

LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Agenda Item Item 7. C. – Scott County LIDAR Request

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Summary

This item was on the December 15, 2021, meeting agenda. Scott County asked the LMRWD to contribute to a project to update Lidar for Central Mississippi River block of the Minnesota Lidar Plan. Scott County's required financial contribution to the plan was \$57,000. The County asked the LMRWD to contribute \$5,000 to the County.

There was concern that contributing to Scott County was inequitable as the LMRWD extends into three other Counties and should the LMRWD contribute to each of the Counties. The item was tabled, and staff was asked to determine the value of Lidar to the LMRWD. It was suggested that if contributions were to be made to all the counties that it be apportioned using the same formula used to determine the levy.

Since the December Board meeting, I have found that Carver, Hennepin, and Dakota County do not intend to request funds from other governmental units. Scott County has moved forward and would appreciate any contribution the LMRWD is willing to make. The data will be available for the LMRWD to use regardless of a contribution. Since no other County intends to request contributions, staff is recommending that no contribution be made to Scott County.

Attachments No attachments

Recommended Action No action recommended