



# Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission

## Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wirth Lake Room, Brookview

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. COMMUNICATIONS & UPDATES

#### A. BCWMC JOB POSTING

Please distribute this [job announcement](#) to anyone who might be interested in this contracted, part time position.

### 3. BUSINESS

#### A. DISCUSS CRANE LAKE CHLORIDE REDUCTION STRATEGIES

At the May BCWMC meeting, the Commission reviewed a draft study on the [Crane Lake Chloride Reduction Demonstration Project](#). As the name suggests, this project is meant to offer some “out of box” options to help advance chloride reduction in this subwatershed and elsewhere. At the meeting the Commission reviewed and discussed a variety of potential chloride reduction options presented in the report including:

##### Structural Measures

1. Combined Adaptive Level Control Systems and Chloride Treatment at Ridgedale Ponds
2. Plumb Ridgedale Roof Runoff for Direct Discharge to Crane Lake

##### Nonstructural/Source Control Measures

1. Track Application Rates in Winter Deicing Operations
2. Assist Private Properties with Procuring/Contracting Winter Maintenance
3. Deicing Equipment Loan/Purchase Program
4. Provide Abrasives to Reduce Salt Use
5. Develop Watershed Business Agreement for Joint Winter Maintenance
6. Develop Alternative Salt Storage Options for Private Properties
7. Develop Smart Salting Retrofit Plan at Ridgedale

Similar to #5 above, there was also considerable discussion about the potential for the city to create a special service district where the city would manage winter maintenance for the whole area. A similar approach is being used in the City of Edina. The City of Minneapolis also provides specific services in some business districts.

At this meeting, staff would like to gather TAC input on the opportunities and challenges presented by the nonstructural / source control measures options. Commission Engineers will bring information on how special service districts are working elsewhere.

## **B. DISCUSS MEDICINE LAKE TASK FORCE**

The Commission's CIP includes \$2M for implementing recommendations from the [Medicine Lake TMDL Assessment Study](#) starting in 2028. While the TMDL assessment focused solely on reducing nutrients to meet water quality standards, there are several other issues impacting recreation and lake ecology including zebra mussels, curly-leaf pondweed, starry stonewort, and blue green algae blooms. At the May meeting, the Commission considered a recommendation to convene a task force of experts and key lake residents that would develop a shared understanding of current lake conditions and recommend plans for a project that improves water quality while also addressing aquatic invasive species and other aspects of lake ecology and function.

At this meeting we will further discuss the task force, and the TAC could offer ideas on possible task force objectives, participants, timelines, and meeting venue/platform.

## **C. SET TAC NEXT MEETING**

The normal meeting date for the next two TAC meetings may be problematic: July 1<sup>st</sup> is close to the long weekend. And, I will be out of town the first week of August.

## **4. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Generally, first Wednesday 10:30 – 12:00

Next meeting: TBD

Potential future meeting topics:

- Options for regular streambank monitoring and surveys
- Cost sharing CIP projects with member cities
- Policies related to spending public funds on private properties including CIP projects, small grant program for residential projects, public-private partnership projects

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