



Request for Quotes

Water Quality Laboratory Analysis

The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD or District) is currently requesting quotes for a 2-year agreement (2026 and 2027) for analysis of water quality samples.

The District's Research and Monitoring department collects a large amount of surface water and stormwater samples with much of the work occurring between April and October. The District is looking for a lab that is able to manage and process a large amount of samples and has the ability to custom tailor the result deliverables. The estimated number of samples per analyte the District will submit in the following year is listed below.

Parameter	# of samples
Total Phosphorus	477
Ortho-phosphorus	477
Total nitrogen	436
Total suspended solids	436
Chloride	477
Chlorophyll-a	86
Total dissolved phosphorus	15
Nitrite	15
Total volatile suspended solids	15
Ammonia	15
Total Iron	50

The District is requesting an overall quote for this projected amount of sampling. Please also include a cost-breakdown that shows the cost per sample, method, and reporting limit for each analyte listed. Please utilize methods associated with the lowest reporting limit for pricing.

In addition to providing a quote for the sample analysis, the District asks that interested labs also respond to the following questions:

1. What is the turnaround time for lab results?
2. Does your lab provide a courier service?
 - a. If yes, are there any limitations to time of day/days of week?
3. Does your lab provide analysis on weekends?
4. What are the holding times for each quoted method?
5. Do any of the quoted methods require additional shipping to another facility?
6. How do you prefer pre-processing of Chl-a and TP?

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7. Does your lab submit results directly to the MPCA's EQulS via MN_lab format?
8. How do you send results to the client? (email, online retrieval, etc.)
9. Are you able to customize the format of the result reports? Please describe.
10. Which sampling supplies are provided?
11. Are you able to meet the insurance requirements and indemnification terms? (please see attachment)
12. Is your laboratory certified by the Minnesota Department of Health to analyze the parameters listed in the table above? If not, please list which analysis your lab is certified to analyze.

Submissions will be accepted until 4:00 pm on January 9th, 2026. Please send questions and quotations via email to:

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