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TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers

FROM: Gael Zembal DATE: April 9, 2019

RE: Education & Outreach Coordinators Report for April 2019 Board Meeting

Program Updates

Education

Staff and volunteers took the watershed sandbox to the Success Academy in Bloomington. We spoke with each grade at the school (K-6) and helped them learn about the water cycle and keeping lakes and creeks clean.

The Sustainable Residential Landscaping class had over 30 people registered the week of the event.

Outreach

2 volunteers staffed the 9 Mile booth at the Eden Prairie Give Gathering to promote our upcoming volunteer opportunities.

Gael will have the watershed sandbox at the CIGNA Earth Day Fair on April 24.

Staff will share a table with RPBCWD at the Eden Prairie Arbor Day and Green Fair on May 4.

Meetings

Staff met with a Master Water Steward volunteer to discuss the CWF church projects. Staff also met with the volunteers working on buckthorn removal on the Cardinal Creek Wetland Trail to plan for 2019.

Miscellaneous

Erica and Gael are attending a raingarden maintenance class presented by RMWMD. We hope to gather ideas for creating a similar class for our CWF churches and grantees.

Volunteers

Gael hosted a classroom volunteer training session for CAC members and Master Water Stewards. 4 attended and have since applied their learning at multiple school visits.

Upcoming Events

Apr 13	Sustainable Residential Landscaping: 1-2:30 PM; Discovery Point
May 4	Valley Park Trash Cleanup: 1-3:30 PM; Hopkins Valley Park
May 21	Sustainable Lawns: Fescues and Flowers: 6-7:30 PM; Chanhassen Lib
May 30	Volunteer Planting: 4-6 PM; Discovery Point