# Workshop-on-the-water

Building knowledge and skills of local leaders in plans, practice and policies.

July 23, 2014 Aboard the Queen of Excelsion 5:00—9:00 pm

#### ABOUT THIS WORKSHOP

Join us for a workshop on Lake Minnetonka that provides an opportunity for elected and appointed officials and community leaders to build their knowledge and provide skills that will assist them in making informed decisions for water resource protection and restoration. Although the program occurs on Lake Minnetonka, leaders from cities in the west metro region and the participating watersheds are invited and the content will be applicable to local community lakes and streams.

#### **TOPICS—WHAT WILL PARTICIPANTS LEARN?**

- Practices and policies for shorelines and streambanks; protection and restoration
  - Actions for cities and local leaders.
  - Actions for private property owners.
- 2. How do our lakes and streams work and are they healthy?
  - What do their report cards say?
  - What are the pollutants of concern and why?
  - Land use and alterations adjacent to shorelines and streambanks and their unintended consequences.
- 3. Creative solutions and availability of resources to prevent, minimize, and correct impacts.
- 4. Selecting practices to meet clean water goals across watersheds collaborating across communities.
- 5. Networking with local leaders from more than 45 west metro communities and staff

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Local elected and appointed officials such as city councils, city and county planning commissions, county commissioners, park board members, watershed district and organization board members, township boards and supervisors, and community and citizen leaders in the west metro region.

## **REGISTRATION—BY JULY 9TH**

Space is limited. Dinner is included. There is no cost for the program, however your commitment to attend is appreciated. Interest will exceed workshop capacity.

# **REGISTER ONLINE AT**

HTTP://Z.UMN.EDU/LAKEMINNETONKA

# **QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT**

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# Communities invited include:

Belle Plaine Bloomington Carver Chanhassen Chaska Cologne Crystal Deephaven Eden Prairie Edina Golden Valley Greenwood **Hopkins** Independence Excelsior Laketown Township Maple Plain Mayer Medina Long Lake Medicine Lake Minneapolis Minnetonka Minnetonka Beach Minnetrista Mound **New Germany** New Hope Norwood Young America Orono Plymouth Richfield Robbinsdale Shorewood Spring Park St. Bonifacius St. Louis Park Tonka Bay Victoria Waconia Woodland Watertown Wayzata

... and all the watershed management boards and advisory commissions from the West Metro region.

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Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission, Carver Water Management Organization, Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, Nine Mile Creek Watershed District and the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District





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