

Bassett Creek Watershed Management

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Proposed Minor Plan Amendment to the Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission's September 2015 Watershed Management Plan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission (BCWMC) will

hold a public hearing during its regular meeting on

Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Golden Valley City Hall

7800 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley MN 55427

Interested persons are invited to attend. The purpose of the public hearing is to answer questions about the proposed minor plan amendment to the BCWMC's *September 2015 Watershed Management Plan* and to hear public testimony and comments of member cities regarding the proposed amendment. The proposed minor plan amendment involves revisions to the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (Table 5-3):

• Adding Sochacki Water Quality Improvement Project (BC-14). This project is within the Three River Park District's Sochacki Park in the cities of Robbinsdale and Golden Valley. The project would implement a suite of BMPs identified in a recent <u>subwatershed analysis</u> to reduce phosphorus loading from the surrounding watershed by an estimated 67 lbs./year; reduce erosion and sedimentation; improve water quality in three degraded DNR wetlands and downstream in Bassett Creek; improve wetland health; improve buffers and habitat; and improve recreation and education opportunities.

Although not requiring a formal amendment, Table 5-3 will also be updated to:

- Remove Beacon Heights 2nd Addition Stormwater Improvement Project (ML-24) due to infeasibility within available space and topography.
- Remove Bassett Creek Park Water Quality Improvement Project (BC-11) due to low priority and lack of partners to implement.
- Update implementation schedules and budgets of existing projects.

You can view all proposed changes to Capital Improvement Program (Table 5-3) of the 2015 Watershed Management Plan and a fact sheet for the proposed Sochacki Water Quality Improvement Project on the BCWMC website at: www.bassettcreekwmo.org/document/wmp-plans.

A levy of an ad valorem property tax by Hennepin County on property within the Bassett Creek Watershed is the proposed method of payment for up to \$600,000 of the Sochacki Water Quality Improvement Project. The project has additional funding partners and grant funding opportunities.