



## Nine Mile Creek Discovery Point

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**TO:** Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers  
**FROM:** Gael Zembal  
**DATE:** November 5, 2018  
**RE:** Education & Outreach Coordinators Report for November 2018 Board Meeting

## Program Updates

### Education

School visits: Gael helped at a Riverwatch program for the Richfield College Entrance Program. Gael hosted a small group of students from the International School of Minnesota in October at Discovery Point. Staff and volunteers have also used the Watershed Sandbox for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students at Poplar Bridge Elementary School.

We will host a Smart Salting Parking Lots and Sidewalks workshop at Discovery Point in November.

### Outreach

Gael and Steve Gurney at the City of Bloomington presented at the Water Resources Conference on the Popup Cart and Adopt a Drain pilot programs.

Staff is preparing for two upcoming introductory workshops about Smart Salting for faith-based organizations in November.

### Miscellaneous

Gael will be attending the Minnesota Naturalists' Association and MAWD conferences in November.

### Meetings

- Met with student group from St. Thomas geochemistry class. They are conducting core sample analyses on Lake Cornelia for a class project.
- Attended Watershed Partners meeting to reflect on and plan for future education initiatives.
- Met with Jessica Wilson at City of Edina to discuss programs and partnership opportunities.
- Met with educators from MWMO and CRWD to compare educational initiatives and ideas

### Volunteers

We will be honoring volunteers at our annual State of the Waters event in December, including the Volunteer of the Year.

### Upcoming Events

Nov 14	Salt Solutions: Oak Knoll Lutheran Church, Minnetonka, 1-3
Nov 20	Salt Solutions: Bet Shalom Congregation, Minnetonka, 6:30-8:30
Dec 12	State of the Waters: Hopkins Center for the Arts, Jaycee Room, 7-8:30