

Hennepin

Conservation District

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HCD Board Meeting: Third Monday of month at 7 p.m.



Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

1. Impaired waters
2. Restoring wetlands
3. Improving surface water management
4. Reducing runoff
5. Improved storm water management

2009 Revenue

Easement Services	\$2,180
General Services Base Grant	\$27,623
State Cost Share Base Grant	\$12,040
DNR Obwell	\$1,350
Total	\$43,193

Recent Projects

In 2007 HCD entered into a cost-share contract to install a rain garden in a Minneapolis neighborhood. This project was completed in 2009. The rain garden was installed in the backyard of a housing development and much of the planting was done by volunteers. Rain gardens are especially important in areas that have a lot of impervious surfaces, such as pavement. Rain gardens help to catch rain water and infiltrate it through the ground rather than having the water flow directly into the sewer system. Rain gardens help to reduce contaminants in rain water because the process of infiltration removes some of these contaminants. Rain gardens also help to reduce flooding after heavy rains by capturing some of the water that would otherwise flow directly into the sewer.



Rain garden installed in Minneapolis, August 2009.

Future Projects

HCD has plans to work with several cities in 2010 to utilize the state cost share funds.

HCD has quarterly conservation forums on various topics and plans to continue the forums in 2010.

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