

**BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES
520 LAFAYETTE ROAD N.
LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2014**

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

9:00 AM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2013 BOARD MEETING

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM (10-minute agenda time, two-minute limit/person)

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BWSR EMPLOYEES

- Brett Arne, Board Conservationist, Fergus Falls (Ron Shelito)
- Celi Haga, Communications Coordinator, St. Paul (Angie Becker Kudelka)

REPORTS

- Chair – Brian Napstad
- Administrative Advisory Committee – Brian Napstad
- Executive Director – John Jaschke
- Dispute Resolution Committee – Gerald Van Amburg
- Wetlands Committee – Gerald Van Amburg
- Grants Program & Policy Committee – Paul Langseth
- Public Relations, Oversight & Strategic Planning Committee – Jack Ditmore
- RIM Reserve Management Planning Committee – Gene Tiedemann
- Drainage Work Group – Tom Loveall/Al Kean

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Northern Region Committee

1. Redistribution of Manager Positions for the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed District – Gerald Van Amburg - ***DECISION ITEM***
2. Bois de Sioux Watershed District Plan Amendment – Gerald Van Amburg – ***INFORMATION ITEM***

Southern Region Committee

1. Buffalo Creek Watershed District Public Hearing Request – Paul Langseth - ***DECISION ITEM***

Grants Program & Policy Committee

1. FY2014 Clean Water Fund Competitive Grants – Dave Weirens and Marcey Westrick – ***DECISION ITEM***
2. 2014 Soil Erosion and Drainage Law Compliance Funding Recommendation – Al Kean and Tim Gillette – ***DECISION ITEM***

3. Cooperative Weed Management Area Grants – Dan Shaw – **DECISION ITEM**
4. Request for Proposals to Update the Minnesota Public Drainage Manual – Al Kean and Tim Gillette – **DECISION ITEM**

Public Relations, Oversight, & Strategic Planning Committee

1. 2014 PRAP Legislative Report – Don Buckhout - **DECISION ITEM**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Vice-Chair Nomination – John Jaschke - **DECISION ITEM**

AGENCY REPORTS

- Minnesota Department of Agriculture – Matthew Wohlman
- Minnesota Department of Health – Chris Elvrum
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources – Tom Landwehr
- Minnesota Extension Service – Faye Sleeper
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency – Rebecca Flood

ADVISORY COMMENTS

- Association of Minnesota Counties – Annalee Garletz
- Minnesota Association of Conservation District Employees – Matt Solemsaas
- Minnesota Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts – LeAnn Buck
- Minnesota Association of Townships – Sandy Hooker
- Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts – Ray Bohn
- Natural Resources Conservation Service – Don Baloun

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- BWSR Board Meeting – March 26, 2014, in St. Paul

Noon **ADJOURN**