



Title:	Appointment of an Additional TAC Member for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative	
Resolution number:	22-061	
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Recommended action:	Appoint one additional member to the Technical Advisory Committee for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative	
Schedule:	September 2022-January 2023: Technical Advisory Committee Meetings	
Past Board action:	Res # 21-090	Title: Authorization to Initiate Stakeholder Engagement Process for Permitting Alignment and Responsive Program
	Res # 22-051	Title: Appointment of Technical Advisory Committee for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative
	Res # 22-059	Title: Appointment of an Additional TAC Member for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative

Summary:

At the December 16, 2021 Board Meeting, the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) Board of Managers authorized the initiation of a stakeholder engagement process for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative, which is focused on strengthening collaboration with cities and other key partners to support the implementation of impactful projects that benefit the watershed and communities. The stakeholder engagement plan included establishment of a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) made up of staff representatives across the cities, counties, and park agencies in the watershed. The role of the TAC will be to advise the MCWD on program and policy changes designed to promote partnership, including:

- Land & Water Partnership Program: Development of a new program to provide funding and technical support for partner projects that provide significant water resource benefit
- Permitting Program Alignment: Streamlining the MCWD's regulatory process and rules to improve customer service, align with state requirements, reduce duplication of efforts, and promote early coordination for projects

On July 7, 2022, a kickoff mailing was sent to staff and policymakers at the cities, counties, and other partner agencies to introduce the initiative and invite them to complete an interest form indicating how they would like to engage. MCWD staff also had many calls and meetings with partners to discuss the initiative. Based on these conversations, and the interest form submittals, 17 TAC members and 9 alternates were recommended by staff and appointed by the Board at the August 11, 2022 Board meeting. A representative from the City of Orono was subsequently appointed at the September 22, 2022 Board meeting.

District staff recently received a request from staff at the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB) to join the TAC. Staff is recommending the addition of the following TAC member and alternate to represent the MPRB:

- Madeline Hudek, Data Insights Analyst – primary representative
- Adam Arvidson, Director of Strategic Planning - alternate

This would bring the total membership to 19, with 11 alternates, as shown in the attached list.

TAC members for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative:

Organization	Primary Representative	Alternate
City of Edina	Jessica Vanderwerff Wilson, Water Resources Manager	
City of Hopkins	Ryan Krzos, City Planner	
City of Maple Plain	Dylan Hoflock, Public Works Superintendent	
City of Medina	Dusty Finke, City Planner	
City of Minneapolis	Elizabeth Stout, Water Resources Manager	Shahram Missaghi, Water Resources Coordinator
City of Minnetonka	Sarah Schweiger, Water Resources Engineering Coordinator	Leslie Yetka, Natural Resources Manager
City of Orono	Melanie Curtis, Planner	Laura Oakden, Community Development Director
City of Plymouth	Chris LaBounty, City Engineer	Ben Scharenbroich, Water Resources Supervisor
City of Richfield	Chad Donnelly, Assistant Utility Superintendent	
City of St. Louis Park	Erick Francis, Water Resources Manager	Phil Elkin, Engineering Services Manager; Mike Bahe, Natural Resources Manager
City of Victoria	Cara Geheren, City Engineer	
City of Wayzata	Mike Kelly, City Engineer	Emily Goellner, Community Development Director
Bolton and Menk, representing Greenwood, Maple Plain, Mound, Orono, St. Bonifacius, Shorewood, Woodland	Bob Bean, Water Resources Project Engineer	
WSB, representing Deephaven	Rebecca Haug, Sr. Project Manager	
Carver Soil and Water Conservation District	Mike Wanous, District Manager	
Hennepin County	Drew McGovern, Senior Water Resources Engineer	Karen Galles, Land and Water Supervisor; Kris Guentzel, Senior Water Resources Specialist
Metropolitan Council	Jen Kostrzewski, Principal Environmental Scientist	
Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board	Madeline Hudek, Data Insights Analyst	Adam Arvidson, Director of Strategic Planning
Three Rivers Park District	Kelly Grissman, Director of Planning	Jami Markle, Director of Natural Resources



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- WHEREAS, on December 16, 2021, the MCWD Board of Managers authorized the initiation of a stakeholder engagement process for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative, which is focused on strengthening collaboration with cities and other key partners to support the implementation of impactful projects that benefit the watershed and communities;
- WHEREAS, the stakeholder engagement plan included establishment of a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) made up of technical staff across the cities, counties, and park agencies in the District;
- WHEREAS, the role of the TAC will be to advise MCWD on program and policy changes designed to promote partnership, including the development of the Land & Water Partnership program and improvements to the Permitting Program;
- WHEREAS, MCWD solicited the participation of interested technical staff from the municipalities, counties, and local agencies;
- WHEREAS, on August 11, 2022, the MCWD Board of Managers appointed 17 TAC members and 9 alternates;
- WHEREAS, on September 22, 2022, the MCWD Board of Managers appointed an additional TAC member and alternate to represent the City of Orono; and
- WHEREAS, following these appointments, staff received an additional request from staff at the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board to participate on the TAC;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the MCWD Board of Managers appoints the following individuals to represent the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board on the Technical Advisory Committee for the Land & Water Partnership Initiative:

- Madeline Hudek, Data Insights Analyst – primary representative
- Adam Arvidson, Director of Strategic Planning - alternate

Resolution Number 22-061 was moved by Manager _____, seconded by Manager _____. Motion to adopt the resolution ___ ayes, ___ nays, ___ abstentions. Date: 10/20/2022

Secretary Date: _____