



## **Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission MEMO**

Date: March 3, 2023

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 <a href="http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects">http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects</a>.)

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 GoldenValley 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), Minneapolis (See Item 5C): 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 waiver 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 1st 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 this meeting, the project budget will be reviewed including savings on construction costs and requested increase in engineering services. 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 April): 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 28th. 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 meeting. No action was taken at that meeting to move forward with alternatives analysis. Project webpage: http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?cID=467.

2014 Schaper Pond Diversion Project and Carp Management, Golden Valley (SL-3) (See Item 5A): 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. A reassessment of carp populations was approved for 2024 along with carp removals through box netting, if needed. At this meeting, the Commission Engineer will request budget for Schaper Pond effectiveness monitoring in 2023. Project webpage: <a href="http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?clD=277">http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?clD=277</a>.

Sweeney Lake Water Quality Improvement Project, Golden Valley (SL-8) (No change since Feb 2023): This project was added to the 2020 CIP list after receiving a federal 319 grant from the MPCA. It is partially a result of the carp surveys completed through the Schaper Pond Diversion Project and a study of the year-round aeration on Sweeney Lake. This project will treat curly-leaf pondweed in spring 2020, will remove carp in summer 2020, and will perform an alum treatment on Sweeney Lake in late summer 2020. The project was officially ordered by the Commission after a public hearing in September 2019. A public open house on this project was held via Webex on April 8th with approximately 20 people joining. The open house presentation and a question and answer document are available online. The curlyleaf pondweed herbicide treatment was completed in May. Carp Solutions performed carp tracking and setting nets in early June. The first round of netting resulted in 334 carp removed from Sweeney Lake (mean length 620 mm, mean weight 3.1 kg), representing an estimated 29% of the total population. From Schaper Pond 82 carp removed which likely represents about 17% of the initial population. After anotherround of carp removals in late July, 118 additional carp were netted from Sweeney. Based on preliminary estimates, approximately 40% of the carp population was removed from Sweeney this summer. The carp biomass was reduced from approximately 129 kg/ha to 79 kg/ha, which is below the threshold where adverse impacts on water quality are expected. The first round of alum treatment was completed in late October. A grant report and payment request were submitted at the end of January. A report on the results of the carp removals and recommendations for future management were presented at the February 2021 meeting. Long term carp management evaluation will happen through the Schaper Pond Diversion Project funding. A one-page overview of 2020 activities and outcomes was developed for the Sweeney Lake Association and posted online in March. This year, the Commission is continuing carp population assessments and performing an alum treatment this fall. At the September meeting the Commission awarded a contract for the alum treatment. The treatment was completed the week of October 16th. Post treatment water quality results were presented in January and an interim grant report, budget update, and invoice to MPCA were submitted by February 1st. The lake is slated to be removed from the impaired waters list in 2024. This project and all reporting will be complete early this year. Project website: Sweeney Lake Water Quality Improvement Project, SL-<u>8</u>).

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 January):** 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. Negotiations on an agreement between the city and BCWMC are on-going. Project webpage: http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/index.php?cID=282.

2021 Parkers Lake Drainage Improvement Project (PL-7) (No change since July): 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 design and construct the project. The city hired WSB for project design which is currently underway. 60% design plans were approved at the June meeting. 90% plans were approved at the August meeting. Construction is complete and vegetation is currently being established. <a href="https://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/parkers-lake-drainage-improvement-project">www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/parkers-lake-drainage-improvement-project</a>

2021 Parkers Lake Chloride Reduction Project (PL-7) (No change since October): 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 thisproject. 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 meeting, the Commission approved a scope and budget for a study of the feasibility of in-lake chloride reduction activities. That study is now underway by the Commission Engineer. Additionally, the city is sampling the stormwater pond at their maintenance facility. Project website: www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/parkers-lake-drainage-improvement-project

2021 Mt. Olivet Stream Restoration Project (ML-20) (No change since July): The feasibility study for this project was approved in May 2020 withAlternative 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 design and construct the project. The city hired WSB for project design which is currently underway. 60% design plans were approved in June. 90% plans were approved at the August. Construction is complete and vegetation is currently being established. <a href="https://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/mt-olivet-stream-restoration-project">www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/mt-olivet-stream-restoration-project</a>

2021 Main Stem Lagoon Dredging Project (BC-7) (See Item 5B): The feasibility study for this project was approved in May 2020 with Alternative 2-all (dredge all three lagoons to 6-foot depth) being approved. After a public hearing was held with no public in attendance, the Commission ordered the project on September 17, 2020. Rather than entering an agreement with a separate entity to design and construct this project, the Commission will implement the project in close coordination with the MPRB. At their meeting in November, the Commission approved a timeline for implementation and the Commission Engineer was directed to prepare a scope of work for project design and engineering. The engineering scope and budget were approved at the May 2021 meeting. Design and permitting got underway in summer 2021. Dredging of all three lagoons is planned for winter 2022/2023. A grant agreement for the \$250,000 Watershed Based Implementation Funding grant was approved at the January 2021 meeting. The project work plan was approved by BWSR. In the spring 2021 the Commission approved a grant agreement for a Hennepin County Opportunity Grant for this project. An Environmental Assessment Worksheet was approved by the Commission at their October 2021 meeting and was submitted for a 30-day comment period by the City of Golden Valley as the RGU. A meeting of project stakeholders was held December 7<sup>th</sup> and 50% designs were approved at the December 2021 meeting. Comments were received on the EAW from multiple review agencies and one private citizen. Agency comments were relatively minor and expected. Comments from the citizen were more complex and detailed. Responses to comments were developed the RGU (city of Golden Valley) made an official declaration that no Environmental Impact Statement is needed. Staff reviewed a request from a resident to add "safety" benches to the ponds, reviewed reference materials and discussed in detail with MPRB. Determined safety benches aren't appropriate or needed for this project and responded to the resident. 90% plans were approved at the June meeting. A project flyer and FAQs page were developed in conjunction with MPRB staff. They are posted on the webpage and were distributed to MPRB and Loppet staff at the Chalet and Trailhead. At the October meeting the Commission awarded the construction contract to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder: Fitzgerald Excavating and Trucking and contract documentation was completed thereafter. A preconstruction meeting was held November 28th. Dredging began in January and is complete in Lagoons D and E. Dredging continues in Lagoon F at the time of this writing. A project update and second pay request is included in Item 5B. Project website:www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/bassett-creek-main-stem-lagoon-dredging-project

2022 Medley Park Stormwater Treatment Facility (ML-12): 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. The Contractor has demobilized from the site until spring. The city is currently contracting for site design and restoration plans that will begin this spring. www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all- projects/medley-park-stormwater-treatment-facility

**2022 SEA School-Wildwood Park Flood Reduction Project (BC-2, 3, 8, 10):** 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 andcomment 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. Rachel Contracting was the low bidder and the City will be recommending Rachel Contracting to the City Council at the March 7 city council meeting. Construction is anticipated to begin in late March or early April 2023. Two additional bids and contracts are coming later this year for site restoration and replacing the outlet from DeCola Pond D to DeCola Pond E. Project webpage: <a href="www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/sea-school-wildwood-park-flood-reduction-project">www.bassettcreekwmo.org/projects/all-projects/sea-school-wildwood-park-flood-reduction-project</a>.

## 2024 CIP Projects: Feasibility Studies Underway for

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

A public open house was held March 1<sup>st</sup> with 30 residents attending. A draft feasibility report is expected at the April Commission meeting.

## Ponderosa Woods Stream Restoration Project, Plymouth (ML-22)

A public open house was held February 13<sup>th</sup> with 3 residents attending. A draft feasibility report is expected at the April Commission meeting.

Administrator Report February 8 – March 2, 2023

Subject	Work Progress
CIP	<ul> <li>Four Seasons Water Quality Improvement Project: Discussed project status with Plymouth staff; on hold until later this year.</li> <li>Main Stem Lagoon Dredging Project: Reviewed weekly information related to project progress, haul amounts, permitting, and access. Correspondence regarding prevailing wage requirements with Fitzgerald driver, Commission Engineer and Attorney; responded to request for information from Dept of Labor.</li> <li>Main Stem Restoration Project Regent Ave to Golden Valley Road Project: Reviewed info boards for public open house and attended open house</li> <li>Bryn Mawr Meadows Water Quality Project: Reviewing regular construction updates and corresponding with Commission Engineer on engineering services budget. Authorized Commission Engineer to perform out of scope design at city's request and discussed reimbursement with city staff</li> <li>Discussed potential CIP project to reduce erosion along Wood Creek in Plymouth with resident and city staff</li> <li>Discussed Jevne Park project next steps with Commissioner Carlson</li> </ul>
Bassett Creek Tunnel	Met with TAC member Stout to develop agenda and materials for meeting with city staff, Commission     Attorney and Commission Engineer to discuss provisions of agreement for tunnel inspections,     maintenance, development reviews, and emergency response; distributed agenda/materials;     participated in meeting
Education & West Metro Water Alliance	<ul> <li>Recruited volunteers for CAMP monitoring and responded to request for volunteer activities</li> <li>Met with Hennepin County staff on developing signage with AIS education for fishing piers and canoe carry-in access points</li> </ul>
Administration	<ul> <li>Developed agenda; reviewed invoices and submitted expenses spreadsheet to Redpath; developed Administrator's report; reviewed bank statements, investment statements and financial report; reviewed memos and documents for Commission meeting; disseminated Commission meeting information to commissioners, staff, and TAC; updated online calendar; participated in pre- meeting call with Chair Cesnik and Commissioner Engineer; drafted meeting follow up email; ordered catering for March Commission meeting; coordinated with Commission Engineer on March set up and packets</li> <li>Continued preparing for Bassett Creek Valley Stakeholder meeting including coordinating speakers, developing invitation list, and securing venue</li> </ul>

MAWD	<ul> <li>Developed potential 5-year CIP with member city proposed projects</li> <li>Developed agenda and materials for March 1<sup>st</sup> TAC meeting; prepared TAC recommendations and revisions</li> <li>Discussed letter from TAC chair with the TAC chair, BCWMC Chair Cesnik, Commission Engineer, and Commission Attorney</li> <li>Continued gathering conflict of interest forms from commissioners</li> <li>Drafted February Commission meeting minutes</li> <li>Participated in DEI workgroup meeting</li> <li>Drafted resolution of appreciation for Commissioner Harwell and sought input from city and Commission Engineer</li> <li>Discussed committee appointments with Commissioner Carlson</li> <li>Met with Metro Watersheds co-coordinator and chair re: future meeting formats and speakers</li> <li>Reviewed MN Watersheds new website and listed requested changes</li> </ul>
Grant Work	<ul> <li>Refined eLINK data for Sweeney Lake 319 project with MPCA's assistance</li> <li>Registered for eLINK training</li> </ul>
2025 Watershed	Met with Commission Engineers for bi-weekly check in meetings and updated task list
Management	Prepared for and attended Plan Kick-off Public Open house including finalizing and distributing
Plan	invitation, developing materials, slide show, discussion prompts; printing commissioner nametage;
	creating signage for meeting room; printing materials, picking up WMWA roots display; purchasing
	refreshments; setting up room for meeting; cleaning up and organizing materials after meeting; sending
	email with request for feedback from commissioners
	Discussed Plan input opportunities with Harrison Neighborhood Community Outreach Coordinator
	Discussed Plan input opportunities with Jordan Area Community Council executive director