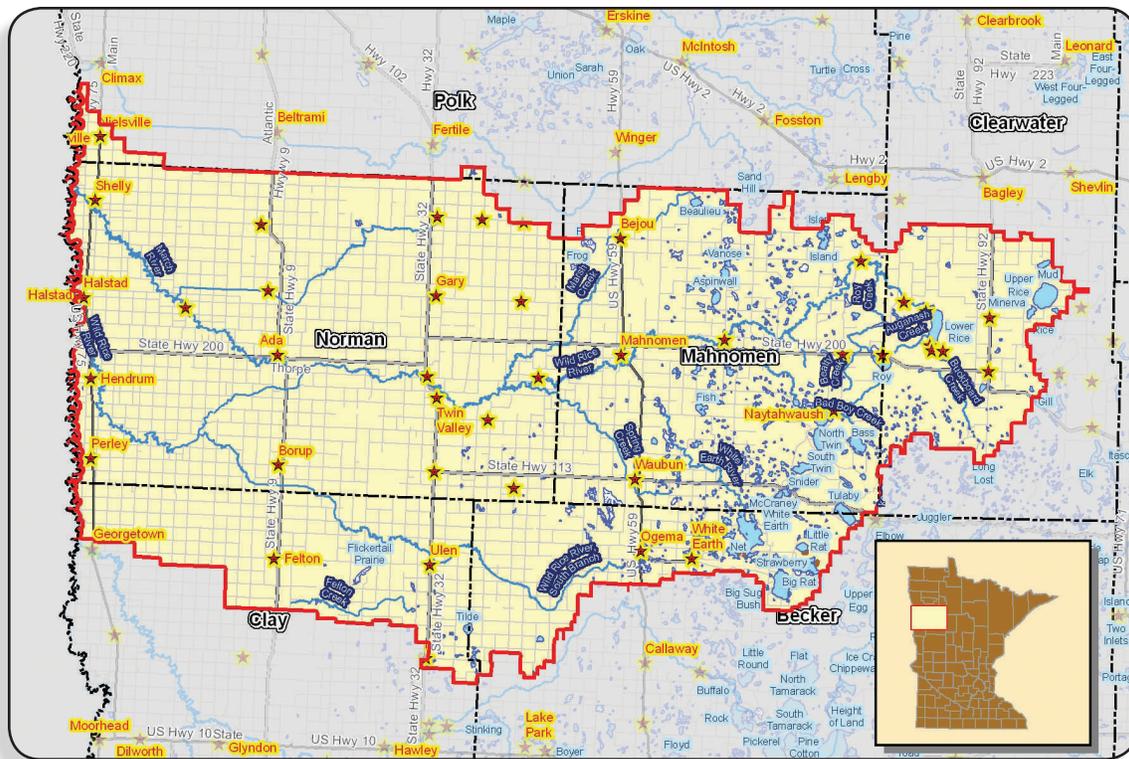


Wild Rice

WATERSHED DISTRICT



GENERAL INFORMATION

Established: September 11, 1968
by county petition

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Ada, MN 56510
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Included Counties: Clay, Norman,
Mahnomen, Becker, Clearwater, Polk

District Size: 2,080 square miles

Major Lakes: More than 50 lakes

Number of Staff: 3

2008 Taxable Market Value:
\$1,554,698,200

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Name	Position	County	Address	Phone
Warren Seykora	President	Becker	13683 390th St, Ulen, MN 56585	(218) 567-8552
Diane Ista	Manager	Norman	412 Daisy Ln, Ada, MN 56510	(218) 784-7542
Joseph Spaeth	Manager	Mahnomen	2087 170th Ave, Mahnomen, MN 56557	(218) 935-5392
Robert Wright	Vice President	Clay	9335 160th Ave N, Felton, MN 56536	(218) 236-8780
Dave Vipond	Manager	Mahnomen	1395 210th St, Mahnomen, MN 56557	(218) 935-2700
Mike Christensen	Treasurer	Norman	4539 County Hwy 29, Twin Valley, MN 56584	(218) 584-5510
Greg Holmvik	Manager	Norman	401 7th Ave W, Ada, MN 56510	(218) 784-7399

RECENT PROJECTS

Initiated Project #42 South Branch — initiated in June of 2006, this is a retention project incorporating a site on the glacial lake bed with sites above the Glacial Beach Ridge to meet the flow reduction goal of 30%–40% at the confluence of the Wild Rice River. Total retention will approach 25,000 acre/ft. Two project sites will reach a final hearing in early 2009, with approximately 12,000 acre/ft of water retention.

COE Feasibility Study, Phase 1 and Phase 2 — this study is in the Phase 2 state addressing excessive flowage easements needed to implement a set-back levee system, which would include channel sinuosity restoration of the Lower Wild Rice River Basin.

Sedimentation Analysis, WRWD/USGS Cooperation, South Branch / Wild Rice — an ongoing project that will advance the District quickly toward FDR objectives as well as the important issue of water quality. This is being done in partnership with the United States Geological Service.

Farmstead Ring Dike Program — the WRWD has built 64 ring dikes to protect farmsites located throughout the District. As of December 2008 there were five applicants awaiting funding for construction. The total cost to date is \$2.2 million.

Heiberg Dam Reconstruction Project — this project involved modification of the existing dam design while meeting original goals of ice control, erosion reduction along with providing numerous environmental benefits. Completed in the fall of 2006.

FUTURE PROJECTS

South Branch River–Project #42 — 2009

Water Management District (Local Funding Mechanism) — 2009

Re-evaluation Main Stem Wild Rice River — 2009

Upper Felton Storage Site Re-evaluation — 2009



The Heiberg Dam reconstruction project was selected as the 2007 Project of the Year by the Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts. Pictured (from left): Warren Seykora, Jan Voigt, Diane Ista, Bob Wright, Steve Dalen, and Joe Spaeth.

2007 EXPENDITURES

Total 2007 Expenditures	\$1,864,988
Management / General Administrative	\$296,537
Allocated Interest	\$74,304
Red River Watershed Management Board	\$295,363
COE Feasibility Study	\$128,835
Project Development	\$129,148
Wetland Banking Program	\$3,069
Flood Mitigation Projects	\$240,730
Ditch Systems	\$62,697
FEMA Projects	\$24,991
Other Projects and Studies	\$609,327