

**Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District
Resolution No. 2017-03
A resolution to adopt a summary of other waters**

Supervisor Christianson moved the adoption of the following resolution no.2017-03;

Whereas; Minnesota statues 103F.48 requires SWCDs, in consultation with local water management authorities, to develop, adopt, and submit to each local water management authority within its boundary a summary of watercourses for inclusion in the local water management plan.

Whereas; The Board of Water and Soil Resources has adopted the Local Water Resources Riparian Protection ("Other Watercourses") Policy August 25, 2016 which identifies steps SWCDs are required to take in developing said inventory.

Whereas; Lincoln SWCD has consulted with local water management authorities and partners within the calendar year of 2017.

Whereas; Lincoln SWCD and the water management authorities within its jurisdiction discussed watershed data, water quality data and land use information as potential criteria in development of this list.

Whereas; Lincoln SWCD has assessed the water quality benefits that buffers and alternative practices could provide and determined that current State and Federal programs have eligibility criteria for watercourses where water quality would benefit from the installation of a buffer or filter strip.

Whereas; Lincoln SWCD determined that the rationale for inclusion of "other watercourses" is to be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the voluntary installation of a buffer or filter strip.

Whereas; producing a map of all the watercourses meeting the eligibility criteria would be time consuming and may not be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the voluntary installation of a buffer or filter strip.

Therefore be it resolved that; The summary of watercourses or "other waters" within the boundaries of Lincoln County and the Lincoln Soil & Water Conservation District shall be descriptive in format instead of in map format.

Be it further resolved that; Lincoln SWCD supports the existence of a voluntarily installed buffer strip or other conservation practice on all waters that would be presented with a water quality benefit by the existence of such.

Be it further resolved that; the description of watercourses to be included in the summary of watercourses or "other waters" shall be; all watercourses deemed eligible for the adjacent land to be voluntarily enrolled into a buffer or filter strip practice under the current eligibility criteria for state and federal programs. Excluding those watercourses depicted on the DNR buffer protection map.

A list of watercourses included in this descriptive inventory are:

- Perennial streams, Seasonal streams depicted on USGS topographic maps
- Perennial streams, Seasonal streams depicted on soil survey maps
- Other watercourses identified by onsite visits
- And Drainage ditches that are perennial or seasonal streams

Supervisor Boulton seconds the adoption of the resolution and it is declared adopted upon the following votes at a duly authorized meeting thereof held on the 21st of June, 2017.

Yays: 5

Nays: 0

Names:

Conrad Schardin
John Boulton
Daniel Christianson
Glen Sorensen
Ronald Bunjer

Names:

Chair
Conrad Schardin
6-21-17

Resolution No. 17-2018
To Incorporate the Summary of Watercourses into the Lincoln County
Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan

Whereas; Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103F.48 requires soil and water conservation districts (SWCDs) in consultation with local water management authorities, to develop, adopt, and submit to each local water management authority within its boundary a summary of watercourses.

Whereas; The Board of Water and Soil Resources has adopted Buffer Law implementation Policy #6 'Local Water Resources Riparian Protection ("Other Watercourses")' which identifies steps SWCDs are required to take in developing said inventory.

Whereas; The Lincoln SWCD has adopted a Descriptive inventory of other watercourses and provided it to Lincoln County on "July 18th, 2017".

Whereas; Lincoln County recommends that implementation of buffers or other practices on these waters be voluntary in nature through the Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan.


Whereas; Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103F.48 requires a local water management authority that receives a summary of watercourses identified under this subdivision must incorporate an addendum to its comprehensive local water management plan or comprehensive watershed management plan to include the SWCD recommendations by July 1, 2018.

Whereas; Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103F.48 does not require a plan amendment as long as a copy of the included information is distributed to all agencies, organizations, and individuals required to receive a copy of the plan changes.

Therefore be it resolved that; The summary of watercourses or "other waters" for Lincoln County shall be incorporated as an addendum in its current local water management plan.

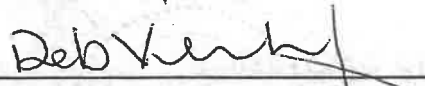
Be it further resolved that; Lincoln County authorizes staff to provide a copy of the addendum and any supporting information to be distributed to all agencies, organizations, and individuals required to receive a copy of the plan changes.

Adopted by majority vote this 17th day of April, 2018.



Mic VanDeVere 2018 Board Chair

ATTEST:



Deb Vierhuf, County Auditor