

BASSETT CREEK WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COMMISSION:

Citizen and Technical Advisory Committee Group Joint Meeting

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Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

- **Formed in 1967**
- **Seven county area - (3,000 square miles)**
- **17 member board appointed by governor**
- **Coordinates regional planning and guides development**

MCES MISSION

- **To support Council-guided regional development**
- **To protect the public health and environment**

MCES' WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ROLE

- **Area-wide Water Quality Planning Agency**
- **Reviews Watershed Management Organization's and Local Water Plans**
- **Administers grant programs**
- **Provides technical assistance**

MCES NONPOINT PROGRAM

- **Monitor Mississippi, Minnesota, St. Croix, and Vermillion Rivers.**
- **Monitor 7 tributaries in Minnesota River**
- **Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program**
- **Lake Assessment Program**

WATERSHED ORGANIZATIONS' RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Prepare watershed management plan**
- **Develop policies and objectives**
- **Assess problem areas**
- **Develop implementation plan to correct problem**

PLAN EXPECTATIONS

- **Inventory information**
 - **Map of existing water resources**
 - **Hydrologic assessment of stormwater system**
 - **Wetland function and value assessment**
 - **Flood control**

PLAN EXPECTATIONS

■ Goals

- Quantifiable for all water resources
- Measurable for all water resources

■ Problem Assessment

- Includes solutions to problems
- Includes money in budget to solve problems

If questions:

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