

MEMORANDUM

To: MCWD Board of Managers
From: Becky Christopher, MCWD Lead Planner
Date: February 16, 2016
Re: February 18 Planning and Policy Committee Meeting

Purpose:

At the February 18, 2016 Planning and Policy Committee (PPC) meeting, staff will provide updates and seek Committee feedback on a variety of District planning initiatives, including the Comprehensive Plan update, Six Mile Subwatershed planning, and a number of active partnerships. Staff will also provide a briefing on a boundary change that is being led by Carver County Water Management Organization (WMO).

Overview:

The following provides a more detailed overview of the items that will be discussed:

1. Comprehensive Plan:
 - a. Staff is in the process of developing a brochure that will be mailed as an update to all Plan stakeholders. The brochure will describe the District's Balanced Urban Ecology policy and approach; introduce the new mission, vision, goals, and guiding principles; and profile several projects that serve as examples of the District's partnership model.
 - b. Last month, the Committee reviewed a draft process for evaluating programs using the Strategic Planning Framework. This process is close to being finalized, and staff will update the Committee on the anticipated timeline.
 - c. Staff is developing a scope of work with Wenck Associates, Inc. for technical assistance for the Plan update. Staff will provide the Committee with a preview of this scope before bringing it to the Board Workshop in March.
 - d. Staff will provide an overview of the agenda for the next round of meetings with the Policy, Technical, and Citizens Advisory Committees.

2. Staff will provide updates on the Six Mile Subwatershed planning effort, including recent stakeholder meetings and scoping of the process, timeline, expectations, and resources needed.
3. Carver County WMO is in the process of updating its legal boundary with adjacent water management organizations, including the MCWD, to more accurately reflect the hydrologic boundary. Staff will provide an overview of the proposed changes and approval process.
4. Finally, staff will provide progress updates on several active partnerships, including:
 - a. Grandview in Edina
 - b. Park Nicollet
 - c. Mound Senior Living Community
 - d. Knollwood Mall
 - e. Deer Hill Preserve (formerly referred to as Stonegate)

If there are questions in advance of the meeting, please contact Becky Christopher at 952-641-4512 or bchristopher@minnehahacreek.org.