

**Pelican River Watershed District
Administrator Monthly Report
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MAIN DISTRICT WATER QUALITY INITIATIVES

Upper Pelican River Watershed District Project. Landowner packets are nearly ready for meetings.

Sewage/Water – Options for Shoreland Areas. Wenck will review a draft of the Sewer/Water options planning document for Floyd, Melissa and Sallie at the January managers meeting.

Highway 10 Overlook Shoreline Restoration Grant Proposal: DNR grant reviewers will be making their decisions in the near future. A meeting has been set for January 15 between DNR Grant reviewers/MN DOT/City of DL/ PRWD to answer questions. The grant request is for \$75,000.

Airport Expansion – Nothing further to report.

WATER MANAGEMENT RULES

- a. **Permits.** See enclosed report.
- b. **Environmental Technical Review Panel –** A meeting was held at the City of DL for a proposed planned unit development project located on Detroit Lake (Voyager bowling lanes/Islands night club location). Guetter did not attend due to illness, but scheduled a meeting with City Administrator, Bob Louiseau for January 16th to review the project plans.
- c. **PRWD Stormwater Management Rules-** Nothing further to report.

DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT

We are in the fall/winter sampling mode, involving a substantially reduced stream sampling schedule. Hecock has been compiling 2007 lake and stream data. Most of these calculations are completed now, and are ready to be incorporated into the Annual Summary. The 2008 Monitoring Plan is in preparation, and will be available for distribution at the January Managers' Meeting.

EDUCATION

The District will participate in a February in-formal gathering between permitting agencies and area building contractors. The purpose is to inform contractors of new laws/requirements and permitting procedures.

Guetter has made recommendations to MAWD concerning changes to the format of the annual legislative breakfast.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Job Descriptions. Guetter and Baer continue to work on position descriptions (Guetter, Baer, Technician, secretary/receptionist) and will review with the personnel committee.

2007 Workplan Review and 2008 Workplan– Guetter has completed, and is included in monthly packet for discussion at the managers' meeting.

Financial- End of year transfers have been made, General Ledger was printed and distributed for Imholte's review.

Savings Deposit: PERA Rate Increase (\$154), Property Tax Credit (\$8,224.19)

DITCHES. See report.

AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT.

Hecock began work on designing a planning strategy. At present the strategy will emphasize in-house work, with the data collection (plant mapping) done by a DNR-approved consultant. We propose a special managers meeting later this month to review the strategy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Ditch 11/12- Nothing further to report

Ditch 13- Nothing further to report.

Ditch 14- Nothing further to report.