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TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers
FROM: Gael Zembal
DATE: December 2, 2021
RE: Education & Outreach Coordinator's Report for December Board Meeting

Program Updates

Education

The EO team is in the process of planning programs for 2022. I presented at Gatewood elementary to 4th graders about water pollution and the water cycle.

Outreach

The draft trail map is being reviewed by staff and CAC members. We are also reviewing drafts of the Salt Suitcase. Nine Mile will also be attending a few Minnetonka Winter Farmer's Markets. Other outreach events are being coordinated now, including attendance at the Bloomington Home Improvement Fair in February.

Meetings and Presentations

All-staff meetings to check in and track progress (2 weekly)

Nov 18	Improving Restorations fall webinar series
Nov 30	Smart Salting for Faith communities with CCWD and RPBCWD
Dec 1	CAC meeting
Dec 2	Gatewood elementary presentation
Dec 2-3	MAWD
Dec 3	Check in on Salt Suitcase progress
Dec 3	Alpha Video board room upgrade discussion
Dec 3	Meet with the Design Company for banner up progress
Dec 4	Minnetonka Winter Farmer's Market, chloride reduction theme

Professional Development

I attended the MN Naturalists Association conference in November, and attended presentations on the effects COVID has had on our students, and teaching in light of that. I also attended a few sessions of MAWD.

Volunteers

The CAC met on December 1 and came up with some good ideas for outreach in 2022. Among these were postcards for keeping leaves out of the creek, and classroom tie ins to Salt Watch. They also discussed having more board managers rotate through being the CAC liaison, as they'd like to know more of what the board is doing.

I have sent out 10 Salt Watch kits, and will be making more to mail at the end of December.