



MINNEHAHA CREEK
WATERSHED DISTRICT
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Meeting: Board Meeting

Meeting date: 11/20/2025

Agenda Item #: 9.1

Item Type: Public Comment Period

Title: 2026 MCWD Budget and Levy – Public Comment Period

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Purpose:

At the November 20, 2025, Board Meeting, there will be a final opportunity for public comment on the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District's (MCWD) 2026 budget and levy, as required under the Truth in Taxation law.

Background:

The MCWD Board of Managers conducted a series of budget discussions in 2025, moving from a strategic level into prioritization and detailed budget preparation. Pursuant to watershed law, a duly noticed public hearing for the budget and levy was held at the [August 28, 2025, Board Meeting](#) and no comments were received. At the [September 11, 2025, Board Meeting](#), the Board adopted the 2026 budget and certified the 2026 tax levy. A summary of the budget and levy is available on the District's [website](#), which includes no increase to MCWD's tax levy.

Truth in Taxation Comment Period:

The Truth in Taxation law (Chapter 275) requires that local taxing authorities hold a public meeting in late November or early December to allow for comment on the budget and levy.

Next Steps:

The Board, based on public comment or its own initiative may adjust the budget and may decrease, but not increase, the levy. If it does not choose to do so, no action is needed.