## Barr Engineering Co. MEMORANDUM

**To:** Board of Managers: Nine Mile Creek Watershed District

From: Barr Engineering Company

Subject: Permit #2019-06: Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit: Bloomington/Richfield

**Date:** March 14, 2019

Metro Transit has submitted a permit application received February 18, 2019 for the proposed Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit line that will connect Minneapolis, Richfield, Bloomington and Burnsville along I-35W. I-494 improvements will include the construction of an underpass connecting Knox Avenue under I-494, west of the I-35W interchange. The majority of the project is a linear project as defined by Rule 4.2.4 however 3.04 acres of disturbed area (2.1 acres impervious) is non-linear in nature – parking lots and for sections of the stations that lie outside of the existing public right-of-way. We are requesting that the Board consider a 60-day extension of the review time frame enabling us to get through the review of some complicated hydraulics for storm water management associated with the project. We have discussed this with the project agent and their response in e-mail dated March 12, 2019 was this extension would not appear to be an issue with the project schedule. At this time, we anticipate our review to be completed for the April meeting.