

Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission

MEMO

Date: February 11, 2013

From: Laura Jester, Administrator To: BCWMC Commissioners

RE: 2013 Citizen Assisted Monitoring Program (CAMP)

 The Citizen Assisted Monitoring Program (CAMP) uses citizen volunteers to collect in-lake samples from lakes in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. In 2012, the following lakes were enrolled in the CAMP through the BCWMC:

Medicine site 1
Medicine site 2
Northwood
Parkers
Sweeney south site
Twin
Westwood

Monitoring costs per lake depend on the number of samples collected per lake:

8 – 14 samples = \$550/lake 6 – 7 samples = \$280/lake 1 – 5 samples = \$200 Test kit for new lakes = \$150/lake

 The notes section of your 2013 budget includes \$5,500 for CAMP. This would fund monitoring of 10 lakes for up to 14 samples, unless new test kits are needed. The Commission should decide if it would like to be involved with the CAMP in 2013, at what funding level, and a method to proceed with finding volunteers and a list of lakes, as needed.