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TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers
FROM: Erica Sniegowski
DATE: February 13, 2018
RE: Program & Project Manager's Report for the February 2019 Regular Board Meeting

Project Updates

Normandale Lake

Staff has a meeting with the City of Bloomington to discuss incorporating art opportunities into the new Normandale lake level monitoring station. See additional updates in Engineer's Report.

Program Updates

Education and Outreach (E/O) Program

Staff is continuing to meet about the 60th Anniversary Story Map. We anticipate having a draft framework finished by mid-March. Staff is working with member cities on the rollout of the Adopt a Drain program in the spring.

I worked with Hamline and retired Bloomington Public School (BPS) employee Craig Nordstrom to highlight the reductions in salt that the school district has made in a blog post for Clean Water MN, which has included applying for two Nine Mile Creek cost share grants. You can read the article at: <http://www.cleanwatermn.org/efficient-anti-icing/>

I attended a training at the Water Bar on January 19th. The Water Bar is a program that serves water, builds relationships and transforms culture through the creation of social spaces, popular education programs, tools and strategies for leadership development, and public art projects (text from <https://www.water-bar.org/>). By attending the training, the District can now check out a kit to host water bars at community events, trainings, etc.

I attended the road salt symposium and gave a presentation on the District's chloride rule.

See the E/O Coordinator's report for additional E/O program and event updates.

Grants

Cost Share Grants: Cost share grant applications are due Friday, March 22. Application materials are available at: ninemilecreek.org/grants.

Miscellaneous

- Had weekly staff meetings
- Made website updates
- Answered questions from cost share applicants and review draft cost share applications

Meetings

January 11	Countywide chloride steering committee meeting
January 14	Story map meeting
January 16	Normandale meeting with Barr
January 19	Attended Water Bar training
January 23	Cost share agreements conference call with Smith Partners
January 24	Story map meeting
January 25	Normandale meeting with Barr, Bloomington, Rachel
January 28	Story map meeting
January 30	Meeting with MWS stewards
January 30	Presentation from St. Thomas students
February 1	Meeting with MWS stewards
February 6	Attended AIS presentation
February 7	Road salt symposium
February 7	Clean Water MN interview
February 8	Normandale lake check-in with Barr staff
February 9	Attended MWS class
February 12	NMCWD water quality monitoring meeting, conference call with Carp Solutions with Barr staff