

# News Release

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## **Ficano to Kickoff “Stormwater Summit”**

**WAYNE COUNTY, MI - March 16, 2007** The Wayne County Departments of Environment and Public Services will hold the third “Stormwater Summit” on Friday, March 23 at 9 a.m. at the University of Michigan-Dearborn Fairlane Center, 19000 Hubbard Drive in Dearborn.

The event will update and educate municipal governments, engineers, developers, and environmentalists on the County’s Stormwater Ordinance, which was adopted in 2000 and updated late last year. The ordinance is required by state and federal law, and helps to improve water quality and habitat while controlling flooding.

County Executive Robert A. Ficano will kick-off the morning event with an explanation of the his new “One Stop” permitting process for Wayne County businesses. The goal of the CEO’s initiative is to have all county permits approved in 45 to 60 days.

“The County’s system of permits is essential to protecting the public health, environment, and safety, and we want to be the leader in making the permitting process fast and fair for our County’s job creators,” Ficano said.

For program details on the Stormwater Summit, call (734) 326-3936.

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