

## **Technical Advisory Committee**

### **November 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

#### **Attendance:**

- Andover
  - Kameron Kytonen, Natural Resources Technician
  - Jason Law, Assistant City Engineer
- Anoka County Highways
  - Rebecca Haug, Environmental Project Manager
- Anoka Conservation District
  - Chris Lord, District Manager
- Blaine
  - Megan Hedstrom, Water Resources Coordinator
- Coon Creek Watershed District
  - Tim Kelly, District Administrator
  - Jon Janke, Director of Operations
  - Erik Bye, Planning Coordinator
  - Jessica Lindemyer, Engagement Coordinator
  - Erin Margl, Watershed Development Coordinator
  - Abbey Lee, Watershed Development Manager
  - Justine Dauphinais, Water Quality Coordinator
  - Eileen Weigel, District Engineer (Stantec)
- Coon Rapids
  - Mark Hansen, City Engineer
  - Olivia Dorow-Hovland, Sustainability Planner
- Department of Health
  - Abby Shea, Principal Planner
  - Derek Richter, State Program Administrator Coordinator
- Fridley
  - Jim Kosluchar, City Engineer/Public Works Director
- Ham Lake
  - Dave Krugler, City Engineer

**Absent:** Board of Water & Soil Resources, Columbus, Department of Transportation, Department of Natural Resources, Spring Lake Park

#### **1. Announcements**

None.

## **2. Management Situation**

### Hydrology

Jon Janke provided the TAC with a brief update on recent weather and hydrology, stating that the District is still dry, having received around 1-inch of rain in the last month. Creek flows are steady.

### Legislative Update

None.

### CIP Update & Minor Plan Amendment

Erik Bye gave an update on the status of the minor plan amendment. The 30-day review period is open until November 20th. The focus of the minor plan amendment is to refine and update cost estimates and timing, along with the incorporation of eight new projects. Appendix H of the plan provides a detailed summary of all the changes.

### Watershed Based Implementation Funding (WBIF) Update

Justine Dauphinais shared that the Coon Creek Planning area, under BWSR's WBIF program, has been allocated \$294,099 for the next few years (2026-2029). Activities eligible for these funds include anything with the primary purpose of water quality improvement. This includes planning, design, construction, and modeling.

### National Municipal Stormwater Alliance (NMSA) seeking input on MS4 improvements

Tim Kelly inquired about who received the email from NMSA requesting input on MS4 improvements. Megan Hedstrom, Dave Krugler, and Mark Hansen all confirmed receipt of the email.

A PDF of the referenced email is available on the [TAC Resource Webpage](#).

## **3. Concerns**

### Met Council Subregional Committee Meetings

Erik Bye provided a summary of the intent behind the subregional meetings. Each committee talked through its specific subregional water policy plan within the 2050 Met Council Plan, with the goal of obtaining feedback and aligning priorities. CCWD staff attended the Northeast and Northwest committee meetings.

Abby Shea added that the initial engagement process was really focused on water supply, this go around they are trying to expand beyond water supply

to include other areas of water resources such as recreation.

Chris Lord shared his concern regarding how in-depth these committee discussions can reasonably get given the large number of people involved. He is hoping to see future committee meetings utilize smaller breakout groups to improve the depth of discussion.

Mark Hansen shared that Tim Himmer attended their regional committee meeting. He stated that for Coon Rapids, their biggest concerns surround source water protection and ensuring groundwater supplies are sustainable for the future. Justine added that better groundwater modeling from a supply side, which incorporates population growth projections and demand, was discussed at the meeting and Met Council confirmed that they have funds set aside for better modeling to inform the next round of wellhead protection plans.

#### MDH source water protection planning for MPLS/STP update

Justine Dauphinais shared that the MN Department of Health (MDH) recently held a second set of meetings focused on refining the source water protection areas for surface water drinking sources for the City of Minneapolis and the City of St. Paul. Justine walked through the draft Emergency Response Areas and Spill Management Areas for both assessment areas.

Chris Lord stated that he has been very impressed with how willing MDH is to incorporate updated local stormwater data into its assessment maps. This local data really helps define these areas as accurately as possible.

Abby Shea added that she will be leading the next step of the process which will be the development of a Surface Water Intake Protection Plan for both cities. That part of the process will talk about implementation plans, how to mesh this effort with the work others are already doing, and open some additional funding opportunities.

This information is NOT posted to the TAC Resource Webpage. However, cities can directly request the information from MDH.

#### Exploring shallow groundwater chlorides presentation

Erik Bye and Justine Dauphinais presented the talk they gave at the Water Resources Conferences earlier this year on the topic of chlorides in shallow groundwater.

View the full presentation on the [TAC Resource Webpage](#) or request a copy of the recording by contacting Jessica Lindemyer.

#### **4. Briefs**

None.

#### **5. Other Water Management Concerns**

None.

**All handouts, materials, and presentations for this meeting can be found on the TAC Resource Webpage: <https://www.cooncreekwd.org/tac/>**