



MEMORANDUM

To: MCWD Board of Managers
From: James Wisker
Date: June 9, 2016
Re: Developing a Prioritization Framework

Purpose:

At the June 9 Planning and Policy Committee (PPC) Meeting, staff will outline the need for a framework to evaluate and prioritize future District project and program opportunities.

Background:

Over the last several years the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) Board of Managers has undergone a process of continual self-assessment. This assessment identified the limitations of a prescriptive 10-year implementation plan. In response to those limitations, the MCWD adopted a “Two-Track” approach to planning and implementation which concentrates District resources in areas of geographic focus, while remaining responsive to externally driven opportunities for watershed implementation.

This model requires a supporting operational framework to prioritize new project and program initiatives based on need and opportunity, with consideration of short, mid, and long term resource allocation.

At the June 9 PPC Meeting staff will facilitate the first of several discussions on this topic following the outline below:

1. Meeting Purpose
2. Background Information – why a prioritization framework is needed.
3. Real Time Example Opportunities
4. Potential Variables for a Prioritization Framework
5. Review Planning Department Budget

Should you have any questions or comments in advance of the meeting, please contact James Wisker at Jwisker@minnehahacreek.org or 952.641.4509

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