the SHFD can better serve our community. This high-tech ambulance comes with life-saving equipment, including:

- A new Zoll Cardiac Monitor for heart emergencies
- A Zoll Auto Pulse for mechanical CPR
- A battery-powered Stryker cot with auto-load, which helps give patients a smoother ride in and out of the ambulance

The South Holland Fire Department would like to thank the elected officials for supporting this upgrade and ensuring they have the best tools to keep South Holland safe!



### YARD WASTE PICKUP

The South Holland Public Works department would like to remind residents that Homewood Disposal will stop picking up yard waste from their totes on November 30 through the winter months. Pickup will resume April 1. From December through March, the yard waste totes can be used for regular garbage.



### SNOW ORDINANCE

Please be aware of the Village's snow ordinance, which states that vehicles shall not be parked on any street if snow exceeds two inches or more. This helps us plow the streets effectively and efficiently. When shoveling snow in a driveway, we recommend depositing the snow to the right side (when facing the street) to minimize plows from blocking you in.



### SECURITY ALARM PERMITS

From now until January 1, 2025, those with a residential or business security alarm system will need to renew their permit for 2025, or register for a permit if it is a new system. Having a permit ensures that emergency responders have current contact information for the occupants of your home or the managers of your business. Registration/renewal can be done at the South Holland Police Department or at [southholland.alarmreg.com](http://southholland.alarmreg.com).



# SOUTH HOLLAND

January | February 2025

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State of the Village 2024





Mayor De Graff and Deputy Administrator Pat Mahon pose at the custom South Holland sign with Mary Patchin and Kim Kislowksi of Visit Chicago Southland.



New Waste Disposal Vendor, Homewood Disposal

### NEW WASTE DISPOSAL VENDOR AND CARTS

Last spring, to best serve you as residents, the Village selected a new vendor for waste and recycling collection. The new vendor, Homewood Disposal, has provided consistently excellent service in the months since the switch and they are getting high marks from residents. In addition to getting a new vendor, all new carts were provided to every home. The previous patchwork of carts has been replaced by a unified appearance at the curb on garbage days. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during that transition.

### CUSTOM SOUTH HOLLAND SIGN

The Village partnered with Visit Chicago Southland (VCS) to create a beautiful custom 3D sign for South Holland. A VCS grant covered the full \$15,000 cost. The sign made its debut at the Fun Run 5K in September, where it served as an attractive photo backdrop for race participants. It will return this summer and fall at various Village-wide events.

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### ICELESS SKATING RINK

The South Holland Iceless Skating Rink is open for the 2025 season, in a new location! It is now located at the west pavilion at Veterans Memorial Park, where there is a covered roof overhead and plenty of parking. The rink is constructed using panels of synthetic ice. Skates are required and can be rented on-site. Everyone who rents skates will receive a coupon for a free hot chocolate at SoHo Sweets! The rink is open Fri 3-8pm, Sat-Sun noon-8pm (hours subject to change due to weather or holidays). For more information and rental pricing, visit [southholland.org/skatesoho](https://southholland.org/skatesoho).



### EMERGENCY ALERTS

Are you signed up to receive emergency alerts from the Village? We encourage all South Holland residents and business owners/managers to sign up for Smart911 Emergency Alerts. With it, we have the ability to place thousands of phone calls per minute (to both landlines and mobile phones), and to send out texts immediately. You can also fill out a profile on your household so that first responders can help you faster in an emergency. Visit [southholland.org/smart911](https://southholland.org/smart911) for more information and to sign up.



### FLOOD PREVENTION RESOURCES

It may be frigid outside now, but the rainy season will be here before you know it. Use this time to be proactive about flood prevention! The Village has many resources to assist residents in the prevention of flooding and the protection of your property. You can visit [southholland.org/floodprotection](https://southholland.org/floodprotection) for information, resources, and ways the Village can help you in the event of a flood. For more information, contact the Community Development Department at 708.210.2915.



# SOUTH HOLLAND

*Living*

March | April 2025

Springing Into Action

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND SOUTH HOLLAND



### BLOCK PARTY TRAILER

Block party season is right around the corner! The Village encourages residents to host and attend block parties so neighbors can get to know each other better. From these block parties, many relationships have been forged and neighborhoods strengthened. Block party organizers can begin reserving the Block Party Trailer for the 2025 summer season! The trailer comes with tables, chairs, road blocks, coolers, games, and more. Hosts can also request a visit from the Police and/or Fire Department. Reservations for the trailer fill up quickly; visit [southholland.org/blockparty](https://southholland.org/blockparty) to reserve one for your neighborhood block party!



### VEHICLE STICKERS

Any vehicle registered to a South Holland address is required to have a South Holland vehicle sticker. This applies whether the vehicle is parked on the street, in a driveway, or garage. The 2025-26 vehicle stickers are available starting May 1 and must be displayed before July 1.

#### Sticker Prices

Passenger Car: \$40	Truck and motor home: \$55
Truck C and higher: \$95	Motorcycle: \$30

Those 65 years and older receive a 50 percent discount. Late fees are incurred beginning on July 1.



### WATER RATE UPDATE

The following rates will be effective on the water bill issued in May.

Water: \$10.82 per 1,000 gallons for first 25,000 gallons  
\$9.93 per 1,000 gallons for next 100,000 gallons  
\$9.97 per 1,000 gallons for gallons over 125,000  
Sewer: \$0.94 per 1,000 gallons used  
Sewer flat: \$0.41 per month  
Garbage: \$32.91 per month  
*Minimum charge for water is \$21.64; minimum total bill is \$54.96.*

For any questions, please contact the Clerk's office at 708.210.2900.



### YARD WASTE PICKUP

Beginning April 1 and continuing through November 30, pickup of yard waste will take place on the same day as your regular garbage collection. Please use the toter designated for yard waste. When the toter is full and there is still more waste to dispose of, you may use brown paper yard bags. To request special pickup of tree branches/brush, contact the Public Works Department at 708.339.2323.

# PROTECT, PREPARE, PREVENT



## 6 TIPS FOR PREVENTING FLOODING ON YOUR PROPERTY

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Spring is upon us, which means greener grass and blooming flowers... but also more frequent rain showers. South Holland is subject to over-bank flooding from three sources: the Little Calumet River, Thorn Creek, and the Calumet Union Drainage Ditch. While flooding is a possibility because of our topography, it does not mean that water damage to your property is inevitable. There are many preventative measures you can take to protect your property in advance. Here are some tools to help prepare your property for potential flooding.

### **1. KNOW YOUR FLOOD HAZARD.**

What exactly is the flood hazard in South Holland? The Village is subject to three types of flood hazards: overbank flooding, local drainage, and sewer backup. Depending on where you live in the Village, your property may be susceptible to one, two, or all three of these hazards. To find out if you are in a mapped floodplain, visit [southholland.org](http://southholland.org) or call the Community Development Department at 708.210.2915.

### **2. PROTECT PEOPLE FROM THE HAZARD.**

How can I protect my family during a flood? Every resident should have an emergency plan in place. Create a family communication plan, understand evacuation routes, and build an emergency kit with drinking water, canned food, first aid supplies, batteries and a flashlight. Check out [ready.gov/kit](http://ready.gov/kit) for more supply kit ideas and additional information.





### 3. PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY FROM THE HAZARD.

How can I protect my property from the flood hazard? Did you know the Village provides a Flood Prevention Program? This program allows residents who have been pre-qualified to be reimbursed for a percentage of the cost of their floodproofing project. Residents can receive a 25% rebate (up to \$2,500) for projects that address surface water diversion, sewer backups and subsurface improvements (such as foundation waterproofing or repairs). The Village also offers a cost-sharing program that pays 50% (up to \$5,000) for larger sewer backup prevention projects. Call the Community Development Department at 708.210.2915 for more information.

### 4. INSURE YOUR PROPERTY FOR THE HAZARD.

Did you know that most homeowner insurance policies DO NOT cover a property for flood damage? Flood insurance can be purchased by ALL residents of the Village. Because South Holland participates in the National Flood Insurance Program and is a Class 5 community, residents located within the floodplain are eligible to receive a 25% discount of their flood insurance policy and all other residents are eligible to receive a 10% discount. Renters can obtain contents coverage to protect buildings. Contact your insurance agent to learn more about flood insurance opportunities.

### 5. BUILD RESPONSIBLY.

How can residents build responsibly? Always contact the Community Development Department at 708.210.2915 before you build on, add fill to, or change your property in any way. A permit may be required and a Village review of the proposed changes may help you avoid potential drainage problems.

### 6. PROTECT NATURAL FLOODPLAIN FUNCTIONS.

What can residents do to help protect the floodplain? The natural function of the floodplain is to provide storage and conveyance of floodwaters, protect water quality and recharge groundwater reserves. It can and should be protected by all Village residents. Use garden chemicals sparingly and only when necessary, and be sure to properly store and dispose of oils, chemicals, and other toxic materials. If you see dumping of debris in ditches or filling in the floodplain, contact the Community Development Department at 708.210.2915. 🌿

## STAY INFORMED

If it's raining hard, utilize the following avenues to learn of any flood notices:

- The National Weather Service ([weather.gov](http://weather.gov)) issues two types of flood notices: a flood watch and a flood warning. A flood watch indicates flooding is possible within the area described by the notice. A flood warning indicates flooding is imminent or occurring in the area described by the notice and emergency action should be taken.
- Visit [southholland.org](http://southholland.org) for a link to the National Weather Service's river gauge for the Little Calumet River.
- Sign up to receive Smart911 notifications for community alerts during periods of severe weather. This service is free, and residents can sign up at [southholland.org/smart911](http://southholland.org/smart911).
- Tune to a local radio station or news broadcast.
- An extra measure of protection is wise for residents living close to the Little Calumet River, Thorn Creek, or other drainage waterways. A NOAA weather radio can be purchased at a local electronic store for \$20 to \$30 and will enable residents to monitor the National Weather Service notices directly.

## WHY PLANT TREES?

- *Trees increase property values:* Homes in neighborhoods with mature trees sell for 3.5 to 10 percent more than those without.
- *Trees keep us cooler:* A big shade tree can reduce the surrounding temperature by 10-15 degrees. Trees can reduce the "heat island effect" caused by heat stored in paving and masonry buildings.
- *Trees clean the air we breathe:* Urban trees capture fine particles from the air as well as carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrous oxides, & other pollutants. Scientists figure the pollution trees save in the U.S. is worth \$7 billion a year. Children in areas with trees are less likely to have asthma.
- *Trees save energy:* They shade buildings to reduce the need for air conditioning and block winter winds which can save on heating.
- *Trees help handle storm water:* Trees collect rain on their leaves and channel heavy rainfall to the soil. Together, a community's trees reduce the water that flows into storm sewers. The USDA Forest Service estimates 100 mature trees intercept about 250,000 gallons of rainfall per year.

## TREE CARE TIPS

- Water well. A rule of thumb is 1" of water per week during growing season either by rain or watering.
- Place a 3-4" layer of organic mulch around tree. Extend the mulch out as far as the branches reach to avoid competition with turf.
- Prune off any dead, rubbing, or crossing branches.

## Parkway Tree Reimbursement Program Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Trees (2 Max.): \_\_\_\_\_

\*List (3) Tree Types by Preference:

First Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Utility Lines? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**\*The Village Arborist will make final  
determination on tree type to prevent over  
population of same species.**

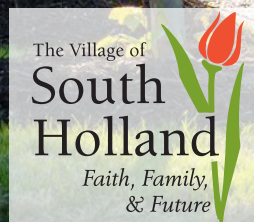
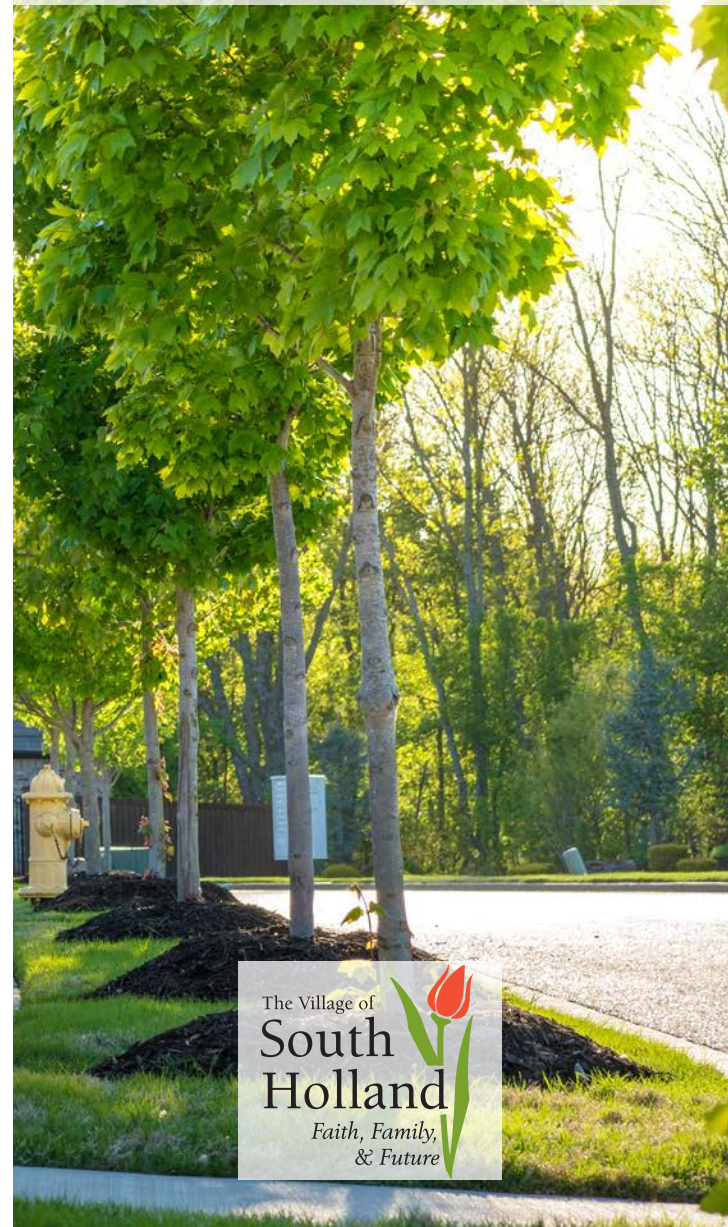
**I have read and understand the policies and  
procedures pertaining to the Parkway Tree  
Reimbursement Program.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Village of South Holland  
Department of Public Works  
16226 Wausau Avenue  
South Holland, IL 60473  
708.339.2323 Phone  
708.331.4637 Fax  
southholland.org

VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND

# Parkway Tree Reimbursement Program





## PARKWAY TREE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

- The Village of South Holland will pay up to half the cost (\$150 maximum) for the purchase and planting of a new tree (limit 2/home) with the homeowner paying all remaining costs. There is a limited budget per year, so applications will be received on a first come, first served basis.
- To participate in the program, residents must fill out the application on the back of this form and return it in one of three ways:
  1. Via email to [sfaulkner@southholland.org](mailto:sfaulkner@southholland.org)
  2. Via fax at 708.331.4637
  3. In person to the Public Works office (16226 Wausau Ave) from 7am-3:30pm Mon-Fri
- **Residents MUST select from the pre-determined tree species listed in this brochure.** Once the application is received, the proposed tree location will be inspected by the Village Arborist to determine if it meets the criteria for participation. Trees should be planted 30-40 feet apart from other trees, 4 feet from any curb or sidewalk, and 30 feet from intersections. The Village Arborist will make final determination on tree species and location.
- Once approved, the homeowner will work directly with the Village contracted nursery to arrange payment and all details pertaining to the planting.
- For reimbursement after planting, the homeowner is eligible to submit the Parkway Tree Reimbursement Program form along with a copy of the bill (paid in full) and return it in person to the Public Works office (16226 Wausau Ave) between 7am-3:30pm Mon-Fri.

## SMALL TREES (15-25 FEET)



**Crabapple**  
(Spring or Fall)\*



**Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry**  
(Spring or Fall)\*



**Peking Lilac**  
"Beijing Gold" or  
"China Snow"  
(Spring or Fall)\*

### CRABAPPLE

**Height:** 20-25'

**Width:** 15-20'

**Shape:** Upright, tightly oval

**Foliage:** Purple red, becoming bronze

**Fall Color:** Orange-red

**Flower:** Bright magenta-pink

**Fruit:** Deep red, 1/4"

### AUTUMN BRILLIANCE SERVICEBERRY

**Height:** 15-25'

**Width:** 15-25'

**Shape:** Upright, spreading oval

**Foliage:** Coppery-red to rich green

**Fall Color:** Orange-red

**Flower:** White in Spring

**Fruit:** Purplish-black, 3/8"

### CHINA SNOW

**Height:** 20-25'

**Width:** 15-25'

**Shape:** Round

**Foliage:** Green

**Fall Color:** Yellow

**Flower:** Creamy White in  
Early Summer

**Fruit:** Clusters

### BEIJING GOLD

**Height:** 15-20'

**Width:** 10-15'

**Shape:** Round

**Foliage:** Green

**Fall Color:** Yellow

**Flower:** Creamy Yellow in  
Early Summer

**Fruit:** Clusters

## MEDIUM TREES (25-40 FEET)



**Frontier Elm**  
(Spring Only)\*



**Ironwood**  
**Aka**  
**Hophornbeam**  
(Spring Only)\*

### FRONTIER ELM

**Height:** 30-40'

**Width:** 20-30'

**Shape:** Vase to Oval

**Foliage:** Glossy Green

**Fall Color:** Purplish-red

**Flower:** None

**Fruit:** None

### IRONWOOD AKA HOPHORNBEAM

**Height:** 25-40'

**Width:** 15-40'

**Shape:** Pyramidal to Round

**Foliage:** Medium to Dark  
Green

**Fall Color:** Yellow

**Flower:** 1" Catkins in Males;

Inconspicuous in Females

**Fruit:** Drooping clusters at  
tip of branches look  
like hops; Changes  
from green cream  
to tan

\*Denotes season in which trees can be planted.

# Parkway Tree Reimbursement Program

The Village of South Holland will pay up to half the cost (\$150 maximum) for the purchase and planting of a new tree for the parkway (limit 2/home), with the homeowner paying all remaining costs. There is a limited budget per year, so applications will be received on a first come, first served basis.

To participate in the program, residents must fill out [this application](#) and return it in one of these ways:

- 1. Fill out and [submit the online form below](#)
- 2. Via email to [publicworks@southholland.org](mailto:publicworks@southholland.org)
- 3. Via fax at 708.331.4637
- 4. In person to the Public Works office (16226 Wausau Avenue, Building C) from 7am to 3:30pm Monday through Friday

**Residents MUST select from the pre-determined tree species listed [on the brochure](#).**

Once the application is received, the proposed tree location will be inspected by the Village Arborist to determine if it meets the criteria for participation.

Trees should be planted 30–40 feet apart from other trees, 4 feet from any curb or sidewalk, and 30 feet from intersections. The Village Arborist will make final determination on tree species and location.

Once approved, the homeowner will work directly with the Village contracted nursery to arrange payment and all details pertaining to the planting.

For reimbursement after planting, the homeowner is eligible to submit the Parkway Tree Reimbursement form along with a copy of the bill (paid in full) and return it in person to the Public Works office (16226 Wausau Avenue, Building C) between 7am and 3:30pm Monday through Friday.

For the Parkway Tree Reimbursement form, [click here](#) or visit the Public Works Department at 16226 Wausau Avenue, Building C.

## Parkway Tree Reimbursement Program Application

The Village of South Holland will pay up to half the cost (\$150 maximum) for the purchase and planting of a new tree (limit 2/home) with the homeowner paying all remaining costs. There is a limited budget per year, so applications will be received on a first come, first served basis.

To participate in the program, please fill out the application below.

## Parkway Tree Reimbursement Program Application

First Name\*

Last Name\*

## Address

Street Address

South Holland residents only

Address Line 2



Holland residents only

mm/dd/yyyy

Home or Cell Phone Number\*

Email\*

Number of Trees (Max: 2)\*

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2

## Choose 3 Tree Types by Preference

Tree Type First Choice

-Select One-

Tree Type Second Choice\*

-Select One-

Tree Type Third Choice\*

-Select One-

Utility Lines?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

The Village Arborist will make final determination on tree type to prevent over population of some species.

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# Residential Waste Pick-Up Collection

The Village of South Holland has partnered with the following vendor for waste disposal:

**Homewood Disposal Services**  
**708.798.1004**  
[mydisposal.com/south-holland](https://mydisposal.com/south-holland)

**Garbage-Only Toters**

Garbage-Only Toters are provided by Homewood Disposal for the containment of garbage. The totter must be placed at curbside (not in roadway) on garbage day.

**Yard Waste Toters**

Yard Waste Toters are to be used for yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, twigs, etc) from April 1 through November 30. From December 1 through March 31, these toters may be used for regular garbage. Yard waste may also be placed in recyclable paper bags.

**Recycling Toters**

Recycling Toters are to be used for recyclable items only. Recycling Toters are picked up every other week. [View the Curbside Recycling schedule.](#)

**Illinois State Law regarding Electronic Waste**

Illinois State Law prohibits the disposal of electronics in your regular garbage or in curb-side placement. All electronic waste must be recycled properly. There are many local resources that can help you recycle your old electronics.

[Click here](#) for a listing of area electronic waste disposal sites.

**Appliance Disposal**

Please do not put appliances in your regular curb-side garbage. Neither Homewood Disposal nor Public Works can pick them up. For disposal of appliances such as Washers, Dryers, Stoves, Refrigerators, Freezers, Microwaves, Hot Water Heaters, Furnaces, Air Conditioners, etc: Please contact one of the following to arrange a pick-up (there may be a pickup fee):  
Got Junk – 800.468.5865  
Junk It – 844.446.4415 / 866.586.5488  
[www.appliance-pickup.com](https://www.appliance-pickup.com)

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**Bulk Waste Collection**

**The following items should be placed on the curb with your regularly scheduled garbage pick-up:  
IN LIMITED QUANTITIES ONLY**

- FURNITURE
- BOX SPRINGS AND MATTRESSES
- SINKS
- TOILETS
- LAUNDRY TUBS
- BUILDING MATERIALS
- CARPET – CUT TO 3 OR 4 FT LENGTHS, ROLLED, TIED INTO BUNDLES ONLY.

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Between April 1st and October 31st, Homewood Disposal will collect all bulk items that are too large to fit in the receptacles on your regular service day. All small bulk waste outside of the receptacles must be in plastic bags. If the items are not collected by the regular service vehicle, Homewood will schedule another truck to collect the material later in the day.

Residents are responsible for disposing of tires and car parts. All fluids such as old paint, cleaners, and oil should be disposed of properly, and not placed in trash for collection. No Construction debris is allowed.



When a contractor is hired to perform any work, the contractor must arrange for all material disposal and debris removal resulting from being contracted.

**HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Residential collection will be delayed on the following holidays: Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year’s Day. These holidays push residential pickup schedules back one day. Regular schedules resume the following week.

**ITEMS NOT PICKED UP BY HOMEWOOD DISPOSAL:**

Items not picked up by Homewood Disposal include the following:  
Engine blocks, transmissions, axles, tires, heavy metal parts, broken concrete, stone, clay, dirt, metal, swimming pools, refuse from building construction, carpeting (if not rolled into manageable sizes) and other material which may cause damage to the equipment or injury to the operator.

**SPECIAL ITEMS**

Homewood Disposal will pickup appliances and furniture.  
Homewood Disposal will pickup Christmas trees during the first two weeks of January.  
Homewood Disposal will pickup branches if they are less than 4 inches in diameter, cut into 4 foot lengths, bundled with twine, and set out with the toter.

**INFORMATION**

Any questions dealing with service, property damage, toter replacement, etc. may be answered by Homewood Disposal, call 708-798-1004.

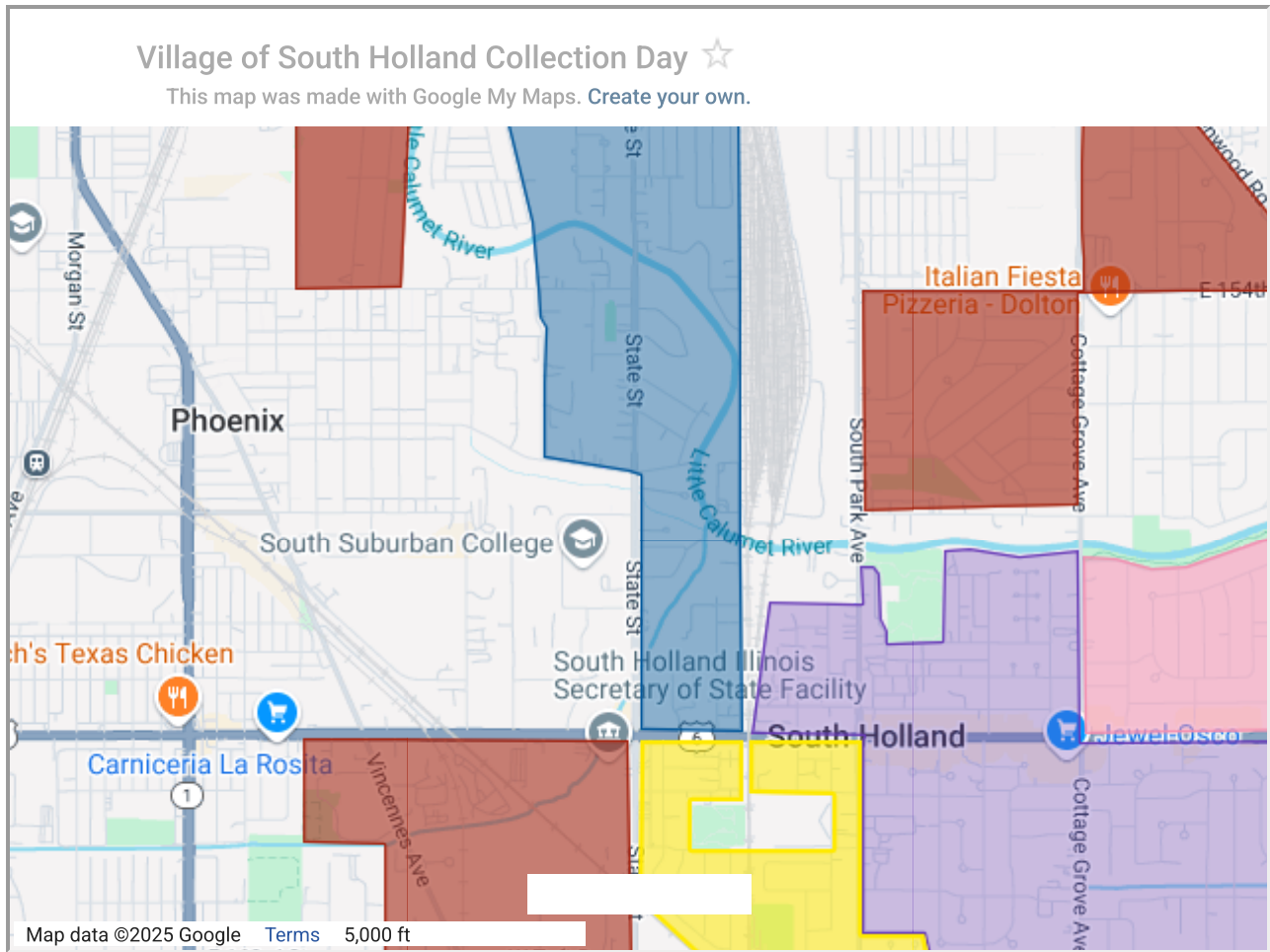


# Curbside Recycling

Curbside Recycling in South Holland is picked up every other week on your normal garbage collection day. The calendars below show which days of the week recycling is collected for each neighborhood.

- [Monday Recycling Calendar](#)
- [Tuesday Recycling Calendar](#)
- [Wednesday Recycling Calendar](#)
- [Thursday Recycling Calendar](#)
- [Friday Recycling Calendar](#)

Identify your neighborhood on the color-coded maps (click your area to see what day yours is collected):





The following graphic shows what items are acceptable for recycling.

# BASIC RECYCLING

IS BETTER RECYCLING

RECYCLE THESE ITEMS



Aluminum, Tin & Metal Cans



Plastic Bottles & Containers



Glass Bottles & Jars



Cartons - Milk, Juice, Broth, Soup & Other



Junk Mail, Glossy Paper, Magazines



File Folders, Office Paper, Envelopes



Paperboard Boxes - Cereal, Tissue & Frozen Food Boxes



Flattened Cardboard Boxes



Newspapers, Catalogs, Phone Books, Paper Bags



Return plastic bags back to the store for recycling.



Do not bag your recyclables. Keep them loose.



Recyclables should be gently rinsed and dry.

[www.mydisposal.com/recycling-basics](http://www.mydisposal.com/recycling-basics)



# Branch Pick-Up Program

## Branch Pick-Up Dates: April 1 through October 31

Sec. 16-7. – Tree branches.

Solid Waste Contractor Collection – Tree branches and brush may be deposited at the disposal site outside the approved receptacle provided that the tree branches and brush are securely bundled and tied with twine in lengths of no more than forty-eight ( 48) inches in length. Individual tree branches shall not be greater than four ( 4) inches in diameter.

Village Staff Collection – Tree branches and brush may be deposited at the disposal site in untangled and manageable piles the day after the Solid Waste collection day. Individual tree branches shall not be greater than eight (8) feet in length and no more than eight (8) inches in diameter. All branches must have the cut end facing the street.

The following items are NOT acceptable:

- Any tree branches or brush generated as a result of commercial tree or shrubbery maintenance shall be removed from the residence by the entity performing the maintenance.
- Thorny Material, such as rosebushes or thorny branches.
- Root balls (Roots with dirt attached).
- Large Logs or Stumps larger than eight (8) inches in diameter.
- Railroad Ties.
- Branches with nails, bolts, or other metal attached

Residents following the rules and wishing to have their branches and brush collected by the Village should place them behind the curb on the day of your regular garbage service. Public Works crews will begin collecting branches the day after your regular garbage service. Due to weather, infrastructure emergencies, or other potential service issues, please allow Public Works 7 days to collect your branches.





# Electronic Waste Disposal

The Village hosts periodic Electronic Waste Collection events, for South Holland residents only. The next one is:

Check back for future dates!

A map of electronic recycling sites throughout Illinois can be found here: [Illinois EPA – Residential E-Waste Collection Sites](#). You will be prompted to enter your zip code to find sites in your area. It is important to call the collection site before visiting to find out which items they accept for recycling.

[South Suburban College's Center for Hard to Recycle Materials \(CHaRM Center\)](#).

[City of Chicago's Household Chemicals & Computer Recycling Facility](#).

[Recycling/Disposal Guide for Home Gadgets and Devices](#)



# Hazardous Waste Collection

Hazardous waste must be carefully disposed of in order to make sure no one is hurt. Hazardous waste that is not properly disposed of can cause a serious threat to water supplies or the local environment. Common household hazardous waste items include herbicides, oil-based paints, used motor oil, cleaning products, batteries, insecticides, pool chemicals, fluorescent light bulbs and much more. Below is a list of chemical and computer recycling facilities that accept hazardous waste.

## Household Hazardous Waste

[City of Chicago's Household Chemicals & Computer Recycling Facility](#).

See the [Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's website](#) for the latest information about hazardous waste collection.

Also, see the [Illinois EPA Website](#) for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection schedule.

## Pharmaceutical/Medication Disposal

See the [Illinois EPA website](#) regarding pharmaceutical disposal.

Also, [Click here for a list of pharmaceutical disposal locations in Cook County](#).

Please note – specific days and times are listed for each location, pharmaceutical disposal is only accepted during the days and times listed. If you have questions about a location's disposal, please call that location.

## Asbestos Disposal

View this [Guide to Handling & Disposing Asbestos](#).

**Contact Public Works with any questions at 708.339.2323**



# Stormwater Management

The Water/Sewer/Stormwater Division is committed to the preservation and enhancement of residents' quality of life through water quality improvement, drainage infrastructure management, flood hazard minimization, and public awareness. Maintenance is performed on the storm water catch basins and pipes in order to provide an effective drainage system to the community.

The sanitary sewer line drains toilet waste, washing machines, floor drains and bathtub drains to the sanitary sewer main in the street. The waste requires treatment prior to discharge and is transported to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District for Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) sewer. Downspouts, footing drains, and sump pumps handle clean storm water and groundwater.

## Storm Sewer Sump

The storm sewer sump pumps rainwater collected under the basement floor pad to the rear yard. If the discharge of the storm sewer pump isn't far enough away from the house, water discharged from the basement will collect against the foundation wall or footing and seep into the footing drains. Therefore, it is recommended that the discharge is located at least five feet away from the house. Additionally, it is recommended that storm water be discharging to flow overland to allow water to infiltrate into the soil, reducing the cost of pumping and treating additional water collected in the storm sewer.

## Precautions

During a power outage, the storm sewer pump won't work. But this only limits the use of the facilities in the basement that need the pump.

## Illegal Connection

If the storm water sump is connected to the private sanitary sewer rather than discharging water from the footing drains to the yard, the sanitary sewer can fill up with storm water. The sanitary sewer was not sized to handle the additional flow from the footing drains. Therefore, sanitary backups in homes and manholes may result.

Other examples of illegal connections to sanitary sewer include:

- Downspouts,
- Patio drains,
- Rear yard drains,
- Removing covers off sanitary sewer manholes



# Floodplain Management Plan

Updated November 2017. Click the article you wish to read.

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[4 - Flood Control](#) [9 - Action Plan](#)

[Full Floodplain Management Plan in one file](#)

The Village of South Holland updates its Floodplain Management Plan on a regular basis. The work is coordinated by the Flood Liaison Committee whose members include representatives of Village offices and floodplain residents. As noted by Village President Don DeGraff, “While floods are acts of nature, the impacts on residents, public facilities, businesses, and private property can be diminished through effective floodplain management programs.”

Community input is a vital part of revising the current plan. All South Holland residents are welcome to attend the meetings and to review and comment on the changes being made. The public is invited to attend the Flood Liaison Committee meetings, which are held at Village Hall.



# Flood Articles

Code Enforcement Office Answers Common Flood Questions

Flood Hazard Map of the Village of South Holland

Flood Insurance: A Wise Investment

Flood-Proofing Project Pays Off

The Natural and Beneficial Functions of the Floodplains

Village Regulation Protect You from Flooding

Why Flooding Sometimes Occurs in South Holland



# IEPA Annual Facility Inspection

The Village of South Holland is committed to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Permit Program and the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) Program that are overseen by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). These programs are targeted to improve water quality in the community.

The Village has established a Storm Water Management Program, which incorporates best management practices adopted by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The following documents provide the most recent Reports and Permits for this program:

- [Notice NPDES Public Hearing 2025](#)
- [Notice of Intent for Renewal of General Permit for Discharges from MS4s](#)
- [Village of South Holland MS4 Annual Report for 2020](#)
- [Village of South Holland MS4 Annual Report for 2021](#)
- [Village of South Holland MS4 Annual Report for 2022](#)
- [Village of South Holland MS4 Annual Report for 2023](#)
- [Village of South Holland MS4 Annual Report for 2024](#)
- [Village of South Holland Storm Water Management Program](#)







**Village of South Holland**

March 31 · 🌐

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🌱 Spring is here! 🌱

As we welcome the new season, here are some important reminders starting April 1:

1. Yard Waste Collection Resumes: Homewood Disposal will begin collecting yard waste again. Remember, from April 1 to November 30, your yard waste toter should only contain yard waste. No extra garbage, please!

2. Branch Pickup Returns: Small branches can go into your yard waste containers, but larger ones will be collected by the Public Works department. To prepare, cut branches to no more than 4 feet in length, bundle them, and tie with twine (no wire, metal straps, or clips allowed). No need to schedule a pickup—just leave them at the curb, and Public Works will take care of the rest!

Stay tuned for more updates, and let's keep our community beautiful! 🌱🏡





Village of South Holland

February 11 · 🌐

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A Winter Storm Watch is in effect from Wednesday morning through late Wednesday night. Our Public Works Department is pre-treating the streets and will have all plows o... See more

## DRIVEWAY SNOW REMOVAL



### DO this

- 1 Move snow from your driveway onto your property: Standing, facing the road, move snow over to the right side of your driveway.
- 2 And clear the area by the road on the left side of your driveway. This gives plows a place to unload snow and helps reduce the chance of a snow berm being created across your driveway.

### NOT this

Move snow from driveways into the road or right-of-way: It's illegal to push snow into or across roadways and rights-of-way. This can create a hazard for people traveling



## Avoid the "Second Shovel"

After a snowstorm, how many times have you shoveled your driveway only to have it plowed in when your local snowplow comes through? Leaving an area to the right of your driveway (as seen in the diagram below), giving the snow on the plow a place to go other than your driveway, should keep you from having to do the same job twice.



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It may be frigid and icy outside right now, but the rainy season will be here before you know it. Use this time to be proactive about flood prevention! The Village has ... [See more](#)



## PROTECT, PREPARE, PREVENT

1. **Know** your flood hazard.
2. Protect **people** from the hazard.
3. Protect your **property** from the hazard.
4. **Insure** your property for the hazard.
5. **Build** responsibly.
6. **Protect** natural floodplain functions.

**Visit [southholland.org](https://southholland.org) for the tools to help prepare your property for potential flooding.**





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August 23, 2024 · 🌐



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## Village of South Holland

July 29, 2024 · 🌐



When the storm on July 15th came through, it brought down many trees and fallen branches. Thank you for placing your branches on the curb as requested. Public Works is continuously making their way through town to collect and break down those branches.

We have rented 3 chippers to help with the removal of downed branches and have a total of 5 chippers on the streets to clear up the debris. Because of the extensive damage, this process simply takes a while. Public Works has divided the town into sections to ensure they get to EVERY location.

We thank you for your patience.



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## Village of South Holland

April 26, 2024 · 🌐

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Tomorrow, April 27, South Holland Public Works will be assisting residents with recycling any electronics they want to dispose of.

From 9am to 1pm at South Suburban College, Public Works employees will collect electronic items for recycling. Items can include computer parts, home entertainment systems, mobile devices, and much more.

To view a whole list of items accepted, visit [https://www.southholland.org/\\_T10\\_R136.php](https://www.southholland.org/_T10_R136.php)



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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

In accordance with General Permit ILR40 issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Program the Village of South Holland will hold a public hearing to allow public involvement/participation in, and/or public comment on, the Village's NPDES program. The hearing will be held on April 8, 2025, at 8:00 pm in the meeting room at the Village Hall, 16226 Wausau Avenue, South Holland, Illinois. Interested parties may be heard at that time.

Dated at South Holland, Illinois  
this 11th day of March 2025.

NAME: John Hilsen  
TITLE: Village Engineer  
VILLAGE: South Holland  
Contact Number: Robinson  
Engineering, 708-331-6700

3/18/2025, 4/1/2025 7783231

# **NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES)**

## **VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**

April 8, 2025

Required by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) in accord with Village's Notice-of-Intent (NOI) for the Illinois General Permit ILR 40

### **I. Introduction and General Description of NPDES for MS4 communities (MS4 = Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System)**

**GOAL** – Eliminate pollutants from entering storm sewer system/detention ponds and depositing into rivers, lakes, creeks. The ultimate outlet points within the Village are Thorn Creek, the Little Calumet River, and the Cal-Union Drainage Ditch.

### **II. Six Required Minimum Control Measures (MCM's)**

#### **1) Public Education and Outreach**

- a) REMINDER: Do not dump oil, paint or chemicals down sewer, etc.
- b) REMINDER: Clean up after your dogs in your yard and parks, etc.
- c) Public Outreach articles published in South Holland Living & Website.

#### **2) Public Involvement and Participation**

- a) This Public Hearing is an example of this
- b) Village welcomes public involvement; call PW if notice any spills, etc.
- c) Civic Groups, Schools and volunteers participate in cleanups, awareness, etc.

#### **3) Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)**

- a) The Village has an ordinance that it uses to address these issues.
- b) Public Works has identified all outfalls into Cal-Union Ditch, Thorn Creek and Little Calumet River. Inspections of the outfalls are made on a regular schedule.
- c) The Village maintains an up-to-date sewer atlas that indicates all outfalls

#### **4) Control of Construction Site Storm Water Runoff**

- a) Village has an Erosion control ordinance in place for this
- b) Developers are required to provide a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
- c) Developers are required to inspect their sites weekly during construction and after rains

#### **5) Post-Construction Storm Water Management**

- a) Village has a Post-Construction ordinance in place
- b) Final inspections are required before the developer can leave site
- c) Detention required for all developments in the Village per Ordinance updated 2014
- d) Pond filters out sediments prior to being released

#### **6) Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping**

- a) Village conducts Street Sweeping, Cleaning of Culverts and Ditches of debris
- b) Village inspects storm sewers on a yearly basis; catch basins are vacuumed, etc.
- c) Village has prepared SWPPP & Spill Prevention Plan for its own PW Maintenance Yard
- d) Village enlists public's help in watching inlets/catch basins and keeping clear of debris

### **III. Annual Activities Moving Forward**

- An annual report is made to the IEPA each year
- Public Works maintains stream channels and addresses Item #6 above
- Ordinances and sewer atlas are reviewed yearly

### **IV. Questions**

**Minutes  
Public Hearing  
Village of South Holland  
16226 Wausau Avenue  
April 8, 2025  
8:00 P.M**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**PUBLIC HEARING TO ALLOW PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND PARTICIPATION IN,  
AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON, THE VILLAGE'S MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM  
SEWER SYSTEM (MS4).**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Don A. De Graff called the hearing to order at 8:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Present on the roll call were President Don A. De Graff, Village Clerk Sallie D. Penman, and Village Trustees: Cynthia Nylen, Vickie Perkins, Larry DeYoung, John Russel and Andrew Johnson.

Administrative Staff present: Village Engineer John D. Hilsen, Shawn Staples, Police Chief; Brian Kolosh, Fire Chief; Scott Dillner, Village Attorney; Michael Cramer, Director of Public Works; J Wynsma, Village Administrator; Pat Mahon, Deputy Village Administrator; Travis Bandstra, Director of Community Development and Julia Perla Huisman, Communication Manager.

Attached is a list of residents in attendance.

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

A Copy of the Publication calling for a Public Hearing to allow Public participation on the Village's Storm Water Management Program was placed on file with the Clerk.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**MEMBER COMMENTS**

Village Engineer, John D. Hilsen stated that this is a Public Hearing held in accordance with General Permit ILR40 issued by the Illinois EPA under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Program. The purpose of the Public Hearing is discussing the Village's initiatives to conform to the program.

Mr. Hilsen stated that as required by state and federal regulations the Village of South Holland submitted a notice of intent to be covered by Illinois General Permit ILR40. That notice of intent set forth the commitment by the Village to implement certain minimum control measures and to have those measures completed and in place by March of 2008. Six minimum control measures must be outlined along with the general introduction of the actions to be taken. The first minimum control measure is Public Education and Outreach of Storm Water Impacts. The Village has proposed to do that by publishing articles in the South Holland Today, the Village Newsletter and distributing pamphlets.



The second minimum control measure is Public Involvement and Participation. The primary item is to hold a Public Hearing and this hearing meets that requirement.

The third minimum control measure is to Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination which involves preparation of the storm sewer outlets for the Village, identification of outfalls from the Village's storm sewer system, confirming the location of those outfalls, and conducting a review during dry weather of discharges from those outfalls, and conducting an investigation if there are dry weather discharges from those outfalls.

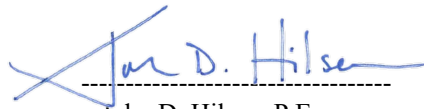
The fourth minimum control measure is Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control. That is addressed in an ordinance that is called an Ordinance for the Control of Post Construction Storm Water Runoff in the Village of South Holland. It was adopted in March of 2008.

The fifth minimum control measure is the Post Construction Storm Water Management in New Development and Redevelopment. The Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance for the Village of South Holland, Illinois was adopted in March of 2008.

The last minimum control measure is Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations. It includes conducting a review of the actions and operations of the Village that potentially impact storm water runoff and developing and implementing best management practices as applicable to reduce adverse impact of storm water quality from the municipal operations of the Village. The Village of South Holland has in place a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Manual. That is the summary of the proposed commitment by the Village of South Holland to satisfy the IEPA General Permit Requirements.

#### **CLOSE HEARING**

Village Engineer Hilsen asked those at the Public Hearing if there were any questions. Being that there were none, she closed the Public Hearing at 8:10 P.M.



John D. Hilsen, P.E.  
Village Engineer



## VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

**April 8, 2025**

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