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TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers
FROM: Erica Sniegowski
DATE: August 4, 2021
RE: Program & Project Manager's Report for the August 2021 Board Meeting

Project Updates

Fisheries Management

- WSB trained staff on corn baiting at Normandale Lake; I have been working with volunteers to bait the three sites at Normandale.
- WSB has completed two carp netting events at Normandale Lake (7/28 & 8/5).



Nonprofit BMP Project

The raingarden interpretive signs were installed at the five nonprofit project sites. A second interpretive sign was installed at Oak Grove Presbyterian Church's cost share project raingarden and an interpretive sign was also installed at the raingarden at Normandale Hills Elementary School as part of this sign printing and installation.



Discovery Point Restoration and Maintenance

MNL is watering the new shrubs and trees planted in the restoration areas, along with the raingarden plants.

UAA Studies

Arrowhead/Indianhead

- Prepared and sent a reminder postcard for the Arrowhead/Indianhead Lake User UAA survey
- Lizzy began to compile survey results

Wing/Holiday/Rose

Gael and I met with Minnetonka staff to discuss public engagement regarding the Wing/Holiday/Rose Lake UAA update and set the public engagement meeting for September 29th at 6:30 PM.

Program Updates

Cost Share Grant Program

Native habitat restoration grants were due on July 22. We received nine applications- two city and seven residential. A memo summarizing the application round and needed board action is in this month's board packet.

- Reviewed submitted habitat restoration grants with Lauren
- Reviewed yearly reports and processed cost share grant reimbursement requests
- Communicated with people interested in grants and those that submitted grants
- Conducted a cost share site visit

Minnesota GreenCorps

Lizzy's last day serving as a Minnesota GreenCorps member with the District is August 16th. We have been working on program close-out items together. It has been a great experience having Lizzy serve at the District, and I am looking forward to her joining our staff as an intern starting on August 31st!

Meetings

July 15	Cost share site visit
July 21	Meeting with Minnetonka and Bloomington to discuss partnership opportunities
July 22	Holiday/Wing/Rose UAA update public engagement meeting with Minnetonka
July 23	Normandale corn baiting training with WSB
July 26	Training volunteers on corn baiting at Normandale
July 30	Penn Lake meeting with Bloomington and Barr
August 2	Training volunteer on Normandale corn baiting

Other Meetings

- All-staff meetings to check in and track progress
- E/O check in meetings (1-2 weekly)