



TO: (CLFLWD) Board of Managers

DATE: June 19, 2025

RE: Administrator's Report for the June 26, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

Administration (1000 series)

- 1001 – Board Administration
 - The Board held a budget workshop on June 16th. The Citizen Advisory Committee discussed the budget at its June 17th meeting.
 - The Board finalized the Strategic Plan at its June 16th special board meeting.

Programs (3000 series)

- 3002 – Permitting
 - Between May 13, 2025, and June 15, 2025, the following activity took place:
 - 176 site inspections performed with a 95.4% mean compliance rate
 - Two permit applications received
 - No permits were approved, and four were closed out.
- 3003 – Monitoring & Data Assessment
 - Continued CAMP, CAT/DIY, Stream, and Diagnostic Monitoring. Mid-season monitoring update proposed for the late July Board meeting.
- 3004 – Non-Point Source Pollution Abatement (Cost-Share)
 - 49 site visits have been completed YTD compared to 45 in all of 2024.
 - Two shoreline restorations funded by the Community Water Cost-Share were completed, one on Bone Lake and one on Comfort.
 - The District's first SHIP grant was used by a resident of Bone Lake to anchor a "fish stick" to their shoreline. Downed woody material improves aquatic habitat and reduces erosion.
- 3005 – Education & Outreach
 - CLFLWD has an information booth at the Forest Lake Arts in the Park each Tuesday evening from 5 to 8:30 p.m. If any board member would like to help staff host the booth, let Adam know.
 - Spring 2025 newsletter was mailed out to each addressed parcel within the CLFLWD on June 20th.

- 3006 – Interagency Communication
 - Wyoming coordination meeting 6-11-25.
 - Scandia coordination meeting 6-18-25.

- 3008 – Measurement of Progress
 - At its May 22nd regular meeting the Board directed staff to submit Comfort Lake for nutrient impairment delisting consideration on the 2026 Impaired Waters List. The forms were submitted by MPCA’s May 23rd deadline. Staff will keep the Board updated as we receive updates from MPCA. We expect Comfort Lake will be delisted by spring 2026.

- 3009 – Grant Research & Preparation
 - The District submitted two Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Fund grant applications in May: Greenbelt Phase 1 (\$3.3 million) and Bone Lake South Phase 2 (\$1.6 million). Staff will keep the Board updated as receive updates from the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
 - The District executed the grant agreement with the Board of Water and Soil Resources for the Goodwin Ave Stormwater Wetland. We expect to execute the MN Pollution Control Agency grant agreement for Shoreline Resiliency Planning within the next week or so.

- 3010 – Operations & Maintenance
 - Cr50 IESF filter bed maintenance conducted week of June 9. Biofilm raked off, vegetation removed, and filter beds dragged to improve infiltration rates. Edge Ecosystems conducted the maintenance activities.
 - Beaver debris removed and the outlet to the Edell wetland reshaped by Edge Ecosystems the week of May 26. The landowner is trapping the beaver and will work to keep the outlet free of debris moving forward.

- 3011 – Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention & Management
 - 7 Seasonal Watercraft Inspectors have completed all the required training and are able to provide coverage at the District’s public launches during normally scheduled hours and upcoming busy holiday weekends. One additional WCI has completed online training and will be scheduled for the next available DNR in person training.
 - Staff (Matthew) has completed the MAISRC Professional AIS Detector Course, which is designed to help AIS Professionals hone their aquatic plant

identification skills; refresh their knowledge on impacts, aquatic ecology, and Minnesota AIS laws; provide a detailed explanation of reporting tools; and more.

- Staff joined BWS to complete the Forest Lake assessment survey for Curly-leaf pondweed & the Eurasian watermilfoil delineation. BWS has previously conducted Bone & Comfort Lake assessment surveys. Once these reports are completed, they will be made available for administrator and board review.
- 3012 – Land Acquisition & Management
 - Bone Lake South property. A signed purchase agreement is in hand. Survey crews are working on the lot line adjustment surveys needed to divide several parcels. EOR will begin the environmental assessments of the property by the end of June. Staff hope to have the closing on the property this fall/early winter.
 - North Shore Trail Nature Area: Great River Greening sponsored a volunteer planting event on June 5th. 115 native shrubs were planted by 27 volunteers and staff from CLFLWD and Great River Greening. Additionally, volunteers seeded 1.6 acres of upland woodland, and 1.2 acres of lowland wet meadow habitat.
- 3013 – Watershed Planning & Resiliency
 - EOR is working on the Flood Resiliency Action Plan. This item will be brought to the July 10th regular board meeting along with an update Greenbelt & Open Space planning and the annual review of the Crisis Communication Plan.

Projects (5000 series)

- Little Comfort Lake
 - Iron Enhanced Sand Filter – EOR is working on final design and permitting. Proposed implementation in summer 2026.
- Forest Lake
 - Middle Basin Alum Treatment – continued planning for the upcoming Alum treatment.
 - North Shore Circle Park – shoreline restoration project completed. The City will install a gravel walkway sometime this summer.
- Comfort Lake
 - Goodwin St Stormwater wetland – continued landowner outreach regarding land acquisition needed for project implementation.



1 - "Fish Stick" anchored to a private shoreline on Bone Lake



