



BOARD ORDER

One Watershed, One Plan FY23 Planning Grants

PURPOSE

Authorize the fiscal year 2023 One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants.

RECITALS /FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Laws of Minnesota 2019, 1st Special Session, Chapter 2, Article 2, Section 7(i) and the Laws of Minnesota, 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 6 (i) appropriated funds for assistance, oversight, and grants to local governments to transition local water management plans to a watershed approach as provided for in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 103B, 103C, 103D and 114D.
2. The Board has authority under Minnesota Statutes §103B.3369 to make grants to cities, townships, counties, soil and water conservation districts or authorities with jurisdiction in water and related land resources management when a proposed project, practice or activity implements a county water plan, watershed management plan, or county groundwater plan.
3. The Comprehensive Watershed Management Planning Program authority, also known as One Watershed, One Plan, is established in Minnesota Statutes §103B.801.
4. The Board on June 22, 2016 adopted a One Watershed, One Plan Transition Plan (Board Resolution #16-53) for development, approval, adoption, and coordination of plans consistent with Minnesota Statutes §103A.212.
5. The Board on March 23, 2022 authorized staff to distribute and promote a request for proposals (RFP) for planning grants for the One Watershed, One Plan Program and a formal request for proposal was noticed on March 26, 2022 with a submittal deadline of June 11, 2022.
6. The BWSR Senior Management Team met on July 12, 2022 and reviewed the applications with consideration of staff and Interagency WRAPS and Implementation Team feedback, consistency with the Transition Plan, and the selection criteria within the RFP and recommended providing planning grant funds to the following five planning areas: Cottonwood – Middle Minnesota River; Crow Wing River Watershed; Rainy River – Rainy Lake/Lower Rainy River Watershed; Upper and Lower Red Lake Watershed; Upper Mississippi - Grand Rapids Watershed .
7. The Grants Program and Policy Committee met on July 25, 2022 and reviewed the Senior Management Team's recommendations for One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants and recommended board approval of planning grants for the Cottonwood – Middle Minnesota River; Crow Wing River; Rainy River – Rainy Lake/Lower Rainy River; Upper and Lower Red Lake; Upper Mississippi - Grand Rapids Watershed planning boundaries.

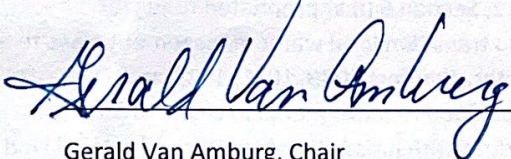
ORDER

The Board hereby:

1. Approves and authorizes five One Watershed, One Plan Planning Grants: Cottonwood – Middle Minnesota River; Crow Wing River; Rainy River – Rainy Lake/Lower Rainy River; Upper and Lower Red Lake; Upper Mississippi - Grand Rapids Watershed planning boundaries.
2. Authorizes staff to approve work plans and enter into grant agreements with these watershed areas for development of One Watershed, One Plans.
3. Approves the allocation of grants funds for the 5 watershed areas not to exceed \$1,300,000 in total.

Dated at East Grand Forks, Minnesota, this twenty-fifth of August, 2022.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES



Gerald Van Amburg, Chair
Board of Water and Soil Resources

Date: 8-25-2022

BOARD ORDER

FY23 Soil Health Cost Share Grants

PURPOSE

Provide Soil Health Cost Share to Soil and Water Conservation Districts to implement soil health related activities.

FINDINGS OF FACT / RECITALS

1. The Laws of Minnesota 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 4(K) appropriated \$675,000 in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 respectively for soil health.
2. "Soil Health" is defined in MS 103C.101, Subd. 10a as the continued capacity of soil to function as a vital living system that sustains plants, animals, and humans. Indicators of soil health include water infiltration capacity; organic matter content; water holding capacity; biological capacity to break down plant residue and other substances and to maintain soil aggregation; nutrient sequestration and cycling capacity; carbon sequestration; and soil resistance.
3. The Board has authorities under Minnesota Statutes § 103B.3369 to award grants and contracts to accomplish water and related land resources management.
4. The proposed allocations in this order were developed consistent with these appropriations.
5. The Grants Program and Policy Committee, at their August 23, 2022 meeting, reviewed the proposed allocations and recommended approval to the Board.

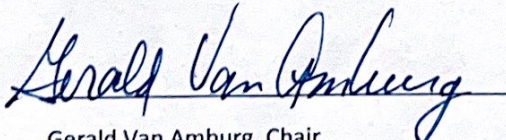
ORDER

The Board hereby:

1. Adopts the attached fiscal year 2023 "Soil Health Cost Share Grant Policy" and establishes that FY2023 Soil Health Cost Share grants will conform to this policy.
2. Approves the allocation of funds to each eligible SWCD in the amounts listed in the attached allocation table.
3. Authorizes staff to approve work plans and enter into grant agreements for these funds.

Dated at East Grand Forks, Minnesota, this twenty-fifth of August, 2022.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES



Gerald Van Amburg, Chair
Board of Water and Soil Resources

Date: 8-25-2022

Attachments: FY2023 Soil Health Cost Share Grant Allocations
FY 2023 Soil Health Cost Share Grant Program Policy

FYs 2023 Soil Health Cost Share Grant Allocations

SWCD	FY22/23 Proposed	SWCD	FY22/23 Proposed	SWCD	FY22/23 Proposed
Aitkin	\$14,175	Koochiching	\$14,175	Root River	\$14,175
Anoka	\$14,175	Lac qui Parle	\$14,175	Roseau	\$14,175
Becker	\$14,175	Lake	\$14,175	Scott	\$14,175
Beltrami	\$14,175	Lake of the Woods	\$14,175	Sherburne	\$14,175
Benton	\$14,175	Le Sueur	\$14,175	Sibley	\$14,175
Big Stone	\$14,175	Lincoln	\$14,175	St. Louis North	\$14,175
Blue Earth	\$14,175	Lyon SWCD	\$14,175	St. Louis South	\$14,175
Brown	\$14,175	Mahnomen	\$14,175	Stearns	\$14,175
Carlton	\$14,175	Marshall	\$14,175	Steele	\$14,175
Carver	\$14,175	Martin	\$14,175	Stevens	\$14,175
Cass	\$14,175	McLeod	\$14,175	Swift	\$14,175
Chippewa	\$14,175	Meeker	\$14,175	Todd	\$14,175
Chisago	\$14,175	Mille Lacs	\$14,175	Traverse	\$14,175
Clay	\$14,175	Morrison	\$14,175	Wabasha	\$14,175
Clearwater	\$14,175	Mower	\$14,175	Wadena	\$14,175
Cook	\$14,175	Murray	\$14,175	Waseca	\$14,175
Cottonwood	\$14,175	Nicollet	\$14,175	Washington	\$14,175
Crow Wing	\$14,175	Nobles	\$14,175	Watonwan	\$14,175
Dakota	\$14,175	Norman	\$14,175	Wilken	\$14,175
Dodge	\$14,175	Olmsted	\$14,175	Winona	\$14,175
Douglas	\$14,175	Otter Tail East	\$14,175	Wright	\$14,175
Faribault	\$14,175	Otter Tail West	\$14,175	Yellow Medicine	\$14,175
Fillmore	\$14,175	Pennington	\$14,175		
Freeborn	\$14,175	Pine	\$14,175		
Goodhue	\$14,175	Pipestone	\$14,175		
Grant	\$14,175	Polk East	\$14,175		
Hennepin	\$14,175	Polk West	\$14,175		
Hubbard	\$14,175	Pope	\$14,175		
Isanti	\$14,175	Ramsey	\$14,175		
Itasca	\$14,175	Red Lake	\$14,175		
Jackson	\$14,175	Redwood	\$14,175		
Kanabec	\$14,175	Renville	\$14,175		
Kandiyohi	\$14,175	Rice	\$14,175		
Kittson	\$14,175	Rock	\$14,175		

Soil Health Cost Share Grant Policy

From the Board of Water and Soil Resources, State of Minnesota

Version: 1.00

Effective Date: 08/25/2022

Approval: Board Resolution #22-35

Policy Statement

The General Fund Soil Health Grant is to be implemented in a manner consistent with the cost-sharing provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 103C.501. Cost share funds are to be used for activities that further the adoption of practices that improve soil health.

District boards are responsible for the administration and decisions concerning the local use of these funds in accordance with: Minnesota Statutes, §103C.321 and §103C.331; BWSR policies; grant agreement; and all other applicable laws. BWSR will use grant agreements as contracts for assurance of deliverables and compliance. Failure to comply with relevant statutes, rules, and policies may lead to imposition of financial penalties on the grant recipient.

Reason for the policy

The purpose of this policy is to provide specific requirements for the implementation of funds appropriated to BWSR associated with the General Fund Soil Health Grant.

BWSR's Grants Administration Manual (<http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/grants/manual/>) provides the primary framework for local management of all state grants administered by BWSR.

Eligible Activities and Program Requirements

1. Eligible and Ineligible Activities

Soil Health Cost Share Grants provides Soil and Water Conservation Districts with funds for the implementation of core soil health practices and associated technical and administrative responsibilities. Funds used from this policy for cost share must follow the BWSR Erosion Control and Water Management Program Policy with the following exceptions.

Eligible activities must be identified in the work plan.

1.1 Eligible Core Soil Health Practices. The following core soil health practices are eligible statewide:

- ◆ Cover Crops
- ◆ Strip-till / No-till
- ◆ Perennial Crops
- ◆ Stand Diversification
- ◆ Perennial Strips
- ◆ Agroforestry
- ◆ Rotational Grazing

****Please see the Soil Health Cost Share Grant Profile for a guide of NRCS practice standards that fall under the Core activities listed above****

Eligible practices are NOT limited to those above. In addition, local priority or supporting soil health practices may be eligible but grantees need identify those activities in the workplan submittal process.

For Example: Nutrient Management (NRCS Standard 590) practice(s) would be eligible in the following scenario. The Stormy SWCD is struggling with nitrate concentration increases in several public water supplies. They are proposing Nutrient Management practices emphasizing improvement of organic matter as a BMP, and since the area has a high incidence of confined animal facilities they specifically want to implement Manure Management plans in addition to cover crops for operators who apply manure or other nitrogen fertilizer within the Stormy public water supply.

2. Grant Work Plan

Work Plans are required for the General Fund Soil Health Grants. Work plans shall be developed in eLINK and must be approved before execution of the grant agreement and before work can begin or grant funds spent. Work plans shall reflect each eligible activity that will be implemented, a description of the anticipated activity outcomes or accomplishments, and grant funding amounts to accomplish each of the activities. If utilizing the percent-based option for projects, local/landowner contributions must also be included. A local cost share policy that includes such information as payment rates, contract terms, etc. should be part of the work plan or referenced and attached.

BOARD ORDER

Fiscal Year 2022/23 Clean Water Fund Soil Health Grants

PURPOSE

Authorize the fiscal year 2022/23 Clean Water Fund Competitive Soil Health Grants.

FINDINGS OF FACT / RECITALS

1. The Laws of Minnesota 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 1, Article 2, Sec. 6(p) appropriated \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the second year for grants to farmers who own or rent land to enhance adoption of cover crops and other soil health practices in areas where there are direct benefits to public water supplies. Up to \$400,000 is for an agreement with the University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health for applied research and education on Minnesota's agroecosystems and soil health management systems.
2. The Board has authorities under Minnesota Statutes §103B.3369 and 103B.101 to award grants and contracts to accomplish water and related land resources management.
3. On March 23, 2022, the Board authorized staff to distribute and promote a request for proposals (RFP) for FY22/23 Clean Water Fund Soil Health grants (Board Order #22-11).
4. The request for proposals was noticed on March 28, 2022 with a submittal deadline of May 9, 2022.
5. Applications were scored and ranked on July 20, 2022.
6. The Grants Program and Policy Committee, at their August 23, 2022 meeting, reviewed the proposed allocations and recommended approval to the Board.

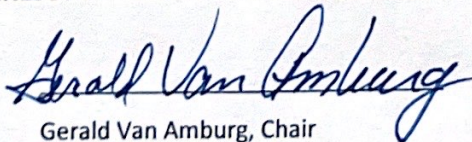
ORDER

The Board hereby:

1. Approves the allocation of funds to each eligible applicant in the amounts listed in the attached allocation table.
2. Authorizes staff to approve work plans and enter into grant agreements for these funds.
3. Establishes that the grant awards pursuant to this order will conform to the FY 2022 Clean Water Fund Competitive Grant Policy.

Dated at East Grand Forks, Minnesota, this twenty-fifth of August, 2022.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES



Gerald Van Amburg, Chair
Board of Water and Soil Resources

Date: 8-25-2022

Attachments: FY 2022 Clean Water Fund Competitive Soil Health Grant Allocation Table

FY 2022 Clean Water Fund Competitive Soil Health Grant Allocation Table

App #	Application Title	Applicant Name	Amount Awarded	Score
C22-4421	Soil Health for Water Quality Protection	Traverse SWCD	\$ 275,000	81.8
C22-7318	Chisago SWCDFY22 LCS Coil Health Grant	Chisago SWCD	\$ 200,000	80.3
C22-6072	GBERBA Soil Health Implementation Grant	GBERBA	\$ 312,100	79.5
C22-6656	2022 Clean Water Soil Health Grant	Wilkin SWCD	\$ 235,560	76.3
C22-2693	Southwest Minnesota Wellhead Soil Health	Pipestone SWCD	\$ 282,750	76.3
C22-3831	The Future of Farming in Becker County - Phase II	Becker SWCD	\$ 480,014	72.3
C22-6449	Soil Health Practices to Protect Drinking Water in Mississippi River Sartell	Stearns SWCD	\$ 240,625	71.2
		TOTAL	\$ 2,026,049	



BOARD ORDER

FY 2023 Buffer Program Implementation Grants

Provide Buffer Program Funds to Soil and Water Conservation Districts to implement buffer program activities for fiscal year 2023.

FINDINGS OF FACT / RECITALS

1. The Board of Water and Soil Resources (Board) has the responsibility to oversee the provisions of Minnesota Statute 103F.48 (the Buffer Law) and to provide funds to Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) to implement the law.
2. The Laws of Minnesota 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 6(e) appropriated fiscal year 2023 Buffer Program Implementation funds.
3. The proposed allocations in this order were developed consistent with these appropriations.
4. The Grants Program and Policy Committee, at their July 25, 2022 meeting, reviewed the proposed allocations and recommended approval to the Board.

ORDER

The Board hereby:

1. Authorizes staff to enter into individual grant agreements with each eligible SWCD, and Hennepin and Ramsey counties that are meeting statute, policy, or grant program requirements for fiscal year 2023, consistent with the attached allocation table and totaling \$1,698,500.
2. Establishes that the Buffer Program Implementation grants awarded pursuant to this resolution will conform to the BWSR FY2023 Clean Water Fund Policy except that no match will be required.

Dated at East Grand Forks, Minnesota, this August 25, 2022.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES


Gerald Van Amburg, Chair
Board of Water and Soil Resources

Date: August 25, 2022

See attached FY23 Buffer Program Implementation Grant Allocations

FY23 Buffer Program Implementation Grant Allocations

SWCD	Proposed FY 23 Allocation
AITKIN	\$8,500
ANOKA	\$8,500
BECKER	\$21,500
BELTRAMI	\$17,000
BENTON	\$17,000
BIG STONE	\$21,500
BLUE EARTH	\$25,500
BROWN	\$25,500
CARLTON	\$2,500
CARVER	\$17,000
CASS	\$8,500
CHIPPEWA	\$25,500
CHISAGO	\$8,500
CLAY	\$30,000
CLEARWATER	\$17,000
COOK	\$2,500
COTTONWOOD	\$25,500
CROW WING	\$8,500
DAKOTA	\$17,000
DODGE	\$21,500
DOUGLAS	\$17,000
FARIBAULT	\$25,500
FILLMORE	\$25,500
FREEBORN	\$25,500
GOODHUE	\$21,500
GRANT	\$21,500
HENNEPIN COUNTY	\$8,500
HUBBARD	\$8,500
ISANTI	\$8,500

SWCD	Proposed FY23 Allocation
ITASCA	\$2,500
JACKSON	\$25,500
KANABEC	\$8,500
KANDIYOHI	\$25,500
KITTSOON	\$30,000
KOOCHICHING	\$2,500
LAC QUI PARLE	\$25,500
LAKE	\$2,500
LAKE OF THE WOODS	\$8,500
LE SUEUR	\$21,500
LINCOLN	\$21,500
LYON	\$25,500
MAHNOMEN	\$17,000
MARSHALL	\$38,500
MARTIN	\$30,000
MC LEOD	\$17,000
MEEKER	\$21,500
MILLE LACS	\$8,500
MORRISON	\$21,500
MOWER	\$25,500
MURRAY	\$25,500
NICOLLET	\$17,000
NOBLES	\$30,000
NORMAN	\$30,000
OLMSTED	\$21,500
OTTER TAIL E	\$21,500
OTTER TAIL W	\$21,500
PENNINGTON	\$21,500
PINE	\$8,500
PIPESTONE	\$21,500
POLK E	\$21,500

SWCD	Proposed FY23 Allocation
POLK W 45	\$38,500
POPE	\$21,500
RAMSEY	\$2,500
RED LAKE	\$17,000
REDWOOD	\$30,000
RENVILLE	\$38,500
RICE	\$17,000
ROCK	\$21,500
ROOT RIVER	\$17,000
ROSEAU	\$30,000
SCOTT	\$8,500
SHERBURNE	\$8,500
SIBLEY	\$21,500
ST. LOUIS N	\$2,500
ST. LOUIS S	\$2,500
STEARNS	\$30,000
STEELE	\$21,500
STEVENS	\$25,500
SWIFT	\$25,500
TODD	\$17,000
TRAVERSE	\$25,500
WABASHA	\$17,000
WADENA	\$8,500
WASECA	\$17,000
WASHINGTON	\$8,500
WATONWAN	\$21,500
WILKIN	\$30,000
WINONA	\$17,000
WRIGHT	\$17,000
YELLOW MEDICINE	\$30,000
	\$1,698,500

Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources
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St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

In the Matter of the review of the Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 103B.101, Subdivision 14 and 103B.801.

**ORDER
APPROVING
COMPREHENSIVE
WATERSHED
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Whereas, the Policy Committee of the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed submitted a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan (Plan) to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (Board) on July 19, 2022, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 103B.101, Subdivision 14 and 103B.801 and Board Decision #18-14, and;

Whereas, the Board has completed its review of the Plan;

Now Therefore, the Board hereby makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. **Partnership Establishment.** The Partnership was established in May of 2020 through adoption of a Memorandum of Agreement for the purposes of developing a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan. The membership of the Partnership includes Marshall County, Marshall Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), Polk County, West Polk SWCD, and Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed District.
2. **Authority to Plan.** Minnesota Statutes, Sections 103B.101, Subdivision 14 allows the Board to adopt resolutions, policies or orders that allow a comprehensive plan, local water management plan, or watershed management plan, developed or amended, approved and adopted, according to Chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D to serve as substitutes for one another or be replaced with a comprehensive watershed management plan. Minnesota Statutes, Sections 103B.801 established the Comprehensive Watershed Management Planning Program; also known as One Watershed, One Plan. And, Board Decision #18-14 adopted the One Watershed, One Plan Operating Procedures Version 2.0 and Board Decision #19-41 adopted the One Watershed, One Plan Plan Content Requirements Version 2.1 policies.
3. **Nature of the Watershed.** The Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers (MSTR) Watershed encompasses 1,476 square miles (944,640 acres) of land on the Minnesota side of the Red River Basin. Three major rivers, the Tamarac, Middle, and Snake, comprise the MSTR Watershed, draining west to the Red River of the North. This largely rural watershed offers a quality of life that is developed around its fertile soils. Historical prairie landscapes within the Red River Basin have always been a part of the natural heritage

of the community, connecting people to the land. What was once tall grasses of prairie is now a landscape rich with agriculture.

4. **Plan Development.** The Plan was developed as a single, concise, and coordinated approach to watershed management for the purpose of guiding watershed managers as they work with landowners and communities to protect and restore the watershed's resources. The Plan consolidates policies, programs, and implementation strategies from existing data, studies, and plans, and incorporates input from multiple planning partners to provide a single plan for management of the watershed. The Plan focuses on prioritized, targeted, and measurable implementation efforts and lays out specific actions to manage water quantity, protect and restore water quality, natural habitat, and drinking water sources in the watershed.

5. **Plan Review.** On July 19, 2022, the Board received the Plan, a record of the public hearing, and copies of all written comments pertaining to the Plan for final State review pursuant to Board Decision #18-14. State agency representatives attended and provided input at advisory committee meetings during development of the Plan. The following state review comments were received during the comment period.
 - A. Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA): MDA confirmed receipt of the Plan and did not provide any comments.
 - B. Minnesota Department of Health (MDH): MDH confirmed receipt of the Plan and recognized the partnerships consideration of all state comments. MDH did not find any inconsistencies with statute or rule requirements in their review and recommended approval of the Plan.
 - C. Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR): DNR confirmed receipt of the Plan. DNR is satisfied with the responses to issues raised during the 60-day review, had no additional comments, and recommended approval of the Plan.
 - D. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA): MPCA commented that the Plan was very well written, concise, and thorough, and recommended approval of the Plan.
 - E. Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB): EQB did not provide any comments.
 - F. Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Regional Staff: BWSR staff provided comments during the 60-day review commending the Partnership for inclusion of the initial priority issues submitted by BWSR and for addressing the comments received during the internal review period. All comments submitted throughout the planning process were adequately addressed in the final Plan and BWSR staff recommended approval of the Plan.

6. **Plan Summary and Highlights.** The highlights of the plan include:
 - The Plan identifies four different planning regions which were defined based on land use, hydrology, geology, and vegetation. The four planning regions are Headwaters, Lower Tamarac, Lower Middle, and Snake River.
 - The Plan development process generated 17 issues, organized under four resource categories (Groundwater, Surface Water, Land Stewardship and Habitat), using existing reports, plans, studies, data, and stakeholder input. Each issue was assigned as one of three priority levels within each planning region. Five issues were identified as Priority A for having a "high" priority ranking in at least one planning region and will be the focus of initial implementation efforts. Eight issues were identified as Priority B for having a "medium" priority ranking in any planning region and will be addressed during the Plan, likely with additional funding. The remaining four

issues were identified as Priority C for having a “low” priority ranking watershed-wide and are not the focus of the Plan but may be addressed with additional funding.

- The Plan details nine measurable goals that collectively address the 13 Priority A and B issues. The measurable goals are presented as a series of fact sheets. Each fact sheet summarizes the priority issues the goal addresses, the planning region prioritization for each issue, background information about the issue and goal, the long-term and short-term goal, example actions that can be implemented to make progress toward goals, and specific resources and/or subwatersheds that are prioritized for the goal.
- Separate targeted implementation tables were created for each planning region that include actions within the Projects and Practices implementation program. Watershed-wide implementation tables were created for actions within the Capital Improvement Projects, Regulatory, Outreach, and Data Collection and Monitoring implementation programs.
- The Plan leverages PTMApp to target the most effective conservation practices to the most effective places. PTMApp provides information about where new conservation practices are feasible, how much implementation will cost, what the estimated water quality benefit is, and how much progress implementation of that action can make toward goals.
- The Plan recognizes three funding levels for implementation. Level 1 Current Funding, Level 2 Current Funding + WBIF, and Level 3 Partner and Other Funding. Actions pursued under Funding Level 2 are the focus of the Plan and have an estimated annual cost of \$3.1 million.

7. **Northern Regional Committee.** On August 3, 2022, the Northern Regional Committee met to review and discuss the Plan. Those in attendance from the Board’s Committee were Committee Neil Peterson, Ron Staples, Gerald Van Amburg, Todd Holman, LeRoy Ose, Kurt Beckstrom, Jeff Berg, Theresa Ebbenga, and Theresa Haugen. Board staff in attendance were Northern Regional Manager Ryan Hughes, and Clean Water Specialist Henry Van Offelen. The representatives from the Partnership were Nicole Bernd, West Polk SWCD, and Mori Maher, Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed District. Board regional staff provided its recommendation of Plan approval to the Committee. After discussion, the Committee’s decision was to present a recommendation of approval of the Plan to the full Board.
8. This Plan will be in effect for a ten-year period until August 25, 2032.

CONCLUSIONS

1. All relevant substantive and procedural requirements of law have been fulfilled.
2. The Board has proper jurisdiction in the matter of approving a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 103B.101, Subd. 14 and 103B.801 and Board Resolution #18-14.
3. The Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed Plan attached to this Order states water and water-related problems within the planning area; priority resource issues and possible solutions thereto; goals, objectives, and actions of the Partnership; and an implementation program.
4. The attached Plan is in conformance with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes Section 103B.101, Subd. 14 and 103B.801 and Board Resolution #18-14.

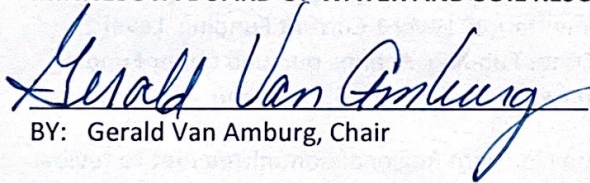
5. The attached Plan when adopted through local resolution by the members of the Partnership will serve as a replacement for the comprehensive plan, local water management plan, or watershed management plan, developed or amended, approved and adopted, according to Chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D, but only to the geographic area of the Plan and consistent with the One Watershed, One Plan Suggested Boundary Map.

ORDER

The Board hereby approves the attached Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan of the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed, dated 2022-2032.

Dated at East Grand Forks, Minnesota, this twenty-fifth of August, 2022.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES



BY: Gerald Van Amburg, Chair