

MIDDLE ST. CROIX WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



Lakeland

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INTRODUCTION

The Middle St. Croix WMO encompasses approximately 19.8 square miles and is located in the east-central part of Washington County. A distinction exists between the Middle St. Croix watershed and the other watersheds of Washington County in that the Middle St. Croix watershed has many small, parallel watersheds that all flow to the St. Croix, whereas the other watersheds in the County generally have one major drainage with a headwaters and outlet. Land use in the watershed is evenly distributed between agricultural uses, rural residential, high-density residential and commercial land uses.

The Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) is a Joint Powers Watershed Management Organization composed of ten St. Croix Valley communities that was established under State Statute 103B to cooperatively manage water resources within the watershed. The ten member communities of the MSCWMO are: Afton, Bayport, Baytown Township, Lakeland, Lakeland Shores, Lake St. Croix Beach, Oak Park Heights, St. Mary's Point, Stillwater, and West Lakeland Township

In general, the purposes of a Watershed Management Organization (WMO) are to conserve natural resources through land use planning, flood control, and other conservation projects in order to ensure continued public health and welfare. The specific purposes of a watershed management organization are:

- Cooperatively manage water resources in the watershed.
- Inventory and assess the resources of the watershed.
- Monitor the water quality of lakes and streams in the watershed.
- Provide education on water related issues in the watershed.
- Review development plans for stormwater management, erosion and sediment control, and provide wetland and shoreland protection.
- Plan and implement capital improvement projects that enhance the water resources of the watershed.

The mission of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization is to jointly and cooperatively manage the water resources of the watershed. The ten member communities will do so to conserve and protect the water resources in an efficient and effective manner.

ORGANIZATION AND BUDGET

MSCWMO Board of Managers

Each member municipality or township within the MSCWMO appoints one member to the MSCWMO Board. The 2020 representatives from each participatory community are listed below.

Annie Perkins
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MSCWMO Contract Support Staff

The MSCWMO does not employ staff but does contract with several organizations for professional services. The organizations providing these services are listed below.

Administrator
Matt Downing
Washington Conservation
District
455 Hayward Avenue,
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Recording Secretary
Washington Conservation
District
455 Hayward Avenue,
Oakdale MN 55128
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Table 1: 2020 Budget

Administration Budget	Community Contributions
Administration - General	\$ 31,160
Accounting	\$ 1,550
Legal Fees – General	\$ 1,000
Audit	\$ 2,100
Insurance	\$ 2,600
Office supplies/equipment/postage	\$ 625
Minutes/Clerical	\$ 1,180
Copying/printing	\$ 625
Subtotal	\$ 40,840
Project Budget	
Project Contingency	\$ 2,000
Engineering - Project	\$ 5,700
Development Plan Reviews	\$ 5,040
Erosion Monitoring Program	\$ 2,250
BMP Program Tech. Assistance	\$ 27,768
BMP Program Cost Share	\$ 20,000
Community TA	\$ 3,000
Water Resource Educator	\$ 6,300
Website	\$ 800
Inspection and Tracking Database	\$ 900
Water Monitoring	\$ 22,000
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AUDIT REPORT

Michael Peterson, Certified Public Accountant & Consultant, has been contracted to complete an audit of the financial management of the WMO for the year 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this process has been delayed at the time of this report. The audit will be presented to the State of Minnesota and posted to the MSCWMO website upon completion.

2020 PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

2020 Implementation of Performance Standards

The mission of the MSCWMO is to jointly and cooperatively manage water resources within the WMO and to provide effective and efficient services to the residents of the watershed. To work towards meeting this goal, the MSCWMO adopted Minimal Impact Design Standards (MIDS) developed by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. The watershed also provided assistance to member communities to integrate MIDS into local ordinance. Rather than create its own separate permit program, the MSCWMO reviews projects that meet the criteria listed in section 7.0 of the 2015-2025 Watershed Management Plan. Member communities do not issue permits until the project has met all applicable watershed performance standards.

Table 3: MSCWMO Project Reviews and Total Phosphorous Load Reductions of Permanent Stormwater Best Management Practices Estimated with the MIDS Calculator.

Year	Total Projects Reviewed	Total BMP Estimated TP Reduction (lbs./yr.)	Redevelopment BMP Estimated TP Reduction (lbs./yr.)
2016	19	26.7	25.6
2017*	19	133.6	124.7
2018	18	25.8	17.2
2019	13	17.9	6.0
2020	11	51.7	0.2

*2017 includes the permanent stormwater BMPs installed as part of the St. Croix Crossing project.

2020 Projects Implementation

The MSCWMO 2015-2025 Watershed Management Plan targets goal reductions of Total Phosphorus to each of the three major watersheds draining to impaired surface waters listed on the State of Minnesota 303 D list: Lake St. Croix, Lily Lake, and Perro Creek. From 2015 to 2020, table 6.6 of the MSCWMO Watershed Management Plan identifies a total target of 70.1 lbs. total phosphorus load reduction to be completed by voluntary retrofitting. To date, 43 water quality improvement projects have been installed totaling an estimated annual total phosphorus reduction of 173.1 lbs. One large project that would have been installed in 2020 was pushed out to 2021 due to Covid-19 delays.

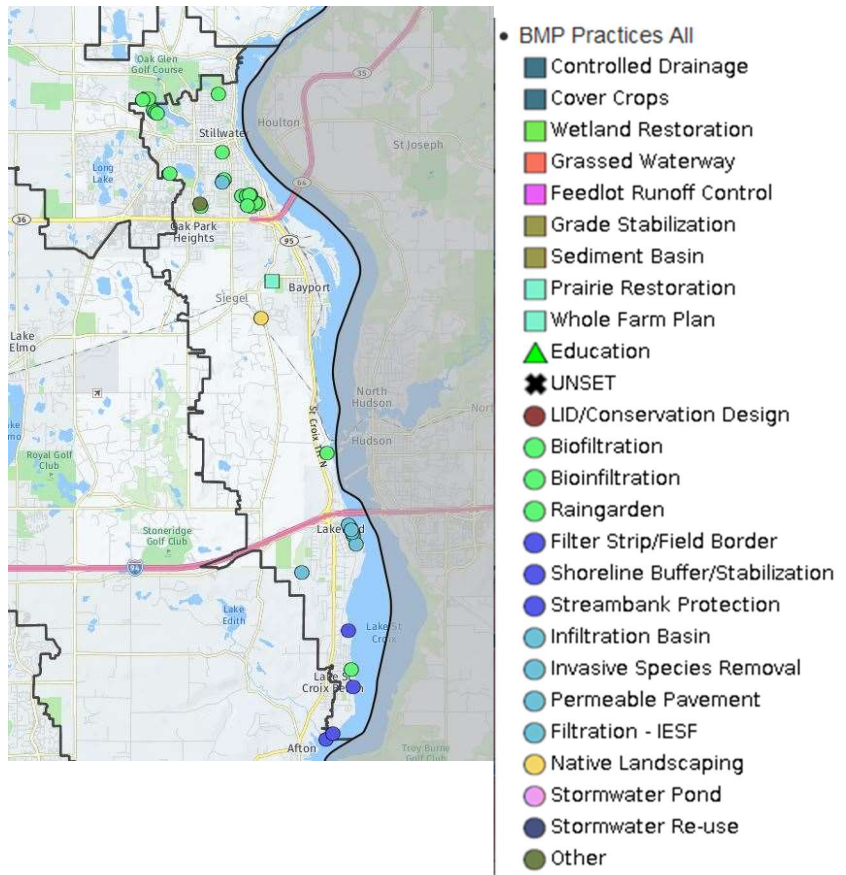


Table 4: MSCWMO Water Quality Retrofits and Total Phosphorous Load Reductions of Permanent Stormwater Best Management Practices Estimated with the MIDS Calculator.

Year		Total Projects Installed	Total BMP Estimated TP Reduction (lbs./yr.)	Targeted Subwatersheds
2015	17	17.3	Lake St. Croix and McKusick	
2016	3	48.8	Lake St. Croix and Perro	
2017	5	10.1	Lake St. Croix and Lily	
2018	6	56.3	Lake St. Croix and Lily	

2019	7	39.4	Lake St. Croix and Lily
2020	4	0.8	Lake St. Croix and Perro

Best Management Practices and Subwatershed Implementation Program

The MSCWMO continues to seek partnerships to construct high-performing and low-cost stormwater best management practices identified in its subwatershed analyses. In 2020, four projects were completed that were either identified in a subwatershed analysis or located in priority direct drainages that were part o these analyses. These projects received local funding and to design and construct:

Local cost share projects that were installed in 2020:

- Perro Creek Buffer Plantings Phase III, Bayport, Perro Creek/Lake St. Croix Watershed
- Private landowner permeable pavers, Stillwater in the Lake St. Croix Subwatershed
- Private landowner Native Planting, Stillwater in the Lake St. Croix Subwatershed
- Private landowner Bluff Restoration, Lakeland, Lake St. Croix Subwatershed

Postponed or delayed projects due to Covid-19:

- Lake St Croix Beach Bluff Restoration, City of Lake St Croix Beach, Lake St Croix Subwatershed

The following is a summary of work that was completed in 2020:

Lake St. Croix Direct South:

In 2018 the MSCWMO completed the Lake St. Croix Direct South Subwatershed Analysis and was successful at securing a 2019 Clean Water Fund Grant and a 2019 St. Croix River Association Grant to design and install high priority projects identified in the report. One large bluff stabilization project is now being designed in coordination with the city of Lake St. Croix Beach. Additionally, during the development of the subwatershed analysis a large actively eroding gully discharging into Lake St. Croix was identified on MnDOT and railroad land. MnDOT is currently designing a repair to the gully and is gully stabilization work will occur in 2020/2021.

Lily Lake, Stillwater:

In 2018 the MSCWMO completed the Lily Lake Delisting Roadmap which identifies projects and treatments to complete the total phosphorus load reductions to Lily Lake and remove it from the impaired waters list by 2022. The final report is located on the MSCWMO website: <http://www.mscwmo.org/subwatershed-assessments>. In 2020 the MSCMWO applied for and received a grant from the Clean Water Fund to install a large-scale infiltration basin at Lily Lake Park and to do an in-lake alum treatment in Lily Lake. The WMO is currently working with city staff on

contracting and hope to complete the basin install in 2021. The project itself will be instrumental in avoiding the TMDL process and potentially delisting the lake for phosphorus impairments.

Perro Creek:

No current Clean Water Fund grants in 2020.

In addition to the subwatershed programs, the MSCWMO continues to promote its Best Management Practices Program during 2020. In 2020, 2 voluntary best management practices were designed and installed in partnership with local residents:

Perro Creek Native Buffer Restoration Phase III, Bayport, Perro Creek Subwatershed

Bluff Edge Restoration (private landowner), Lakeland, Lake St. Croix Subwatershed



Construction Monitoring Program

The MSCWMO construction-monitoring program was developed to ensure that the policies and performance standards of the MSCWMO were implemented on the ground for qualifying projects. Staff continues to monitor projects, which were reviewed by the MSCWMO board. The MSCWMO coordinates its inspection program with its member communities and their building/permit inspectors.

BMP Inspections and Maintenance

The MSCWMO BMP Inspection and Tracking Database was developed to ensure that the installed practices are meeting functional and aesthetic expectations. In 2019, 105 MSCWMO projects were inspected. Utilizing the Washington Conservation District Maintenance Crew, Minnesota

Conservation Corps, and volunteer maintenance was performed on BMPs that are municipalities responsibility to maintain.

The watershed also worked in partnership with the East Metro Water Resource Education Program, Sustainable Stillwater, the Lily Lake Association, and the Stillwater Foundation to develop and Pilot an Adopt a Raingarden Program in Stillwater. The program will continue in 2021.



Groundwater

The MSCWMO continued to recognize the Washington County Groundwater Plan during 2019 and continued to participate in County wide technical advisory committee meetings to prioritize implementation and identify responsible parties for specific activities.

Local Government Controls

The MSCWMO continued to work with its member communities to strengthen water quality and natural resource management. Through a Clean Water Fund Accelerated Implementation grant the MSCWMO is assisting its member communities to update their local controls. In 2018 all communities except Stillwater adopted Minimum Impact Design Standards (MIDS) into local ordinance and code. All communities will continue to participate in the MSCWMO's project review program. The City of Stillwater has drafted MIDS standards

One Watershed One Plan

In 2020, the MSCWMO has worked collaboratively with 15 local governments participating in the Lower St. Croix One Water One Plan planning efforts. The MSCWMO will continue to work collaboratively to develop a coordinated management plan on the large HUC 8 basin scale.

Information and Education Program

Shared Water Resource Educator

The MSCWMO continues to participate in the shared East Metro Water Resource Education Program (EMWREP). During 2020, EMWREP pivoted to a remote education style in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Emphasis was placed on remote workshops, independent educational events and socially distanced activities when permitted.

In 2020, MSCWMO conducted the following education activities:

- Continuing to promote the Adopt a Drain program and recruit new volunteers
 - There are 127 storm drains adopted in Middle St. Croix WMO
 - Adopters reported collecting 815lb of debris that would have otherwise entered storm drains
- Continuing to support and train Minnesota Water Stewards
 - Gabriel Curell, Barb Bickford, and Mike McCarthy completed their training program and were certified.
 - Curell completed a native planting project on his property in Lake St. Croix Beach. Bickford and McCarthy have been removing buckthorn on their property on Lily Lake and have been active in the lake association.
 - Sally Arnesen, previously certified, has helped neighbors in Lakeland with native plantings on their properties and has also been active with the St. Croix River Association.
- Continuing to coordinate Adopt a Rain garden
 - There are 55 rain gardens adopted in Stillwater and Oak Park Heights.
 - Volunteers commit to removing weeds, litter, and built-up sediment during the growing season and reporting larger maintenance concerns to staff at Washington Conservation District.
- Conducting workshops in topics including Planting for Pollinators; Planting for Wildlife; Wild Edibles; and Rain gardens.
 - Workshops in 2020 were held via webinar. We had 800 participants via Zoom and 400 via YouTube.
- We published 52 articles in the Stillwater Gazette on a variety of topics
- We had 150 local leaders participate in the 3-part St. Croix NEMO workshop series in June, including staff and officials from MSCWMO communities
- We created dozens and dozens of new educational materials for partners to use for MS4 stormwater education (print materials, videos, municipal training videos, multi-lingual materials)
- We conducted online and in person education for the public, including:
 - Presentation at Career Pathways Program – Oakdale Junior High - Jan. 23

- Girl Scouts watershed program - Stillwater Library - Feb. 5
- Water Pollution Mystery Game at Bayport’s Lakeside Park - May 19
- 8 staff members from Xcel Energy participated in a community clean-up event in downtown Stillwater, co-hosted by Community Thread. The group size was intentionally small due to COVID. Sept. 12
- Lily Lake Lake Association Meeting - Oct. 21
- We reached thousands of people through social media, including:
 - Virtual tour of St. Croix Savanna SNA in Bayport:
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1236817173376647> (1.7K views on Facebook and YouTube)
 - Mountain biking and stormwater in Oak Park Heights:
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=269815867497925> (371 views on Facebook and YouTube)
 - Native plant garden tour in Stillwater:
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1968931263405361> (950 views on Facebook, YouTube, IGTV)
 - Scooters and stormwater in Stillwater:
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=353703275805698> (475 views on Facebook and TikTok)
 - Adopt-a-Drain promo – 2112 views on Instagram reels and TikTok
- We supported Sustainable Stillwater MN on a variety of initiatives, including:
 - Giant clean-up of the Lily Lake buffer planting
 - Creating a Green Business Directory (Stillwater area businesses certified include: Lakeview Hospital (Gold), IPS-Solar (Gold), VistaTek/SelfEco (Gold), Joseph’s Restaurant (Silver), Valley Outreach (Silver), ArtReach St. Croix (Bronze), First Presbyterian Church (Bronze), FamilyMeans (Bronze))
 - Adopt a Drain and Adopt a Raingarden

The MSCWMO will continue providing funding and staff time to support EMWREP in 2021.

A full report of EMWREP activities completed in 2020 can be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.mnwcd.org/s/2020-EMWREP-Annual-Report.pdf>

Website

The MSCWMO continued to update its website in 2020. The website contains up to date meeting dates, agendas, minutes, annual reports, water monitoring information, contact information and more. In addition, the website also contains a section for grant reporting which highlights projects completed as part of the BWSR Clean Water Legacy Program. The website also contains a tab “for developers” and “for builders” which provides all necessary information on the MSCWMO’s project review process. The MSCWMO website can be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.mscwmo.org>

2020 Data Collection Program

Water Quality Monitoring Program

In 2020 the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) continued condition monitoring and water quality and elevation biweekly on McKusick Lake and Lily Lake. Information from the Brown's Creek Diversion Drainage which flows to McKusick Lake is monitored by the Brown's Creek Watershed District, but resulting information is also provided to the MSCWMO for use in management planning. The MSCWMO established a permanent monitoring station at the storm sewer connection from Brick Pond to Lily Lake. This station will measure the annual volume of water and concentration of phosphorous flowing from Brick Pond to Lily Lake. The MSCWMO monitored volume and concentration of discharge for both based flow and storm flows from Perro Creek and intensified bacteria sampling efforts to more accurately identify areas impacted by high *E. coli* levels. The watershed partnered with the City of Bayport to conduct genetic testing of *E. coli* to determine if it is human or not.

Full water monitoring reports can be viewed on our website. The 2020 monitoring report will be available in July of 2021.

<http://www.mscwmo.org/water-monitoring>

2021 WORKPLAN

Best Management Practices Program

The MSCWMO will continue to promote its Best Management Practices Program in 2021. The MSCWMO will continue to work to engage landowners in the Lily Lake, McKusick Lake, Perro Creek, Lake St. Croix Direct Discharge North and South subwatersheds.

Subwatershed Analyses and Implementation

In 2021 the MSCWMO will continue working with the City of Stillwater, City of Bayport, City of Lake St. Croix Beach, other member communities, MnDOT, and private landowners to design and install targeted stormwater quality best management practices identified in subwatershed analyses. The MSCWMO received a Clean Water Fund Grant to implement the findings of the Lake St Croix Direct Discharge (South) SWA and the Lily Lake watershed. Outreach for priority locations in the southern half of the watershed will commence in 2021. The Lily Lake grant is moving forward with design and install of an infiltration basin at Lily Lake Park and a subsequent in-lake alum treatment.

Water Monitoring

The MSCWMO will continue water quality condition monitoring program for Lily and McKusick Lakes and Perro Creek. The MSCWMO will be expanding the data and water quality samples collected on Perro Creek in 2021 to include a continuous monitoring station. The MSCWMO has hired the Washington Conservation District to complete monitoring and reporting again in 2021. The MSCWMO is planning to apply for funding to monitor the volume and concentration flowing out from the Mulberry Ravine and select stormwater outfalls in the City of Stillwater discharging directly into Lake St. Croix.

Public Education and Outreach Programs

The MSCWMO will continue to participate in the East Metro Water Resource Education Program. The activities and programs offered through this partnership will help MSCWMO meet its goals for education and outreach.

Lower St. Croix One Watershed One Plan

The MSCWMO will continue to work collaboratively with 15 units of government charged with water governance in the Lower St. Croix HUC8 watershed to implement a coordinated management plan.

Development Plan Reviews and Erosion Monitoring Program; MSCWMO Policies and Performance Standards

The MSCWMO will continue to review qualifying projects for consistency with the 2015 Watershed Management plan, and will continue to coordinate its review process with its member communities. Staff will also continue to monitor current and past projects to ensure stormwater management features are functioning as planned. The MSCWMO will promote trainings and events that will improve performance on future projects.

Website Update and Maintenance

The MSCWMO continues to update and maintain its website.

APPENDIX A

2020 Annual Communications

AFTON

The City of Afton is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Afton to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the MSCWMO watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Annie Perkins, the City of Afton appointed MSCWMO Board Manager at 651-592-3007.

BAYPORT

The City of Bayport is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Perro Creek and Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Bayport to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering Perro Creek and the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Council Member John Dahl the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 651-439-7312.

BAYTOWN TWP

Baytown Township is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to Baytown Township to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Township Board Member John Fellegly, the Township appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 651-275-2200.

LAKELAND

The City of Lakeland is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Lakeland to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington

Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Council Member Joe Paiement, the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 651-206-5200.

LAKELAND SHORES

The City of Lakeland Shores is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Lakeland Shores to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Mayor Brian Zeller, the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 612-325-3038.

LAKE ST CROIX BEACH

The City of Lake St. Croix Beach is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Lake St. Croix Beach to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Mayor Tom McCarthy, the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 651-436-7031.

OAK PARK HEIGHTS

The City of Oak Park Heights is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Perro Pond and Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Oak Park Heights to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering Perro Pond or St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Council Member Mike Runk, the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at (651) 439-5458.

ST. MARY'S POINT

The City of St. Mary's Point is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake

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St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of St. Mary's Point to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Council Member Beth Olfelt-Nelson, the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 612-417-5394.

STILLWATER

The City of Stillwater is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lily Lake, Lake McKusick, and Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to the City of Stillwater to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering Lily Lake, Lake McKusick, or the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Council Member Ryan Collins, the City appointed Board Manager on the watershed, at 651-246-8264.

WEST LAKELAND TWP

West Lakeland Township is one of ten member communities of the Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization (MSCWMO) that collectively works to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. The MSCWMO provides educational, technical, and financial assistance to West Lakeland Township to effectively manage water resources. They also partner with the Washington Conservation District to provide design and cost share assistance for voluntary conservation projects on private lands that reduce sediment and phosphorous pollution entering the St. Croix River. If you are considering a conservation project on your property or have any questions about the watershed please contact Matt Downing, Administrator of the MSCWMO at mdowning@mnwcd.org or Board Member Dan Kylo, the Township appointed Board Manager and Treasurer for the watershed, at 612-436-1134.