



Project Update

August 13, 2026

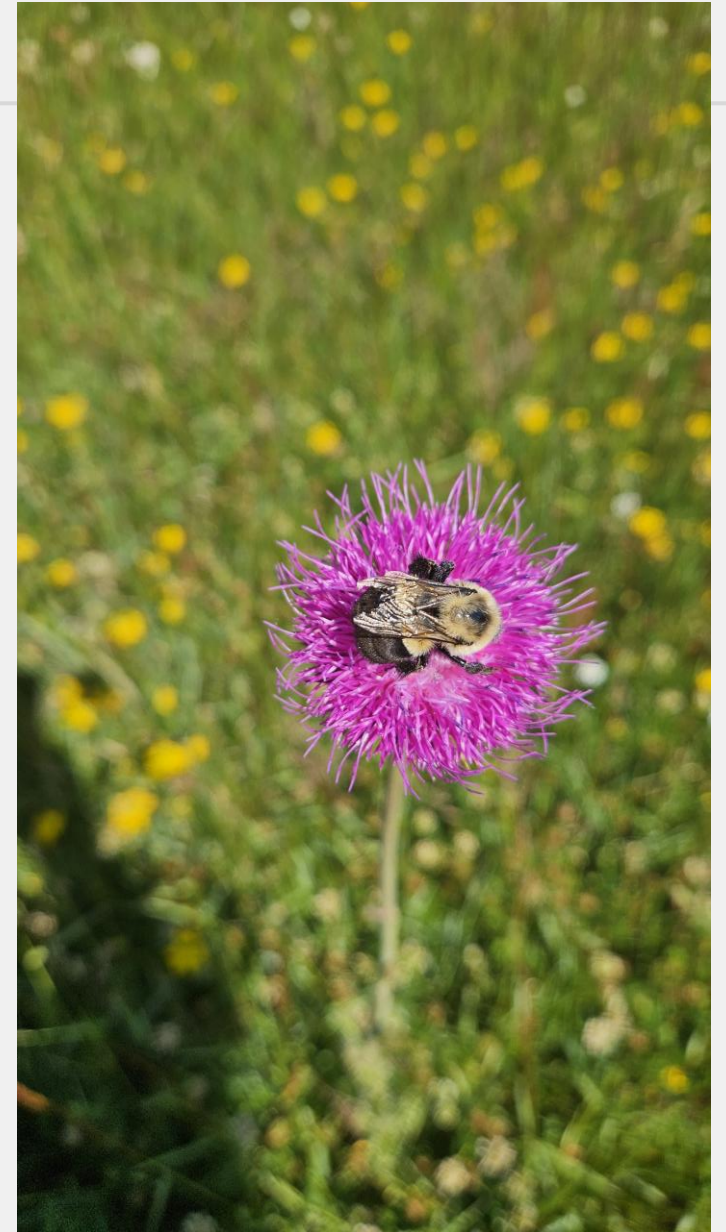


Willow Point, Forest Lake



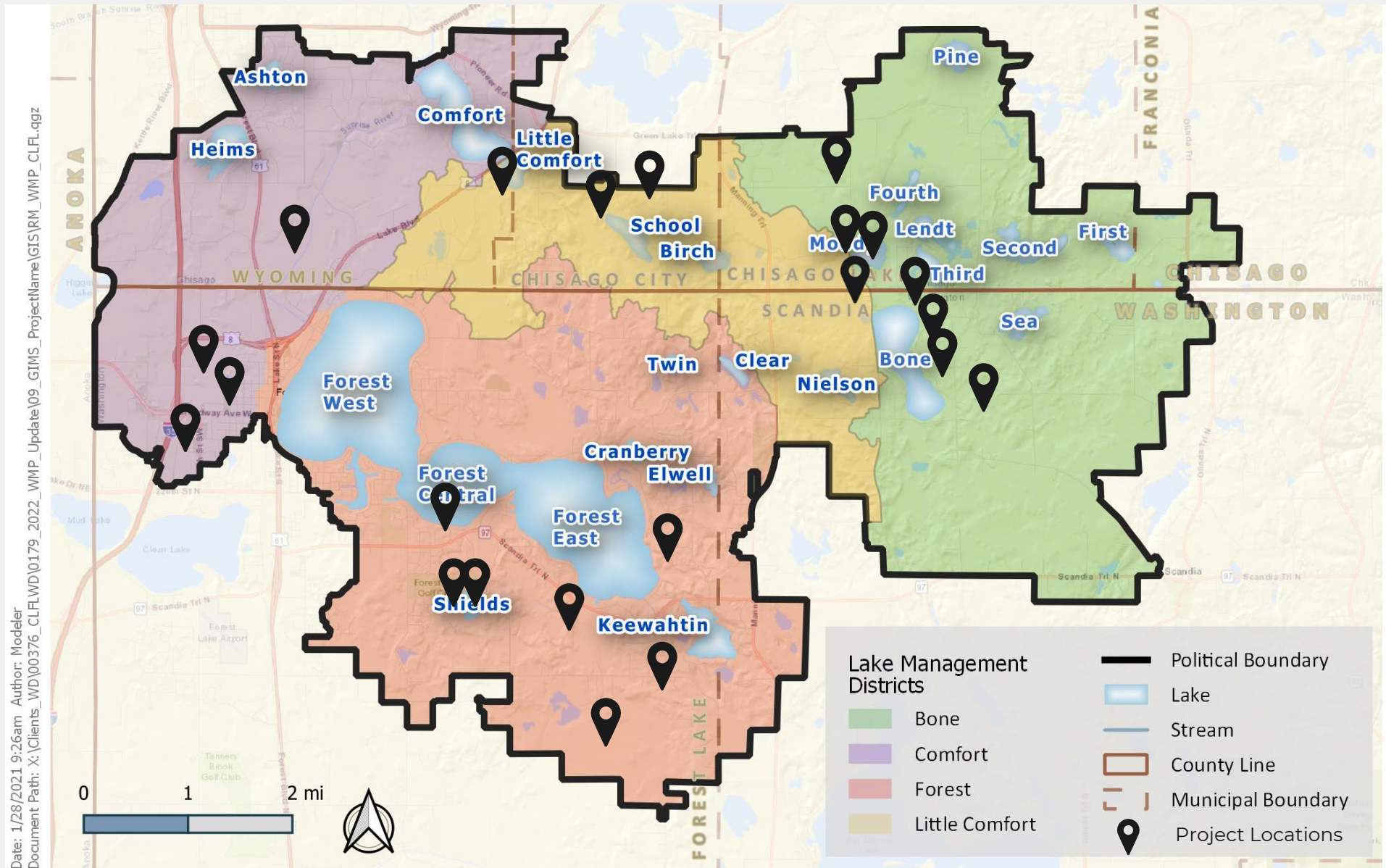
Introduction

- These slides are intended as an informational update of progress on the many projects underway throughout the District.
- **Highlighted text on the project slides indicates updated information from the previous month's slides.**
- Similar information will also be presented in this month's Administrator's report.
- If there are any questions regarding this update, please reach out directly to the Administrator and/or staff in advance of the board meeting.





Completed District Projects





Project Management

Phase 1. Planning: Pre-grant execution; includes project identification tasks such as diagnostic monitoring.

Phase 2. Feasibility: Begins with grant agreement execution; includes surveying etc.

Phase 3. Design: Begins with feasibility study acceptance and project ordering; includes project design.

Phase 4. Implementation: Begins with project bidding; includes bidding, contract award, construction.

Phase 5. Operations & Maintenance: Begins with certificate of completion acceptance and final payment; continues through project lifespan - typically 10-25 years

A reminder of the many steps needed to identify, plan, design, and implement each water quality improvement project. Each phase has multiple tasks that can take anywhere from several months to a year to complete.

- Phase 1 - Planning

- + PROJECT IDENTIFICATION AND DUE DILIGENCE
- PLAN AMENDMENT (if necessary)
- + GRANT APPLICATION & EXECUTION & REPORTING

- Phase 2 - Feasibility

- + SCOPE OF WORK REVIEW
- + ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
- PRELIMINARY DESIGN
- + OUTREACH
- + PROJECT ORDERING & FEASIBILITY STUDY ACCEPTANCE (public hearing)

- Phase 3 - Design

- + SCOPE OF WORK/BUDGET REVIEW
- + OBTAIN PROPERTY RIGHTS/OPTIONS
- PERMITTING (including CLFLWD)
- FINAL DESIGN
- + AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS

- Phase 4 - Implementation

- + SOLICIT BIDS
- + CONTRACT AWARD
- + CONTRACTING/NTP
- + CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT
- DEVELOP O&M MANUAL
- + CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION & PAYMENT
- + GRANT CLOSEOUT

+ Phase 5 - Operation & Maintenance



Conservation Corps Crew to Assist with Project Implementation and Project O&M

2026 Cons Corps grant approved



Projects

BLSNA – Invasive Species Removal & old fence tear-out

CR50 IESF – Filter Bed Maintenance

Shields Lake Park – Invasive Species Removal

NSTNA – invasive species removal & hazard tree removal

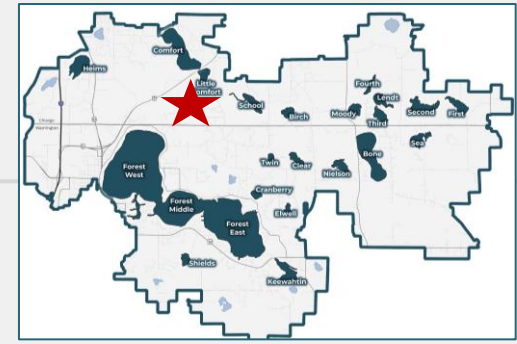
Crew Dates:

June 16-17, July 22, August 3-5, Sept 17, and October 7

2027 Cons Corps Crew grant unsuccessful



Little Comfort Lake Subwatershed Enhancement



Project: Iron Enhanced Sand Filter

Project Phase 4: Implementation

Benefit: ~78 lbs phosphorus per year

Lifetime cost per pound phosphorus reduction:
TBD

Status:

Public Project Open House was held July 27th. Five people stopped by to learn about the project, including Commissioner Ben Montzka.

Pre-Construction Meeting with contractor took place on July 21st.

Ground Breaking Ceremony September 14th at 2pm.

The project is slated to break ground in late September.



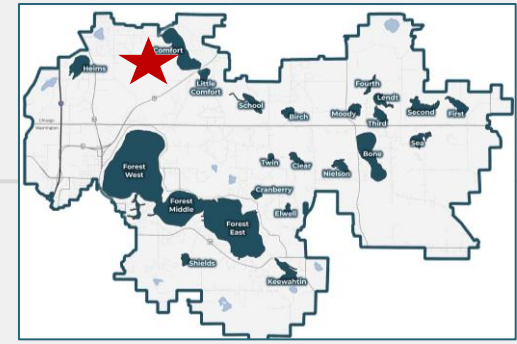
Open House on July 27



Pre-Construction meeting on July 21



Green Infrastructure Project – E. Comfort Pond



Project: Stormwater Wetland Basin

Project Phase 3: Design

Benefit: 3.4–6.7 lbs phos

Lifetime cost per pound phosphorus reduction: TBD

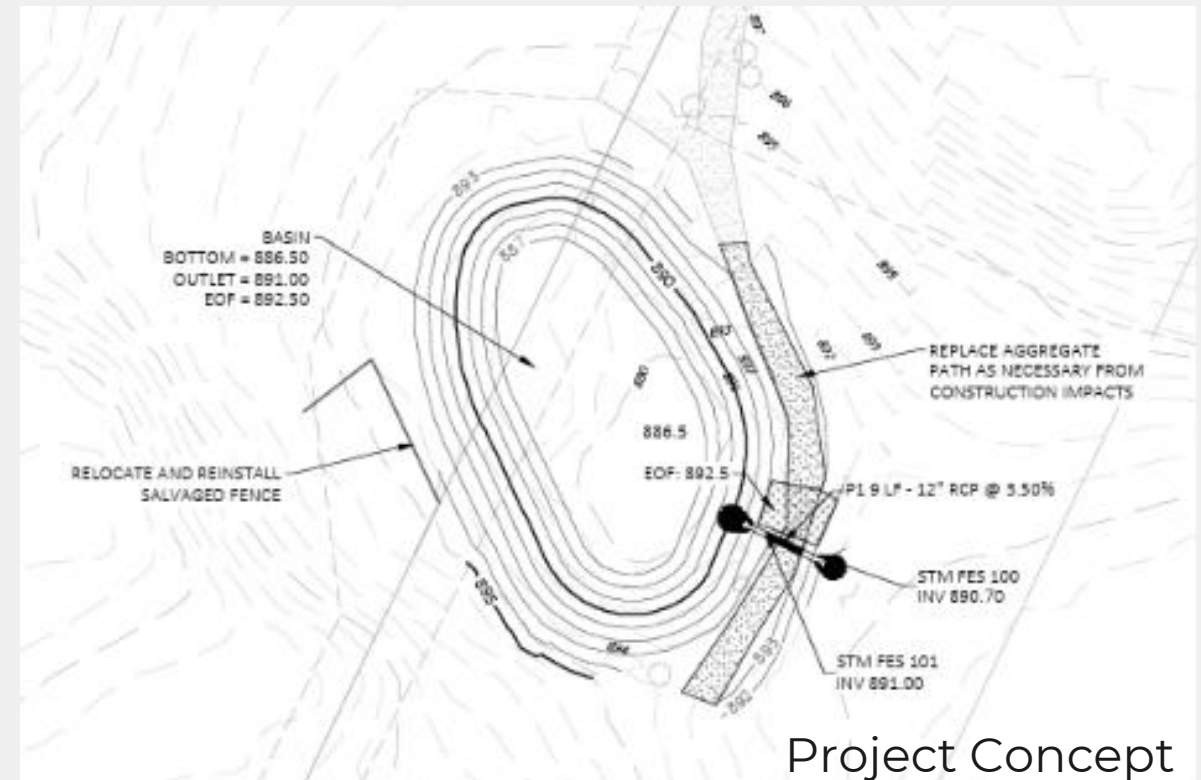
Status:

Feasibility phase complete, Project Ordered at 8–13th Board Meeting.

Staff working on landowner project agreements.

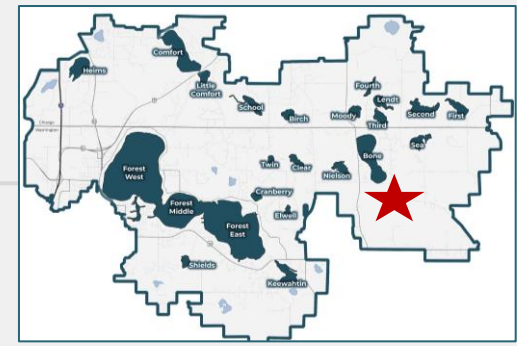
Staff working on MOA with City of Wyoming for project implementation.

EOR working on wetland permitting aspects of the design.





Bone Lake South Nature Area Restoration



Project: Property Restoration – wetland, native prairie, forest

Project Phase 2: Feasibility

Benefit: ~tbd

Status:

Perimeter Fence construction completed May 28

Staff, with EOR support, are working on the BLSNA management & restoration plan

Wetland restoration feasibility underway.

Staff are assessing the parking lot and access for the property.



Bone Lake South Nature Area Landscape



School Lake Agriculture BMPs

Project:

Livestock manure facility improvements, non-structural agricultural practices.

Project Phase 2: Feasibility

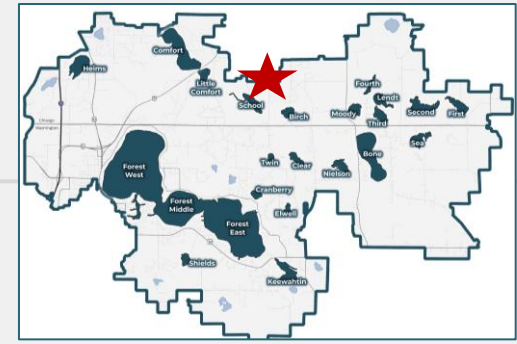
Benefit: ~61 lbs phosphorus per year

Lifetime cost per pound phosphorus reduction:

TBD

Status:

Staff are exploring other options for the remaining funds





Questions ?

