BASSETT CREEK WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Improvement Contained in the

Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission's 2015 Watershed Management Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission (BCWMC) will hold a public hearing during its regular monthly meeting on

Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.

at Golden Valley City Hall, 7800 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, Minnesota.

Interested persons are invited to attend. The purpose of the public hearing is to hear testimony and comments from the public and cities regarding the capital improvement proposed for 2018 contained in the BCWMC's *September 2015 Watershed Management Plan*. The proposed capital improvement involves the following:

<u>Bassett Creek Park Pond Dredging Project Phase I: Winnetka Pond Dredging:</u> (BCP-2) This project in the City of Crystal will remove approximately 18,400 cubic yards of sediment from "Winnetka Pond" on 36th Ave. N., just east of Winnetka Rd., and will increase the pond's depth to 6 feet. Project results include an increase in the pond's volume and flood control benefits, and reduced sediment and phosphorus in the North Branch of Bassett Creek by an estimated 51.7 and 1,823 lbs/year, respectively. Further, the planting of native vegetation around the pond will improve habitat for wildlife and pollinators.

This project has a total estimated cost of \$1,000,000 including the initial study, design, construction, and administration. Funding for the project is proposed to come from the BCWMC's Capital Improvement Program funds through a 2018 ad valorem property tax by Hennepin County on property within the Bassett Creek Watershed. More information is available at www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects.

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Jim de Lambert, Chair