



# LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

## Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting  
Wednesday, June 15, 2022

### Agenda Item

#### Item 5. B. – Seminary Fen Well Sealing

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#### Summary

There are two sets of well nests within Seminary Fen that are monitored by the LMRWD. The DNR and Carver County WMO, who monitors the wells within Seminary Fen on behalf of the LMRWD, feel two well sets is redundant and recommends sealing one set of well nests.

The wells, 727740 and 727741, are located on private property. The LMRWD owns the wells and has considered obtaining an easement over the private property to monitor the wells (in case future property owners would be hesitant to allow the LMRWD to access the wells). If the wells are sealed, the LMRWD will no longer need an easement. One of the reasons the DNR is recommending sealing these wells is that they are sometimes underwater in wet years.

The DNR can seal the wells and provided the LMRWD and the MN Department of Health with the documentation required when wells are sealed. The DNR has estimated the cost to seal the wells at \$1,000. Funds to seal the wells can come from the monitoring budget of the LMRWD.

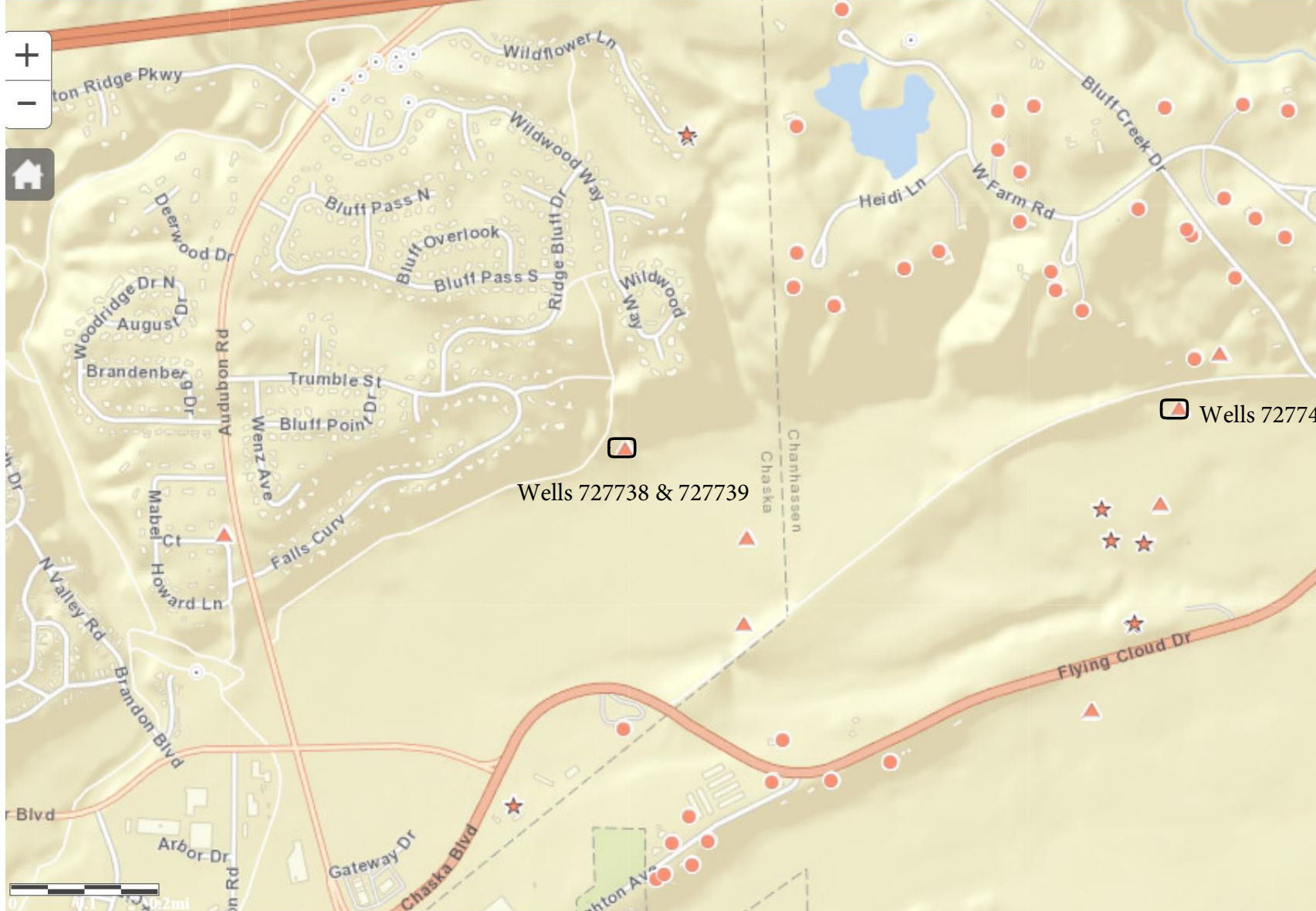
LMRWD staff recommends the Board authorize sealing of the Seminary Fen wells 727740 and 727741 by the DNR.

#### Attachments

Map with LMRWD well locations

#### Recommended Action

Motion to authorize well sealing and expenditure of \$1,000 to seal wells 727740 and 727741



Wells 727740 & 727741

Wells 727738 & 727739