MEETING DATE: April 22, 2013
AGENDA NUMBER: 10
FILE NUMBER: 13 - 024
ITEM: Century Link Directional Boar adjacent to Crosstown Blvd County Rd 18

RECOMMENDATION: Approve with 3 Stipulations

APPLICANT: Century Link

PURPOSE: Directional boring of utility lines across 4 county ditches adjacent to County Highway 18.

LOCATION: Crosstown Blvd. between Highway 65 and County Rd. 17
APPLICABILITY:
1. Any work within or adjacent to a Public Ditch within the Watershed District.
2. Any work in or adjacent to wetlands, lakes or water courses.
3. One or more cumulative acres of land disturbance.
4. The lands and water that have been, or may be covered by the regional flood.
5. High infiltration soils.
6. Highly erodible soils

EXHIBITS:
1. Project plan set dated 3/13/2013, received 4/10/2013

HISTORY & CONSIDERATIONS: This project has not been reviewed by the Board. This project is a directional bore of utility lines which cross beneath 4 county ditches. (CD 58-3, CD 58, CD 11 and CD 44)

FINDINGS:
Ditches and Drainage: There is 4 public ditches along the corridor for this project. The ditches are County Ditch 58-3, 58, 11, and 44. The project site is tributary to County Ditches 58-3, 58, 11, and 44. There are no flooding concerns downstream.

Floodplain: There is no floodplain on the property according to FEMA. The District model predicts the 100-year elevation for the subwatersheds associated with this project at 905.4 feet (Hwy 65) to 896.2 (County Rd 17). The total floodplain impact is 0 acre-feet, within the flood/fringeway. Compensatory storage is not needed.

Groundwater: Groundwater information is not provided. No Low floors are proposed.

Historic Sites: The proposed project does not include sites of historic or archeological significance.

Local Planning & Zoning: The proposed project is consistent with local planning and zoning. There is an approved local water plan.

Maintenance: The proposed project does include a ditch maintenance easement or utility line crossings. No changes in drainage are proposed.

Soils & Erosion Control: Soils affected by the proposal are Lino, Isanti, Rifle and Zimmerman. Stabilizing vegetation is not proposed for disturbed areas within two weeks of rough grading. Adjacent properties are protected from sediment deposition. Water conveyance systems are protected from erosion and sedimentation.

Stormwater & Hydraulics: Stormwater & Hydraulics: The applicant is not required to meet the volume management requirement equivalent to infiltrating runoff from the first inch of precipitation, no impervious surfaces are proposed. Stormwater leaving the site is discharged into a well defined receiving channel and routed to a public drainage
system. Drainage sensitive uses do exist down stream from the proposed site. The rate of post development runoff from the site does not exceed predevelopment rates, or rates which would interfere with sensitive downstream land uses.

**Water Quality:** Project does not include new impervious drainage areas greater than 1 acre. The proposal will not detrimentally affect the existing water quality of the receiving water. The proposal will not cause extreme fluctuations of water levels or temperature changes.

**Wildlife:** The proposed project does not include endangered & threatened species, colonial waterbird nesting sites, migratory waterfowl concentration areas, deer wintering areas, wildlife travel corridors. The site does include rare natural communities No substantial adverse alteration or significant detrimental impact on a species food supply, security or reproductive cycle or the alteration or removal of a plant species will occur.

**Wetlands:** Wetlands do exist on-site according to the NWI, Soil Survey. There are no permanent wetland impacts proposed.

Any temporary wetland impacts are exempt under the Public utility exemption MN rule 8420.0420 Subpart 6 (1)

**Escrows:** Escrows have not been paid.

**Performance Escrow:** $1500 + 4 Crossings at ($10 per l.f. of ditch * 50 l.f.) = $3,500

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<td>Provide as-built information post-construction of the new conduit locations and depth.</td>
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**CONCLUSIONS:** This project does meet District standards. Performance Escrows and Drainage items must be submitted prior to issuance of a permit.

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**Stipulations:**
1. Receipt of escrows.
2. Provide erosion control plan
3. Provide a note that states that disturbed areas will be stabilized within 7 days.