



## Bassett Creek Watershed Management Commission

### Aquatic Plant Management/Aquatic Invasive Species Committee Meeting Tuesday, August 16, 2016 ~ 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Medicine Lake Room, Plymouth City Hall ~ 3400 Plymouth Blvd., Plymouth MN 55447

1. **Welcome and Introductions**

2. **Overview of Related BCWMC Goals and Policies** (\*\* most directly related to APM/AIS)

Excerpts from *Section 4, 2015 Watershed Management Plan*

[http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/application/files/8914/4676/6441/BCWMC\\_Section\\_4.pdf](http://www.bassettcreekwmo.org/application/files/8914/4676/6441/BCWMC_Section_4.pdf)

- a. BCWMC Goal: Manage the surface water resources of the watershed to meet or exceed state standards and BCWMC water quality goals for wetlands, lakes, and streams.
- b. BCWMC Goal: Protect and enhance fish and wildlife habitat in the BCWMC.
- c. \*\*BCWMC Goal: Minimize the spread and manage the adverse impacts of harmful aquatic invasive species.
- d. BCWMC Goal: Take into account aesthetics and recreational opportunities within the watershed when completing BCWMC projects.
- e. BCWMC Water Quality Policy (#4): The BCWMC will work with stakeholders to manage its priority waterbodies to meet the applicable water quality goals of the BCWMC
- f. BCWMC Water Quality Policy (#8): The BCWMC will continue to identify opportunities to achieve and maintain excellent water quality in priority waterbodies.
- g. \*\*BCWMC Recreation, Habitat, and Shoreland Management Policy (#79): The BCWMC will support and collaborate with other entities (e.g., agencies, lake association, cities, counties) to manage and prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species; BCWMC services may include point-intercept surveys of aquatic vegetation, feasibility studies, technical analysis, education, exploring funding options, and

applying for grants. The BCWMC will not manage increased growths of native aquatic vegetation resulting from improved water quality.

- h. BCWMC Recreation, Habitat, and Shoreland Management Policy (#82): The BCWMC encourages cities to develop and maintain water-related recreational features (such as trails adjacent to waterbodies and water access points), with consideration for buffers, use of pervious surfaces, and other best management practices to reduce runoff.
- i. BCWMC Recreation, Habitat, and Shoreland Management Policy (#83): The BCWMC will take into account aesthetics, habitat, and recreation benefits during CIP project selection and prioritization, and when considering how a project might address multiple Commission goals (see policy 110).
- j. BCWMC Recreation, Habitat, and Shoreland Management Policy (#86): The BCWMC will cooperate with the MDNR and other entities, as requested, to protect rare and endangered species under the State's Endangered Species Statute. The BCWMC will review the Natural Heritage Information System during the design phase of Commission projects.

### 3. **Review APM/AIS Activities of Other Organizations**

Information from various organizations on the types of activities, level of effort, budget, and applicable policies related to aquatic plant management and aquatic invasive species management/prevention will be presented and discussed. Organizations providing information include:

- Three Rivers Park District
- City of Plymouth
- Hennepin County
- Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
- Black Dog Watershed Mgmt Organization
- Minnehaha Creek Watershed District
- Comfort Lk Forest Lk Watershed District
- Nine Mile Creek Watershed District
- Valley Branch Watershed District
- Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District
- Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District

### 4. **Next Steps and Future Meetings**

### 5. **Adjourn**