

LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Agenda Item

Item 5. G. – Designation of 2024 Official Newspaper

Prepared By

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Summary

In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, the LMRWD must designate a newspaper of general circulation in each county of the District as the general newspaper in which all hearing notices, advertising for bids, etc. are required to be published.

Since 2016, the LMRWD has used the Star Tribune as its official newspaper. The Star Tribune is qualified to serve as the legal and official newspaper under Minnesota Statutes Section 331A.02 Subd. 1. This designation is recommended for 2025. The Board should adopt Resolution 25-01 Designation of the 2025 Official District Newspaper.

An alternative to the Star Tribune would be *Finance and Commerce*. Designation of local newspapers in individual cities, such as the *Chaska Herald, Chanhassen Villager, Savage Pacer, Shakopee Valley News, Sun Current Newspaper* (Bloomington and Eden Prairie), *Sun Patriot* (Carver), *Sun This Week* (Eagan and Burnsville), is not a viable alternative, as many of these papers have ceased publication. There are no local newspapers similar in nature to serve the Cities of Mendota and Mendota Heights. The official newspaper for the City of Mendota Heights is the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*.

Attachments

Resolution 25-01 Designation of the 2025 Official District Newspaper

Recommended Action

Motion to adopt Resolution 25-01 Designation of the 2025 Official District Newspaper

RESOLUTION 25-01

RESOLUTION OF THE LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS

DESIGNATION OF THE 2025 OFFICAL DISTRICT NEWSPAPER

Manager ______ offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 103B and 103D require the publication of various official notices in a newspaper of general circulation within the District; and

WHEREAS, many of the local newspapers with circulation within the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (LMRWD), have local or limited circulation throughout the LMRWD or have ceased publication; and

WHEREAS, one newspaper of general circulation throughout the entire District is the Minnesota Star Tribune.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers hereby names the Minneapolis Star Tribune as the official newspaper of the District for 2025.

The question on the adoption of the Resolution was seconded by Manager ______ and upon a vote being taken there were __ yeas and __ nays as follows:

	Yea	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
BARISONZI				
KUPLIC				
LAMMERS				
SALVATO				
VISWANATHAN				

Upon vote being taken, the President declared Resolution 25-01 adopted.

ATTEST:

Joseph Barisonzi, President

Lauren Salvato, Vice President

I, Lauren Salvato, Secretary of the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District, do hereby certify that I have compared the above Resolution with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with the District and find the same to be a true and correct transcript thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 15th day of January 2025.

Lauren Salvato, Vice President