

Minnehaha Creek Watershed District

## 2015 Work Plan Summary

Date: June 5, 2014

### Department/Activity: Cynthia Krieg Watershed Stewardship Grant Program

The 2015 workplan for the Cynthia Krieg Watershed Stewardship Grant Program will continue to provide funding for community-based stewardship projects that result in greater public awareness of ways to improve water quality and include measures promoting behavior changes that result in water quality improvement. The grant program also will help the MCWD increase the number of engaged and involved groups and individuals in watershed stewardship activities.

Funded activities are required to document specific project-related outcomes. While the projects vary from year to year, examples of specific outcomes could include: attendance at events or workshops and subsequent application of knowledge learned (e.g., building a raingarden); installation of interpretive displays and measurement of target audience awareness gains; or participation by citizens in neighborhood cleanup or restoration activities.

#### Highlights of Notable Changes for 2015:

None at this time.

#### Financial Implications:

Staff recommends continuing funding for this grant program at the current level of \$125,000

# Minnehaha Creek Watershed District

## 2015 RECOMMENDED PROJECT/PROGRAM WORK PLAN

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DATE: April 25, 2014

<b><u>Project</u></b>	Cynthia Krieg Watershed Stewardship Fund (2301)
<b><u>Description</u></b>	A grant program for community-based stewardship projects that promote clean water.
<b><u>Goals</u></b>	The Cynthia Krieg Watershed Stewardship Fund was established to provide opportunities for community stewardship projects involving cities, community groups, lake associations, schools, private business, and others in collaborations which promote an informed and engaged public to protect clean water within the watershed.
<b><u>Location</u></b>	District-wide
<b><u>Outcome</u></b>	Funded activities must result in greater public awareness of ways to improve water quality and include measures promoting behavior changes that result in water quality improvement. Through the fund the MCWD will also increase the number of engaged and involved groups and individuals in watershed stewardship activities. Funded activities are required to document specific project-related outcomes. While the projects vary from year to year, examples of specific outcomes could include: attendance at events or workshops and subsequent application of knowledge learned (e.g., building a raingarden); installation of interpretive displays and measurement of target audience awareness gains; or participation by citizens in neighborhood cleanup or restoration activities.
<b><u>Schedule</u></b>	<b>2015</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter: distribute funds from proposals approved in Fall 2014. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter: pursue outreach and education opportunities of current and past projects 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter: promote, recruit, request pre-proposals, correspond with applicants about potential projects, review pre-proposals. 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter: coordinate internal and external review teams, review proposals, make recommendations to MCWD Board, prepare grant agreements and work plans for funded projects. Prepare to distribute funds in 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2016.

**Five Year Budget /Levy History:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>In (Out)</b>	<b>Carryover</b>
2005					\$ 123,158
2006	\$100,000	\$100,000	(\$75,745)		\$ 152,504
2007	\$100,000	\$ 90,823	(\$169,521)		\$ 73,806
2008	\$100,000	\$ 65,544	(\$89,068)		\$ 50,282
2009	\$100,000	\$ 53,519	(\$103,801)		\$ 0
2010	\$100,000	\$98,886	(\$85,697)		\$22,121
2011	\$100,000	\$102,879	(\$103,982)		\$21,018
2012	\$100,000	\$100,000			
2013	\$125,000	\$125,000			
2014	\$125,000				

*\*Estimated amounts*

**Recommended 2015 Budget and Levy:**

Budget: \$ 125,000  
Levy: \$ 125,000

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**Budget Detail:**

<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><i>Planning and Policy Development</i></b>		
	Contracted Services		
	Survey/Data Collection		
	Engineering/Consulting		
	Equipment/Supplies		
	Meetings/Seminars		
	Maintenance Plan Dev.		
	Legal		
	Other/Miscellaneous		
		<b><i>sub-total</i></b>	
	<b><i>Project/Program Implementation</i></b>		
	Training		
	Contracted Services		
	Project Management		
	Property or Easement Acquisition		
	Engineering		
	Supplies/Equipment		
	Construction		
	Landscaping/restoration		
	Legal		
	Meetings/Seminars		
	Monitoring/Lab Analysis/Inventories		
	Other/Miscellaneous		
	Permit Research		
	Permit Acquisition		
	Operations/Maintenance		
	Grants/Awards/Loans Given		
		<b><i>sub-total</i></b>	
	<b><i>Communications-Education-Stakeholder Involvement</i></b>		
	Training		
	Supplies/Equipment		
	Meetings/Seminars		
	Printing		
	Publishing		
	Postage		
	Dues/Subscriptions		
	Other/Miscellaneous		
	Computer Services		
	Contracted Services		
	Engineering/Consulting		
Legal			
Construction			
Teacher Stipend			
Grants/Awards/Loans Given		125,000	
	<b><i>sub-total</i></b>	<b>\$125,000</b>	