



LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2024

Agenda Item

Item 9. A. – BWSR Notice of LMRWD Petition for Boundary Change

Prepared By

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Summary

The LMRWD has received the attached notice from BWSR that the LMRWD the petition for change of boundary at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport has been released for public comment.

Attachments

Notice from BWSR dated June 7, 2024

Recommended Action

No action recommended – for information only

Date: June 7, 2024

To: Linda Loomis, Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Administrator
James Whisker, Minnehaha Creek Watershed District Administrator
Brian Ryks, Metropolitan Airports Commission
Daniel Rogan, Hennepin County Auditor
David Hough, Hennepin County Administrator

From: Marcey Westrick, Central Region Manager

RE: Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Petition for Boundary Change

On April 24, 2024, the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (Board) received a petition for boundary change between the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (LMRWD) and the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.215. The petition included:

1. April 23, 2024 LMRWD Petition for boundary change.
2. January 16, 2024 MCWD memo to LMRWD and associated MCWD Resolution 24-005 stating concurrence with the boundary change.
3. December 7, 2023 MAC memo concurring with the boundary change.

The Board has reviewed the petition for conformance with State law and rule and has determined that the submitted petition is valid. The Board is noticing the boundary change request pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.215. The legal notice of filing will be published in the Star Tribune on June 12 and June 19, 2024.

The proposed boundary change encompasses 6 parcels totaling approximately 579 acres of land within the jurisdictional borders of the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) due to storm sewer updates which changed the drainage boundaries between the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District and Minnehaha Creek Watershed District.

The Board invites written comments on the petition for boundary change. All comments received will be considered before a decision is made to change the boundary. Any person who objects to the petition may submit a written request for hearing to the Board. If no written requests for a hearing are submitted within 20 days of the last publication of this notice of filing, the Board will consider all of the comments and information received pertaining to the petition and make a decision on the boundary change without conducting a public hearing.

Any written comments or a written request for a hearing may be submitted to the Board, on or before July 15, 2024

Please contact me at 612-298-4419 if you have any questions.

Enclosures (to all listed)

c: BWSR: Jennifer Dillum