



MISSISSIPPI
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Request for Board Action

Attachment 6.1

Agenda Item: Letter of Concurrence for Watershed Boundary Change

Presenter: Nancy Stowe

Meeting Date: 09 July 2024

Flexibility: Yes No

Estimated Time: Consent Agenda 10 Min. 15 Min. 30 Min. 45 Min. 1 Hour

Action Request: Information/Review Motion to approve Budget Change Other

Board Action: Approved Denied Tabled Accepted Report Other

Date of Action: 09 July 2024

Background

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWWMO) staff has reviewed and considered a proposal by Rice Creek Watershed District to change the common boundary between the Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) and the MWWMO within Ramsey County. Staff reviewed each parcel proposed for transfer, either from or to the jurisdictional boundary of the MWWMO, based on LiDAR elevation data, hydrologic delineations previously completed by the MWWMO, storm sewer infrastructure, and communications with member cities as appropriate. The hydrologic boundary between the RCWD and the MWWMO and the proposed adjustments to the jurisdictional boundary are shown in Attachments 1 and 2 (parcel list and mapbook).

MWWMO staff is requesting the Board to concur with its findings and the proposed petition submitted by the RCWD to change the common boundary between the RCWD and the MWWMO by means of the attached letter (Attachment 3).

Mississippi Watershed Management Organization

RESOLUTION 2024-021

A RESOLUTION APPROVING OF CONCURRENCE FOR WATERSHED DISTRICT BOUNDARY CHANGE/ADJUSTMENT

WHEREAS, Rice Creek Watershed District (“RCWD”) has analyzed and identified certain discrepancies in the common boundary between the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO) and the RCWD. The discrepancies arise because of differences between the boundaries as established by State order and the hydrologic boundaries as determined by modern mapping information;

WHEREAS, RCWD has developed a revised boundary for inclusion in a petition to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for boundary change;

WHEREAS, RCWD has presented the revised boundary for consideration by the MWMO;

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 103B.215, requires a petition for boundary change to be accompanied by a written statement of concurrence in the petition from the governing body of each statutory or home rule charter city and town and each watershed management organization having jurisdiction over the territory proposed to be added or transferred; and

WHEREAS, RCWD has requested concurrence from the MWMO in the proposed boundary change and in the filing of a petition for boundary change with the Board of Water and Soil Resources that reflects the boundary changes described in the attached map and parcel listing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the MWMO Board of Commissioners, in accordance with Minnesota Statute 103B.215, concurs with the proposed boundary changes found in the attached map and parcel listing, and authorizes its staff to execute the attached concurrence letter for inclusion with the RCWD petition to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for boundary change.

Adopted this the 9th day of July, 2024.

Review for the Board: _____

Randy Stille, Chair

Review for Administration: _____

Kevin Reich, Executive Director