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TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers

FROM: Gael Zembal DATE: March 7, 2019

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

Program Updates

Education

Staff visited 5th graders at Normandale Hills Elementary in Bloomington with the watershed sandbox.

Outreach

Staff met to discuss the 60th Anniversary Storymap and shared rough drafts of each section.

Meetings

Staff met with the City of Minnetonka and watershed district partners to discuss rolling out Adopt a Drain in Minnetonka. Staff also met with Eden Prairie to discuss Adopt a Drain rollout in that city.

Gael met with the City of Bloomington Sustainability Commission, who will be partnering with us on the sustainable lawns workshops. These are scheduled for May 21 and June 5.

Miscellaneous

Would the Board be interested in including a conference fee stipend for CAC members in next year's budget?

Conference could include the Water Summit (new this year, on May 9-10) or MAWD.

Volunteers

The CAC have decided to break out into smaller working groups again this year, in addition to their normal tasks; one focuses on Pollinators, and the other on Community Outreach. The working groups have met to discuss the goals for each group.

Master Water Stewards had their final class on March 9, where they discussed their ideas for a capstone project.

Upcoming Events

April 3 CAC Cost Share Grant Review: 6:30-8:30; Discovery Point

Apr 13 Sustainable Residential Landscaping: 1-2:30 PM; Discovery Point

May 4 Valley Park Trash Cleanup: 1-3:30 PM; Hopkins Valley Park