

## **Technical Advisory Committee**

### **June 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

#### **Attendance:**

- Board of Water and Soil Resources
  - Michelle Jordan, Board Conservationist
- Andover
  - Dave Berkowitz, Director of Public Works
- Blaine
  - Megan Hedstrom, Water Resources Coordinator
- Coon Creek Watershed District
  - Tim Kelly, Administrator
  - Jon Janke, Director of Operations/Operations & Maintenance Coord.
  - Justine Dauphinais, Water Quality Coordinator
  - Jessica Lindemyer, Engagement Coordinator
  - Dawn Doering, Information Coordinator
  - Abbey Lee, Watershed Development Manager
  - Tyler Thompson, Field Operations Manager
  - Erik Bye, Planning Coordinator
  - Eileen Weigel, Senior Water Resource Engineer (Stantec)
- Coon Rapids
  - Tim Himmer, Public Works Director
  - Mark Hansen, City Engineer
  - Rachel Workin, Environmental Planner
- Fridley
  - Jim Kosluchar, Public Works Director
- Ham Lake
  - Dave Krugler, City Engineer (RFC)

**Absent:** Anoka County Highways, Anoka Conservation District, Columbus, Spring Lake Park

## 1. Management Situation

Jon Janke provided the TAC with a brief update on recent weather and hydrology. There has been a lot of rain and soil moisture is high, but storage in the landscape is keeping up. Water levels in the creeks are high but still within normal ranges.

Jon Janke provided an update on the Lower Coon Creek Corridor Restoration Project. Construction should start in November with restoration occurring in the spring.

Tim Kelly provided an update on Anoka County's search for an administrator and CCWD's upcoming District Tour.

Dave Berkowitz provided an update on the groundwater mitigation work. They did not receive any funds from the legislature. However, they do have all of the water main in the ground and should start getting homes connected the week of June 24<sup>th</sup>.

Tim Himmer provided an update on several stormwater projects downstream of Moore Park the Moore Park that lead into Sand Creek. They will be replacing deteriorated culverts at roadway crossings including Magnolia Street which is scheduled to be done this year.

## 2. Briefs

### MPCA Chloride TMDL & Shallow Groundwater Study

Justine Dauphinais shared information on the MPCA chloride TMDL and shallow groundwater study that will be kicking off this year. The MPCA anticipates reaching out to municipalities this fall to provide input on the study as well as details on their current chloride practices. Updated Waste Load Allocations (WLA) are not expected to be available until 2026.

### 2025 Projects

Erik Bye provided a brief presentation on the joint projects and anticipated funding needs for 2025. There was general discussion regarding the funding needs and how feasible it will be. Tim Kelly offered to provide supporting information and data to any TAC member who would find it useful when making budget requests. There was general consensus among the TAC that a 5-year forecast would make it much easier to put in large budget requests for WQ projects.

### BMP Maintenance

Jon Janke posed an open question to the TAC regarding how the group would like to address maintenance for existing projects that could have further improvements and/or retrofits. Many TAC members stated that it would be difficult to make the case for funding unless the improvements would provide

significant progress toward TMDL goals, however they were open to continued discussions on the topic.

### **3. Other Water Management Concerns**

#### EPA Chemicals of Emerging Concern (CEC) and 6PPD-quinone

Justine Dauphinais provided a brief overview of the new EPA Contaminant of Emerging Concern (CEC) PPD-quinone. The two chemicals from the tire industry have recently been found to be a concern to water quality in Washington state with negative effects on salmonoid fish species. The University of Minnesota is working on ways to monitor and test for PPD-quinone and working with USGS to do stormwater testing, including tests at CCWD's Woodcrest Iron Enhanced Sand Filter.