



# Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission

Item 6Biii.  
BCWMC 8-20-15

## MEMO

**TO:** BCWMC Commissioners  
**FROM:** Laura Jester, Administrator  
**DATE:** August 10, 2015

### Item 6Biii Recommendations regarding certifying costs to Hennepin County:

1. Direct staff to certify for payment by Hennepin County in 2016 a total tax levy request of \$1,222,000 for the 2016 projects, as laid out in the resolution and in Table 1 below.

### Background

The BCWMC's CIP for 2016 includes the following projects:

- Northwood Lake Improvement Project (NL-1)
- Honeywell Pond Expansion Project (BC-4)

Table 1. Total Funds Needed for 2016 CIP Projects

Item	Estimated costs NL-1	Estimated costs BC-4
Construction (includes project construction, construction observation, engineering and design, permitting, and contingency)	\$1,352,000	\$1,202,000
Feasibility study costs (per agreements with cities)	\$30,000	\$29,800
Other BCWMC costs expended thru July 2015	\$8,800	\$8,600
Transfer to 2016 & 2017 BCWMC Administrative Fund <sup>1</sup>	\$19,340	\$8,530
Anticipated future costs – NL-1 grant administration, review of 50% and 90% plans & miscellaneous coordination/administration	\$12,000	\$12,000
<b>TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,422,140</b>	<b>\$1,260,930</b>
Clean Water Partnership Grant	-\$300,000	0
City Contributions	-\$300,000	-\$450,000
<b>BCWMC PROJECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$822,140</b>	<b>\$810,930</b>
Portion of Project slated for 2017 levy request (50% of total)	-\$411,070	\$0
<b>Subtotal 2016 levy request</b>	<b>\$411,070</b>	<b>\$810,930</b>
<b>TOTAL FINAL 2016 LEVY REQUEST:</b>	<b>\$1,222,000</b>	

<sup>1</sup> \$17,055 is included in 2016 BCWMC budget as a transfer to the administrative fund (or operating budget). An estimated \$10,810 would be transferred to administrative fund in 2017 for this project. There are two additional projects slated for 2017 that will also have CIP administrative costs associated with them.

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Staff does not recommend the use of funds from the Closed Project Account for these projects. The 2015 Main Stem Restoration Project is slated to use up to \$503,000 of these funds, leaving the Commission with approximately \$280,000 in this account. This amount is within the range (\$250,000 - \$500,000) that Commission policy deems appropriate to hold in this fund.

Staff recommends the Commission direct staff to certify for payment by Hennepin County in 2016 a total tax levy of \$1,222,000. This amount is lower than the maximum levy request (\$1,250,000) previously communicated to the County, which is appropriate given the information in Table 1, including construction costs, current and future costs, the approved 2016 budget, awarded grants, and city contributions.