



LOWER ST. CROIX WATERSHED
PARTNERSHIP



10-23-23 Policy Committee meeting

Photo from We are Water boat workshop on Oct. 16, 2023

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 - WBIF Grant Financial Report (FY21 & 23)
 - FY21 WBIF grant agreement extension request
 - Projects in-progress
 - CWF Soil Health Grant
 - Jennifer Hahn resignation and agronomy outreach position replacement
5. Program snapshots:
 - Sunrise River Wetland Restoration
 - Trout Brook Stream Restoration
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A vibrant field of yellow and pink flowers, likely a prairie or meadow, under a clear blue sky. A single butterfly is visible in flight in the upper left quadrant. In the background, a line of trees and a few wind turbines are visible on the horizon.

New approved ag projects

FY23 Ag Structural

- **Lucht gully repair and field practices on Rush Lake**
 - \$42,410 + \$3000 TA/Engineering (Pine SWCD)
 - 112.84 lbs/yr phosphorus reduction
- **Danson ag BMPs on Goose Lake**
 - \$20,000 (Chisago SWCD)
 - 23.3 lbs/yr phosphorus reduction

Urban projects currently underway

FY21 Urban Structural

- **Big Marine Boat Launch Sediment Plume Reduction**
 - \$10,000 (Carnelian-Marine-St. Croix Watershed)
- **Oak street bioretention basins**
 - \$45,000 (Carnelian-Marine-St. Croix Watershed)
- **May Twp. stormwater retrofit engineering/tech**
 - \$10,000 (Carnelian-Marine-St. Croix Watershed)

Total = \$65,000

FY23 Urban Non-Structural

- **Street sweeping plan implementation**
 - Linwood Twp. (\$3630)
 - Wyoming (\$15,000)
 - North Branch (\$15,000)
 - Afton (\$13,395)
 - MSCWMO – 8 cities combined (\$45,000)

Total = \$92,025



Targeting and prioritization analyses

IN PROGRESS

- **NEW – Goose Lake SWA** (Chisago SWCD)
 - \$12,000 (FY23)
- **Rock Lake SWA** (Pine Co)
 - \$12,541 (FY21)
- **Sunrise River Priority Drainage Areas** (Anoka Co)
 - \$27,200 (FY21)
- **Northeastern Washington Co St. Croix and Spring Streams** (Carnelian-Marine-St. Croix WD)
 - \$20,000 (FY21)

COMPLETE

- **Updating urban and rural subwatershed prioritization (SWA) protocols**
 - \$8000 (FY21)
- **Delineation and prioritization of contributing subcatchments - Pine County and Sunrise River**
 - \$26,772 (FY21)
- **Tree canopy assessment protocol for enhanced street sweeping**
 - \$8,500 (FY21)
- **Street sweeping studies – 16 cities**
 - \$40,000 (FY21)

TOTAL AVAILABLE (FY21 = \$150,000) (FY23 = \$45,000)

TOTAL ENCUMBERED = \$146,413 from FY21, \$12,000 from FY23

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