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NEWS RELEASE

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“Spring Cleaning: Stream Cleanup” on May 30

DUBUQUE, Iowa -- The public is invited to participate in “Spring Cleaning: Stream Cleanup” on Saturday, May 30, 2009. Join other volunteers for a fun outdoor workday while helping protect our local waterways.

Cleanup participants will walk along a one-mile section of either the Bee Branch Creek or North Fork Catfish Creek. Along the way, volunteers will remove pop cans, plastic sacks, tires, shopping carts and other pieces of trash they find in the creek’s waters and banks.

The event will begin at 10 a.m. Registration is required in advance. Please RSVP to Andrew McDonnell at (563) 589-4270 or enintamc@cityofdubuque.org. All participants must register by signing a waiver of liability. Volunteers under age 18 must have a parent/legal guardian sign the waiver before the commencement of the cleanup.

The cleanup will last until 2 p.m. Organizers will provide gloves, safety vests, trash and recycle bags as well as trash tongs. Volunteers should expect to walk on un-even terrain throughout the day. Additionally, volunteers should dress for the weather and are encouraged to wear old “river shoes,” waders, or boots and understand that getting wet is to be expected.

This event is being hosted by the City of Dubuque Engineering Department and Keep Dubuque County Clean and Green, the local affiliate of Keep Iowa Beautiful. Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided following this event.

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