

Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Root River, One Watershed One Plan

Monday, October 19, 2015, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Chatfield Public Library, Intersection of Hwy 52 and Hwy 30 in Chatfield

In attendance: Don Farrow (Fillmore County EDA), Jenny Mocol-Johnson (BWSR), Nathan Redalen (Farmer, MN Association of Townships), Dean Thomas (Fillmore SWCD), Jennifer Ronnenberg (Fillmore SWCD), Donna Rasmussen (Fillmore SWCD), John Boyum (Fillmore SWCD), Jack Overgaard (UMN Extension, Winona County), Sheila Harmes (Winona County), Pat Bailey (MDH), Matt Drewitz (BWSR), Tim Connolly (USFWS), Kevin Kuehner (MDA), David Schmidt (TNC), Daryl Buck (Winona SWCD), Linda Dahl (SE MN Water Resources Board), Justin Hanson (Mower SWCD), Aaron Gamm (Mower SWCD), Gina Bonsignore (MN DNR), Adam King (Dodge SWCD).

Jennifer Ronnenberg opened the meeting followed by introductions.

Section 3 Review: The review was divided into two segments: Groundwater and Surface Water (9:15-10:15) and Social Capacity/Sustainability of Communities and Landscape Features/Water Resources Infrastructure (10:45-11:30). Four groups formed; groups 1 and 2 reviewed Groundwater and groups 3 and 4 reviewed Surface Water. After the group review, an oral report was given to entire committee. The same process was used for the remaining parts of section 3. Due to shortage of time, not all of section 3 was reviewed. The comments will be incorporated into a version for the Policy Committee to review at their next meeting on November 2nd.

Next meeting: The next meeting date is still to be determined depending on how quickly the Policy Committee completes review of Section 3 and when Section 4 is ready for review (planned for the end of the year).

Upcoming Meetings of the Policy Committee:

November 2, 2015: Review/Approval of Draft Plan Document and Reassess the Formal Agreement
November 30, 2015: Review/Approval of Draft Plan Document and Reassess the Formal Agreement
February 15-March 1, 2016: Public Hearing Meetings and Response to Summary of Public Comments
June 2016: Approval of Final Plan Document and Submission to BWSR