

# **AGENDA**

## **COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS**

September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
5:30 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Announcements
4. Open Mic

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

5. Approval of Minutes
6. Receive Administrator's Report
7. Advisory Committee Report
8. Bills/Accounts Payable

### **POLICY ITEMS**

9. Hearing on 2026 Budget
10. Award Water Quality Cost Share Grants

### **PERMIT ITEMS**

11. P25-023 Marus Building

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

12. Fields of Andover Alternative Urban Area Review (AUAR)
13. Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

### **ADJOURN**

**BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
**Board Room**  
**Coon Creek Watershed District Offices**  
**Monday, September 8, 2025**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**Board of Managers:**

Jim Hafner, President; Erin Lind, Vice President; Jason Lund, Secretary; Mary Campbell, Treasurer; Dwight McCullough, Member at Large

**Note:** Individuals with items on the agenda or who wish to speak to the Board are encouraged to be in attendance when the meeting is called to order.

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Approval of the Agenda** (*Additions/Corrections/Deletions*)

**3. Announcements**

**4. Open Mic/Public Comment**

*Members of the public at this time may address the Board, for **up to three minutes**, on a matter not on the Agenda. Individuals wishing to be heard must sign in with their name and address at the door. Additional comments may be accepted in writing. Board action or discussion should **not** be expected during the presentation of public comment/open mic. Board members may direct staff to research the matter further or take the matter under advisement for consideration at a future Board meeting.*

**CONSENT ITEMS**

*The consent agenda is considered as one item of business. It consists of routine administrative items or items not requiring discussion. Items can be removed from the consent agenda at the request of a Board member, staff member or a member of the audience.*

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## **BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING**

The Board of Managers of the Coon Creek Watershed District held their regular meeting on Monday, August 25, 2025, at the Coon Creek Watershed District Office.

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

Board Members Present: Mary Campbell, Jim Hafner, Erin Lind, Jason Lund, and Dwight McCullough.

Staff Present: Tim Kelly, Jessica Lindemyer, Hattie Hillukka and Michelle Ulrich

Zoom attendees: Jon Janke, Abbey Lee, Erik Bye, Jennifer Lattin

### **2. Approval of the Agenda**

Board Member McCullough moved to add permit items #8 Dercon P-25-022, #9 MCES Sanitary Sewer Rehab (4-NS-525 P2) P-25-029 and #10 Meadow Creek Church P-25-017, to the Consent Items. Seconded by Board Member Lind. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

Board Member Campbell moved to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Board Member Lund. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

### **3. Announcements**

### **4. Open Mic/Public Comment**

No one was present for comment.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

### **5. Approval of Minutes of August 11, 2025**

### **6. Approval of Bills for Payment**

Claims totaling \$113,283.03 on the following disbursement(s) list will be issued and released upon Board approval.

Vendor	Amount
V0027--CITY OF FRIDLEY	2,390.00
V0039--FOREST LAKE CONTRACTING INC	7,650.00
V0054--MICHELLE J ULRICH PA	4,012.50
V0110--RESPEC COMPANY LLC	9,058.75
V0128--YTS COMPANIES LLC	8,750.00
V0128--YTS COMPANIES LLC	5,056.25
V0133--PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	1,022.00
V0138--RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	144.00
V0138--RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	237.00
V0138--RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	1,485.00
V0138--RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	144.00
V0138--RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	161.00
V0138--RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	248.00
V0221--ABDO LLP	5,466.67
V0221--ABDO LLP	137.50
V0221--ABDO LLP	3,150.00
V0236--B E LANDSCAPE DESIGN SERVICES	2,645.00
V0242--METRO I NET	6,753.00
V0348--BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	22,490.38
V0350--FIRST UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	1,142.62
V0350--FIRST UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	1,257.00
V0351--DELTA DENTAL OF MN	1,772.36
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	35.10
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	803.06
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	822.30
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	192.30
V0360--PAYLOCITY	559.63
V0362--PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION	8,437.36
V0363--MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	1,370.00
V0365--FLINT HILLS RESOURCES	1,977.37
V0395--CONNEXUS ENERGY-ESCROW	2,184.10
V0396--EPIPHANY ASSISTED LIVING	1,442.71
V0397--KAITLYN O'NEIL	500.00
V0398--LAMETTI & SONS INC	3,200.00
V0399--LUMEN-CENTURY LINK	551.25
V0400--TWIN TOWN DEMOLITION LLC	2,944.47
V0401--ZAYO GROUP LLC	3,090.35
	<b>113,283.03</b>

*The following permit items were moved to the Consent Agenda.*

## 8. Dercon, P25-022

The purpose of this project is the construction of a new commercial building and associated stormwater treatment features located north of 14941 Aberdeen Street, in Ham Lake, Minnesota.

The applicant is proposing the construction of a new commercial building, parking and stormwater treatment features. It will disturb 1.31 acres and create 0.82 acres of regulated impervious. The parcel drains toward County Ditch 59.

The relevant water resource concerns are stormwater management and soils and erosion control which correspond to District Rules 3 and 4.

Based on the findings and exhibits as presented in the staff report, the staff recommendations are to approve with (two) 2 conditions and (four) 4 stipulations.

**Conditions:**

Rule 2.7 – Procedural Requirements

1. Submittal of a performance escrow in the amount of \$2,630.00.

Rule 3.0 – Stormwater Management

2. Provide proof of recording of a fully executed Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the perpetual inspection and maintenance of all proposed stormwater management practices after review and approval by the District.

**Stipulations:**

The permit will be issued with the following stipulations as conditions of the permit. By accepting the permit, the applicant agrees to these stipulations:

1. The applicant must apply for coverage under the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA's) Construction Stormwater Permit (Permit No: MNR100001)
2. Submittal of as-builts for the stormwater management practices and associated structures listed in Tables 2 and 3, including volume, critical elevations and proof of installation for hydrodynamic separators.
3. Completion of post construction infiltration tests on Infiltration Basin P1 and P3 by filling the basin to a minimum depth of 6 inches with water and monitoring the time necessary to drain, or multiple double ring infiltration tests to ASTM standards. The Coon Creek Watershed District shall be notified prior to the test to witness the results.
4. If dewatering is required, provide DNR dewatering permit prior to construction. If a DNR permit is not required, provide well-field location, rates, discharge location, schedule and quantities prior to construction.

**9. Sanitary Sewer Rehab (4-NS-525 P2), P25-029**

The purpose of this project is to rehabilitate the deteriorating sanitary sewer Located beginning at 121st Avenue and extending southeast to US Highway 10, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota.

The Metropolitan Council Environmental Services is proposing the rehabilitation of the deteriorated sanitary sewer from 121<sup>st</sup> Avenue southeast to Highway 10 in Coon Rapids, Minnesota. The project will rehabilitate the pipes by using cured in place methods. The project will disturb 7.4 acres and create no regulated impervious surface. The north half of the project drains to County Ditch 54 and the southern half of the project drains to Lower Coon Creek. The relevant water resource concerns are soils and erosion control and wetland which correspond to District Rules 4 and 5.

Based on the findings and exhibits as presented in the staff report, the staff recommendations are to approve with (two) 2 conditions and (one) 1 stipulation.

**Conditions:**

Rule 2.7 – Procedural Requirements

1. Submittal of a performance escrow in the amount of \$5,700.00.

Rule 4.0 – Soils and Erosion Control

2. Revise the erosion and sediment control plan to include redundant perimeter control in any areas in which the disturbance is within 50ft of a waterbody.

**Stipulations:**

The applicant must apply for coverage under the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA's) Construction Stormwater Permit (Permit No: MNR100001)

**10. Meadow Creek Church, P25-017**

The purpose of this project is the construction of a new building and parking lot reconfiguration/reconstruction with utilities and associated stormwater treatment located at 3155 Bunker Lake Boulevard, Andover, Minnesota.

The applicant is proposing the construction of a new building with associated parking lot reconstruction and reconfiguration with stormwater treatment features. The project will disturb 5.5 acres and create 2.9 acres of regulated impervious surface. The parcel drains toward County Ditch 54. The relevant

water resource concerns are stormwater management and erosion and sediment control, which correspond to District Rules 3 and 4.

Based on the findings and exhibits as presented in the staff report, the staff recommendation is to approve with (two) 2 conditions and (three) 3 stipulations.

**Conditions:**

Rule 2.7 – Procedural Requirements

1. Submittal of a performance escrow in the amount of \$4,750.00.

Rule 3.0 – Stormwater Management

2. Provide proof of recording of a fully executed Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the perpetual inspection and maintenance of all proposed stormwater management practices after review and approval by the District.

**Stipulations:**

The permit will be issued with the following stipulations as conditions of the permit. By accepting the permit, the applicant agrees to these stipulations:

1. Submittal of as-builts for the stormwater management practices and associated structures listed in Tables 2 and 3, including volume, critical elevations and proof of installation for hydrodynamic separators.
2. Completion of a post construction infiltration test on the Infiltration Basin by filling the basin to a minimum depth of 6 inches with water and monitoring the time necessary to drain, or multiple double ring infiltration tests to ASTM standards. The Coon Creek Watershed District shall be notified prior to the test to witness the results.
3. If dewatering is required, provide DNR dewatering permit prior to construction. If a DNR permit is not required, provide well-field location, rates, discharge location, schedule and quantities prior to construction.

Board Member Lund moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items. Seconded by Board Member Campbell. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

**POLICY ITEMS**

**7. Draft 2026 Operating Budget**



The purpose and scope of policy item #7 is for approval of the Draft Operating Budget for 2026 and the ordering of a public hearing on September 8, 2025, on the proposed 2026 budget.

In March the Board adopted a calendar and process for developing the 2026 budget. The process involves three phases: analysis of the parts, fine-tuning of the whole, and review and adoption of the final.

The recommendation is to review, comment, and correct the budget and to approve the Draft 2026 Budget for public hearing on September 8, 2025.

Board Member Lind moved to approve the Draft Operating Budget for 2026 for public hearing on September 8, 2025. Seconded by Board Member Campbell. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

**PERMIT ITEMS – *(moved to Consent Agenda)***

**8.** Dercon, P-25-022

**9.** MCES Sanitary Sewer Rehab (4-NS-525 P2), P25-029

**10.** Meadow Creek Church, P25-017

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**11.** MAWA 2025 Annual Meeting on Resolutions and Petitions

The three resolutions were approved to move forward and will move to full membership in December. This will open an opportunity for the district to submit a resolution on the Endangered Species Act.

The annual meeting will be the first weekend of December 2025 in Nisswa, Minnesota and it may require two Members to attend. Board Members Lund and Campbell offered to attend the meeting if necessary.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Lund moved to adjourn at 5:44 pm. Seconded by Board Member McCullough. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

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**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 6  
**ITEM:** Administrator's Report

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**AGENDA:** Consent

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**REQUESTED ACTION:**  
Receive report.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S EVALUATION**

### **District Capacity and Capability**

The District currently possesses the required resources and is trained to undertake most of its legislative mission for which it is organized and designed.

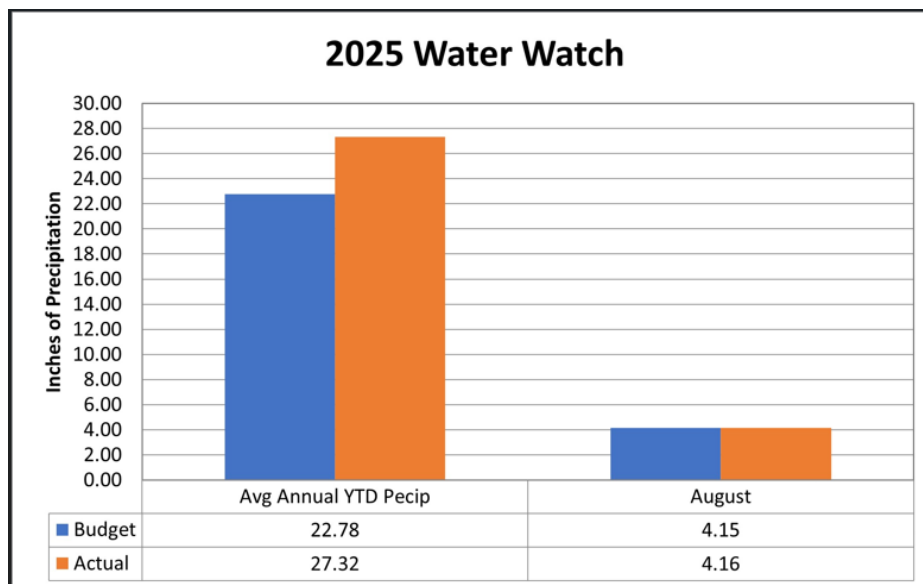
The District can accomplish most required tasks to the required standard under most conditions. However, sustained effort may be at risk.

## **MANAGEMENT SITUATION**

### **Natural Environment**

The District received an average of 4.16 inches of precipitation in August, which is right at the monthly average. Year-to-date precipitation is 4.5 inches (20%) above average, and growing-season precipitation is 5.2 inches (31%) above average.

According to the latest US Drought Monitor release (August 26th), the District is free of drought. Water levels and flows are within the normal range for this time of year, and surface water storage capacity remains adequate to handle forecasted precipitation.



## Economic Environment

No report

## Management Environment

Agency	Status
Federal Government	EPA plan to reduce wetland protections to those wetlands that <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contain surface water throughout the “wet season”, AND</li><li>2. Abut and touch a river, stream or other water body throughout the wet season.</li></ol>
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MPCA has been petitioned by the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy to develop water quality standards and regulate discharges to public ditches through one of the existing water quality permit programs.</li><li>• MCEAs example is to parallel storm water permits</li><li>• MPCA must respond to the petition by the end of October (60 days)</li></ul>
Minnesota Association of Watersheds (MAWD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>

## COLLABORATOR ACTIONS CAPACITY AND CAPABILITY

Collaborator	Description
Anoka County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue working with DNR on General Permit to address T&amp;E impacts from highway projects.</li><li>• Beginning their legislative priorities process</li></ul>
Fridley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Is entertaining a developer who wishes to purchase and redevelop the old McGlynn Bakery site adjacent to Oak Glen Creek</li><li>• The is currently flood prone</li><li>• The lot contains a critical pond and filter for flood mitigation downstream and water quality treatment prior to discharge to the Mississippi River and St Paul water intakes.</li></ul>

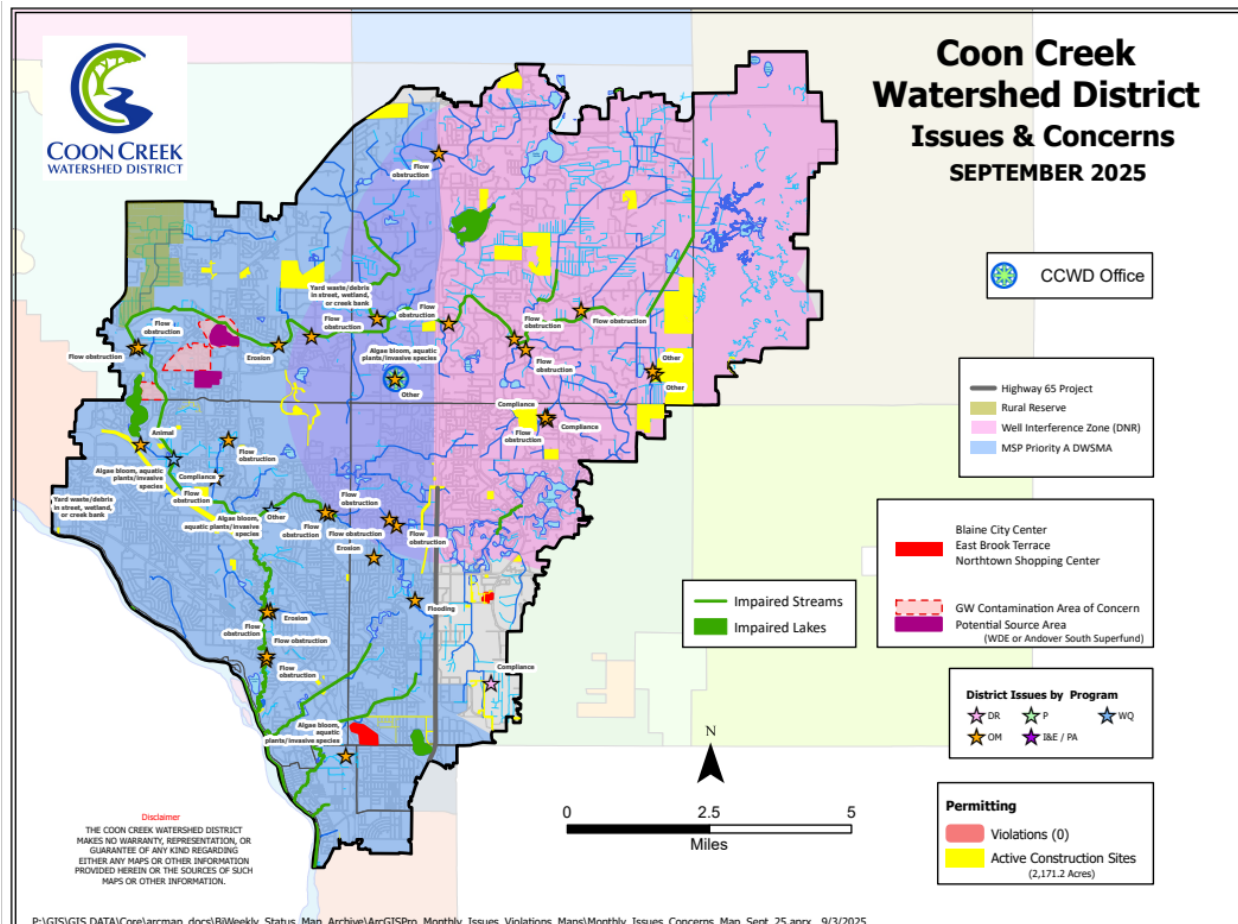
## PROBLEMS, ISSUES, AND CONCERNS

### Strategic Issues and Concerns

- **State Regulatory Inconsistency and Unevenness:**
  - Draft legislative language has been drafted and is under review

- Language has been shared with Anoka County Highways as part of introducing the subject to the County Legislative Priority process
- **Minneapolis & St Paul Drinking Water Supply Area - Surface Water.**  
No report

## Operational Issues and Concerns

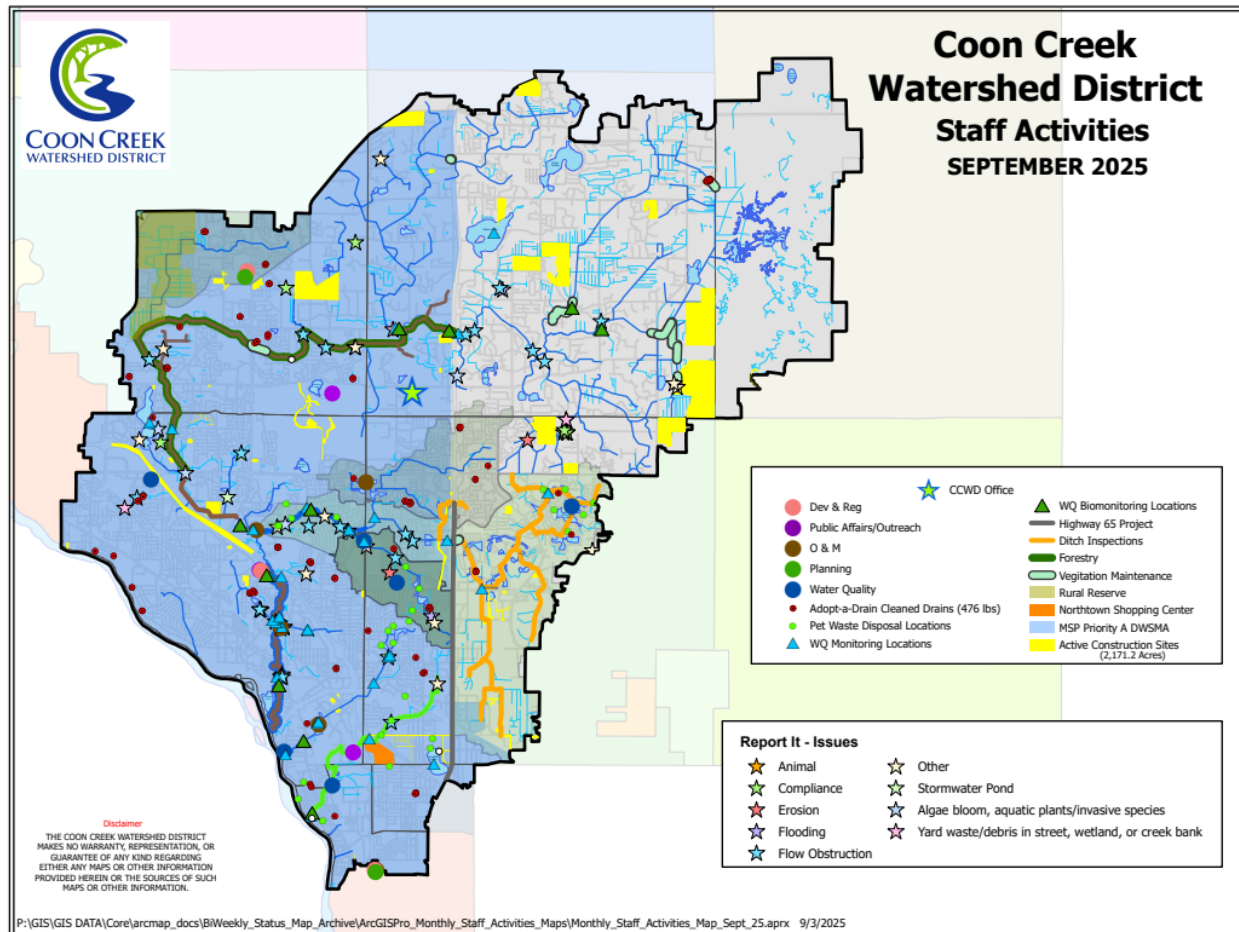


## STAFF ACTIVITIES

### Strategic Management Activities

- 1) **Goal: To Keep Comp Plan current:** CIP is complete and receiving a courtesy review by BWSR staff

## Operations Activities



## DISTRICT CAPACITY AND CAPABILITY

### Equipment:

- Equipment On Hand: Good condition
- Field and Hard Asset Condition:
  - Field assets are performing well
  - Natural assets, particularly channels, are seeing routine non-scheduled maintenance
- Scheduled Equipment Purchases:

### Facilities

- Oak tree came down in the back and will be removed

### Training

- General/Basic training curriculum under development
- 6 staff will be attending the water resource conference in October

### Staffing:

- Compliment & Strength: 14.8 FTEs

- Vacancies/New Hires: District has one vacancy effective 9/19/2025.
- Retention: September

### Sustaining:

- Agency Collaboration:
  - CAC Meeting 9/10
  - TAC Meeting: 9/11

## Budget & Financials

### Coon Creek Watershed District CCWD - Budget Report

As of Date:

08/31/2025

	Year Ending 12/31/2025	Year To Date 08/31/2025			
	CCWD 2025 Budget	CCWD 2025 Budget	Actual Expenses YTD	Variance YTD	
Revenue					
Property Taxes	6,189,240.00	4,126,160.00	3,228,452.67	897,707.33	-22%
Fees & Charges	298,423.00	198,952.00	150,223.77	48,728.23	-24%
Grants	2,566,549.00	1,711,040.00	801,520.60	909,519.40	-53%
Other Revenue	115,000.00	76,664.00	130,347.93	(53,683.93)	70%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>9,169,212.00</b>	<b>6,112,816.00</b>	<b>4,310,544.97</b>	<b>1,802,271.03</b>	<b>-29%</b>
Expense					
Salaries & Benefits	2,414,928.00	1,609,960.00	1,522,202.27	87,757.73	-5%
Professional Services	489,487.00	326,328.00	235,789.27	90,538.73	-28%
Operating Expenses	314,577.00	209,720.00	144,751.94	64,968.06	-31%
Program Expense	5,864,452.00	3,909,688.00	1,741,187.36	2,168,500.64	-55%
Capitalized Expenses	198,174.00	132,136.00	88,570.67	43,565.33	-33%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>9,281,618.00</b>	<b>6,187,832.00</b>	<b>3,732,501.51</b>	<b>2,455,330.49</b>	<b>-40%</b>

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### Coon Creek Watershed District Cash Balance

As of Date:

08/31/2025

	Escrow Fund	General Fund	All Funds
	Month Ending 08/31/2025	Month Ending 08/31/2025	Month Ending 08/31/2025
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash	1,554,665.12	(1,658,896.90)	(104,231.78)
Petty Cash	0.00	250.00	250.00
Investment Account	20,570.00	5,544,320.74	5,564,890.74
<b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>1,575,235.12</b>	<b>3,885,673.84</b>	<b>5,460,908.96</b>

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**August started with an operational fund balance of approximately \$4,259,164.83**

**Change in net cash position was - \$373,491.99**

**Balance of the escrow trust fund is \$1,573,505.12**

**Eight months into the fiscal year, the budget variance is -11% less than planned**

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 7  
**ITEM:** Advisory Committees Report

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**AGENDA:** Policy Discussion Information

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Receive Report

**BACKGROUND**

The Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) met on August 13<sup>th</sup>. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

- The next CAC meeting is scheduled: September 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm hybrid with Zoom.
- The next TAC meeting is scheduled: September 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am hybrid with Zoom.

**ISSUES/CONCERNS**

**Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)**

The majority of the CAC were present at the meeting. Absent were Jim Lindahl and Joe MacPherson

**1. Open Forum**

Barbara Goodboe-Bisschoff expressed her dislike for the pocket watersheds activity that was conducted at the July joint-committee meeting with Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD). She expressed concern regarding the cost of the activity and the food that was provided, stating that the activity was a waste of time and money. Paddy Jones agreed.

Jessica Lindemyer provided details regarding the cost of the activity and food, stating that all expenses were within budget and the costs were split between the two watershed districts.

Gary Nereson stated that he appreciated the activity but highlighted some areas that should be improved before the activity is utilized with the public, including clearer instructions for discussion topics.

Jessica thanked the committee for their feedback, reiterating that the purpose of having the CAC participate in the activity was to help both CCWD and RCWD assess the potential value of arts-engaged outreach as a tool for building relationships with our local



communities and to help identify potential issues and areas for improvement within such activities; all feedback on the activity is welcome and appreciated.

Barbara asked that any future joint meeting between the two committees be focused solely on discussing the work of the watershed districts. The rest of the committee provided no comment on the matter.

## **2. District Update**

Jessica Lindemyer gave a brief update on various District activities, including the completion of the Lower Coon Creek Corridor Restoration Project, the Municipal Insight Survey, and sixteen outreach events.

She also highlighted recent biomonitoring efforts happening across the district to identify, count, and record fish species living in local waterways. This work helps to calculate the “Index of Biotic Integrity” or “IBI” that is used by the PCA to determine impairments for aquatic life. There was general discussion about how biomonitoring is conducted and what species were found. The committee expressed interest in learning more about biomonitoring efforts at future meetings.

## **3. 2026 Draft Budget**

Tim Kelly gave a presentation on the 2026 draft budget. The presentation covered the budget process, the District’s current financial situation, a breakdown of the budget by program, new significant projects, and estimated cost to taxpayers.

There was general discussion regarding the public response to past levies, how grant funding is accounted for, how changes in federal funding will impact local budgets, and how much funding the District keeps in reserve.

## **4. Next Board meeting: August 25th, 5:30 p.m.**

## **5. Next CAC meeting: September 10th, 4:30 p.m.**

Jessica shared that CCWD would be participating in a volunteer native planting led by Anoka Conservation District at Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park on October 9<sup>th</sup> – this planting will take place within the project area of the Lower Coon Creek Corridor Restoration Project. She asked if the CAC would be interested in participating in the volunteer planting in place of the October Committee meeting. Several Committee members expressed support for this suggestion.

## **6. Adjourn – 5:50 PM**

### **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)**

The majority of the TAC was present at the meeting. Absent were the Anoka Conservation District, Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR), City of Columbus, and the Department of Transportation.

## **1. Announcements**

### Water Quality Cost Share Deadline Extended

Justine Dauphinais announced that the application deadline for the Water Quality Cost Share Program has been extended to August 25th.

### Spring Lake Park MS4 Audit

George Linngren provided a brief overview of how their MS4 audit went stating that the process took just over 2 hours. Other than a few housekeeping issues, everything went well and no fines were issued.

## **2. Situation**

### Hydrology

Jon Janke provided the TAC with a brief update on recent weather and hydrology. Precipitation has been above average for the growing season. Water levels in creeks and ditches are on the high end of normal and the District is in relatively good shape for this time of year.

### Legislative Update

Tim Kelly shared that there have been calls to bring back the BRIC program, particularly from the American Public Works Association (APWA).

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has released their schedule for the Public Waters Inventory (PWI) update process. The updates will be completed alphabetically by county.

Rebecca Haug announced that Anoka County has received notice from the MPCA that their MS4 program will be audited.

Justine Dauphinais expressed appreciation to Andover and Coon Rapids streets staff for their assistance in collecting street sweeping samples for Contaminants of Emerging Concern (CEC) analysis.

## **3. Concerns**

None.

## **4. Briefs**

### Draft 2026 Budget

Tim Kelly presented an overview of the draft 2026 budget. The draft budget currently sits at 10.3 million with a proposed levy increase of 11%. The tax impact of the budget ranges from \$44-\$110 per household with the average sitting around \$85 per household. The major focus of the 2026 budget is on water quality. The biggest change in the budget relates to the addition of a new staff position that will focus on managing the implementation of large projects related to addressing the TMDL.

Tim Himmer requested a copy of the budget presentation that was shared with the Citizen Advisory Committee. He shared that their current draft budget for 2026 would constitute a 7% increase. Tim Kelly noted that from what he has seen Spring Lake Park is looking at a similar increase of 7.5-8% with their 2026 budget.

View the budget presentation on the [TAC Resource Webpage](#).

### 2D Modeling Update

Erik Bye stated that the purpose of this agenda item was to provide an update on the results of the existing conditions model of the Springbrook Creek subwatershed and obtain input to determine priority flooding areas and compile a potential project list to evaluate in the next phase.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Stantec presented the background and methods of the pilot 2D H&H modeling project for the Springbrook Creek subwatershed.
- Stantec presented results of the existing conditions flood model of the 10 and 100 yr events along with the structures and roadways impacted in those events.
- City staff shared feedback on model results and potential future uses of the model.
- Erik Bye presented proposed “priority regional flooding areas” for the next phase of the project to focus on and received concurrence from subwatershed members.
- Erik Bye presented potential project sites that will be considered for flood mitigation benefits in the next phase of the project and received concurrence from subwatershed members and no additional projects or sites to evaluate.
- CCWD will distribute mapping products in some form in coming months when they are finalized and begin the next phase of the project to identify projects that can reduce flood risk in the Springbrook Creek subwatershed.

View the full presentation on the [TAC Resource Webpage](#).

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

None.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive the report.

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 8  
**ITEM:** Bills to Be Paid

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**FISCAL IMPACT:** Budgeted  
**POLICY IMPACT:** Policy

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**REQUEST**  
Approve bills

**BACKGROUND**

Claims totaling \$142,564.95 on the following disbursement(s) list will be issued and released upon Board approval.

Vendor	Amount
V0008--US BANK	9,491.82
V0010--A1 FLOOR AND CARPET CARE INC	1,119.30
V0015--ANOKA COUNTY MN	5,200.00
V0054--MICHELLE J ULRICH PA	2,695.00
V0071--SUNRAM CONSTRUCTION INC	81,369.44
V0111--WELL GROOMED LAWNS INC	700.00
V0128--YTS COMPANIES LLC	8,356.25
V0133--PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	2,969.00
V0133--PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	1,591.00
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V0221--ABDO LLP	137.50
V0242--METRO I NET	6,753.00
V0249--PLAUDIT DESIGN	450.00
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	803.06
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	8.90
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	500.00
V0362--PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION	8,574.00
V0363--MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	1,370.00
V0402--LANDON OLDENBURGER VIDEOGRAPHY LLC	4,185.30
V0403--MAC'S WELL & PUMP SERVICE	1,450.00
V0404--MK HOLDINGS LLC	1,190.38
V0405--PROSOURCE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	3,098.00
	<b>142,564.95</b>

## Item 8: Bills to be Paid Page 2 of 2

Company name: Created on:	Coon Creek Watershed District 9/3/2025									
	Vendor name	Bill number	Date	Fund name	Department name	Account	Capital Project ID	Grant ID	Transaction amount	Memo
8292025	MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	08292025	9/3/2025	General Fund	Public & Governmental Affairs	60718			25.00	08/29/2025 MFRS PYRL PGR
	MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	08292025	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	60718			385.00	08/29/2025 MFRS PYRL WQ
	MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	08292025	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	60718			100.00	08/29/2025 MFRS PYRL OM
	MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	08292025	9/3/2025	General Fund	Planning	60718			200.00	08/29/2025 MFRS PYRL PLAN
	MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	08292025	9/3/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	60718			60.00	08/29/2025 MFRS PYRL WD
	MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	08292025	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	60718			600.00	08/29/2025 MFRS PYRL ADM
	Sum for 08292025									1,370.00
0925CCWD	A1 FLOOR AND CARPET CARE INC	0925CCWD	8/26/2025	General Fund	Administration	61105			1,119.30	September 2025 Cleaning Services:
202508240									1,119.30	
FLAUIT DESIGN	202508240	8/29/2025	General Fund	Administration	61559				450.00	WEB HOST & SUPPORT 9/25-12/25
25100496230									450.00	
PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	25100496230	8/20/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	61549	PROJ-24-513			2,969.00	STREET SWEEPS TESTING
25100497340									2,969.00	
PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES LLC	25100497340	9/2/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	63595	PROJ-25-510			1,591.00	BRIDGE WATERFOND SEDIMENT TEST
25100497340									1,591.00	
26888	WELL GROOMED LAWNS INC	26888	8/29/2025	General Fund	Administration	61250			700.00	COWD MOW AUGUST 2025
26888									700.00	
2939	METRO 1 NET	2939	9/1/2025	General Fund	Administration	63066			6,753.00	IT SERVICES SEPT 25
2939									6,753.00	
YTS COMPANIES LLC	39242	8/20/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	61251	PROJ-25-400			8,356.25	ROUTINE D67 D67-5 FORESTRY
4OZDM2G-P									8,356.25	
HEALTH EQUITY INC	4OZDM2G-P	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	60713				500.00	AUG DPC TT DEDUCTIONS
4OZDM2G-P									500.00	
ABDO LLP	510923	8/31/2025	General Fund	Administration	63052				137.50	ACCT300036.SI CONSULTS/1/25
510923									137.50	
MAC S WELL & PUMP SERVICE	9848	8/29/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	63595	PROJ-21-508			1,450.00	REFLEP GUMP FOR PCSBESIF
9848									1,450.00	
AUG-25	MICHELE J LURCH PA	AUGUST 2025	9/1/2025	General Fund	Administration	63453			2,695.00	LEGAL-AUGUST 2025
AUGUST 2025									2,695.00	
RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	B018953	8/28/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	61549	PROJ-25-504			248.00	WOBO18953 MONITORING
B018953									248.00	
RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	B018954	8/28/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	61549	PROJ-25-503			161.00	WOBO18954 MONITORING
B018954									161.00	
RMB ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES INC	B018955	8/28/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	61549	PROJ-25-504			144.00	WOBO18955 MONITORING
B018955									144.00	
HEALTH EQUITY INC	B.D.T.DFP	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	60713				8.90	AUG DPC JJEDUCTIONS
B.D.T.DFP									8.90	
Charge payoffs - 2245	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			-982.74	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			372.15	
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	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020	PROJ-23-602	G22-001	161.10	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Public & Governmental Affairs	20020	PROJ-23-602		53.70	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			59.92	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			508.23	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			122.17	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			35.97	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			243.10	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			15.29	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			71.23	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			132.52	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			11.65	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			-74.00	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			1,168.24	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			114.30	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			290.31	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			134.93	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			295.52	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020	PROJ-24-516	G24-001	141.39	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			849.47	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			86.45	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			26.99	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			9.58	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			281.03	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			69.67	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			37.21	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	20020			20.24	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	20020			25.18	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	20020			20.84	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	20020			125.76	
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	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	20020			47.36	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	20020			6.37	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	20020			31.86	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020	PROJ-24-516	G24-001	1,242.40	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			20.58	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	20020			32.91	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			36.61	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			29.02	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			17.98	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			20.58	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			484.00	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020	PROJ-24-520		1,750.00	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			20.00	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			11.75	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	20020			31.09	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Public & Governmental Affairs	20020			259.37	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020	PROJ-25-602	G22-001	400.59	
	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Public & Governmental Affairs	20020	PROJ-25-602	G22-001-M	405.18	
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	US BANK	Charge payoffs - 2245	9/3/2025	General Fund	Administration	20020			45.00	
Sum for Charge payoffs - 2245									9,491.82	
.B954HG	HEALTH EQUITY INC	.B954HG	9/2/2025	General Fund	Public & Governmental Affairs	60713			69.00	AUG29 EE HSA DEDUCTIONS PGR
	HEALTH EQUITY INC	.B954HG	9/2/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	60713			136.53	AUG29 EE HSA DEDUCTIONS WQ
	HEALTH EQUITY INC	.B954HG	9/2/2025	General Fund	Operations & Maintenance	60713			136.53	AUG29 EE HSA DEDUCTIONS OM
	HEALTH EQUITY INC	.B954HG	9/2/2025	General Fund	Planning	60713			186.00	AUG29 EE HSA DEDUCTIONS PLAN
	HEALTH EQUITY INC	.B954HG	9/2/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	60713			75.00	AUG29 EE HSA DEDUCTIONS WD
	HEALTH EQUITY INC	.B954HG	9/2/2025	General Fund	Administration	60713			250.00	AUG29 EE HSA DEDUCTIONS ADM
Sum for .B954HG									803.06	
PAN 20-149	MK HOLDINGS LLC	PAN 20-149	9/8/2025	Escrow Fund	Administration	24210			1,190.38	ESCROW REF-SHINE CARWASH
PAN 22-063									1,190.38	
ANOKA COUNTY MN	PAN 22-063	9/8/2025	Escrow Fund	Administration	24210				5,200.00	ESCROW REF-ANOKA COUNTY 911 SITE
PAN 22-066									5,200.00	
PROSOURCE TECHNOLOGIES LLC	PAN 22-066	9/8/2025	Escrow Fund	Administration	24210				3,098.00	ESCROW REF-NGMNB77801
PAN 23-074									3,098.00	
LANDON OLDENBURGER VIDEOGRAPHY LLC	PAN 23-074	9/8/2025	General Fund	Watershed Development	53191				485.30	REVIEW REF-OLDENBURGER WEDDING VENUE
PAN 23-074									3,700.00	ESCROW REF-OLDENBURGER WEDDING VENUE
Sum for PAN 23-074									4,185.30	
PAY APP 6 LCCOR	SUNIRAM CONSTRUCTION INC	PAY APP 6 LCCOR	8/27/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	63595	PROJ-25-509	G24-001	78,055.82	LCCOR PAY APP 6
	SUNIRAM CONSTRUCTION INC	PAY APP 6 LCCOR	8/27/2025	General Fund	Water Quality	63595	PROJ-24-516	G24-001	3,313.62	LCCOR PAY APP 6
Sum for PAY APP 6 LCCOR									81,369.44	
SOMPER00814317										
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION	SOMPER00814317	9/2/2025	General Fund	Administration	21050				8,574.00	08/29/2025 PERA PYRL
Sum for SOMPER00814317									8,574.00	
Sum Total									142,564.95	

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 9  
**ITEM:** Hearing on 2026 Budget

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**FISCAL IMPACT:** Policy  
**POLICY IMPACT:** Budgeted

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**REQUEST**

Hold hearing and adopt 2026 budget as required by M.S. 103D.

**PURPOSE & SCOPE OF ITEM**

The approval and adoption of the 2026 budget.

The budget represents the set of planned revenues and expenses needed to fund District programs and activities that fulfill the District's legal obligations for managing water and related resources within the Watershed District

**BACKGROUND**

On March 24, 2025, the Board adopted a budget calendar and process for the development of the 2026 operating budget. Budget development occurred in three phases (detail development, Board review and refinement, public and stakeholder review).

The Board reviewed and discussed various sections of the Draft budget at each of the six meetings in April, May and June.

The Board reviewed the entire Preliminary Draft budget during both meetings in July.

On August 11, the Board approved a draft budget for review and comment by the advisory committees.

On August 25, the District received one comment from the CAC that did not result in a change to the draft budget. Also at that meeting, the Board approved a Draft budget for public review and ordered the publication of a hearing on the budget for September 8, 2025.

**Proposed 2026 Budget:**

<b>Revenues</b>	<b>2026 Draft</b>
Property Tax	\$6,924,414
Fees & Charges	180,573
Grants & Intergovernmental Funds	2,372,179
Other Revenue	180,000
Fund Balance	727,396
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$10,384,562</b>

**Expenditures**

Salaries & Benefits	\$2,711,665
Professional Services	527,084
Operating Expenses	370,499
Program Costs	6,704,314
Capital Costs	71,000
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$10,384,562</b>

## COORDINATION

**Advisory Committees:** Both advisory committees were briefed and consulted during the budget development phase in April, May, and June. They reviewed the Rough Draft and Draft Budgets at their August 13 & 14 meetings.

**Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC):** Presented and discussed rough draft and draft budget with the Citizen Advisory Committee August 13.

**Technical Advisory Committee (TAC):** Presented and discussed rough draft and draft budget with the Citizen Advisory Committee August 14.

## FACTS

- Adoption of an operating budget is required by statute to be adopted by the Board by September 15 of each year (M.S. 103B & M.S. 103D)
- A public hearing is required prior to Board adoption of the operating budget (M.S. 103B & M.S. 103D)
- Participation by the public and major stakeholders is encouraged (MR 8410)
- The 2026 budget development process commenced in March, and some element of the budget has been before the Board at each of the 10 Board meetings since that time.
- On June 16 the District Board toured specific sites that were proposed to be addressed by the 2026 budget
- Comments from the Advisory Committees were presented and discussed at the August 25<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.
- The Board has reviewed the 2026 budget on four separate occasions during July and August. All approved changes have been included.

## ISSUES/CONCERNS

1. **Public Comments:** The District has received no comments on the draft budget.
2. **Hearing requirements:** Minnesota Statutes 103B & 103D requires the Board to convene a public hearing to allow the public to comment on the proposed 2026 budget.
3. **Public Notice:** The draft budget was noticed on the District web site August 26, and in the Anoka County Union Herald and the Blaine/Spring Lake Park/Fridley Life August 29 and September 5.

1. **Adoption of the Budget:** Adoption of the budget is a separate act by the Board, must be done before September 15 and cannot be done until the Board has closed a public hearing on the budget.
2. **Impact of Proposed Property Tax Levy:** The payment of homes of various values is shown.

Per Home Value	2024	2025	2026
\$ 150,000	27.45	33.29	36.58
\$ 200,000	36.60	44.38	48.77
\$ 250,000	45.75	55.48	60.97
\$ 300,000	54.90	66.57	73.16
\$ 350,000	64.05	77.67	85.35
\$ 400,000	73.20	88.76	97.55
\$ 450,000	82.35	99.86	109.74
\$ 500,000	91.50	110.95	121.93

3. **Property Tax Levy:** Adoption of the budget is not a certification of property taxes payable in 2026. Certification of taxes payable in 2026 is not required and by tradition does not occur until the first Board meeting in December.

## CONCLUSIONS

The proposed budget:

1. Positions the District for long-term effectiveness.
2. Meets the fiscal goal of a General Fund balance of no less than 45% of planned essential 2026 General Fund expenditures.
3. Recommend capital equipment purchases, and replacement based on a comprehensive review of the condition of capital equipment.
4. Used long-term financial models to help designate appropriate capital resources for future District needs.
5. Was developed using and is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan
6. Supports the implementation of Board policies and goals.
7. Is responsive to changes in community conditions in a cost-effective manner.

## OPTIONS

1. Hold public hearing and adopt the budget as proposed.
2. Hold public hearing, modify budget and adopt budget with modifications.
3. Hold public hearing, table budget and direct staff to give public notice of an emergency meeting for some time before next Monday.

## RECOMMENDATION

Hold public hearing and adopt the budget by resolution.



## **IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS**

1. Convene and hold public hearing using the following agenda
  - a. Call to order
  - b. Review Purpose and mission of the District and the Requirement for the development and adoption of annual budget
  - c. Review proposed 2026 budget
  - d. Receive public comment
  - e. Close public comment
  - f. Discuss public comment
  - g. Close hearing
2. Motion to adopt the 2026 Coon Creek Watershed District Operating Budget by resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2025-05****COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS****RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2026 BUDGET AND  
DIRECT CERTIFICATION OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY  
FOR TAXES PAYABLE 2026**

Manager \_\_\_\_\_ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by  
 Manager \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes sections 103D.911 and 103D.915 require that on or before September 15 of each year, the Coon Creek Watershed District Board of Managers (Board) adopt a budget for the next year and decide on the total amount necessary to be raised from ad valorem tax levies to meet the District budget, and that the District certify to the auditor of Anoka County the tax levy amount;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 103D.911, the Board held a public hearing, duly noticed, on September 8, 2025, on the proposed 2026 District budget, whereby all interested members of the public were afforded the opportunity to address the Board concerning the proposed budget and levy, and the Board is legally authorized to levy the tax described below;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Coon Creek Watershed District Board of Managers adopts a 2026 operating budget totaling \$10,384,562 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Coon Creek Watershed District Board of Managers hereby establishes the 2026 Coon Creek Watershed District Operating Budget as follows:

<b>Revenues</b>	<b>2026 Draft</b>
Property Tax	\$6,924,414
Fees & Charges	180,573
Grants & Intergovernmental Funds	2,372,179
Other Revenue	180,000
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 <b>Expenditures</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$2,711,665
Professional Services	527,084
Operating Expenses	370,499
Program Costs	6,704,314
Capital Costs	71,000
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$10,384,562</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a levy of \$6,924,414 be certified to Anoka County and levied upon all taxable property in the Coon Creek Watershed District for the year 2026, as authorized by the Metropolitan Surface Water Management Act, Minnesota Statutes section 103B.241, to pay the costs to prepare the District's watershed management plan and for projects identified in the plan as necessary to implement the purposes of Minnesota Statutes section 103B.201.

The question was on the adoption of the Resolution and there were \_\_\_\_\_ yeas and \_\_\_\_\_ nays as follows:

Campbell	Yea _____	Nay _____
Hafner	Yea _____	Nay _____
Lind	Yea _____	Nay _____
Lund	Yea _____	Nay _____
McCullough	Yea _____	Nay _____

Upon vote, the President declared the Resolution 25-05 passed.

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Jim Hafner  
CCWD President  
9/8/2025

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROPERTY TAXES and BUDGET

The Board of Managers of the Coon Creek Watershed District will hold a public hearing on:

Monday, September 8, 2025  
5:30 PM  
Coon Creek Watershed District  
13632 Van Buren St NE  
Ham Lake, MN 55304

All residents of the Watershed District are invited to attend the public hearing on the proposed 2026 budget to express their opinions on the budget and the amount of property taxes the Board of Managers propose to collect to pay for District services to be provided in 2026. If the discussion on the budget cannot be completed, a time and place for continuing the discussion will be announced at the hearing. You are invited to send written comments to:

President  
Coon Creek Watershed District  
13632 Van Buren St NE  
Ham Lake, MN 55304

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**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 10  
**ITEM:** 2025 Q3 Water Quality Cost Share Awards

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**AGENDA:** Policy

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Award cost-share funds to identified projects in accordance with Staff recommendations and revert balance to the general fund.

**PURPOSE & SCOPE OF THE ITEM**

To ensure progress towards achieving required pollutant reductions and addressing identified stressors to aquatic life by administering cost share program for water quality improvement and protection projects.

This item specifically addresses applications submitted as part of 2025 Q3 request for proposals.

**BACKGROUND**

Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act requires states to identify waters that do not meet water quality standards in support of designated beneficial uses. Coon, Sand, Pleasure, and Springbrook Creeks were listed as impaired for both aquatic life and recreation in 2006 and 2014, respectively. The Coon Creek Watershed TMDL and WRAPS, approved in 2016, established pollutant load allocations and implementation strategies to reduce total suspended sediments, total phosphorus, and *E. coli* and to address non-pollutant stressors in all impaired streams. As part of the 2016 Twin Cities Metropolitan Area Chloride TMDL study, Sand, Pleasure, and Springbrook Creeks were designated at high risk for chloride impairment; Pleasure and Springbrook Creeks were formally listed as impaired for chlorides in 2024. All MS4s within the District including CCWD, Andover, Blaine, Coon Rapids, Fridley, Ham Lake, Spring Lake Park, Anoka County, and MnDOT are jointly responsible for meeting required pollutant loading allocations by the target date of 2045.

**COORDINATION**

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) participated in initial program development and provides feedback on any proposed revisions to program guidelines. Applicants often request pre-application meetings to discuss identified projects. Pre-application meetings were held for one of the two proposals received this round and for one other proposal that was not submitted.

**FACTS**

In 2018, the Board approved establishment of a CCWD Water Quality Cost Share Program in the amount of \$100,000 and issuance of the first annual RFP for 2019.

In 2019-2024, \$868,246 in requests were received and the Board awarded \$609,699 to twenty-five water quality improvement projects by seven different applicants.

In 2024, continuation and expansion of the program was approved for 2025 totaling \$290,000 in available cost share funds under three categories: General Water Quality Improvement Projects and Practices (\$125,000), Enhanced Street Sweeping (\$150,000) and Water Quality Improvement Planning/Feasibility (\$15,000).

Year-to-date in 2025, six applications have been awarded totaling \$171,837.50 with a remaining balance of \$118,162.50.

During the 2025 Q3 RFP, the following applications were received totaling \$50,755:

Title (Applicant)	Request	Description
<b>General Projects &amp; Practices</b>		
Woodcrest Channel Restoration—Xeon St to RR (Coon Rapids)	\$25,880	Stabilization of 400' of Woodcrest Cr with active bank erosion via excavation and re-grading to restore appropriate channel capacity and stable size slopes, reducing transport of legacy sediment to downstream receiving water, Lower Coon Cr.
2026 Street Project Rain Gardens (Fridley)	\$24,875	Implementing the recommendations in the feasibility study previously funded by a Q1 2025 WQ planning grant regarding retrofitting/ construction of rain gardens in the Melody Manor neighborhood of the Oak Glen Creek subwatershed as part of 2026 road reconstruction work. Specifically, revitalizing 2 existing end-of-life gardens and constructing 3 new rain gardens to improve downstream water quality.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$50,755 (of \$118,162.50 available)</b>	

## SCORING RESULTS & AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

The District Engineer and Staff determined eligibility and scored all proposals. Funding recommendations are listed below:

Title (Applicant)	Eligible?	Average Score (out of 30)	Water Quality Benefits & Notes	Funding Recommendation (of requested amount)
<b>General Projects &amp; Practices</b>				
Woodcrest Channel Restoration—Xeon St to RR (Coon Rapids)	Y	16.3	-TSS and TP load reductions in Coon Cr (joint CCWD TMDL LAs) -Applied for \$15K planning funds in 2024	\$25,880 (of \$25,880)
2026 Street Project Rain Gardens (Fridley)	Y	21.3	-Volume and pollutant reductions to Oak Glen Cr & Mississippi Rv (TMDL WLAs) -Received planning cost share funds in 2025	\$24,875 (of \$24,875)
<b>TOTAL Recommended Awards</b>				<b>\$50,755</b>

## **ISSUES/CONCERNS**

There are two issues and concerns:

### **Eligibility**

Concerns related to eligibility of the Woodcrest Cr Channel Restoration project were discussed given that it included removal of accumulated sediment which could be considered a maintenance project. It was determined that the project was not a typical maintenance project given that accumulation of the sediment was in an open channel that received public runoff versus a constructed stormwater practice and that the sources of legacy sediment loading have since been addressed. Ultimately, the project addresses unregulated bank erosion not required to be mitigated as part of an OM agreement and would result in measurable long-term water quality benefits to Coon Creek and therefore was determined to be eligible for cost share.

### **Cost Share Demand**

Historically, more cost share funds have been requested than available, leaving a funding shortfall. This year, if the \$50,755 in Q3 cost share awards recommended by Staff are approved, there would be \$67,407.50 in remaining 2025 funds (23% of initial \$290,000). Options to consider include reverting this balance to the general fund or re-opening an RFP for the remainder of the year.

## **PRIOR DECISIONS**

1. September 9, 2024: Approval of the 2025 budget including \$290,000 to implement the cost share program to support water quality improvement projects
2. February 24, 2025: Approval of the 2025 Q1 cost share awards totaling \$55,837.50
3. June 9, 2025: Approval of the 2025 Q2 time-sensitive cost share awards totaling \$118,000

## **OPTIONS**

1. Award cost-share funds to identified project in accordance with Staff recommendations and either revert remaining balance to general fund or re-open an RFP.
2. Award cost-share funds to projects in accordance with amended recommendations and either revert remaining balance to general fund or re-open an RFP.
3. Do not award cost-share funds to identified project with explanation and direction for refinement of qualification and/or allocation criteria and either revert remaining balance to general fund or re-open an RFP.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Award cost-share funds to identified projects in accordance with Staff recommendations and revert balance to the general fund.

**Permit Application Review Report**  
**Date: 9/3/2025**

**Board Meeting Date: 9/8/2025**  
**Agenda Item: 11**

Applicant/Landowner:

Scott Uram  
8634 Central Ave NE  
Blaine, MN 55434

**Project Name:** Marus Building

**Project PAN:** P-25-023

**Project Purpose:** construction of a new storage facility with attached office space and associated stormwater treatment features

**Project Location:** 8634 Central Ave. NE, Blaine

**Site Size:** size of parcel - 3.13 acres; size of disturbed area - 2.76 acres; size of regulated impervious surface - 2.04 acres

**Applicable District Rule(s):** Rule 2, Rule 3, Rule 4

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**Recommendation:** Approve with 4 Conditions and 4 Stipulations

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**Description:** The application is proposing the construction of a 3-story storage facility with attached office space, parking, and stormwater treatment features. The project will disturb 2.76 acres and create 2.04 acres of regulated impervious surface. The area drains to Springbrook Creek. The relevant water resource concerns are stormwater management and soils and erosion control which correspond to District Rules 3 and 4. See attached Figure 1: Project Location and Figure 2: Site Plan.

**Conditions to be Met Before Permit Issuance:**

Rule 2.7 – Procedural Requirements

1. Submittal of a performance escrow in the amount of \$3,380.00.

Rule 3.0 – Stormwater Management

2. The project results in an increase in discharge rates to the Central Ave storm sewer. Provide written approval from the City of Blaine for the increase in rates to the Central Ave storm sewer system.
3. Provide proof of recording of a fully executed Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the perpetual inspection and maintenance of all proposed stormwater management practices after review and approval by the District.

Rule 4.0 – Soils and Erosion Control

4. Update the erosion control plan to include perimeter control around each basin to



prevent compaction during construction.

**Stipulations:** The permit will be issued with the following stipulations as conditions of the permit. By accepting the permit, the applicant agrees to these stipulations:

1. Submittal of as-builts for the stormwater management practices and associated structures listed in Tables 2 and 3, including volume, critical elevations and proof of installation for hydrodynamic separators.
2. Completion of post construction infiltration tests on Infiltration Basin 1, 2, and 3 by filling the basin to a minimum depth of 6 inches with water and monitoring the time necessary to drain, or multiple double ring infiltration tests to ASTM standards. The Coon Creek Watershed District shall be notified prior to the test to witness the results.
3. If dewatering is required, provide DNR dewatering permit prior to construction. If a DNR permit is not required, provide well-field location, rates, discharge location, schedule and quantities prior to construction.
4. The applicant must apply for coverage under the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA's) Construction Stormwater Permit (Permit No: MNR100001)

**Exhibits:**

Exhibit Type	Exhibit Author	Signature Date	Received Date
SWPPP	Quetica	9/2025	08/21/2025
Soils Borings	Braun Intertec	04/14/2025	07/09/2025
Plat	Civil Site Group	undated	07/09/2025
SHSAM Calculations	Quetica	undated	07/15/2025
P8 Model	Quetica	07/16/2025	07/15/2025
Construction Plans	Quetica	08/08/2025	08/14/2025
Supplemental Survey	E.G. Rud & Sons Inc	08/06/2025	08/07/2025
Stormwater Management Plan	Quetica	08/16/2025	08/14/2025

## Findings

**Fees and Escrows (Rule 2.7):**

The applicant has submitted a \$4,010.00 application fee and deposit which corresponds with the nonrefundable application fee (\$10) and base fee for a Commercial/Industrial Development project of 3.13 acres (\$4,000.00). The applicant will be required to submit a performance escrow in the amount of \$3,380.00. This corresponds to a base escrow of \$2,000, plus an additional \$500/acre of disturbance (2.76 acres of land disturbance proposed).

**Stormwater Management (Rule 3.0):**

Rule 3.0 applies to the proposed project because it includes land disturbing activities creating a cumulative total of 10,000 sf or more of new or fully reconstructed impervious surface.

The Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) of soils on site are HSG A. Curve Numbers have been shifted down ½ classification to account for the impacts of grading on soil structure.

**Rate Control:** Peak stormwater flow rate increases from the pre-development condition for the 24-hour precipitation event with a return frequency of 2-, 10-, 100- years for the Central Ave discharge points as shown in Table 1. The project will not impact Drainage Sensitive Use areas. The rate control standard is not met. The applicant will be required to provide written City approval for rate increase to City storm sewer.

Point of Discharge	2-year (cfs)		10-year (cfs)		100-year (cfs)	
	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
DP 3 Central	0.62	1.41	0.93	2.12	0.02	0

Ave						
DP 2 Central Ave	1.52	0.77	2.37	2.66	4.92	5.31
DP 1 NW	0.05	0	0.08	0	0.24	0

**Table 1.**

Volume Control: The proposed project is new development; therefore, the volume reduction requirement is equal to 1.1 inches over the area of all impervious surface. The amount of proposed impervious required to be treated is 89,001 ft<sup>2</sup>.

The applicant is proposing the Stormwater Management Practices (SMPs) described below:

<b>Drainage Area</b>	<b>Impervious required to be treated (ft<sup>2</sup>)</b>	<b>Proposed SMP</b>	<b>TP Removal Factor</b>	<b>Required Water Quality Volume (ft<sup>3</sup>)</b>	<b>Water Quality Volume Provided (ft<sup>3</sup>)</b>
Basin 1	38,875	infiltration basin 1	1	3,564	26,594
Basin 2	23,672	infiltration basin 2	1	2,170	16,456
Basin 3	26,454	infiltration basin 3	1	2,425	2,784
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>89,001</b>			<b>8,159</b>	<b>45,834</b>

**Table 2.**

The following pretreatment has been provided:

<b>SMP ID</b>	<b>Pretreatment Device/Method</b>	<b>Percent TSS Removal</b>
Infiltration Basin 3	catch basin sump w/ flexstorm pure filter	85
infiltration basin 2	vegetative filter strip	80
infiltration basin 2	rain guardian	80
infiltration basin 1	rain guardian	80

**Table 3.**

Pretreatment is required to be designed such that the device/method provides removal of 80% TSS entering an infiltration or filtration Stormwater Management Practice. The proposed project meets pretreatment requirements as shown in Table 3.

The volume control standard has been met as shown in Table 2.

Water Quality: The total Water Quality Volume has been provided in aggregate.

Stormwater treatment on site must remove at least 80% of the average annual post development TSS per discharge location. The following TSS removal has been provided:

<b>Discharge Point</b>	<b>TSS Removal Provided</b>
DP 4 SW	100
DP 3 Central Ave	98
DP 2 Central Ave	98
DP 1 NW	100

**Table 4.**

The TSS removal standard is met at each discharge point as shown in Table 4.

Discharges to Wetlands: Stormwater from the proposed project is not being discharged into any wetlands, therefore this section does not apply.

Landlocked Basins: The proposed drainage system does not outlet to a landlocked basin, therefore this section does not apply.

Low Floor Freeboard: The proposed project is new development which includes buildings and habitable structures. Therefore, SMPs must be designed such that the lowest basement floor elevations are at least 2 feet above the 100-yr high water level or 1 foot above the emergency overflow. The lowest basement floor elevation proposed is 914.35 ft NAVD 88. The applicable 100-year high water levels are 909.9, 911, and 910.4 ft NAVD 88 and the applicable emergency overflows are 912 ft NAVD 88. The freeboard requirement is met.

Maintenance:

Access: Sufficient maintenance access has been provided on the plans for all stormwater management practices.

Maintenance Agreements: The proposed stormwater management practices will not be maintained as part of standard municipal public work activities. Therefore, a maintenance agreement that meets District standards will be required.

**Soils and Erosion Control (Rule 4.0)**

Rule 4.0 applies to the proposed project because it is a land disturbing activity that requires a permit under another District rule.

The proposed project drains to Springbrook Creek. The soils affected by the project are Zimmerman which do not have a soil erodibility factor of 0.15 or greater. Disturbed areas are proposed to be stabilized within 7 days, as required. The proposed erosion and sediment control plan includes inlet protection, stabilized construction entrance, perimeter control and street sweeping. The erosion control plan does not meet District requirements because infiltration basins are not proposed to be surrounded by perimeter control to prevent compaction during construction. The site does require an NPDES permit. See Figure 3: Soils and Erosion Control.

**Wetlands (Rule 5.0)**

The proposed project does not include activities which result in the filling, draining, excavating, or otherwise altering the hydrology of a wetland. Rule 5.0 does not apply.

**Floodplain (Rule 6.0)**

The proposed project does not include land disturbing activities within the floodplain as mapped and modeled by the District. Rule 6.0 does not apply.

**Drainage, Bridges, Culverts, and Utility Crossings (Rule 7.0)**

The proposed project does not include land disturbing activities which construct, improve, repair, or alter the hydraulic characteristics of a bridge profile control or culvert structure on a creek, public ditch, or major watercourse. The proposed project does not include land disturbing activities which involve a pipeline or utility crossing of a creek, public ditch, or major watercourse.

The proposed project does not include land disturbing activities which construct, improve, repair or alter the hydraulic characteristics of a conveyance system that extends across two or more parcels of record not under common ownership and has a drainage area of 200 acres or greater. Rule 7.0 does not apply.

**Buffers (Rule 8.0)**

The proposed project does not include a land disturbing activity on land adjacent or directly contributing to a Public Water, Additional Waters, High or Outstanding Ecological Value Waters, a Public Ditch, or Impaired Waters/waters exceeding state water quality standards. Rule 8.0 does not apply.

**Variances (Rule 10.2)**

The proposed project is not requesting a variance from the District's rules, regulations, and policies. Rule 10.2 does not apply.



Figure 1: Project Location



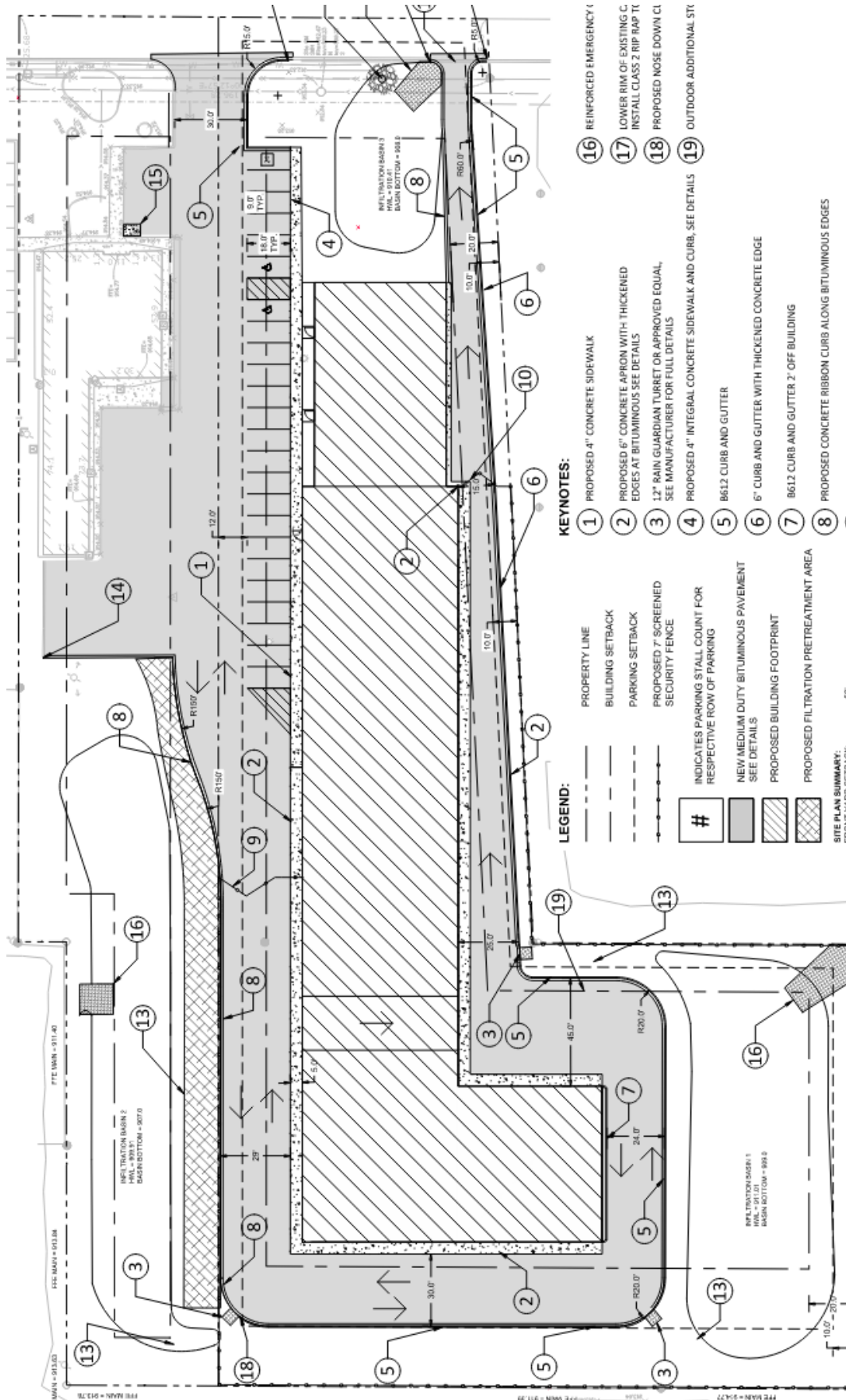


Figure 2: Site Plan

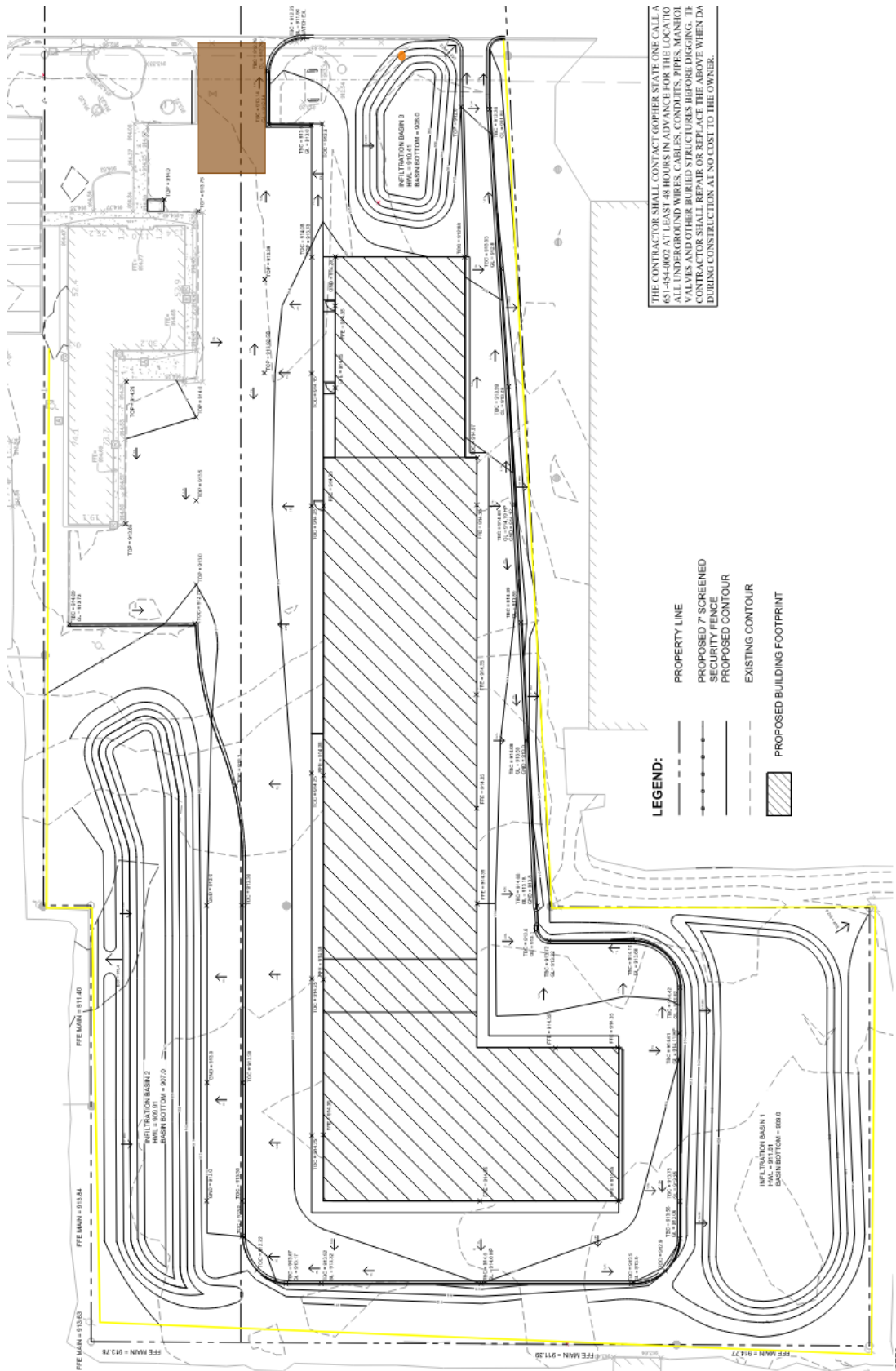


Figure 3: Soils and Erosion Control

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 12  
**ITEM:** Fields of Andover Alternative Urban Area Review  
(AUAR)

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**AGENDA:** Information

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Receive the report.

**PURPOSE & SCOPE OF ITEM**

CCWD's comment letter on the Fields of Andover Alternative Urban Area Review (AUAR) Draft Order for Review.

**BACKGROUND**

- The Fields of Andover is the proposed ~800 acre development in Andover southeast of the Round Lake Blvd and 161<sup>st</sup> Avenue NW intersection.
- The proposed development is located within the Ditch 37 subwatershed and is a strategic project within the Ditch 37 subwatershed plan to address water quality and flooding concerns.
- The site has been visited on the last two board tours.
- The developer presented a PUD sketch plan to the city council on June 17, 2025.
- The proposed development triggers a larger scale environmental review of potential impacts to the environment from the development alternatives analyzed. The City elected to use the AUAR process for the required environmental review. The AUAR will be used as a planning tool to understand how different development scenarios will affect the environment before the development occurs.
- The City must release an AUAR scoping document called the Draft Order for Review for public comment prior to initiating the Final Order for the AUAR.
- The Draft Order for Review outlines the scope of environmental factors that will be evaluated for each development scenario.
- Public comments on the Draft Order for Review can include additional environmental issues to be analyzed and additional development scenarios to be considered in the AUAR.
- Public comments on the AUAR Draft Order for Review are due on September 11, 2025.

**Comment Letter Included Below:**

September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

Attn: Joe Janish  
Community Development Director  
City of Andover  
1685 Crosstown Blvd NW  
Andover, MN 55304

Phone: 763-767-5140  
Email: [j.janish@andovermn.gov](mailto:j.janish@andovermn.gov)

Dear Mr. Janish,

Subject: Coon Creek Watershed District Comments of the Fields of Andover AUAR Scoping Document

The Coon Creek Watershed District (CCWD) appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Fields of Andover AUAR Scoping Document (AUAR). Based on prior discussions with City of Andover staff and the Artemis Development team and review of sketch plan submittals, the CCWD is supportive of the Scenario 2 development concept presented in the AUAR with respect to the potential impact on water resources and risks presented from natural hazards. That said, CCWD has concerns with the scope of environmental issues to be addressed in the AUAR and suggestions for additional issues that should be addressed in the full AUAR study. Those concerns and suggestions are summarized below.

Section	Comments
8. Cover Types	(1) This section discusses the existence of floodplain on this site. Figure 9 shows the extent of FEMA mapped floodplain. CCWD in conjunction with the City of Andover and other cities within CCWD has submitted updated floodplain mapping to the DNR/FEMA that uses Atlas 14 rainfall estimates for a more accurate representation of flooding. CCWD currently utilizes the “Atlas 14” floodplain map for permitting new and redevelopment. NOAA plans to release Atlas 15 precipitation data, which include refined calculations of current precipitation frequencies as well as future estimates of precipitation frequency and will supersede Atlas 14 information around 2026. CCWD requests the AUAR include an evaluation of floodplain risk in the development scenarios using current FEMA mapping and the “Atlas 14” floodplain used by CCWD in permitting. In addition, the AUAR could consider using NOAA’s Atlas 15 products, if available, to evaluate future flood risk in section 7 Climate Adaptation and Resilience.
9. Permits and Approvals	(2) CCWD requests that CCWD be listed as the Unit of Government for “WCA Review and Approval” as CCWD is the WCA LGU for this area.  (3) CCWD requests that the need for a right-of-way permit from Anoka County Highway Department be considered.
11. Geology, Soil, and Topography/land forms	(4) The statement that “There are no known unconfined/shallow aquifers within the AUAR study area” on page 14 is incorrect. CCWD requests further analysis be included in the AUAR on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Depth of private wells shown in figure 10 should be quantified and a table showing each well and its depth should be made available.</li> </ul>



Section	Comments
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Depth and duration of anticipated construction dewatering. While generally handled through DNR permit, an analysis of potential for well interference should be helpful in mitigating impacts.</li> </ul> <p>(5) CCWD requests further analysis on soil erosion hazards and vulnerability that could impact erosion and mitigation measures during and after construction. CCWD recommends considering the slope, soil erosion factor, index of rainfall erosivity, and the wind erodibility group of the soils present onsite.</p>
12. Water Resources	<p>(6) CCWD understands that DNR has indicated Ditch 37 will not be regulated as a Public Water under M.S. 103G.005. However, the RGU and the Artemis Development should be aware that Ditch 37 meets the technical requirements of a Public Water and the DNR has initiated a Public Water Inventory (PWI) update which may change the current status of Ditch 37 in the PWI to a Public Water in the near future (see: <a href="#">Public Waters Inventory Update Project   Minnesota DNR</a>).</p> <p>(7) Per AUAR guidance, the details of these impairments should be listed and can use MPCA Impaired Waters Viewer as source. The following impairment details should be listed in the AUAR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Crooked Lake is impaired for consumption due to Mercury (not relevant for proposed development), but Coon Creek is impaired for Aquatic Life (Fish, Invertebrates, TSS) and Aquatic Recreation (E. coli) for which TMDL loading allocations have been assigned for TSS, TP, and E. coli. Low dissolved oxygen levels have also been identified as a stressor. Both stream bank erosion and urban stormwater runoff were identified as primary sources of these pollutants for Coon Creek and will need to be addressed in the AUAR.</li> </ul> <p>(8) The statement “the depth to the water table for the majority of the study area is 0-10 feet” on page 17 conflicts with the statement in section 11, page 14 regarding no known unconfined/shallow aquifers within the AUAR study area. CCWD requests further analysis in the AUAR on the cones of depression and the cumulative size and approximate depths based on the proposed depth and duration of anticipated dewatering. In addition to this, given the amount and proximity of private wells to this site, CCWD requests that the potential for well interference from both dewatering and other temporary or permanent activities or changes to the landscape should be analyzed along with the potential for impacts to adjacent surface waters.</p> <p>(9) The Minneapolis and St. Paul DWSMA areas are currently undergoing review and updating. The RGU should track progress of the update to determine if this site remains inside the Priority A DWMSA zones. This may impact the ability to infiltrate stormwater under the CSW NPDES permit.</p> <p>(10) CCWD requests an analysis of the estimated pollutant reductions and flow discharge rates in the proposed scenarios as a result of permanent stormwater runoff controls be conducted.</p> <p>(11) Groundwater and surface water chloride levels have been steadily increasing in Coon Creek and its contributing area in recent years and decades. CCWD requests an analysis of chloride usage and impacts under both development scenarios to evaluate the need for snow/chloride management plans.</p>

To reiterate, CCWD is supportive of the Scenario 2 development concept referenced in the AUAR based on preliminary discussions with City of Andover staff and Artemis Development and review of sketch plans submitted. There appears to be potential for significant benefit to water resources on this site and

downstream based on the sketch plan for Scenario 2 and further evaluation of the environmental issues noted in the comments and suggestions above.

Thank you again for the opportunity to review the AUAR scoping document. If you have any questions, please contact me at 763-258-4822 or [ebye@cooncreekwd.org](mailto:ebye@cooncreekwd.org).

Sincerely,

Erik Bye  
Planning Coordinator

CC: Tim Kelly, District Administrator

**COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT  
Request for Board Action**

**MEETING DATE:** September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
**AGENDA NUMBER:** 13  
**ITEM:** Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

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**AGENDA:** Information

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Receive report.

**PURPOSE & SCOPE**

To provide an update on the Anoka County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) process and recently completed draft Mitigation Action Chart (MAC) that will be included in the plan.

**BACKGROUND/CONTEXT**

- The HMP is a countywide plan that seeks to identify and reduce risk from natural hazards.
- Inclusion in a HMP provides a local government eligibility to apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and state hazard mitigation grants.
- The overview of HMPs and Coon Creek Watershed District (CCWD's) Local Mitigation Survey responses were presented to the Board on 4/14/2025.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RELATIONSHIP**

- The mitigation actions that are proposed in the draft MAC are referenced from our Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) included in our current Comprehensive Plan.
- The MAC is essentially the capital improvement plan portion of the HMP.
- By referencing projects in our CIP, a new funding source will be unlocked for large-scale projects that reduce risks of flooding and erosion.
- CCWD can leverage our collaborative relationships with the cities in the HMP to fund projects that would be difficult to fund at the local level alone.
- CCWD has been working closely with the County on addressing flooding hazards.

**ISSUES/CONCERNS/OPPORTUNITIES**

- Opportunity to assist the county and cities with identifying and evaluating flood risk and mitigating where possible.
- Diversifying funding sources to prepare for recent actions by federal government to shift financial burden of hazard mitigation and disaster recovery to states and local government.

**IMPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE/ORGANIZATION**

- Mitigation actions in the MAC for CCWD are general activities that CCWD can implement to reduce flood risk through increasing flood storage, improving

conveyance, reducing peak discharge rates, stabilizing channels, and partnering with the county or cities to consider purchasing flood-prone or repetitively flooded properties.

- Once the HMP is adopted, any of these mitigation actions would be eligible for FEMA and state hazard mitigation grants.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

- The draft MAC for the CCWD has been submitted to the county for inclusion in the HMP.
- The HMP process has allowed CCWD to engage more with the county and cities on hazard risk evaluation and reduction.
- The HMP will diversify the potential funding sources for flood mitigation projects and increase CCWD's resilience to any economic downturns.

## ANOKA COUNTY

## Mitigation Action Chart

#	Hazard	Mitigation Strategy	Mitigation Action	Status Priority Timeframe	Responsibility	Comments on Implementation & Integration	Possible Funding
1	All-Hazards	Education & Awareness Programs	<b>PUBLIC OUTREACH &amp; EDUCATION</b> Utilize effective methods to share information with the community about severe weather, extreme temperatures, and personal preparedness.	Existing High 2026-2031	Anoka County Emergency Management (ACEM)	Anoka County Emergency Management utilizes the Anoka County website, Anoka County Emergency Management website page, and local news media to communicate with the public on emergency preparedness, severe weather, and other hazard conditions throughout the year. ACEM leads participation in Severe Weather Awareness Week and Winter Weather Awareness Week with the NWS. We provide links and information on the ACEM and AC Public Health website pages.	Internal: EM Dept./ AC General Op. Budget  External: FEMA EMPG
2	All-Hazards	Education & Awareness Programs	<b>EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION</b> Ensure the ability to send out emergency notifications to residents and visitors, and encourage residents to sign up for the county's Alert Center notification system.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM	Anoka County has the capability to send Emergency Alerts via the IPAWS System which can reach both county residents as well as visitors within a designated alert area. Anoka County also has an "Alert Center" website page that provides a list of general alerts by category from Anoka County. Members of the public can sign up for the system to be instantly notified of alerts and emergencies.	Internal: EM Dept./ AC General Op. Budget  External: HSEM

## ANOKA COUNTY

## Mitigation Action Chart

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3	All-Hazards	Local Planning & Regulations	<b>BUILDING REGULATIONS</b> Adopt and enforce regulations governing new construction to prevent damage to buildings and infrastructure from severe weather events.	Existing Moderate 2026-2031	Local Jurisdictions (Cities and Linwood Twp)	Land use planning and zoning within Anoka County is a function of its municipalities (by each city and Linwood Township, respectively). Anoka County does not have a role in enforcing local regulations.  The Coon Creek Watershed District serves as the Ditch Authority for portions of Anoka County. The CCWD has a permitting program that intends to prevent new and reconstruction from inadvertently flood properties now or in the future.	External: Local Govt's,
4	All-Hazards	Local Planning & Regulations	<b>FUTURE DEVELOPMENT</b> Implement existing plans and policies in place that help to mitigate against the impacts of flooding and other natural hazards to future development.	Existing High 2026-2031	Anoka County Administration	Anoka County has several plans and policies in place that help to address hazard mitigation, including: Ordinance #2022-1, Shoreland Management Ordinance, Ordinance #2017-1, Anoka County Buffer Ordinance, Anoka County EOP, Anoka County 2025-2029 Capital Improvements Plan, Anoka County 2040 Transportation Plan, Anoka County Park Ordinance 2018-01, Last Revised July 23, 2024.	Internal: AC General Op. Budget

**ANOKA COUNTY****Mitigation Action Chart**

#	Hazard	Mitigation Strategy	Mitigation Action	Status Priority Timeframe	Responsibility	Comments on Implementation & Integration	Possible Funding
5	All-Hazards	Local Planning & Regulations	ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY Utilize departmental staff and elected officials to work together to accomplish identified mitigation efforts.	Existing High 2026-2031	Anoka County departments	Anoka County sustains organizational capacity across departments that support hazard mitigation including Emergency Management (Emergency Planning and Coordination), Highway Dept., (WS4 Permit compliance and Right of Way maintenance and drainage system management), Environmental Services Dept. (Planning and Coordination with local watershed districts), and Public Health Dept. (Public Health preparedness, planning, and coordination), and County Parks (Public Watercraft Access Management).	Internal: AC General Operating Budget – Cross depts.
6	All-Hazards	Local Planning & Regulations	PARTNERSHIPS Develop and sustain partnerships with outside agencies, organizations, businesses, and neighboring jurisdictions to accomplish mitigation efforts.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM and other county depts.	Anoka County Emergency Management participates in annual regional planning and training; statewide AMEM conference. Anoka County departments also coordinate with other local and regional agencies involved in mitigation, including neighboring county emergency managers, SWCD, MN DNR, MnDOT, Rural and Municipal Electric Cooperatives, and Watershed Districts. Anoka County continues to collaborate with public and private partners to promote preparedness.	Internal: AC General Operating Budget – Cross depts.

**ANOKA COUNTY****Mitigation Action Chart**

#	Hazard	Mitigation Strategy	Mitigation Action	Status Priority Timeframe	Responsibility	Comments on Implementation & Integration	Possible Funding
7	All-Hazards	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	EOP PLANNING Ensure the county's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) is updated and addresses policies & procedures needed to support EM functions prior to, during, and following a disaster.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM	Anoka County Emergency Management maintains an all-hazards Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) which lays out concepts and operating guidelines for all incident management and support functions that may be needed to ensure life safety, incident stabilization, and property preservation during an incident and the transition to recovery.	Internal: EM Dept./ AC General Op. Budget  External: FEMA EMPG
8	All-Hazards	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	BACKUP POWER Identify critical infrastructure or facilities that need backup generators and work to obtain them.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with other county depts.	Anoka County works to ensure the continuity of operations of county government services and critical infrastructure in the event of an extended power outage. Local jurisdictions are encouraged to assess where backup power is needed and to obtain emergency generators. A collaboration with local and national critical infrastructure groups ensures regular communication on needs, updates to plans and available resources in our service area for mitigation and other improvements. FEMA HMGP may be one source of external grant funding to which the county and local jurisdictions can seek to apply for the purchase of generators for critical facilities.	Internal: AC General Operating Budget  External: FEMA HMGP



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9	All-Hazards	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	MASS CARE SHELTERING Ensure that plans, procedures, and designated facilities are in place to provide temporary sheltering due to a severe weather or other disaster event.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM, AC Public Health	In the event of a disaster where temporary sheltering is needed, ACEM works in coordination with Anoka County Human Services Division (which includes Public Health & Environmental Services), the American Red Cross, other Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD), and local governments/Fire & EMS to support mass care services as needed. The county EOP includes plans, procedures, and resources available for mass care sheltering. Local jurisdictions operate initial staging areas or temporary shelter from the initial request for approximately 12 hours until regular shelter locations or other accommodations can be setup and ready to receive those in need.	Internal: EM and PH Dept. budgets / AC General Op. Budget  External: FEMA EMPG
10	All-Hazards	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	SEVERE WEATHER PLANS Encourage schools and other facilities that house seniors or other vulnerable populations to have emergency plans in place to deal with severe weather, extreme temperatures, and extended power outages.	Existing Moderate 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with local jurisdictions	ACEM continues to work with local jurisdictions provide outreach to and support to schools and other facilities on emergency planning. Schools and long-term care (LTC) facilities are required to have such plans in place. ACEM provides direct training or planning support as requested.	Internal:  External: Schools, Private LTC Facilities, Local Govt's

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11	All-Hazards	Local Planning & Regulations	FUNDING RESOURCES Identify and work to secure internal as well as external funding (grant or loan sources) to help accomplish mitigation activities in the county.	Existing Moderate 2026-2031	ACEM, Other County depts as related	Anoka County operating funds can be used for mitigation activities, and grants can be applied to implement mitigation projects. The Transportation Division utilizes a variety of state and federal grants and competitive funding sources to replace/rehabilitate aging infrastructure (i.e. State Bridge Bonds, federal bridge replacement program, and Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds). FEMA EMPG funding is used to help support the county's EM program.	Internal: AC General Operating Budget  External: FEMA EMPG
12	All-Hazards	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	VULNERABLE POPULATIONS Support the activities of volunteer and Anoka County Human Services agencies in identifying and assisting vulnerable populations during severe weather.	Existing High 2026-2031	AC Human Services Dept.	ACEM continues to partner with Anoka County Human Services to support vulnerable populations in our all-hazards planning.	Internal: AC HS budget
13	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations	FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT Enforce policies and ordinances that address development in high-risk flood areas.	Existing High 2026-2031	Local Govt's (All cities and Linwood Twp)	Floodplain management, as well as all land use planning and zoning within Anoka County is a function of its municipalities. Anoka County Ordinance #2022-1, Shoreland Management Ordinance establishes allowable uses and development standards in shoreland areas designated within the county.	External: Local Govt's

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14	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations	<b>WATERSHED PARTNERSHIPS</b> Work with area watershed organizations to address mitigation plans and projects that address risk reduction for localized flooding and erosion.	Existing High 2026-2031	Anoka County in coord with Watershed District partners	The Anoka Conservation District (ACD) has been a partner in regional watershed planning and projects with the Upper and Lower Rum River Watershed Management Organizations, and has participated in the Rum River One Watershed, One Plan. These planning and project efforts have worked to address issues such as bank stabilization and stormwater management. The Coon Creek Watershed District works closely with communities in Anoka County on flood mitigation planning and projects.	Internal:  External: ACD, SWCD, CCWD Tax Levy MN BWSR Clean Water Fund Grants
15	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations / Structure & Infrastructure Projects	<b>TRANSPORTATION FLOOD RISK REDUCTION</b> Plan for and implement measures to address flood risk reduction projects for roads, bridges, and culverts throughout the county.	Existing High 2026-2031	AC Highway Dept.	The Anoka County Highway Dept. utilizes a variety of state and federal grants and competitive funding sources to replace/rehabilitate aging infrastructure (i.e. State Bridge Bonds, federal bridge replacement program, and Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds).	Internal: AC Hwy. Dept. budget  External: State Bridge Bonds, federal bridge replacement program, and Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) funds, BWSR Water Storage Grant

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16	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations / Structure & Infrastructure Projects	LOCALIZED FLOOD RISK REDUCTION Work with township and city governments to address areas of local flooding concern.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM, AC Highway Dept. in coord with Local Govt's	Anoka County maintains an ongoing collaboration with local jurisdictions to mitigate repetitive flood losses. This includes collaborating with City and County organizations to use mapping and databases to restrict development in defined flood hazard areas and addressing roadways that are repetitively damaged by flooding. In addition, the Coon Creek Watershed District provides customized floodplain modeling for our cities to use in their flood prevention work.	Internal: ACEM, AC Hwy. Dept.  External: Twp. Govt's, CCWD Tax Levy
17	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations	PROPERTY BUYOUTS Collaborate with City and County organizations to evaluate the need to relocate or acquire structures in flood hazard areas.	Existing Low 2026-2031	ACEM	Anoka County has on ongoing collaboration with local jurisdictions to mitigate repetitive flood losses. ACEM will be available to work with any local governments in the county that are seeking to apply for external grant funding such as MN DNR Flood Hazard Mitigation or FEMA HMGP / FMA grant funding for the purpose of buying out repetitive flood properties.	External: FEMA HMGP or FMA grant programs, MN DNR FHM grant programs, CCWD Tax Levy

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18	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations / Structure & Infrastructure Projects	<p>COON CREEK WATERSHED COLLABORATION</p> <p>Collaborate with the CCWD to implement flood mitigation projects identified in the CCWD 2024-2033 Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan as well as the Anoka County HMP update.</p> <p>Projects are listed below.</p>	New High 2026-2031	Coon Creek Watershed District (CCWD) in coord with Anoka County Depts and local jurisdictions	The Coon Creek Watershed District has identified multiple areas as having a high risk of flooding due to a variety of factors. The Coon Creek Watershed 2024-2033 Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan includes flood prevention projects within Anoka County. A list of specific areas of concern are included by the CCWD in the Anoka County Local Mitigation Survey Form (see Appendix C to the Anoka County HMP). Anoka County will collaborate with the CCWD and local jurisdictions on these projects as appropriate.	<p>Internal: CCWD Tax Levy</p> <p>External: FEMA HMGP, FEMA HMA, MN DNR FHM program, Other agency funding</p>
19	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	<p>CCWD PROJECT</p> <p>Add storage and improve stormwater conveyance to improve localized flooding in the Springbrook Creek subwatershed in Blaine, Coon Rapids, Fridley, and Spring Lake Park.</p>	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	<p>Internal: CCWD Tax Levy</p> <p>External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), municipal funding from Blaine, Coon Rapids, Fridley, and Spring Lake Park</p>

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20	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	CCWD PROJECT Add storage and improve stormwater conveyance to improve localized flooding in the Pleasure Creek subwatershed in Blaine, Coon Rapids.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), municipal funding from Blaine and Coon Rapids
21	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	CCWD PROJECT Add storage and improve stormwater conveyance to improve localized flooding and emergency access in the Sand Creek drainage area, including Ditch 39, 41, and 60 in Blaine, Coon Rapids, and Ham Lake, especially for the Park of Four Seasons and Blaine International Village manufactured home parks.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), municipal funding from Blaine, Coon Rapids, and Ham Lake
XX	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	CCWD PROJECT Add storage and improve stormwater conveyance to improve localized flooding and emergency access in the Coon Creek drainage area subwatersheds, including Lower Coon Creek, Ditch 52, 54, 57, 37, 20, 23, 58, 11, 59, and 44 in Coon Rapids, Blaine, Andover, Ham Lake, and Columbus, especially for the Creekside Estates manufactured home park.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), municipal funding from Blaine, Coon Rapids, Andover, Ham Lake, and Columbus

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22	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	CCWD PROJECT Create and implement a comprehensive stream and floodplain restoration plan for Coon Creek to stabilize banks and channel, reduce localized flooding, and reducing active erosion sites made worse by large storm events. Also install alternative channel stabilization practices such as two-stage ditches.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Grant, BWSR Clean Water Fund Grants
23	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations	CCWD PROJECT Work with cities and interested landowners to purchase properties with repetitive flooding damage that is unable to be mitigated.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), municipal funding
24	Flooding	Local Planning & Regulations	CCWD PROJECT Purchase property adjacent to Coon Creek or floodprone land to create additional floodplain to reduce localized flood risks.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), municipal funding

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25	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	CCWD PROJECT Design and construct storm ponds, infiltration basins, green infrastructure, filters to slow rain events, reduce peak discharge rates, reduce localized flooding, reduce clogging and sedimentation in culverts, reduce flood risk, fix undersized infrastructure, and reduce erosion downstream caused by large rain events particularly in the Springbrook Creek, Pleasure Creek, Sand Creek, and Coon Creek subwatersheds that are federally impaired for aquatic life and recreation.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), BWSR Clean Water Fund Grants
26	Flooding	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	CCWD PROJECT Design and construct “smart” stormwater infrastructure to adapt and respond to forecasted storm events to reduce flood risks and improve water quality.	New High 2026-2031	CCWD in coord with local jurisdictions	This project falls under the CCWD 2024-2033 CWMP. It is included in the Anoka County Mitigation Action Chart for 2026-2031 by request of the CCWD as the responsible party for implementation.	Internal: CCWD Tax Levy  External: FEMA grant funding (HMGP, FMA), BWSR Clean Water Fund Grants



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27	Severe Winter Storms	Local Planning & Regulations	WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE Implement snow removal and ice control to ensure the safety of county roads impacted by winter storms.	Existing High 2026-2031	AC Highway Dept.	The Anoka County Hwy. Dept. is responsible for plowing 1,600 lane miles of roadway. Anoka County uses four plowing techniques to prevent ice formation and enhance roadway surface: Anti-Icing, Pre-treating Salt, Pre-Wetting Salt, and De-icing. Local road jurisdictions conduct winter road maintenance on their respective road systems in accordance with each of their established policy and/or practice. The Anoka County website provides information on “Snow and Ice Control Facts” for the public.	Internal: AC Transp. Division Budget
28	Severe Summer Storms	Education & Awareness Programs	SKYWARN TRAINING Work with the National Weather Service (NWS) to provide SkyWarn training and develop a network of trained Storm Spotters throughout the county.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with NWS	ACEM works with the NWS to offer this training on an annual basis to local fire and law enforcement departments and local residents that wish to be trained as spotters.	External: National Weather Service

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29	Severe Summer Storms	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS Ensure outdoor warning sirens are located where needed and functioning properly.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with local jurisdictions	Outdoor warning sirens are located throughout the county and are tested monthly by Anoka County Emergency Communications Center (ECC) in coordination with local jurisdictions. Warning sirens are owned and maintained by the cities and township where they are located. Anoka County Emergency Communications Center coordinates with local jurisdictions for outdoor warning siren enhancements and updates.	Internal: AC ECC budget  External: Local Govt's FEMA HMGP grants
30	Severe Summer Storms	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	PARKS EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS Ensure emergency action plans are in place for county-owned public recreation areas to help protect the public during severe weather storm events.	Existing High 2026-2031	AC Parks Dept.	The Anoka County Parks Department has Emergency Action Plans that include specific communication protocols for Bunker Beach Water Park, Chomonix Golf Course, two campgrounds, and multiple outdoor environmental and recreation programs.	Internal: AC Parks Dept. budget
31	Severe Summer Storms	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	STORM SHELTERS / TORNADO SAFE ROOMS Address the need for the construction of storm shelters or tornado safe rooms in areas where residents or visitors are vulnerable to high wind events, such as mobile home parks and campgrounds.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with local jurisdictions	ACEM will assist any communities in their effort to assess and address the need for construction of a storm shelter or tornado safe room, or to develop plans for how to designate and utilize existing facilities. Grant funding may be available for tornado safe rooms from FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grant program funding, based on application approval.	Internal: ACEM Dept. budget  External: Local Gov'ts, FEMA HMGP safe room grant

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32	Severe Winter & Summer Storms	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	POWERLINE RETROFITS Encourage municipal and rural electric cooperatives to address burying powerlines or strengthening power poles to avoid power outages from high wind events and storms.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM, local jurisdictions in coord with electric utility providers	ACEM works with our utility coops and local governments on these efforts as needed. FEMA HMA grant funding may be a source for powerline infrastructure retrofits that eligible rural and municipal electric coops can apply for.	External: Electric Coops, FEMA HMGP grant
33	Severe Winter & Summer Storms	Natural Systems Protection	VEGETATION MANAGEMENT Manage trees and other vegetation along roads from severe storm events to reduce risk to powerlines and passing motorists.	Existing Moderate 2026-2031	AC Highway Dept., Local Jurisdictions and Utility Providers	The Anoka County Highway Dept. maintains 421 miles of roads within the county, which includes brushing or trimming within the right of way as needed. Local city and township road authorities as well as utility providers that serve Anoka County work to manage vegetation near power lines to reduce the risk of downed lines and power outages.	Internal: AC Hwy. Dept. budget  External: Local Govt's, Local Utility companies
34	Extreme Cold/Heat Temps	Education & Awareness Programs	EXTREME TEMPS PUBLIC OUTREACH Provide outreach and education to the public on personal safety measures to take during periods of extreme cold or extreme heat.	In-Progress High 2026-2031	ACEM & AC Public Health	ACEM works to share information received from the National Weather Service when periods of extreme cold or heat are forecast and occurring. ACEM utilizes the county EM website page, and EM Facebook. Local radio and TV stations also provide this information to the public. School Districts have plans and policies in place for delaying or closing school to protect students from extreme temps.	Internal: ACEM, AC PH dept funding

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35	Extreme Cold/Heat Temps	Mitigation Preparedness & Response Support	WARMING/COOLING CENTERS Work with local jurisdictions to plan for temporary warming/cooling facilities and promote their use for those that are vulnerable to extremely heat or cold temperatures (i.e., homeless, elderly)	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with AC PH and local govt's	ACEM addresses planning for extreme temperature sheltering within the county EOP and in coordination with Anoka County Public Health and local jurisdictions. Designated facilities in the county are identified for use for emergency warming/cooling centers.	Internal: ACEM, AC PH dept funding  External: Local Govt's, Red Cross
36	Wildfire	Local Planning & Regulations	LOCAL WILDFIRE MITIGATION Encourage communities to implement measures that reduce the risk of wildfire to life safety, existing structures, and new development in the county.	New High 2026-2031	ACEM in coord with MN DNR Firewise and local FD's	Wildfire mitigation occurs at the local level by cities within the county as well as Linwood Township. ACEM encourages these communities to identify and address local wildfire concerns such as fuel reduction efforts, creating of defensible space, and ensuring evacuation plans are in place.	External: CWDG Grant, MN DNR Firewise
37	Wildfire	Education & Awareness Programs	WILDFIRE PUBLIC AWARENESS Conduct public outreach and education on wildfire risk and prevention during periods of high risk for wildfire.	Existing High 2026-2031	ACEM in coordination with local FD's	ACEM uses its EM Facebook page to help do outreach to the public on extreme dry conditions and wildfire risk as per MN DNR guidance. Local jurisdictions are responsible to do outreach locally.	Internal: ACEM general budget  External: Local Govt's
38	Dam/Levee Failure	Structure & Infrastructure Projects	DAM & LEVEE SAFETY Work with local jurisdictions to address any dams or levees that require repair.	Existing Low 2026-2031	MN DNR	Anoka County will work with the MN DNR on any issues that may arise with these structures within the county. There are no high hazard potential dams within the county.	External: MN DNR