



## Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission MEMO

Date: May 8, 2024  
From: Laura Jester, Administrator  
To: BCWMC Commissioners  
RE: **Administrator's Report**

Aside from this month's agenda items, the Commission Engineers, city staff, committee members, and I continue to work on the following Commission projects and issues.

**CIP Projects** (more resources at <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects.>)

**2019 Medicine Lake Road and Winnetka Avenue Area Long Term Flood Mitigation Plan Implementation Phase I: DeCola Ponds B & C Improvement Project (BC-2, BC-3 & BC-8) Golden Valley (No change since Nov 2021):** A feasibility study for this project was completed in May 2018 after months of study, development of concepts and input from residents at two public open houses. At the May 2018 meeting, the Commission approved Concept 3 and set a maximum 2019 levy. Also in May 2018, the Minnesota Legislature passed the bonding bill and the MDNR has since committed \$2.3M for the project. The Hennepin County Board approved a maximum 2019 levy request at their meeting in July 2018. A BCWMC public hearing on this project was held on August 16, 2018 with no comments being received. Also at that meeting the Commission officially ordered the project and entered an agreement with the City of Golden Valley to design and construct the project. In September 2018, the City of Golden Valley approved the agreement with the BCWMC. The [Sun Post](#) ran an article on this project October 2018. Another public open house and presentation of 50% designs was held February 6, 2019. An EAW report was completed and available for public review and comment December 17 – January 16, 2019. At their meeting in February 2019, the Commission approved the 50% design plans. Another public open house was held April 10<sup>th</sup> and a public hearing on the water level drawdown was held April 16<sup>th</sup>. 90% Design Plans were approved at the April Commission meeting. It was determined a Phase 1 investigation of the site is not required. The City awarded a contract to Dahn Construction for the first phase of the project, which involves earthwork, utilities, and trail paving and extends through June 2020. Dewatering began late summer 2019. Tree removal was completed in early winter; excavation was ongoing through the winter. As of early June 2020, earth work and infrastructure work by Dahn Construction is nearly complete and trail paving is complete. Vegetative restoration by AES is underway including soil prep and seeding. Plants, shrubs, and trees will begin soon along with placement to goose protection fencing to help ensure successful restoration. The construction phase of this project was completed in June with minor punch list items completed in September. The restoration and planting phase is complete except for minor punch list items and monitoring and establishment of vegetation over three growing seasons. A final grant report for BWSR's Watershed Based Implementation Funding was submitted at the end of January. City staff recently completed a site walk through to document dead or dying trees and shrubs in need of replacement (under warranty). This project (along with Golden Valley's Liberty Crossing Project) recently received the award for "Project of the Year" from the Minnesota Association of Floodplain Managers as part of the overall Project website: <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?CID=433> .

**2020 Bryn Mawr Meadows Water Quality Improvement Project (BC-5) (No change since March), Minneapolis:** A feasibility study by the Commission Engineer was developed in 2018 and approved in January 2019. The study included wetland delineations, soil borings, public open houses held in conjunction with MPRB's Bryn Mawr Meadows Park improvement project, and input from MPRB's staff and design consultants. Project construction year was revised from 2020 and 2022 to better coincide with the MPRB's planning and implementation of significant improvements and redevelopment Bryn Mawr Meadows Park where the project will be located. A public hearing for this project was held September 19, 2019. The project was officially ordered at that meeting. In January 2020 this project was awarded a \$400,000 Clean Water Fund grant from BWSR; a grant work plan was completed and the grant with BWSR was fully executed in early May 2020. The project and the grant award was the subject of an article in the Southwest Journal in February: <https://www.southwestjournal.com/voices/green-digest/2020/02/state-awards-grant-to-bryn-mawr-runoff-project/>. In September 2020, Minneapolis and MPRB staff met to review the implementation agreement and maintenance

roles. BCWMC developed options for contracting and implementation which were presented at the November meeting. At that meeting staff was directed to develop a memorandum of understanding or agreement among BCWMC, MPRB, and city of Minneapolis to recognize and assign roles and responsibilities for implementation more formally. The draft agreement was developed over several months and multiple conversations among the parties. At the May 2021 meeting the Commission approved to waive potential conflict of the Commission legalcounsel and reviewed a proposal for project design by the Commission Engineer. The updated design proposal and the design agreement among all three parties were approved at the June 2021 meeting. Four public open houses were held in the park in 2021 to gather input on park concepts. Project partners met regularly throughout design to discuss schedules, planning and design components, and next steps. Concept designs were approved by the MRPB Board in late 2021. Staff met with MnDOT regarding clean out of Penn Pond and continue discussions. 50% design plans were approved by the Commission at the January 2022 meeting; 90% design plans were approved at the March 2022 meeting along with an agreement with MPRB and Minneapolis for construction. The agreement was approved by all three bodies. Commission Engineers finalized designs and assisted with bidding documents. Bids were returned in early August. At the meeting in August, the Commission approved moving forward with project construction (through MPRB), and approved a construction budget (higher than previously budgeted) and an amended engineering services budget. MPRB awarded the construction contract. In late November the contractor began the initial earthwork and started on portions of the stormwater pond excavations. By late December the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of construction was complete with the ponds formed and constructed. The contractor began driving piles in late January and began installing underground piping in early February. At the March meeting, the Commission approved an increase to the engineering services budget and learned the construction budget is currently tracking well under budget. The change order resulting from the City of Minneapolis' request to replace a city sewer pipe resulted in extra design/engineering costs that were approved by the Administrator so work could continue without delays. The MPRB will reimburse the Commission for those extra costs and will, in-turn, be paid by the city. In early May construction was focused in the Morgan / Laurel intersection. The right-of-way storm sewer work is complete including the rerouting of some of the existing storm infrastructure and installation of the stormwater diversion structures. Construction of the ponds is complete and stormwater from the neighborhood to the west is now being routed through new storm sewers to the ponds. Vegetation is currently being established around the ponds. At the October meeting the Commission approved an amendment to the agreement with MPRB and Minneapolis in order to facilitate grant closeout. At the December meeting the Commission approved a partial reimbursement to MPRB for \$400,000. Corrections to a weir that was installed at the wrong elevation are currently being developed. Commission Engineers are evaluating options to correct it. A final grant report was submitted to the MN Board of Water and Soil Resources in late January. Project website: <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/bryn-mawr-meadows-water-quality-improvement-project>

**2020 Jevne Park Stormwater Improvement Project (ML-21) Medicine Lake (No change since July 2023):** At their meeting in July 2018, the Commission approved a proposal from the Commission Engineer to prepare a feasibility study for this project. The study got underway last fall and the city's project team met on multiple occasions with the Administrator and Commission Engineer. The Administrator and Engineer also presented the draft feasibility study to the Medicine Lake City Council on February 4, 2019 and a public open house was held on February 28<sup>th</sup>. The feasibility study was approved at the April Commission meeting with intent to move forward with option 1. The city's project team is continuing to assess the project and understand its implications on city finances, infrastructure, and future management. The city received proposals from 3 engineering firms for project design and construction. At their meeting on August 5<sup>th</sup>, the Medicine Lake City Council voted to continue moving forward with the project and negotiating the terms of the agreement with BCWMC. Staff was directed to continue negotiations on the agreement and plan to order the project pending a public hearing at this meeting. Staff continues to correspond with the city's project team and city consultants regarding language in the agreement. The BCWMC held a public hearing on this project on September 19, 2019 and received comments from residents both in favor and opposed to the project. The project was officially ordered on September 19, 2019. On October 4, 2019, the Medicine Lake City Council took action not to move forward with the project. At their meeting in October 2019, the Commission moved to table discussion on the project. The project remains on the 2020 CIP list. In a letter dated January 3, 2022, the city of Medicine Lake requested that the Commission direct its engineer to analyze alternatives to the Jevne Park Project that could result in the same or similar pollutant removals and/or stormwater storage capacity. At the March meeting, the Commission directed the Commission Engineer to prepare a scope and budget for the alternatives analysis which were presented and discussed at the April 2022 meeting. No action was taken at that meeting to move forward with alternatives analysis. In May and June 2023, Commission staff discussed the possibility of incorporating stormwater management features into a redevelopment of Jevne Park currently being considered by the City of Medicine Lake. After review of the preliminary park design plans, the Commission Engineer and I recommended implementation of the original CIP Project to the City. Project webpage: <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?cid=467>.

**2014 Schaper Pond Diversion Project and Carp Management, Golden Valley (SL-3) (No change since March):** Repairs to the baffle structure were made in 2017 after anchor weights pulled away from the bottom of the pond and some vandalism occurred in 2016. The city continues to monitor the baffle and check the anchors, as needed. Vegetation around the pond was planted in 2016 and a final inspection of the vegetation was completed last fall. Once final vegetation has been completed, erosion control will be pulled and the contract will be closed. The Commission Engineer began the Schaper Pond Effectiveness Monitoring Project last summer and presented results and recommendations at the May 2018 meeting. Additional effectiveness monitoring is being performed this summer. At the July meeting the Commission Engineer reported that over 200 carp were discovered in the pond during a recent carp survey. At the September meeting the Commission approved the Engineer's recommendation to perform a more in-depth survey of carp including transmitters to learn where and when carp are moving through the system. At the October 2020 meeting, the Commission received a report on the carp surveys and recommendations for carp removal and management. Carp removals were performed through the Sweeney Lake Water Quality Improvement Project. Results were presented at the February 2021 meeting along with a list of options for long term carp control. Commission took action approving evaluation of the long-term options to be paid from this Schaper Pond Project. Commission and Golden Valley staff met in March 2021 to further discuss pros and cons of various options. At the September 2021 meeting, the Commission approved utilizing an adaptive management approach to carp management in the pond (\$8,000) and directed staff to discuss use of stocking panfish to predate carp eggs. Commission Engineers will survey the carp in 2022. At the April meeting, the Commission approved panfish stocking in Schaper Pond along with a scope and budget for carp removals to be implemented later in 2022 if needed. Commission staff informed lake association and city about summer activities and plans for a fall alum treatment. Approximately 1,000 bluegills were released into Schaper Pond in late May. Carp population assessments by electroshocking in Sweeney Lake and Schaper Pond were completed last summer. A report on the carp assessment was presented in January. Monitoring in Schaper Pond in 2023 and a reassessment of carp populations in 2024 were approved in early 2023. Carp box netting in 2024 is also approved, as needed. Water monitoring in the pond was performed in summer 2023. A carp survey will proceed this summer and box netting, if needed. The Commission Engineer will provide updates as work progresses. Project webpage: <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?cID=277>.

**2014 Twin Lake In-lake Alum Treatment, Golden Valley (TW-2): (No change since June 2018)** At their March 2015 meeting, the Commission approved the project specifications and directed the city to finalize specifications and solicit bids for the project. The contract was awarded to HAB Aquatic Solutions. The alum treatment spanned two days: May 18- 19, 2015 with 15,070 gallons being applied. Water temperatures and water pH stayed within the desired ranges for the treatment. Early transparency data from before and after the treatment indicates a change in Secchi depth from 1.2 meters before the treatment to 4.8 meters on May 20th. There were no complaints or comments from residents during or since the treatment.

Water monitoring continues to determine if and when a second alum treatment is necessary. Lake monitoring results from 2017 were presented at the June 2018 meeting. Commissioners agreed with staff recommendations to keep the CIP funding remaining for this project as a 2<sup>nd</sup> treatment may be needed in the future. Project webpage: <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?cID=278>.

**2013 Four Seasons Area Water Quality Project (NL-2) (No change since Nov):** At their meeting in December 2016, the Commission took action to contribute up to \$830,000 of Four Seasons CIP funds for stormwater management at the Agora development on the old Four Seasons Mall location. At their February 2017 meeting the Commission approved an agreement with Rock Hill Management (RHM) and an agreement with the City of Plymouth allowing the developer access to a city-owned parcel to construct a wetland restoration project and to ensure ongoing maintenance of the CIP project components. At the August 2017 meeting, the Commission approved the 90% design plans for the CIP portion of the project. At the April 2018 meeting, Commissioner Prom notified the Commission that RHM recently disbanded its efforts to purchase the property for redevelopment. In 2019, a new potential buyer/developer (Dominium) began preparing plans for redevelopment at the site. City staff, the Commission Engineer and I have met on numerous occasions with the developer and their consulting engineers to discuss stormwater management and opportunities with "above and beyond" pollutant reductions. Concurrently, the Commission attorney has been working to draft an agreement to transfer BCWMC CIP funds for the above and beyond treatment. At their meeting in December, Dominium shared preliminary project plans and the Commission discussed the redevelopment and potential "above and beyond" stormwater management techniques. At the April 2020 meeting, the Commission conditionally approved the 90% project plans. The agreements with Dominium and the city of Plymouth to construct the project were approved

May 2020 and project designers coordinated with Commission Engineers to finalize plans per conditions. In June 2021, the City of Plymouth purchased the property from Walmart. The TAC discussed a potential plan for timing of construction of the stormwater management BMPs by the city in advance of full redevelopment. At the August 2021 meeting, the Commission approved development of an agreement per TAC recommendations. The city recently demolished the mall building and removed much of the parking lot. At the December meeting the Commission approved the 90% design plans and a concept for the city to build the CIP project ahead of development and allow the future developer to take credit for the total phosphorus removal over and above 100 pounds. At the July meeting, the Commission approved an agreement with the city to design, construct, and maintain the CIP project components and allow a future developer to use pollutant removal capacity above 100 pounds of total phosphorus. A fully executed agreement is now filed. The updated 90% project plans were approved at the September meeting. Unfortunately, city staff recently indicated that due to permitting inconsistencies with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the project will not be built this winter as planned. The city is now planning to construct the project in the fall and winter of 2024. Project webpage: <http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?cID=282>.

**2021 Parkers Lake Chloride Reduction Project (PL-7) (No change since March):** The feasibility study for this project was approved in May 2020 with Alternative 3 being approved for the drainage improvement work. After a public hearing was held with no public in attendance, the Commission ordered the project on September 17, 2020 and entered an agreement with the city of Plymouth to implement the project in coordination with commission staff. City staff and I have had an initial conversation about this project. The city plans to collect additional chloride data this winter in order to better pinpoint the source of high chlorides loads within the subwatershed. Partners involved in the Hennepin County Chloride Initiative (HCCI) are interested in collaborating on this project. A proposal from Plymouth and BCWMC for the “Parkers Lake Chloride Project Facilitation Plan” was approved for \$20,750 in funding by the HCCI at their meeting in March. The project will 1) Compile available land use data and chloride concentrations, 2) Develop consensus on the chloride sources to Parkers Lake and potential projects to address these sources, and 3) Develop a recommendation for a future pilot project to reduce chloride concentrations in Parkers Lake, which may be able to be replicated in other areas of Hennepin County, and 4) help target education and training needs by landuse. A series of technical stakeholder meetings were held last fall and winter to develop recommendations on BMPs. A technical findings report was presented at the July 2022 meeting. At the September 2022 meeting, the Commission approved a scope and budget for a study of the feasibility of in-lake chloride reduction activities which was presented at the November meeting. Following direction from the Commission, Commission staff are preparing a scope for a holistic plan for addressing chloride runoff from the most highly contributing subwatershed. Commission Engineers and Administrator recently met with city staff and the WMWA educator to discuss outreach, possibly highly contributing properties, data needs, and possible approaches to reducing chlorides. Project website: [www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/parkers-lake-drainage-improvement-project](http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/parkers-lake-drainage-improvement-project)

**2022 Medley Park Stormwater Treatment Facility (ML-12) (No change since February):** The feasibility study for this project is complete after the Commission Engineer’s scope of work was approved last August. City staff, Commission Engineers and I collaborated on developing materials for public engagement over the fall/early winter. A project kick-off meeting was held in September, an internal public engagement planning meeting was held in October, and a Technical Stakeholder meeting with state agencies was held in November. A [story map of the project](#) was created and a survey to gather input from residents closed in December. Commission Engineers reviewed concepts and cost estimates have been reviewed by city staff and me. Another public engagement session was held in April to showcase and receive feedback on concept designs. The feasibility report was approved at the June meeting with a decision to implement Concept #3. At the July meeting the Commission directed staff to submit a Clean Water Fund grant application, if warranted. A grant application was developed and submitted. Funding decisions are expected in early December. A public hearing on this project was held in September with no members of the public attending. In September, a resolution was approved to officially order the project, submit levy amounts to the county, and enter an agreement with the city to design and construct the project. The city hired Barr Engineering to develop the project designs which are now underway. The BCWMC received a \$300,000 Clean Water Fund grant from BWSR in December 2021 and the grant agreement approved in March 2022. 50% design plans were approved in February 2022 and 90% plans were approved at the May 2022 meeting. Final plans and bid documents were developed by the city’s consultation (Barr Engineering). Construction began in November and winter construction was finished in late January 2023. Activities this spring included completing grading (topsoil adjustments); paving (concrete, bituminous); light pole and fixture install; benches install; site clean up and prep for restoration contractor. In late May, Peterson Companies completed their construction tasks and the project transitioned to Traverse de Sioux for site restoration and planting. A small area of unexpected disturbance from

construction was added to the overall area to be restored with native plants through a minor change order. Site restoration, planting, and seeding was completed in late June. An interim grant report was submitted to the MN Board of Water and Soil Resources in late January. [www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/medley-park-stormwater-treatment-facility](http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/medley-park-stormwater-treatment-facility)

**2022 SEA School-Wildwood Park Flood Reduction Project (BC-2, 3, 8, 10) (No change since December):** The feasibility study for this project is complete after the Commission Engineer's scope of work was approved last August. A project kick-off meeting with city staff was held in late November. Meetings with city staff, Robbinsdale Area School representatives, and technical stakeholders were held in December, along with a public input planning meeting. A virtual open house video and comment form were offered to the public including live chat sessions on April 8<sup>th</sup>. The feasibility study report was approved in June with a decision to implement Concept #3. A public hearing on this project was held in September with no members of the public attending. In September, a resolution was approved to officially order the project, submit levy amounts to the county, and enter an agreement with the city to design and construct the project. The city hired Barr Engineering to develop the project designs which are now underway. A virtual public open house was held February 3<sup>rd</sup>. 50% Design Plans were approved at the January meeting. A public open house was held September 29<sup>th</sup>. 90% were approved at the October Commission meeting. Six construction bids were received in late February with several of them under engineer's estimates. The city contracted with Rachel Contracting and construction got underway earlier this spring. By late June excavation was completed and the playground area was prepped and ready for concrete work to begin on July 5. Bids were open for the SEA School/Wildwood Park restoration project on June 20. Three bids were received and two came in right around our estimate. The city is recommending the low bidder (Landbridge Ecological). At the end of July utility crews lowered the watermain and installed the storm sewer diversions into the park from along Duluth Street. The hydrodynamic separator was also set (with a crane). Crews also worked on the iron-enhanced sand filter and the outlet installation, stone work on the steepened slopes, trail prep, bituminous paving, and concrete work (curb and gutter, pads, and ADA ramps). The preconstruction meeting for the restoration work was held with work to begin late August or early September. The city awarded the contract for the DeCola Pond D outlet work to Bituminous Roadways Inc. in August. The SEA School site construction is complete and restoration work is complete for the season. The DeCola Pond D outlet replacement and site restoration is also now complete.

Project webpage: [www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/sea-school-wildwood-park-flood-reduction-project](http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/sea-school-wildwood-park-flood-reduction-project).

**Bassett Creek Restoration Project: Regent Ave. to Golden Valley Rd. (2024 CR-M), Golden Valley:**

A feasibility study for this project got underway in fall 2022. A public open house was held March 1<sup>st</sup> with 30 residents attending. The draft feasibility report was presented at the April meeting. A final feasibility report was presented at the June meeting where the Commission approved the implementation of Alternative 3: to restore all high, medium, and low priority sites. A Clean Water Fund grant application for \$350,000 was recently developed and submitted to BWSR. The Commission held a public hearing on this project at its September meeting and officially ordered the project and set the final levy. An agreement with the City of Golden Valley to implement the project was drafted by the Commission Attorney recently reviewed by city staff. Commission staff and city staff continue to work through development of an implementation agreement. Project website: <https://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/bassett-creek-restoration-project-regent-ave-golden-valley-r>

**Ponderosa Woods Stream Restoration Project, Plymouth (ML-22):** A feasibility study for this project got underway in fall 2022. A public open house was held February 13<sup>th</sup> with 3 residents attending. The draft feasibility report was presented at the May meeting and additional information was presented at the June meeting where the Commission approved implementing Alternative 1.5. The Commission held a public hearing on this project at its September meeting and officially ordered the project, set the final levy, and approved an agreement with the City of Plymouth for project implementation. Plymouth hired Midwest Wetland Improvements to design the project. 60% designs are slated to be presented at the June Commission meeting. A public open house is planned for late June and construction is likely to get underway in late fall/early winter. Project website: <https://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/ponderosa-woods-stream-restoration-project>.

**Sochacki Park Water Quality Improvement Project (BC-14) (See Item 7D):** This project is proposed to be added to the CIP through a minor plan amendment as approved at the March Commission meeting with CIP funding set at \$600,000. The project involves a suite of projects totaling an estimated \$2.3M aimed improving the water quality in three ponds and Bassett Creek based on a subwatershed analysis by Three Rivers Park District (TRPD). A memorandum of understanding

about the implementation process, schedules, and procedural requirements for the project was executed in April among BCWMC, TRPD, and the cities of Golden Valley and Robbinsdale. A feasibility study is underway for the project and is being funded by TRPD. The feasibility study kick off meeting was held June 5<sup>th</sup>. Information on the project and an update on the feasibility study was presented at the June meeting. A technical stakeholder meeting was held July 10<sup>th</sup>. A public open house was held July 26<sup>th</sup> and a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was recently completed. The draft feasibility study was presented at the August meeting and the final feasibility study was approved at the September meeting. The Commission held a public hearing on this project at its September meeting and officially ordered the project and set the final levy. Project partners recently met to review a scope and budget for design and discuss construction sequencing, funding availability, and cooperative agreement provisions. TRPD was recently awarded \$1.6M in federal funding for this project and other facility investments in Sochacki Park. Staff provided a project update at the March meeting. A cooperative agreement with TRPD and Robbinsdale was approved at the April meeting. The Sun Post recently printed an article on the project (see item 7D). Project webpage: <https://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/sochacki-park-water-quality-improvement-project>.

**Plymouth Creek Restoration Project Dunkirk Lane to 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. North (2026 CR-P) (See Item 5A):** A scope and budget for a feasibility study was approved at the October meeting. A project kick off meeting was held November 3<sup>rd</sup> and a technical stakeholder meeting was held December 5<sup>th</sup>. Field investigations and desktop analyses are complete. Site prioritization ranking criteria are being developed and concept designs are being developed. A public open house was held on March 11th. Residents who attended are in favor of the project and had questions about impacts to trees, potential construction activities in specific reaches, and buckthorn removal. The draft feasibility study will be presented at this meeting. Project webpage: <https://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/plymouth-creek-restoration-dunkirk-lane-38th-ave-n>.

**Administrator Activities April 11 – May 7, 2024**

Subject	Work Progress
<b>CIP and Technical Projects</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Sochacki Park WQ Improvement Project</u>: Routed agreement for signatures; provided information to Sun Post reporter</li> <li>• <u>Sweeney Lake EWM Eradication Project</u>: Continued coordination with Sweeney Lake Assoc, Commission Engineers, and Hennepin County on plans for surveys and treatment of Eurasian watermilfoil on Sweeney Lake and implementation of the Hennepin County AIS Prevention Grant and budget; compiled water temperatures submitted by SLA member and forwarded to Commission Engineer</li> <li>• <u>Bryn Mawr Meadows Water Quality Project</u>: Responded to requests from BMNA and MPRB for assistance with tour stops</li> <li>• <u>Crane Lake Chloride Reduction Demonstration Project</u>: Met with Commission Engineer and Minnetonka staff to discuss ideas for project scope; reviewed high level scope outline from Commission Engineer</li> <li>• <u>Plymouth Creek Restoration Project</u>: Reviewed and provided comments on draft feasibility study; participated in meeting with Commission Engineer and Plymouth staff on draft study</li> <li>• <u>Main Stem Restoration Project, Golden Valley</u>: Reviewed revised agreement for implementation; discussed agreement with Commission Attorney and Engineers</li> </ul>
<b>Education and Outreach</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed meeting materials and participated in West Metro Water Alliance meeting</li> <li>• Assisted with WMWA educator position opening and covering schools with lessons planned for May</li> <li>• Corresponded with map designer and Jim Rock re: watershed map</li> <li>• Posted updated water quality graphs online</li> <li>• Participation in a Watershed Equity Workshop sponsored by U of M</li> <li>• Gave interview to Star Tribune reporter on history of Bassett Creek tunnels; prepped for that interview and followed up with reporter with additional information</li> <li>• Corresponded with teacher at Breck School re: potential shoreline restoration project and stormwater management on school site</li> </ul>
<b>Administration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed agenda; reviewed invoices and submitted expenses spreadsheet to Plymouth; reviewed financial report; drafted April meeting minutes; reviewed memos, reports, and documents for Commission meeting; printed and disseminated meeting information to commissioners, staff, and</li> </ul>

	<p>TAC; updated online calendar; drafted meeting follow up email; ordered catering for May Commission meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participated in pre-meeting call with Commission Engineer and Chair Cesnik</li> <li>• Sent draft JPA document to member cities for review and comment</li> <li>• Provided comments and met with MnDNR and partners to discuss Medicine Lake Fishery Management Plan</li> <li>• 2023 audit assistance: completed forms, gathered materials, gathered conflict of interest forms, answered questions, posted materials online</li> <li>• Updated options for 2025 operating budget; began developing list of administrator tasks and possible increased staffing use</li> <li>• Developed agenda and materials for Budget Committee meeting and participated in meeting</li> <li>• Participated in Watershed Equity Alliance meeting</li> <li>• Sent correspondence re: Bassett Creek Valley next steps</li> <li>• Met with Hennepin County staff to review discuss possible maintenance levy</li> <li>• Participated in initial “convene meeting” to discuss Watershed Based Implementation Funds</li> <li>• Updated BCWMC grant tracker spreadsheet</li> <li>• Finalized and posted 2023 BCWMC Annual Report; sent to BWSR</li> <li>• Participated in meeting with Commission Engineer and agency staff re: grant funding opportunities for H&amp;H model update/conversion project</li> <li>• Developed and submitted 2023 WOMP expense report to Met Council</li> <li>• Scheduled Budget and Education Committee meetings</li> <li>• Reviewed new ADA compliance law and corresponded with website consultant</li> <li>• Provided financial information for insurance renewal form</li> </ul>
<b>MN Watersheds</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended Metro Watersheds quarterly meeting</li> <li>• Attended MN Association of Watershed Administrators Executive Committee meeting</li> </ul>
<b>2025 Watershed Management Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met with Commission Engineers for bi-weekly check in meetings</li> <li>• Drafted meeting minutes for April PSC meeting</li> <li>• Updated progress tracker for PSC and Commission meetings</li> <li>• Prepared agenda and assisted with preparing materials for May PSC meeting; attended meeting</li> <li>• Reviewed and edited draft issue statement/goals for education and outreach issues</li> </ul>