



Title: 2027 Draft Budget Public Hearing

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Purpose:

To summarize the Draft 2027 Budget, for the scheduled public hearing on August 27, 2026

2027 Budget Planning Process:

The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) 2027 budget planning process began in May and has included the following meetings:

- [May 14, 2026, Operations and Programs Committee](#)
- [June 11, 2026, Operations and Programs Committee](#)
- [July 9, 2026, Operations and Programs Committee](#)
- [July 15, 2026, Citizen Advisory Committee](#)

Background:

The Board of Managers has consistently planned MCWD's budget in alignment with fiscal principles outlined below that have maintained organizational health and best positioned the organization to effectively implement its mission. This work has advanced mission driven needs while managing fluctuation in the annual levy resulting in a tax levy increase only once since 2017, a total of 2%, while continuing to implement a significant portfolio of capital improvements.

- Taking a zero based budget approach, to ensure all program budgets align with mission priorities
- Right-sizing and aligning the MCWD staff team, while investing in the growth of people
- Strengthening partnerships with Hennepin and Carver Counties for capital project financing
- Consistently securing outside funding through strategic partnerships and pursuit of grants
- Reallocating funds from initiatives delivered under budget to finance MCWD's long-range capital plan

2027 Budget-Levy Projection - Overview:

The 2027 draft budget proposes budgeted expenditures of \$15,590,763, a 7.5% increase of \$1,084,075 from 2026, supported with a flat (0% change) levy of \$9,869,513 (*Table 1*). This will be accomplished by drawing on previously levied fund balances that were assigned to capital projects, reallocating funds from completed projects or programs delivered under budget, earned interest revenue, and \$444,748 in external grant funds for the development of the 2027 Watershed Plan and capital projects in Victoria, Long Lake, Deephaven, St. Louis Park, and Minneapolis.

Table 1 - DRAFT 2027 Budget-Revenue Summary

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Programs fund balance	\$ 1,695,664	\$ -	\$ (1,695,664)	-100.0%
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Top Level 2027 Budget Summary:

At the top level (*Table 1*), the District's budget is organized into:

- Capital Improvement Projects
- Programs
- Capital Finance and Debt Service
- Operations

Capital Projects:

MCWD maintains a focus on capital improvements that measurably improve water quality and reduce flooding. The Capital Project budget represents the implementation of projects that have been planned over multiple years. The 2027 Capital Project budget is projected to increase 22% to a total estimated cost of \$7,439,651, to support the District's Lake Minnetonka improvement strategy with projects in the Long Lake Creek-Tanager and Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay subwatersheds, and the Minnehaha Creek corridor downstream at the Minnehaha Greenway and in Minneapolis. Within the Research and Monitoring and Project Planning budgets, funds are proposed to be allocated for subwatershed diagnostic and early feasibility work in the Painter Creek-Jennings Bay tributary to Lake Minnetonka.

Programs:

MCWD programs directly support capital projects and policy development at the nexus of water and land use. The 2027 Programs budget is projected to increase 4.2% or \$212,388 to \$5,230,324. This is driven predominantly by a combination of additional vegetation management services in the management of MCWD lands, planning emphasis in Long Lake – Tanager and Painter – Jennings subwatersheds, hosting of the 2027 MN Watersheds Summer Tour, the relocation of MCWD's Campus Improvement Project into the CIP from Operations, and program staffing costs.

Debt Service:

MCWD partners with Carver and Hennepin Counties, to occasionally issue debt on its behalf, to strategically maximize the capacity for high-impact capital project implementation while minimizing levy volatility. MCWD's annual debt service in 2027 is essentially flat at \$1,095,905. Between 2031 and 2033, all existing debt (Hennepin Bond Series 2020A and 2013B and Richfield Bond Series 2020A) will be retired. *Note – proceeds from any pending land sales are not shown in the next fiscal year budget until secured via closing.

Operations:

Operations include MCWD's general operations, information technology, and planned facility improvements. The 2027 Operations budget is currently projecting a decrease of (20.2%) or (\$462,945), due to the net effect of relocating the MCWD parking lot improvements at its office campus into the capital improvement plan, a reduction in staffing costs attributed to a retirement, and the scheduled lifecycle replacement of servers in the information technology budget.

Personnel:

As a matter of policy MCWD views its personnel budget as a key strategy in recruiting and retaining the talent it needs to deliver standards of excellence that honor its partners and improve the watershed for future generations. Personnel costs are included within each programmatic area, and include wages, payroll tax, public employee retirement association contributions (PERA), family medical leave, and employee benefits. The 2027 Personnel budget is proposed to decrease (0.81%) or (\$31,489), based on the net effect of a reduction in census and planning assumptions for vacancies.

MCWD indexes annual wage inflation against the Bureau of Labor Statistics Employee Cost Index (BLS ECI) for the last 12 months ending in June, and budgets for employee performance. The current employee cost index ending in June shows annual wage inflation of 3.4%, compared to 4.3% at the same time last year in 2025.

2027 Budget Strategic Alignment – Overview:

High Impact Capital Improvements:

In 2027, MCWD will remain focused on cultivating public and private partnerships to deliver capital projects that measurably improve water quality and reduce flooding, while also providing broader community benefit.

Lower Watershed

Minnehaha Creek:

In the Minnehaha Creek Greenway, MCWD is in the process of completing the Gateway to the Greenway on Blake Road, and the Cedar Regional Trail Connection & Streambank Improvements. Anticipated future projects include ecological restoration within Meadowbrook Golf Course, Louisiana Avenue Stormwater Improvements, 325 Blake Road Regional Stormwater Improvements, which will treat over 260 acres of regional stormwater while enhancing and connecting the Minnehaha Creek corridor. Downstream, in partnership with the City of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, Cedar Avenue Stormwater Improvements will provide over 80 acres of stormwater treatment draining to Hiawatha, while additional projects are moved into feasibility and while MPRB advances Cedar Lake alum dosing and the partners initiate feasibility for retrofitting and improving the Cedar Meadows facility.

Upper Watershed

Six Mile Creek – Halsted Bay:

In the Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay subwatershed, the Auburn Wetland Restoration project was completed in 2026. In 2027, almost 40 acres of wetland restoration are anticipated in the Turbid Lundsten corridor, while MCWD initiates feasibility analysis for the Halsted Bay Watershed Load Management project.

Long Lake Creek – Tanager Bay:

In the Long Lake Creek – Tanager Bay subwatershed, MCWD completed construction of the County Road 6 Pond Retrofit in 2026. In 2027, projects identified in the Downtown Long Lake Stormwater Plan will be advanced into the design-construction phase in partnership with the City of Long Lake, while upstream landscape and shallow lake projects are progressed in collaboration with the City of Medina.

Painter Creek – Jennings Bay:

Diagnostic work will continue in 2027 in Painter Creek, and capital project planning will begin in collaboration with local communities. Resulting priorities will be integrated into the 2027 Watershed Management Plan.

Policy Development – 2027 Watershed Plan, Climate Action and Flood Reduction:

Following the successful launch of the 2027 Watershed Management Plan in 2026, in 2027 Policy Planning will advance technical analysis, community engagement, policy development and the drafting of the 2027 Plan.

2027 Budget Breakdown Attachments:

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MINNEHAHA CREEK
WATERSHED DISTRICT



2027 BUDGET & WORKPLAN

Pursuing a balanced urban ecology with capital projects and policy change



2027 BUDGET & WORKPLAN

IN PURSUIT OF A BALANCED URBAN ECOLOGY

At the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD), we believe sustainable, thriving communities are built on a foundation of balance between the natural and built environments.

To bring this vision to life, we collaborate with our communities to integrate natural systems into the fabric of the built environment. Working with our partners, we target areas of high need to deliver meaningful, measurable results, while staying responsive to opportunities to integrate land use and water resource planning throughout the watershed.

Impactful, integrated projects that benefit both the watershed and our communities often require multiple years to plan, develop, and implement. Therefore, each budget cycle presents an opportunity to align strategic priorities, assess upcoming investments, and plan for the future.

This work plan outlines our 2027 annual budget and highlights progress being made throughout the watershed to achieve regional benefits.

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MCWD and the City of Edina partnered to conduct a comprehensive restoration of Arden Park, reorienting the 18-acre parkland to celebrate its connection to Minnehaha Creek. The restored park exemplifies MCWD’s Balanced Urban Ecology vision and received the 2025 MN Watersheds Project of the Year.

2027 BUDGET BREAKDOWN

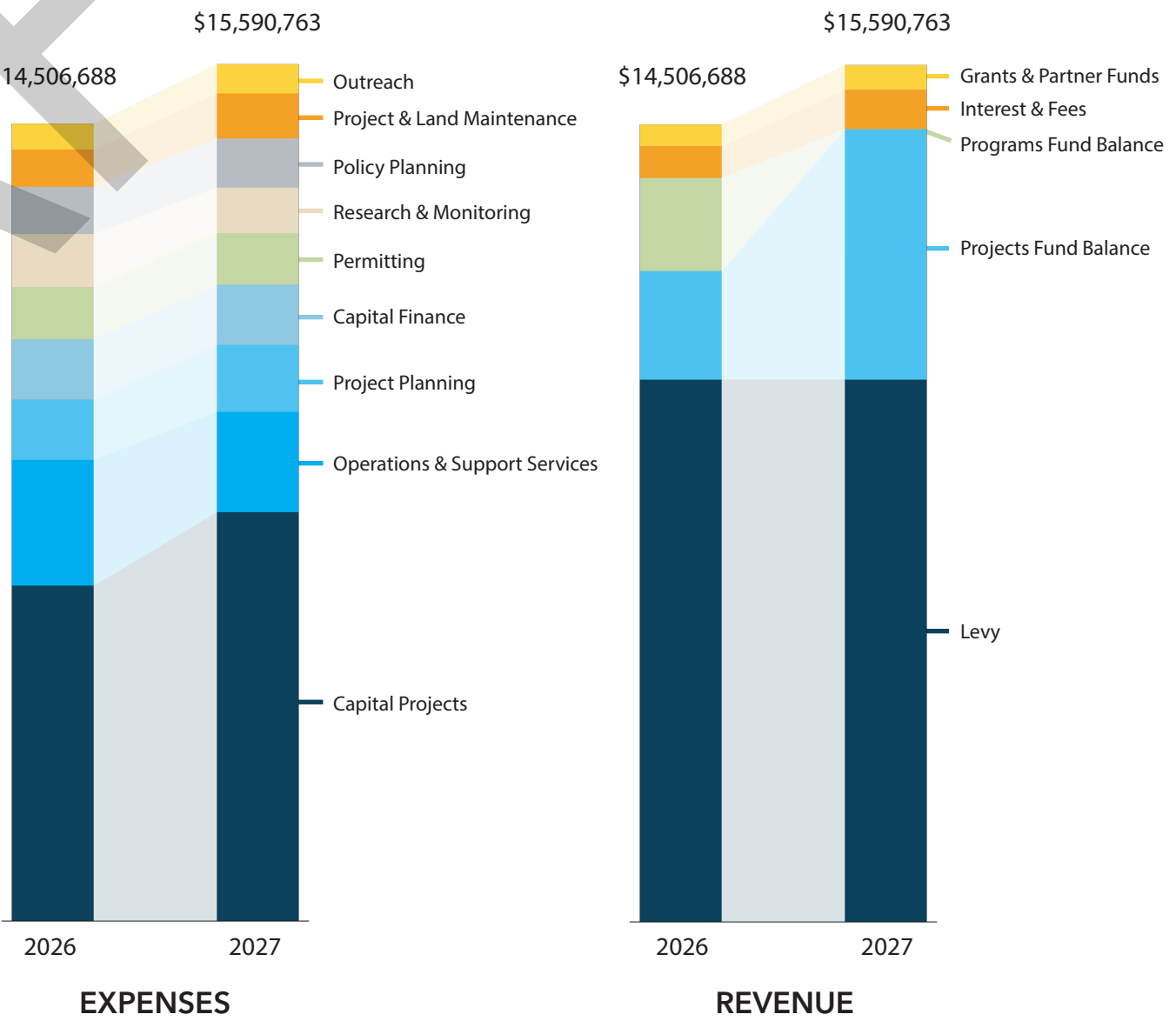
Our work is supported by an annual tax levy, funds levied in past years for multi-year capital projects (projects fund balance), funds reallocated from programs delivered under budget (programs fund balance), grants and partner funds, interest, and permit fees.

These funds support projects, programs, and initiatives highlighted throughout this publication.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

MCWD is maintaining a flat levy in 2026. MCWD has increased the levy only 2% over the past seven years.

Grants and partner funds have provided significant contributions to District expenses in recent years: MCWD has secured over \$6.7 million in grants and partner funds since 2020, supporting 6.5% of expenditures.



2027 WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN

To address the needs of the future, every 10 years, MCWD must update its Watershed Management Plan (Plan). Under the current Plan, MCWD and our partners have achieved lasting natural resource and community benefits through partnership and integrated planning.

Building on a decade of impact, the 2027 Plan will continue the direction set in 2017 and carry forward MCWD’s commitment to bridging land and water planning with meaningful community partnerships to address new challenges facing the watershed.

2027 BUDGET: \$265,710

Funding allocated in the Policy Planning and Outreach program budgets supports the Plan engagement process, analysis and planning, drafting and design, as well as public outreach efforts in 2027.

AREAS OF WORK

To support this direction, MCWD has organized the 2027 Plan development process around four key areas of work.



SUBWATERSHED PLANNING

Creating tailored, next generation subwatershed plans to guide collaborative capital project implementation in focal geographies and watershed-wide.



LAND & WATER PARTNERSHIP

Developing policy tools and best practices to support coordinated land and water planning across the watershed’s communities.



FLOOD MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Evaluating flood risk and mitigation strategies to establish a regional framework for long-term resilience.



METRICS OF SUCCESS

Building an evaluation framework to measure and communicate progress toward MCWD’s strategic goals.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE, TOGETHER

In 2026, MCWD kicked off a collaborative process to develop our next 10-year Plan, which will guide the District’s work from 2028 to 2037. To develop a Plan that aligns with the needs and priorities of our communities, MCWD appointed staff and policymakers at cities, counties, soil and water conservation districts, and park agencies within the watershed, as well as state agencies, to serve on Technical and Policy Advisory Committees and participate in Subwatershed Planning workshops. Members meet regularly to share their community priorities, discuss policy topics, identify partnership opportunities, and shape the 2027 Plan.



MCWD held a combined Technical and Policy Advisory Committee meeting in April 2026, to discuss the scope, goals, and work areas of the 2027 Plan.

In addition to this public partner engagement process, MCWD is conducting tailored engagement with residents, business leaders, and other partners in areas of past investment through interviews, pop-ups, focus groups, and other methods.

Residents and community leaders are also invited to engage throughout the process in several ways:

- ▶ Join our Citizens Advisory Committee
- ▶ Share feedback in a 2027 online survey
- ▶ Attend public meetings and open houses
- ▶ Subscribe to our newsletters

Learn more: minnehahacreek.org/2027-watershed-management-plan-update



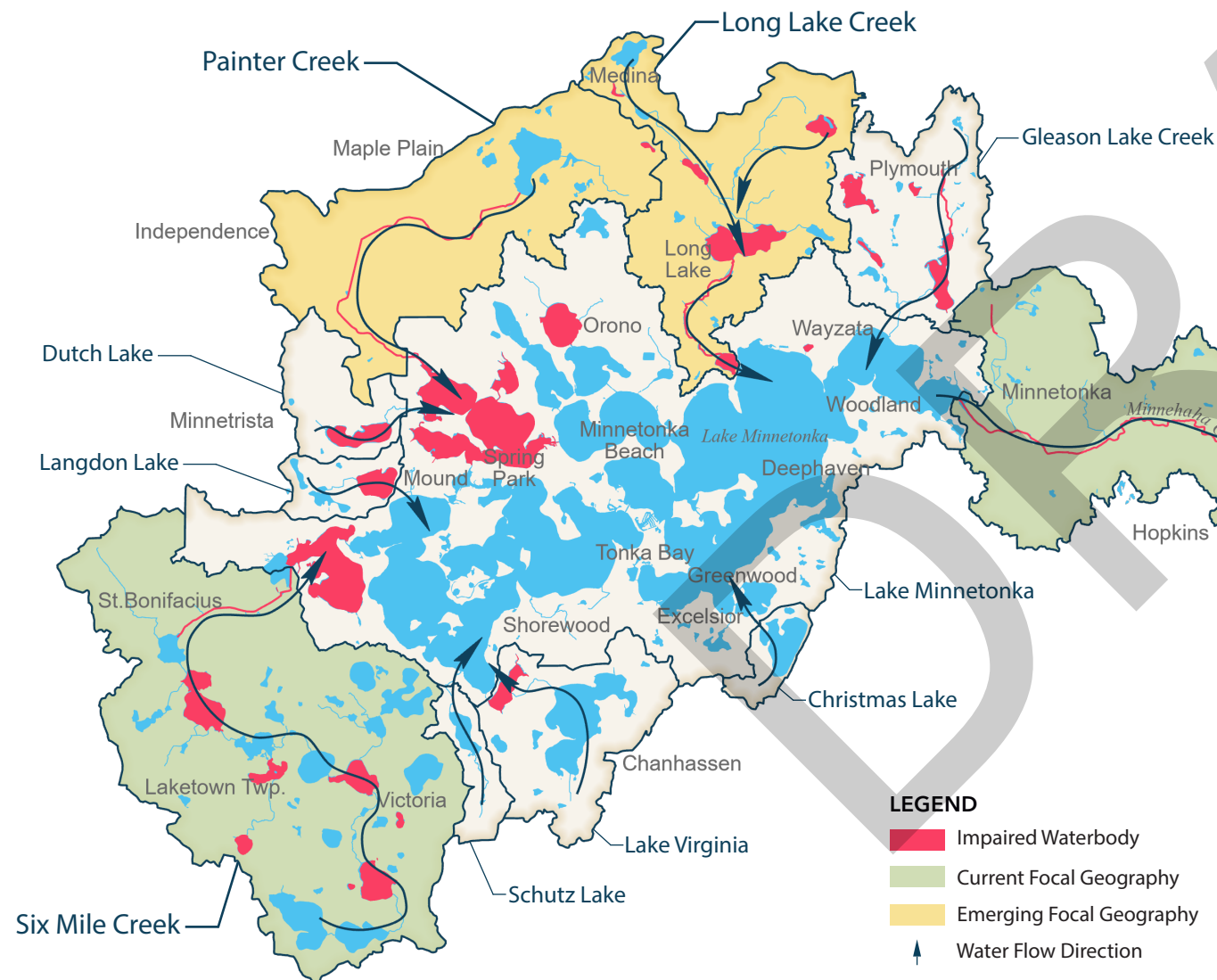
FOCAL GEOGRAPHY APPROACH

MCWD covers 178 square miles across 29 communities, serving more than 300,000 residents. To effectively manage resources across the watershed, MCWD takes a focused and strategic approach to project implementation, targeting geographies of highest need to deliver measurable results for the region as a whole.

Within focal geographies, we build partnerships to identify water resource issues, understand local needs, and deliver projects that improve our environment while supporting community goals.

FOCUS FOR REGIONAL IMPACT

To generate regional benefits, in the upper watershed, MCWD focuses on the largest tributaries to Lake Minnetonka, which drain to impaired bays. Downstream, MCWD has worked for over a decade to improve the District's namesake, Minnehaha Creek, and its receiving waterbody, Lake Hiawatha, which are both impaired.



Work under the 2017 Plan has focused primarily in the Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Subwatershed and the Minnehaha Creek Subwatershed. By focusing in these two areas, MCWD has made measurable improvements for the region's water, resulting in:

**1,360
POUNDS**
annual nutrient
pollution reduction

**290
ACRES**
restored wetland
and upland habitat

**4.6
MILES**
new and restored
shoreline/streambank

**340
ACRES**
new publicly
accessible greenspace

**4+
MILES**
new public trails
and boardwalk

With MCWD's 2027 Plan, we are expanding our portfolio of focal geographies to include two large tributaries that drain to impaired bays on Lake Minnetonka: the Long Lake Creek and Painter Creek Subwatersheds.

To support project implementation in the next decade, MCWD is engaging coalitions of partners in each geography through the 2027 Plan process to analyze water resource data, align investments, and build long-range implementation plans, which will guide future projects that support healthy water resources and thriving communities.

NEW FOCAL GEOGRAPHIES

LONG LAKE CREEK SUBWATERSHED

Since 2018, MCWD has partnered with the cities of Medina, Long Lake, and Orono, and the Long Lake Waters Association to identify project opportunities to restore five impaired lakes within the Subwatershed, which ultimately drains to Lake Minnetonka, resulting in the Long Lake Creek Roadmap.

The Roadmap provides a long-term restoration strategy and has supported the identification of several near-term capital projects for implementation, including:

UPSTREAM LAKE RESTORATION

Rough fish management and in-lake treatments to restore Swamp, School, and Holy Name Lakes. Restoring these upstream lakes will benefit downstream Wolsfeld and Long Lakes.

Status: Project implementation in 2027

COUNTY ROAD 6 POND RETROFIT

MCWD improved the effectiveness of its regional stormwater pond in Orono, achieving an additional 40-lbs annual nutrient reduction to Long Lake.

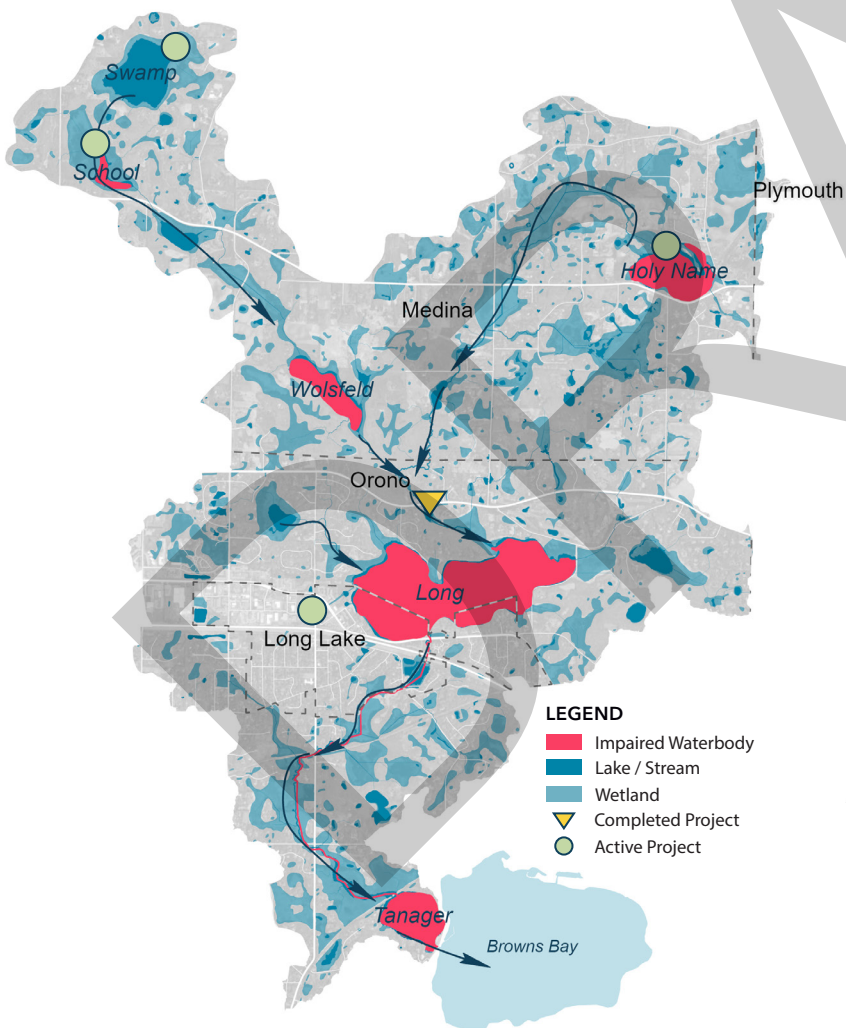
Status: Completed in 2026



DTWN LONG LAKE STORMWATER

Two projects to enhance regional stormwater facilities in the downtown area. These projects would treat major drainage areas, improving water quality in Long Lake, while supporting park and other public space improvements.

Status: Project design starting in 2027



2027 BUDGET: \$485,650



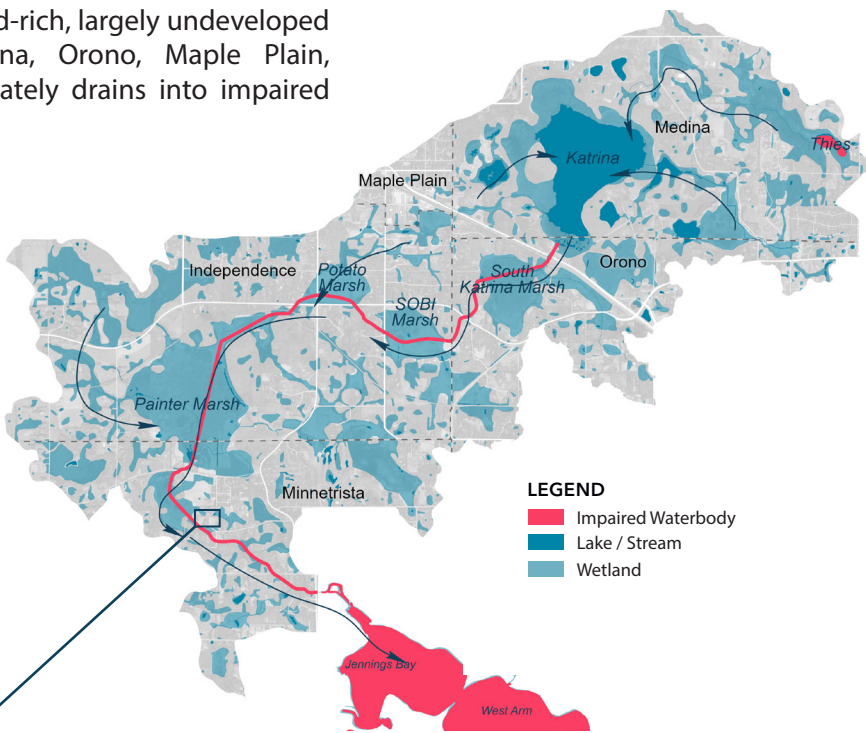
Funds allocated in the Projects, Research & Monitoring, and Outreach program budgets and the Capital Improvement Plan support the planning and implementation of projects within the Long Lake Creek and Painter Creek Subwatersheds

PAINTER CREEK SUBWATERSHED

The Painter Creek Subwatershed is a wetland-rich, largely undeveloped region that includes portions of Medina, Orono, Maple Plain, Independence, and Minnetrista, and ultimately drains into impaired Jennings Bay on Lake Minnetonka.

In 2026, MCWD conducted diagnostic monitoring to build a systemwide understanding of pollutant sources across the Subwatershed, informing strategies and priority areas for future water quality project opportunities.

Leveraging these diagnostic findings, MCWD will identify opportunity areas and engage the Subwatershed's communities through the 2027 Plan process to develop a coordinated project implementation plan, which will guide capital investment over the next decade.



Newly acquired property in Minnetrista for future project opportunities.

In 2026, MCWD acquired an 11-acre property along Painter Creek to support a future water quality improvement project. As part of developing the Subwatershed's implementation plan, MCWD will analyze project opportunities at this site and MCWD's other strategic land holdings in the region to inform future project opportunities that advance water quality and natural resource goals.

SIX MILE CREEK-HALSTED BAY SUBWATERSHED

The Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay (SMCHB) Subwatershed is a water resource-rich system that forms the headwaters of Lake Minnetonka and the Minnehaha Creek Watershed.

Halsted Bay is the most degraded bay on Lake Minnetonka, and six additional lakes within the SMCHB Subwatershed are listed as impaired for excess nutrients.

A LEGACY OF COLLABORATION

Since 2014, MCWD has partnered with the Subwatershed’s communities, supporting local development, infrastructure, and recreational planning goals while preserving and protecting the area’s unique natural resources.

Together with Carver County, Laketown Township, Minnetrista, St. Bonifacius, Victoria, and private developers, we have restored a 20-acre wetland, revitalized more than 210 acres of prairie and marshland, treated both Wassermann Lake and a nearby pond with alum, and implemented a systemwide carp management plan. These partnership-centered projects have resulted in measurable improvements across the Subwatershed.

Working upstream to downstream, many projects over the past decade have focused on impaired Wassermann Lake. **Thanks to a multi-pronged restoration strategy, the Lake met state water quality standards for the first time in 2024, and is on track to being delisted.**

RESULTS TO DATE

247 ACRES

of upland & wetland habitat restored or protected

Storing 24,700 metric tons of carbon

760 POUNDS

of total phosphorus reduced annually across the system

Preventing 380,000 pounds of algae growth

TURBID-LUNDSTEN CORRIDOR PLANNING

MCWD is currently exploring wetland restoration and nutrient reduction opportunities in the Turbid-Lundsten Corridor, which includes impaired Turbid and South Lundsten Lakes.

Wetland restoration and in-lake treatment projects in the corridor could reduce phosphorus by up to 95 pounds per year, putting Turbid Lake on track to meet state water quality standards. MCWD is collaborating with local landowners to assess the feasibility of large-scale wetland restoration projects in the corridor.

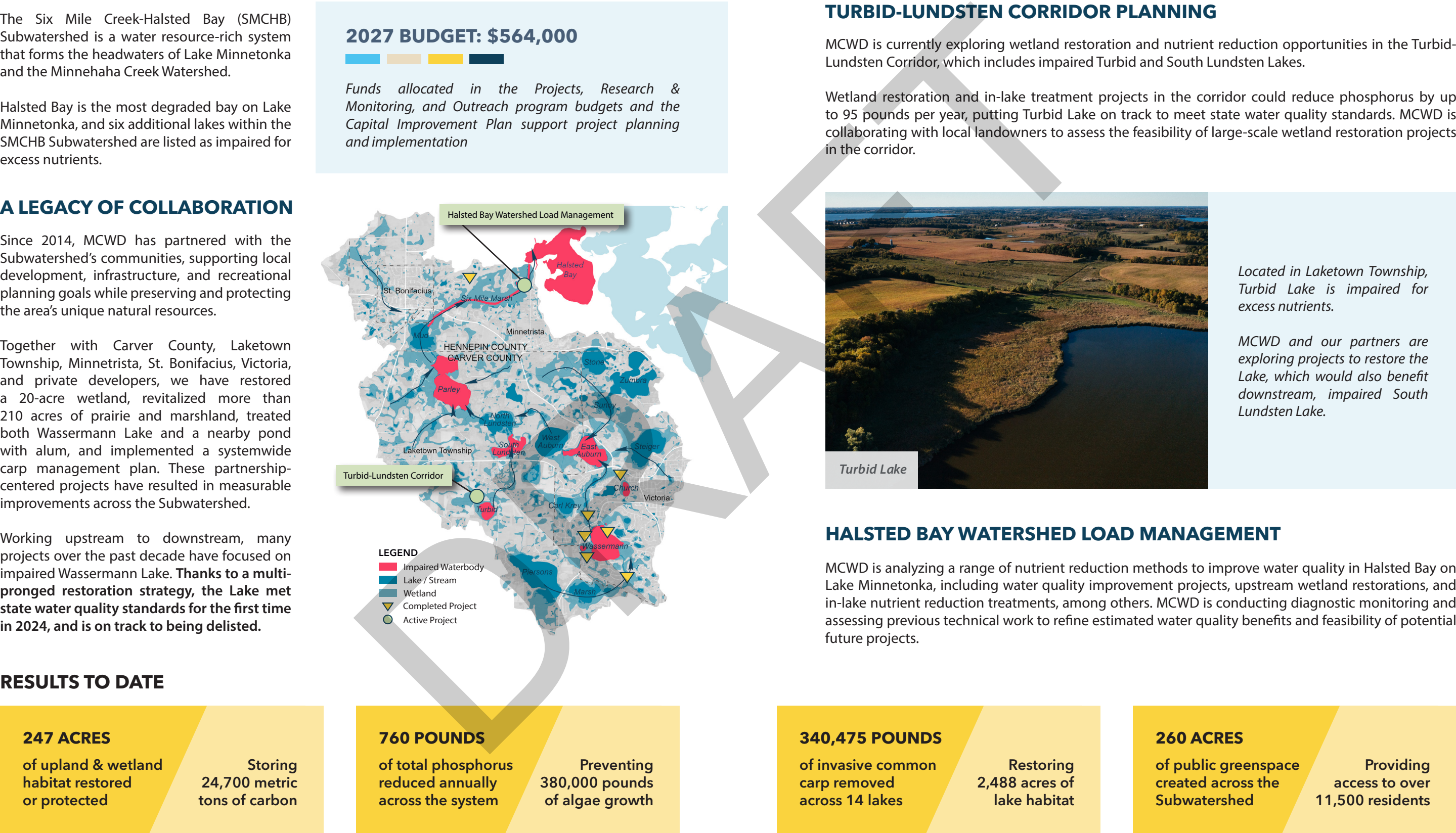


Located in Laketown Township, Turbid Lake is impaired for excess nutrients.

MCWD and our partners are exploring projects to restore the Lake, which would also benefit downstream, impaired South Lundsten Lake.

HALSTED BAY WATERSHED LOAD MANAGEMENT

MCWD is analyzing a range of nutrient reduction methods to improve water quality in Halsted Bay on Lake Minnetonka, including water quality improvement projects, upstream wetland restorations, and in-lake nutrient reduction treatments, among others. MCWD is conducting diagnostic monitoring and assessing previous technical work to refine estimated water quality benefits and feasibility of potential future projects.



MINNEHAHA CREEK SUBWATERSHED

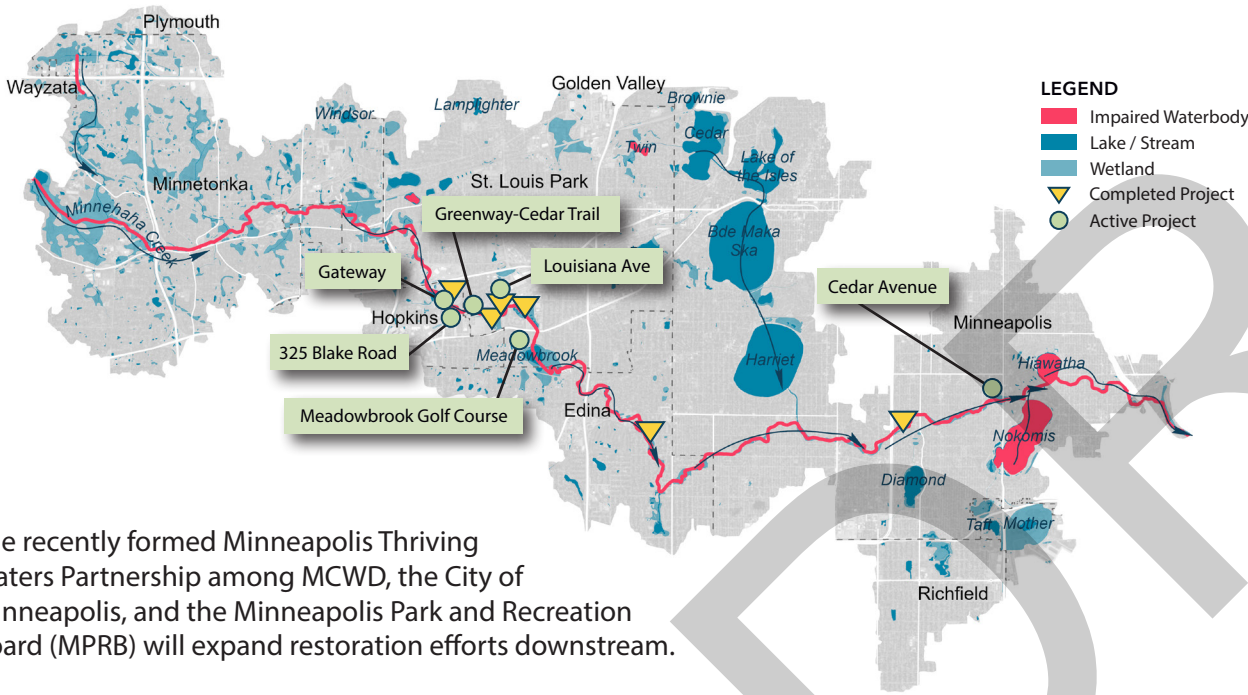
The Minnehaha Creek Subwatershed contains several iconic waterbodies, including Minnehaha Creek and the Minneapolis Chain of Lakes. Nearly 23 miles, the Creek flows from Lake Minnetonka through Lake Hiawatha, over Minnehaha Falls and to the Mississippi River, collecting stormwater from the cities of Edina, Hopkins, Minneapolis, Minnetonka, Richfield, and St. Louis Park.

2027 BUDGET: \$5,319,029

Funds allocated in the Projects, Research & Monitoring, and Outreach program budgets and the Capital Improvement Plan support project planning and implementation.

PARTNERING FOR REGIONAL RESULTS

Public and private partnerships have facilitated restoration across the Subwatershed. Projects in the Minnehaha Creek Greenway, previously the Creek's most degraded segment, have created a 2-mile stretch of greenspace in Hopkins and St. Louis Park. In the Greenway and at Edina's Arden Park, MCWD has remeandered the Creek, restored wetlands, and integrated stormwater solutions into park expansions.



The recently formed Minneapolis Thriving Waters Partnership among MCWD, the City of Minneapolis, and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) will expand restoration efforts downstream.

RESULTS TO DATE

41 ACRES

of upland & wetland habitat restored or protected

Storing 4,100 metric tons of carbon

536 POUNDS

of total phosphorus reduced annually across the system

Preventing 268,250 pounds of algae growth

EXTENDING THE MINNEHAHA CREEK GREENWAY

Building on over a decade of restoration, MCWD is extending the Greenway, to further improve water resources and access to valuable greenspace. MCWD recently began construction on two projects that will link previous investments, while connecting the Greenway to regional trail and transit systems.

- **Gateway to the Greenway:** New public plaza at the Greenway's west entrance, expanding greenspace and Creekside seating at Cottageville Park
- **Greenway to Cedar Trail Connection:** New trail connecting the Greenway to the Cedar Lake LRT Regional Trail, and restoration of 1,000 feet of Minnehaha Creek streambank, in partnership with Hennepin County, the Metropolitan Council, the City of St. Louis Park, and Three Rivers Park District (TRPD)



The Greenway to Cedar Trail Connection will stitch together over 100 acres of greenspace, enhancing access to parks, the Creek, and regional public transit.

MCWD is also partnering with St. Louis Park to integrate stormwater treatment, flood storage, habitat restoration, and trail improvements with the City's Louisiana Ave Reconstruction Project. In addition, MCWD is reassessing opportunities with TRPD and MPRB to reconfigure Meadowbrook Golf Course, to improve the Creek corridor, increase flood storage, and connect the Greenway to Edina's trail system.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT & RESTORATION AT CEDAR AVENUE

In 2027, the Minneapolis Thriving Waters Partnership is poised to start design on the first of several collaborative water resource projects identified in MPRB's Minnehaha Parkway Regional Trail Plan. West of Cedar Avenue, the first project will treat stormwater runoff from 115 acres and restore streambank, improving water quality and reducing localized flooding, and enhance recreation along the Creek.

As the first project progresses, the partners will also analyze water resource issues, restoration strategies, and project opportunities systemwide, developing a long-range implementation plan that will guide future investment to improve water quality, flood resilience, and ecosystems in the City of Lakes.

3.5 MILES

of new pedestrian trails and boardwalk

Connecting 3,000 housing units to regional transit

109 ACRES

of public greenspace created across the Subwatershed

Providing access to over 26,000 residents

LAND AND WATER PARTNERSHIPS

MCWD’s Balanced Urban Ecology philosophy recognizes working in partnership with those who make land use decisions leads to better results for our natural resources and communities. By strengthening relationships with partners across the watershed to integrate land and water planning, we can support regional water resource improvements that contribute to thriving, sustainable communities.

SUPPORTING PARTNER PROJECTS

MCWD launched the Land & Water Partnership (LWP) Program in 2024, grounded in the belief that meaningful, early coordination with the land use community leads to better outcomes for our water resources. The LWP Program provides technical and financial assistance for partner-led projects that provide regional water resource benefits. Eligible partners include cities, counties, developers, and others who implement large-scale capital projects within the watershed.



Learn more and connect with our staff on an LWP project opportunity in your community: minnehahacreek.org/partnerships/land-water-partnership-program

CREATING WIN-WIN SOLUTIONS

MCWD’s Permitting program also provides unique opportunities to build innovative partnerships, shape land use changes, and identify creative pathways to protect and improve water resources. By proposing creative water resource solutions, MCWD has been able to shape projects that achieve greater water resource benefits than those achieved by regulation alone.

Whether it’s through our permitting or LWP Program, when MCWD is at the table early, we can work to understand our partners’ goals and identify mutually beneficial solutions that improve the environment and the community.



MCWD’s permitting program works collaboratively with permit applicants to achieve mutually beneficial projects.

This approach has led to several partnerships with the land use community, resulting in enhanced stormwater treatment, restored wetlands, and increased flood storage, while supporting local housing, economic, and infrastructure needs.

PROTECTING OUR RESOURCES WITH COLLABORATIVE PERMITTING

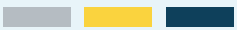
MCWD’s regulatory program plays a pivotal role in minimizing degradation of the watershed’s natural systems and fostering better outcomes for all by taking a collaborative approach to permitting. In 2025, MCWD processed 603 permits, resulting in significant benefits across the watershed.



LOOKING AHEAD

In 2027, MCWD will continue to refine its regulatory program, build new tools, and identify coordination best practices to better support integrated land and water planning and facilitate impactful community projects, while safeguarding the natural resources that make our watershed special.

2027 BUDGET: \$97,500



Funds allocated in the Policy Planning and Outreach program budgets and MCWD’s Capital Improvement Plan support partner-led capital projects through the LWP Program, as well as related technical analysis, planning, and outreach efforts to support integrated land and water planning.

WATERSHED-WIDE SERVICES

To serve partners and residents across the watershed's 178 square miles, we provide a variety of services that complement our work in focal geographies and our efforts to build lasting land and water partnerships.

2027 BUDGET: \$8,858,874

Funding allocated in the Project Planning, Policy Planning, Permitting, Research & Monitoring, Outreach, Project Maintenance & Land Management, and Operations program budgets, and the Capital Improvement Plan and Capital Finance supports administration, personnel, and the delivery of critical services across the watershed.

PROGRAMS

- ▶ **Project Planning:** Working with public and private partners to lead and support capital projects that promote Balanced Urban Ecology and create benefits for our natural resources and our communities
- ▶ **Policy Planning:** Collaborating with cities, landowners, and developers to improve coordination, identify opportunities to create mutual benefits, and implement policies that integrate land and water planning efforts
- ▶ **Permitting:** Reviewing and overseeing construction activities, in coordination with our partners, to protect natural resources and build positive relationships with the watershed's communities
- ▶ **Research and Monitoring:** Collecting and analyzing data across the watershed to identify resource needs, to inform project planning and implementation
- ▶ **Outreach:** Connecting people to information they value and engaging residents, agencies, and private sector partners to ensure our work is integrated with the goals of our communities
- ▶ **Project Maintenance and Land Management:** Maintaining our projects and land to ensure their continued function and value, and operating Gray's Bay Dam to reduce the risk of flooding throughout the watershed
- ▶ **Operations:** Supporting MCWD's general business operations and ensuring staff are well equipped to work on projects and policies that conserve and improve natural resources

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Attachment 2 - DRAFT 2027 Operations and Programs Summary by Fund

Fund Code	Program/Fund	Past Expenditures				2026 Carryover Detail							2027 Budget and Revenue			2026-2027 Budget Change		Notes
		2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2025 EOY Audited Fund Balance	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Levy	2026 External Revenue ¹	Assigned (carried to future years)	Unassigned EOY Fund Balance (transferred to Capital Finance)	2027 Budget	2027 External Revenue ¹	2027 Levy Needs	\$ Change	% Change	
1002	General Operations	\$ 1,254,725	\$ 1,227,283	\$ 1,307,965	\$ 1,188,835	\$ 137,285	\$ 1,435,236	\$ 1,495,546	\$ 935,236	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 176,975	\$ 1,431,929	\$ 650,000	\$ 781,929	\$ (3,307)	-0.2%	Inflationary contract costs, internal building maintenance
1003	Information Technology	\$ 286,850	\$ 239,246	\$ 241,000	\$ 219,477	\$ 15,023	\$ 254,220	\$ 223,574	\$ 254,220	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,669	\$ 392,954	\$ -	\$ 392,954	\$ 138,734	54.6%	Server replacement. Inflationary contract costs. Additional MS Teams conference room. Website accessibility compliance.
1005	Facility Maintenance Plan	\$ 386,000	\$ -	\$ 598,372	\$ 1,133	\$ -	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (598,372)	-100.0%	Parking lot improvements. Relocated to CIP. Costs being refined May - July 2026.
Operations Subtotal		\$ 1,927,575	\$ 1,466,529	\$ 2,147,337	\$ 1,409,445	\$ 152,308	\$ 2,287,828	\$ 1,719,120	\$ 1,787,828	\$ 600,000	\$ -	\$ 821,016	\$ 1,824,883	\$ 650,000	\$ 1,174,883	\$ (462,945)	-20.2%	
2001	Permit Administration	\$ 898,299	\$ 690,275	\$ 925,663	\$ 690,840	\$ 270,879	\$ 947,431	\$ 960,431	\$ 872,431	\$ 75,000		\$ 257,879	\$ 939,654	\$ 75,000	\$ 864,654	\$ (7,776)	-0.8%	\$20k based on inflationary contract costs of legal and engineering review
Permitting Subtotal		\$ 898,299	\$ 690,275	\$ 925,663	\$ 690,840	\$ 270,879	\$ 947,431	\$ 960,431	\$ 872,431	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 257,879	\$ 939,654	\$ 75,000	\$ 864,654	\$ (7,776)	-0.8%	
2002	Project Planning	\$ 955,636	\$ 761,727	\$ 1,031,505	\$ 970,610	\$ 60,895	\$ 1,097,847	\$ 1,097,847	\$ 1,097,847	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,895	\$ 1,217,366	\$ -	\$ 1,217,366	\$ 119,519	10.9%	Increased planning efforts for diagnostic and feasibility efforts in Painter Creek and Long Lake Creek subwatersheds
2003	Project Maint. & Land Mgmt	\$ 689,926	\$ 423,044	\$ 677,441	\$ 448,575	\$ 201,074	\$ 685,673	\$ 752,851	\$ 685,673	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 133,896	\$ 817,673	\$ -	\$ 817,673	\$ 132,000	19.3%	Increases for veg maintenance and litigation expenses
2008	Policy Planning	\$ 620,151	\$ 402,423	\$ 643,884	\$ 531,783	\$ 112,101	\$ 857,920	\$ 812,130	\$ 857,920	\$ 89,616	\$ -	\$ 247,507	\$ 899,225	\$ 66,041	\$ 833,184	\$ 41,305	4.8%	2026-27 increase for Watershed Management Plan development and engagement process
Planning & Projects Subtotal		\$ 2,265,712	\$ 1,587,194	\$ 2,352,830	\$ 1,950,968	\$ 374,070	\$ 2,641,440	\$ 2,662,828	\$ 2,641,440	\$ 89,616	\$ -	\$ 442,298	\$ 2,934,265	\$ 66,041	\$ 2,868,224	\$ 292,825	11.1%	
4001	Cynthia Krieg (discontinued program)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,129	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,129	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	To be transferred into capital finance in 2026 budget development
4002	Outreach	\$ 507,757	\$ 286,175	\$ 470,817	\$ 388,081	\$ 47,236	\$ 466,193	\$ 460,293	\$ 466,193	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,136	\$ 531,431	\$ -	\$ 531,431	\$ 65,238	14.0%	2026-2027 increase driven by 2027 Plan engagement and rollout comms, and estimated Minnesota Watersheds Summer Tour costs
4005	Cost Share (discontinued program)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 405,799	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 405,799	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	To be transferred into capital finance in 2026 budget development
Outreach Subtotal		\$ 507,757	\$ 286,175	\$ 470,817	\$ 388,081	\$ 461,164	\$ 466,193	\$ 460,293	\$ 466,193	\$ -	\$ 413,928	\$ 53,136	\$ 531,431	\$ -	\$ 531,431	\$ 65,238	14.0%	
5001	Research & Monitoring	\$ 951,384	\$ 585,339	\$ 1,004,103	\$ 621,303	\$ 382,800	\$ 962,872	\$ 943,379	\$ 962,872	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 402,293	\$ 824,974	\$ -	\$ 824,974	\$ (137,899)	-14.3%	Net of Painter Creek diagnostic reductions and personnel increases
5008	LCCMR	\$ 542,250	\$ 197,218	\$ 368,000	\$ 440,555	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 94,860	\$ -	\$ 94,860	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Completion of grant-funded 2D model build
Research & Monitoring Subtotal		\$ 1,493,634	\$ 782,557	\$ 1,372,103	\$ 1,061,858	\$ 382,800	\$ 962,872	\$ 1,038,239	\$ 962,872	\$ 94,860	\$ -	\$ 402,293	\$ 824,974	\$ -	\$ 824,974	\$ (137,899)	-14.3%	
Operations and Programs Total		\$ 7,092,976	\$ 4,812,730	\$ 7,268,749	\$ 5,501,192	\$ 1,641,221	\$ 7,305,764	\$ 6,840,911	\$ 6,730,764	\$ 859,476	\$ 413,928	\$ 1,976,622	\$ 7,055,207	\$ 791,041	\$ 6,264,166	\$ (250,557)	-3.4%	

Notes

¹External revenue includes interest (Fund 1002), permit fee reimbursement (2001), and MPCA/BWSR grants for 2027 Plan flood mgmt work (2008)

Attachment 3 - DRAFT 2027 Operations & Support Services Budget Summary

General Operations (1002)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Staff Expenses	\$ 17,500	\$ 12,500	\$ 5,000	Staff Expenses	\$ 17,500	\$ -	
Manager Expenses	\$ 56,000	\$ 56,000	\$ -	Manager Expenses	\$ 56,000	\$ -	
							Includes utilities, repairs, equipment and dues. Decreased to remove one-time interior expenses from 2026. 2026 estimated expenditures include 50% cost for roof replacement insurance claim
Building and Operating Expenses	\$ 168,500	\$ 198,500	\$ (30,000)	Building and Operating Expenses	\$ 168,500	\$ -	
Office Building Debt Service	\$ 104,924	\$ 104,924	\$ -	Office Building Debt Service	\$ 104,924	\$ -	Maturity date of 2034
Vehicles	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	Vehicles	\$ 47,000	\$ 44,000	New vehicle purchase planned in 2027 based on previous board approved 8 year replacement cycle
							Includes facility management retainer, payroll services, temp services, and consulting services on Employee Handbook and Governance Manual
Contracted Services	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ -	Contracted Services	\$ 60,000	\$ -	
Accounting & Auditing	\$ 133,750	\$ 146,500	\$ (12,750)	Accounting & Auditing	\$ 145,000	\$ 11,250	Increase based on new contract with Eide Bailey
Engineering	\$ 80,640	\$ 83,200	\$ (2,560)	Engineering	\$ 98,700	\$ 18,060	New District Engineer retainer higher than previous engineer's therefore increasing accordingly
							Although legal services estimated expenditures for 2026 are higher than budget, will remain flat for 2027 based on recent activity
Legal	\$ 90,000	\$ 110,000	\$ (20,000)	Legal	\$ 90,000	\$ -	
Insurance	\$ 71,000	\$ 71,000	\$ -	Insurance	\$ 71,000	\$ -	P&C and workers compensation insurance
Other/Misc Expenses	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	Other/Misc Expenses	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Class and Comp Study	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Class and Comp Study	\$ -	\$ -	Will need to include in the 2028 budget
Personnel	\$ 639,922	\$ 639,922	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 563,305	\$ (76,617)	
Total	\$ 1,435,236	\$ 1,495,546	\$ (60,310)	Total	\$ 1,431,929	\$ (3,307)	
Information Technology (1003)							
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Strategic IT Plan				Strategic IT Plan			
Financial/Accounting System	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Financial/Accounting System	\$ -	\$ -	
Project Management System	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Project Management System	\$ -	\$ -	
Stakeholder Relationship Management System	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Stakeholder Relationship Management System	\$ -	\$ -	
Permitting Phase II Enhancements	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	Permitting Phase II Enhancements	\$ 8,000	\$ (7,000)	Annual permitting system improvements
Project Maintenance - Asset Management System	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	Project Maintenance - Asset Management System	\$ 25,000	\$ -	Geospatial inventory of MCWD's lands and capital projects, and affiliated asset data
Outreach - Website Accessibility Audit	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ (25,000)	Outreach - Website Accessibility Audit	\$ -	\$ -	
				Server replacement	\$ 130,000	\$ 130,000	Scheduled replacement of server, factoring in escalating IT hardware costs
Program Administration				Program Administration			
Contracted Services	\$ 92,550	\$ 76,325	\$ 16,225	Contracted Services	\$ 100,700	\$ 8,150	Expecting 5% increase for SB & Fjorge, and 10% for Backups (storage costs)
IT Equipment	\$ 30,000	\$ 25,788	\$ 4,212	IT Equipment	\$ 33,000	\$ 3,000	Expecting 10% increase
Licenses	\$ 91,670	\$ 81,461	\$ 10,209	Licenses	\$ 96,254	\$ 4,584	Expecting 10% increase for most software, 16.7% increase for M365
Total	\$ 254,220	\$ 223,574	\$ 30,646	Total	\$ 392,954	\$ 138,734	
Facility Maintenance Plan (1005)							
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Engineering/Consulting	\$ -		\$ -	Engineering/Consulting	\$ -	\$ -	Moved to CIP tab
Facility Improvements	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ 598,372	Facility Improvements	\$ -	\$ (598,372)	
Total	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ 598,372	Total	\$ -	\$ (598,372)	

Attachment 4 - DRAFT 2027 Permitting Budget Summary

Permit Administration (2001)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Permit Review				Permit Review			
Engineering Expense	\$ 290,000	\$ 290,000	\$ -	Engineering Expense	\$ 300,000	\$ 10,000	
Legal Expense	\$ 60,000	\$ 72,000	\$ (12,000)	Legal Expense	\$ 65,000	\$ 5,000	
Program Administration				Program Administration			
Staff Mileage/Expenses	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	Staff Mileage/Expenses	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
Staff Training	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	Staff Training	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Printing/Postage	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,000	\$ (1,000)	Printing/Postage	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,000	
Equipment & Supplies/Other	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	Equipment & Supplies/Other	\$ 3,000	\$ -	
Personnel	\$ 574,431	\$ 574,431	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 550,654	\$ (23,776)	Increase based on average of last four years
Total	\$ 947,431	\$ 960,431	\$ (13,000)	Total	\$ 939,654	\$ (7,776)	

Attachment 5 - DRAFT 2027 Project Planning Budget Summary

Project Planning (2002)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Minnehaha Creek Planning				Minnehaha Creek Planning			
Lower watershed: Minnehaha Parkway	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	Lower watershed: Minnehaha Parkway	\$ 80,000	\$ (20,000)	Additional management unit planning; feasibility Phase II
Upper watershed: Minnehaha Creek Greenway	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	Upper watershed: Minnehaha Creek Greenway	\$ 30,000	\$ 20,000	Louisiana-Oxford; Meadowbrook Golf Course
Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Planning				Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Planning			
Upper watershed: Pierson, Turbid, Lundsten	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ -	Upper watershed: Pierson, Turbid, Lundsten	\$ 75,000	\$ -	Continued feasibility for potential project areas and land conservation exploration
Lower watershed: Parley, Mud, Halsted	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	Lower watershed: Parley, Mud, Halsted	\$ 40,000	\$ -	Technical analysis and feasibility for Halsted Bay watershed load
Long Lake Creek Planning				Long Lake Creek Planning			
Long Lake Creek: Subwatershed Roadmap	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ -	Long Lake Creek: Subwatershed Roadmap	\$ 75,000	\$ 50,000	Feasibility opportunities for potential project areas in upper watershed
Painter Creek Planning				Painter Creek Planning			
Painter Creek: Subwatershed diagnostic	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000		Painter Creek: Subwatershed diagnostic	\$ 85,000	\$ 35,000	Translating diagnostic work into corridor and project area plans
Program Administration				Program Administration			
General Engineering and Legal	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	General Engineering and Legal	\$ 40,000	\$ -	
Training	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -	Training	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,000	Adjusted to reflect 5 FTE, pending hiring
Expenses/Mileage	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	Expenses/Mileage	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,000	Adjusted to reflect 5 FTE, pending hiring
Printing/Publishing/Postage	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ -	Printing/Publishing/Postage	\$ 150	\$ -	
Personnel	\$ 743,697	\$ 743,697	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 774,216	\$ 30,519	
Total	\$ 1,097,847	\$ 1,097,847	\$ -		\$ 1,217,366	\$ 119,519	

Attachment 6 - DRAFT 2027 Policy Planning Budget Summary

Policy Planning (2008)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Land & Water Partnership Program				Land & Water Partnership Program			Consultant support for the identification, development, and review of partner projects
LWP project support	\$ 75,000	\$ 58,600	\$ 16,400	LWP project support	\$ 60,000	\$ (15,000)	
Policy Development				Policy Development			Need for expenditure eliminated due to work completed in house on MCWD Equity Lens and Inclusive Engagement Framework
DEI consultant support	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	DEI consultant support	\$ -	\$ (15,000)	
Watershed Management Plan				Watershed Management Plan			Flood mgmt strategy, stormwater/wetland banking analysis, local water plan requirements, etc.
Policy development	\$ 32,500	\$ 25,000	\$ 7,500	Policy development	\$ 15,000	\$ (17,500)	
Quantifying progress toward goals	\$ 15,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	Quantifying progress toward goals	\$ 7,500	\$ (7,500)	Consultant support with quantifying project and rule metrics
Engagement support	\$ 15,000	\$ 39,600	\$ (24,600)	Engagement support	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,000	Continuation of work under approved Moore and Smith Partners contracts
Regional opportunity areas	\$ 58,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 38,000	Regional opportunity areas	\$ -	\$ (58,000)	Identification and mapping of regional opportunity areas (flood storage, wetland restoration, etc)
Flood risk assessment	\$ 34,000	\$ 35,510	\$ (1,510)	Flood risk assessment	\$ -	\$ (34,000)	Flood risk modeling and mapping under existing Moore contract
Management scenario analysis	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	Management scenario analysis	\$ 87,440	\$ 57,440	Modeling and analysis of flood mgmt strategies under existing Moore contract
Project coordination	\$ 32,500	\$ 20,000	\$ 12,500	Project coordination	\$ 13,770	\$ (18,730)	Regular meetings and project mgmt under existing Moore contract
Plan drafting and design	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ (30,000)	Plan drafting and design	\$ 108,000	\$ 108,000	New consultant contracts to support plan drafting, review, and design/layout
Program Administration				Program Administration			
General Engineering and Legal	\$ 20,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 5,000	General Engineering and Legal	\$ 15,000	\$ (5,000)	
Staff mileage & expenses	\$ 7,400	\$ 7,400	\$ -	Staff mileage & expenses	\$ 7,400	\$ -	
Staff training	\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300	\$ -	Staff training	\$ 6,300	\$ -	
Printing/Publishing/Postage	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -	Printing/Publishing/Postage	\$ 600	\$ 100	
Personnel	\$ 516,720	\$ 516,720	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 558,215	\$ 41,495	
Total	\$ 857,920	\$ 812,130	\$ 45,790		\$ 899,225	\$ 41,305	

Attachment 7 - DRAFT 2027 Project Maintenance

Project Maintenance and Land Management (2003)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Project Maintenance				Project Maintenance			
Vegetation Maintenance	\$ 254,057	\$ 254,057	\$ -	Vegetation Maintenance	\$ 290,000	\$ 35,943	5% inflationary increase + about 20k in additional services such as burns and enhancement seeding
Dam Maintenance	\$ 10,000	\$ 29,850	\$ (19,850)	Dam Maintenance	\$ -	\$ (10,000)	
General	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ -	Tree Removals	\$ 25,000	\$ -	Formally listed as General
				Carp Barrier Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
				Misc. Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
Program Administration				Program Administration			
Engineering and Legal Expenses	\$ 42,000	\$ 89,128	\$ (47,128)	Engineering and Legal Expenses	\$ 84,000	\$ 42,000	General engineering remains flat, with ~\$3,500 a month for litigation preparation
Printing and Publishing Materials	\$ 500	\$ 700	\$ (200)	Printing and Publishing Materials	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000	Postage increase and additional burn notifications
Staff Expenses, Trainings, and Mileage	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200	\$ -	Staff Expenses, Trainings, and Mileage	\$ 4,200	\$ -	
Equipment and Supplies	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -	Equipment and Supplies	\$ 500	\$ -	
Personnel	\$ 349,416	\$ 349,416	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 402,473	\$ 53,057	
Total	\$ 685,673	\$ 752,851	\$ (67,178)		\$ 817,673	\$ 132,000	

Attachment 8 - DRAFT 2027 Outreach Budget Summary

Outreach (4002)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Strategic Advice				Strategic Advice			
Communications advisors	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,000	Communications advisors	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Campaigns for Key Initiatives				Campaigns for Key Initiatives			Additional funding allocated to support Plan rollout items such as feature videos in each focal geography and printed materials like a Plan preview document. Increasing funding to support development of partnership case studies coming out of interview and engagement work with Smith Partners. Adjusting focal geography funds to support subwatershed planning, associated rollout, as well as project implmentation costs (noticing, printing, publishing, community meeting logistics) Adjusting focal geography funds to support subwatershed planning, associated rollout, as well as project implmentation costs (noticing, printing, publishing, community meeting logistics) Adjusting focal geography funds to support subwatershed planning, associated rollout, as well as project implmentation costs (noticing, printing, publishing, community meeting logistics) support project implemetnation costs for engagement and communications work on Cedar Ave project's design phase, as well as initial communications materials for the
2027 Plan and Climate Engagement	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -	2027 Plan and Climate Engagement	\$ 14,000	\$ 6,000	
Land & Water Partnership Program Marketing	\$ 2,000	\$ 18,600	\$ (16,600)	Land & Water Partnership Program Marketing	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000	
Long Lake Creek Subwatershed Project Outreach	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	Long Lake Creek Subwatershed Project Outreach	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000	
Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Subwatershed Project Outreach	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000	Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Subwatershed Project Outreach	\$ 5,000	\$ (1,000)	
			\$ -	Painter Creek Subwatershed Project Outreach	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
Minnehaha Creek Greenway Project Outreach	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000	Minnehaha Creek Greenway Project Outreach	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
Minneapolis Area Project Outreach	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	Minneapolis Area Project Outreach	\$ 10,000	\$ (5,000)	
Watershed-wide Communications				Watershed-wide Communications			
District-wide communications and media creation	\$ 16,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,000	District-wide communications and media creation	\$ 16,000	\$ -	
Signage & interpretation maintenance and creation	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000	Signage & interpretation maintenance and creation	\$ 3,000	\$ -	Funding for signage needs on monitoring or maintenance projects, or replacements watershed-wide that aren't tied to a specific project or initiative above.
Watershed-wide Engagement				Watershed-wide Engagement			Supports CAC operations and events, logowear, meal expenses, and annual field trip costs. and Clean Water MN Blog and material access is hosting. This estimated budget has been reduced based on coordination with Annual contract with lobbyist
Citizens Advisory Committee	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -	Citizens Advisory Committee	\$ 4,000	\$ -	
Clean Water Outreach & Education	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 1,000	Clean Water Outreach & Education	\$ 8,000	\$ -	
			\$ -	Minnesota Watersheds Summer Tour	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000	
Government Relations	\$ 31,500	\$ 28,000	\$ 3,500	Government Relations	\$ 31,500	\$ -	
Program Administration				Program Administration			
Staff mileage & expenses	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	Staff mileage & expenses	\$ 2,000	\$ -	
Staff training	\$ 10,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 2,000	Staff training	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Legal fees	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000	\$ (1,000)	Legal fees	\$ 4,000	\$ 1,000	
Dues & subscriptions	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -	Dues & subscriptions	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000	
Personnel	\$ 336,693	\$ 336,693	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 373,931	\$ 37,238	
Total	\$ 466,193	\$ 460,293	\$ 5,900		\$ 531,431	\$ 65,238	

Attachment 9 - DRAFT 2027 Research & Monitoring Budget Summary

Research & Monitoring (5001)							Notes
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
Watershed-wide Monitoring				Watershed-wide Monitoring			Increase in stormwater sampling costs to support project effectiveness. We may be expend more in 2026 for stormwater monitoring than we originally anticipated based on project effectiveness monitoring and other project efforts Contract costs for partnership for Lake and Crek gauges with USGS
Stream, Lake, and stormwater laboratory budget	\$ 49,493	\$ 60,000	\$ (10,507)	Stream, Lake, and stormwater laboratory budget	\$ 65,000	\$ 15,507	
USGS gauge management & stormwater analysis	\$ 25,230	\$ 25,230	\$ -	USGS gauge management & stormwater analysis	\$ 25,230	\$ -	
Responsive monitoring/analysis	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	Responsive monitoring/analysis	\$ 20,000	\$ -	
Minnehaha Creek Subwatershed Monitoring			\$ -	Minnehaha Creek Subwatershed Monitoring			Diagnostic monitoring will continue into 2027, which will focus potential project opportunities. Diagnostic modeling and monitoring to identify issues and drivers will be completed in 2026
Arden Park Project and Cedar Meadows Monitoring	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -	Minneapolis Pond Monitoring	\$ 4,000	\$ -	
Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Monitoring				Six Mile Creek-Halsted Bay Monitoring			
Ongoing Carp Project Maintenance	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	Ongoing Carp Project Maintenance	\$ 20,000	\$ -	
SMCHB Alum Facility Monitoring	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	SMCHB Alum Facility Monitoring	\$ 10,000	\$ (10,000)	Increase for RESNET data plan usage.
Contract Services	\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	Contract Services	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Painter Creek Subwatershed Monitoring				Painter Creek Subwatershed Monitoring			
Diagnostic Monitoring	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	Diagnostic Monitoring	\$ 15,000	\$ -	
Contract Services	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	Contract Services	\$ -	\$ (50,000)	Final year of grant funded project expenditures in 2026
2D Modeling				2D Modeling			
District Engineer Support for 2D Model	\$ -		\$ -	District Engineer Support for 2D Model		\$ -	
Legal Support for 2D Model	\$ -		\$ -	Legal Support for 2D Model		\$ -	
Program Administration				Program Administration			
Equipment/Supplies	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	Equipment/Supplies	\$ 30,000	\$ -	
Repairs/maintenance	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	Repairs/maintenance	\$ 15,000	\$ -	
Utilities	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	Utilities	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Boat Expenses	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	Boat Expenses	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
Publishing/Postage	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	Publishing/Postage	\$ 1,000	\$ (1,000)	
Engineering/Consulting	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -	Engineering/Consulting	\$ 15,000	\$ -	
Legal	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	Legal	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
Staff Training	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	Staff Training	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
Staff/meeting expenses	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ -	Staff/meeting expenses	\$ 8,000	\$ -	
Dues/subscriptions	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -	Dues/subscriptions	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000	
Personnel	\$ 650,149	\$ 650,149	\$ -	Personnel	\$ 556,744	\$ (93,406)	
Total	\$ 962,872	\$ 943,379	\$ 19,493	Total	\$ 824,974	\$ (137,899)	
LCCMR Funded 2D Watershed Wide Model (5008)							
2026 Activity/Expense	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Generated Carryover	2027 Activity/Expense	2027 Budget	2026-2027 Budget Change	
LCCMR funded 2D Watershed Wide Model				LCCMR funded 2D Watershed Wide Model			
LCCMR funded 2D Watershed Wide Model	\$ -	\$ 94,860	\$ (94,860)	LCCMR funded 2D Watershed Wide Model	\$ -	\$ -	
Total	\$ -	\$ 94,860	\$ (94,860)		\$ -	\$ -	

Attachment 10 - DRAFT 2027 Capital Improvement Plan Budget

	Project/Phase for 2027		2026 Carryover Detail								2027 Budget and Revenue			Notes
Fund Code	Subwatershed	Project Name	2025 EOY Balance	2026 Budget	2026 Estimated Expenditures	2026 Levy	2026 External Revenue	2026 EOY Transfers (to)/ from Capital Finance	Assigned (carried to future years)	Unassigned EOY Fund Balance	2027 Budget	2027 External Revenue (secured)	2027 Levy Needs	
Land & Water Partnership Program														• MCWD providing \$171,621 of LWP funding support, to be paid in 2026 following final repairs and close-out requirements • Assumes remaining grant funds support first phase project in 2027 • Final payment for long term O&M to St. Louis Park in 2026. Project complete; close out.
3501	Painter - Jennings	Morningside Ravine Stabilization	\$ 171,621	\$ -	\$ 171,621	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
3502	Long Lake - Tanager	Holbrook Park Regional Stormwater Treatment	\$ 400,000	\$ 124,940	\$ 94,096	\$ -	\$ 94,096	\$ (400,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,350	\$ 49,350	\$ -	
3503	Minnehaha Creek	Northside Park (Lifetime)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,495	\$ -	\$ 8,495	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
3504	Lake Minnetonka	Montgomerie Ave (Calvary Church) Stormwater Management	\$ 125,000	\$ 32,500	\$ 292,500	\$ -	\$ 180,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,500	\$ 32,500	\$ 20,000	\$ -	• MCWD providing \$125,000 of LWP funding support and grant administrator for \$200,000 of state WBIF for Deephaven-led project • Construction postponed from '25 to '26. Assumes 90% payment in '26 and final 10% in '27
Project Maintenance														• 2026 includes CR6 pond and Twin Lake pond dredging. • 2027 supports Amelia and Gleason Cell 1 • Move anticipated design effort to 2027 • Moved Campus Improvements from Operations into CIP
3002	Mpls. Chain of Lakes	Stormwater Pond Maintenance Dredging	\$ 1,035,595	\$ 505,900	\$ 521,890	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 513,705	\$ 772,100	\$ -	\$ 258,395	
3003	Mpls. Chain of Lakes	Cedar Meadows Pond Maintenance	\$ 787,900	\$ 140,000	\$ -	\$ 140,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 787,900	\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000	\$ -	\$ -	
300X	Minnehaha Creek	MCWD Facility Improvements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ 598,372	\$ 598,372	\$ -	\$ -	
Design/Construction														• 2026 assumes design modifications after development termination and lawsuit dismissal. 2027 assumes initiation of construction • Assumes \$4.3M total project cost • 2026 assumes Gateway construction and contract administration • Assumes \$1.87M total project cost between two sites (Gateway bid price + Nature Play final design estimate) • 2027 assumes design for modified project • Assumes \$4.7M total project cost (derived from 2025 cost update) • Target MPRB funding of golf course component • Design and costruction costs to be split 50/50 with SLP • 2026 reflects final design and 80% of construction cost • Design in 2026 and 2027 (50/50), assumes 3-way cost share • 50 % Construction in 2027, assumes 3-way split • WBIF grant (\$51,643 design; \$172,891 construction) • Feasibility/Planning for next round of program projects in 2027 • Initiate design in 2026 following phase I feasibility • Construction commences in 2027 • Construction completed early 2026 (winter) • 20% (\$58K) of boardwalk cost (\$290,431) to be reimbursed by Victoria in 2026-2030 • Construction completed early 2026 (winter) • Vegetation warranty in 2027 and 2028 • Assumes project cost of \$625K (design and construction) • 2027 reflects funding request of MPRB if CWF grant is secured • City of St Louis Park leading design and construction effort. • MCWD partnership and project costs to be refined based on stormwater opportunities identified • 2027 assumes design for Phase I project in Downtown Long Lake • 2027 assumes advancing rough fish management within the lake prior to treating internal loading • 2027 assumes design for targeted fish management through water level manipulation or chemical application
3145	Minnehaha Greenway	325 Blake Stormwater and Demo	\$ 3,022,164	\$ 2,150,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,515,987	\$ -	\$ (138,151)	\$ 2,150,000	\$ 2,150,000	\$ 2,150,000	\$ -	\$ -	
3146	Minnehaha Greenway	Cottageville Park Phase II	\$ 1,355,337	\$ 700,000	\$ 1,227,652	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (117,685)	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	
3150	Minnehaha Greenway	Meadowbrook Golf Course Ecological Restoration and Greenway Expansion	\$ 2,257,572	\$ 250,841	\$ 10,000	\$ 250,841	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,875,253	\$ 623,160	\$ 623,160	\$ -	\$ -	
3152	Minnehaha Greenway	SWLRT Stream Enhancement	\$ 387,525	\$ 494,432	\$ 658,241	\$ 22,216	\$ 429,121	\$ (94,341)	\$ 8,000	\$ 78,280	\$ 156,560	\$ 78,280	\$ -	
3155	Mpls. Parkway	Minneapolis Stormwater Phase I (Cedar Ave)	\$ 2,999,993	\$ 250,000	\$ 328,663	\$ -	\$ 51,643	\$ (897,142)	\$ 1,807,646	\$ 18,185	\$ 2,136,309	\$ 172,891	\$ 1,945,233	
3158	Six Mile - Halsted	Turbid-Lundsten Wetland Restoration	\$ 880,624	\$ 318,000	\$ 26,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450,624	\$ 404,000	\$ 404,000	\$ -	\$ -	
3160	Six Mile - Halsted	East Auburn Wetland Restoration	\$ 426,005	\$ 592,000	\$ 533,076	\$ 109,037	\$ 58,186	\$ (60,152)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58,186	\$ (58,186)	
3159	Long Lake - Tanager	County Road 6 Retrofit	\$ 575,582	\$ 541,643	\$ 495,550	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (72,332)	\$ 4,400	\$ 3,300	\$ 3,300	\$ -	\$ -	
31XX	Minnehaha Creek	Cedar Alum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54,000	\$ -	\$ 54,000	
31XX	Minnehaha Greenway	Louisiana Trail Greenspace and Stormwater	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ -	\$ 60,000	
31XX	Long Lake - Tanager	Downtown Long Lake - Civic Center Pond	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 170,000	\$ -	\$ 170,000	
31XX	Long Lake - Tanager	Holy Name Lake Rough Fish and Internal Load Management	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,000	\$ -	\$ 55,000	
31XX	Long Lake - Tanager	Swamp Lake Rough Fish and Internal Load Management	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	
CIP Total			\$17,576,518	\$6,100,256	\$4,467,784	\$2,038,081	\$821,541	\$ (1,181,431)	\$10,235,423	\$4,551,502	\$7,439,651	\$378,707	\$2,509,442	

Attachment 11 - MCWD Debt Service (2004)

Year	Hennepin 2010B	Hennepin 2011A	Hennepin 2013B	Hennepin 2020A (REFI 2010B & 2011A)	Richfield 2013B	Richfield 2020A (REFI 2013B)	Wells Fargo Note 2018 (REFI 2011/2013)	Total Capital Finance Debt Service	Capital Finance Receipts	Transfer In/ Reimbursement	Transfer Out/ Expenditure	Actual/Projected Fund Balance (Held Assigned)
2011	\$ 215,736.81	\$ -	\$ -				\$ -	\$ 215,736.81	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,732,216.00
2012	\$ 218,562.50	\$ 319,141.81	\$ -				\$ 648,825.00	\$ 1,186,529.31	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,654,292.00
2013	\$ 216,062.50	\$ 333,718.75	\$ 386,182.00				\$ 580,250.00	\$ 1,516,213.25	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,706,099.00
2014	\$ 217,312.50	\$ 338,768.75	\$ 461,938.00		\$ 154,847.38		\$ 580,125.00	\$ 1,752,991.63	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,349,156.00	\$ 9,089,010.00
2015	\$ 218,412.50	\$ 341,768.75	\$ 463,538.00		\$ 177,255.00		\$ 1,535,500.00	\$ 2,736,474.25	\$ 2,765,423.00	\$ 510,921.00	\$ -	\$ 9,646,722.00
2016	\$ 219,362.50	\$ 339,368.75	\$ 459,838.00		\$ 174,855.00		\$ 1,999,800.00	\$ 3,193,224.25	\$ 2,795,204.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,287,628.00
2017	\$ 220,162.50	\$ 336,768.75	\$ 460,988.00		\$ 177,405.00		\$ 2,946,250.00	\$ 4,141,574.25	\$ 3,159,412.00	\$ -		\$ 8,447,852.00
2018	\$ 215,812.50	\$ 338,968.75	\$ 461,838.00		\$ 174,905.00		\$ 2,357,000.00	\$ 3,548,524.25	\$ 3,159,412.00	\$ -	\$ 452,096.00	\$ 7,776,677.00
2019	\$ 216,462.50	\$ 340,768.75	\$ 462,387.50		\$ 172,405.00		\$ 1,299,200.00	\$ 2,321,543.00	\$ 3,041,753.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,496,887.00
2020	\$ 218,462.25	\$ 337,168.75	\$ 462,637.50		\$ 169,905.00		\$ 1,261,800.00	\$ 2,263,552.00	\$ 2,731,600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,942,248.00
2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 462,587.50	\$ 471,843.75	\$ -	\$ 172,918.50	\$ 1,724,400.00	\$ 2,833,164.00	\$ 2,968,385.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,077,469.00
2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 462,237.50	\$ 479,000.00	\$ -	\$ 148,930.00	\$ 1,668,300.00	\$ 2,759,840.00	\$ 2,631,904.00	\$ -		\$ 8,949,533.00
2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 460,137.50	\$ 479,000.00	\$ -	\$ 161,380.00	\$ 3,112,200.00	\$ 4,213,026.00	\$ 3,007,950.50	\$ -	\$ 7,196,159.00	\$ 548,298.50
2024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 462,937.50	\$ 478,250.00	\$ -	\$ 158,680.00	\$ -	\$ 1,099,867.50	\$ 1,099,867.50	\$ -	\$ 1,285.00	\$ 547,013.50
2025	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 460,537.50	\$ 476,750.00	\$ -	\$ 160,930.00	\$ -	\$ 1,098,217.50	\$ 1,098,217.50	\$ -	\$ 1,243.00	\$ 545,770.50
2026	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 463,037.50	\$ 479,500.00	\$ -	\$ 158,130.00	\$ -	\$ 1,100,667.50	\$ 1,100,667.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545,770.50
2027	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 459,375.00	\$ 476,250.00	\$ -	\$ 160,280.00	\$ -	\$ 1,095,905.00	\$ 1,095,905.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545,770.50
2028	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 460,600.00	\$ 482,250.00	\$ -	\$ 162,330.00	\$ -	\$ 1,105,180.00	\$ 1,105,180.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545,770.50
2029	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 461,600.00	\$ 477,000.00	\$ -	\$ 159,330.00	\$ -	\$ 1,097,930.00	\$ 1,097,930.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545,770.50
2030	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 464,300.00	\$ 481,000.00	\$ -	\$ 157,005.00	\$ -	\$ 1,102,305.00	\$ 1,102,305.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545,770.50
2031	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 461,550.00	\$ 288,750.00	\$ -	\$ 160,250.00	\$ -	\$ 910,550.00	\$ 817,526.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 452,747.00
2032	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 463,500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 163,280.00	\$ -	\$ 626,780.00	\$ 484,895.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 310,862.00
2033	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 161,120.00	\$ -	\$ 161,120.00	\$ 161,120.00	\$ -	\$ 230,302.00	\$ 80,560.00

*Table run to 2033 to show term of existing debt. Future balances are hypothetical based on assumption of flat levy receipts, for modeling purposes.

**MCWD strategically maximizes capacity for project implementation by servicing debt issued by MCWD partners for capital improvements – distributing capital costs over time and future tax paying beneficiaries.

Attachment 12 - DRAFT Capital Finance and Mid-Range CIP

Fund Code	Fund	2025 EOY Balance	Transfer from/(to) Ops/Programs	Transfer from/(to) Debt Service	Transfer from/(to) CIP	Total Transfers	2026 EOY Fund Balance (Held Assigned)
3001	Capital Finance	\$ 14,778,215	\$ 1,976,622	\$ 1,243	\$ 1,181,431	\$ 3,159,296	\$ 17,937,511

Subwatershed	Project Name	Total Project Cost	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
Project Maintenance							
	Stormwater Pond Maintenance Dredging	\$ 1,357,300	\$ 576,000	\$ 208,000	\$ 56,000	\$ 339,000	\$ 178,300
Mid-Range Capital Projects							
Minnehaha Greenway	Louisiana Trail Greenspace and Stormwater	\$ 300,000	\$ 240,000				
Minnehaha Greenway	Cottageville Park Phase II	\$ 1,870,000	\$ 642,348				
Minnehaha Greenway	Boone-Aquilla Floodplain	\$ 500,000		\$ 100,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	
Minnehaha Greenway	West Blake Greenway Enhancement	\$ 420,000			\$ 84,000	\$ 168,000	\$ 168,000
Mpls. Parkway	Hiawatha Golf Course Restoration	\$ 1,940,000	\$ 388,000	\$ 776,000	\$ 776,000		
Lake Minnetonka	Halsted Bay Internal Phosphorus Load Reduction	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 840,000	\$ 560,000			
Six Mile - Halsted	Halsted Bay Watershed Load Management	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 5,200,000	\$ 5,200,000		
Six Mile - Halsted	Mud Lake Restoration Phase I	\$ 3,090,000			\$ 618,000	\$ 1,236,000	\$ 1,236,000
Six Mile - Halsted	Pierson Lake Headwater Restoration	\$ 367,800	\$ 73,560	\$ 147,120	\$ 147,120		
Long Lake - Tanager	Downtown Long Lake - Civic Center Pond	\$ 850,000	\$ 680,000				
Long Lake - Tanager	Holy Name Lake Rough Fish and Internal Load Management	\$ 311,300	\$ 256,300				
Long Lake - Tanager	Swamp Lake Rough Fish and Internal Load Management	\$ 255,600	\$ 42,000	\$ 213,600			
Long Lake - Tanager	School Lake Internal Load Management	\$ 345,600		\$ 45,600	\$ 300,000		
Painter - Jennings	Potato Marsh Wetland Restoration	\$ 870,000		\$ 174,000	\$ 348,000	\$ 348,000	
Painter - Jennings	South Katrina Marsh Restoration	\$ 1,270,000		\$ 254,000	\$ 508,000	\$ 508,000	
Painter - Jennings	SOBI Marsh Restoration	\$ 240,000			\$ 48,000	\$ 96,000	\$ 96,000
Painter - Jennings	Upper and Lower Painter Marsh Restoration	\$ 2,800,000			\$ 560,000	\$ 1,120,000	\$ 1,120,000
Mid-Range CIP Total		\$ 31,187,600	\$ 6,338,208	\$ 7,678,320	\$ 8,845,120	\$ 4,015,000	\$ 2,798,300

*Capital Finance fund is used to strategically maximize capacity for project implementation by (1) providing flexible and strategic reserves for planned and unplanned opportunities to improve the watershed and (2) minimizing levy volatility by supporting short term cash flow needs.