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TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers
FROM: Gael Zembal
DATE: August 12, 2021
RE: Education & Outreach Coordinator's Report for August 2021 Board Meeting

Program Updates

Education

The seed propagation hybrid class went very well, with about 20 people attending both in person and on Zoom. We will continue to refine our process and equipment to make hybrid programs more successful.

Outreach

Minnesota Bound featured a segment on our goldfish work on Lake Cornelia. You can view it [here](#), starting at about 1:20.

We have been working to update our trail map for another printing.

I am talking with KORT signs to make a salt suitcase display for use this coming winter. It will have many interactive elements and be portable. This project will be partially funded with the money in memory of Walter Levesque to further his legacy of reducing salt pollution. We thank his friends and family for their monetary support.

Professional Development

I attended the Salt Symposium and learned many useful things about other sources of salt pollution, including water softeners, agriculture, and wastewater.

Meetings

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

July 22 Meeting with City of Minnetonka for Holiday/Wing/Rose UAA

August 3-4 Salt Symposium

- August 4 City of Edina Climate Action Planning Team meeting
- August 5 Meet with KORT signs to discuss salt suitcase display
- August 11 Tour Wakáŋ Tipi with Watershed Partners
- August 12 Meeting of the Culturally Aware and Relevant Engagement team
- August 12 City of Edina Climate Action Planning Team Equity meeting
- August 18 Holiday/Wing/Rose Engagement meeting with City of Minnetonka

Volunteers

The CAC met on August 4th and received updates on the District's recent project developments and educational programs. They also discussed how to improve the trail map in the next iteration.

Upcoming Events

- Sep 21 MPCA Smart Salting Parking Lots and Sidewalks | 8 AM – 2 PM
- Sep 25 Bloomington Farmers Market | 9 AM – 2 PM | Civic Plaza