

# Marshall County Soil & Water Conservation District

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## Notice of the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed One Watershed, One Plan

Local government units within the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed are initiating a comprehensive watershed management plan for the watershed (see attached map). The Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Partnership was created through a Memorandum of Agreement between the Counties of Marshall and Polk; the Marshall and West Polk Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs); and the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers Watershed District (WD); to create a watershed-based plan under the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) program.

You have been identified as a stakeholder in this planning area. This letter invites you to submit priority resources and issues that you feel should be addressed in the planning process and resulting plan. To establish a common language and maximize the ability to incorporate your responses into the planning process, definitions for resources and issues have been provided below:

- **Resource:** Natural features on the landscape that have aesthetic, economic, environmental, or social value. Examples: lakes, rivers and streams, wetlands, soils, and aquatic and terrestrial habitat.
- **Issue:** A factor, stressor or difficulty resulting in an adverse consequence for a resource. For instance, elevated levels of total phosphorus could be an issue affecting a resource (i.e., lakes).

This letter also serves to invite those interested to serve on an Advisory Committee. This committee advises the Policy Committee (comprised of County Commissioners, SWCD Supervisors, and a WD Manager) and will typically meet monthly throughout the planning process or as needed. The Advisory Committee will have representation from stakeholders in the watershed, such as plan review authorities (BWSR, DNR, MPCA, MDA, MDH), local governments, agriculture and producer groups, conservation and environmental organizations, and urban and rural interests to ensure that all who depend upon our water resources are represented.

Please submit your responses to Darren Carlson at [darren.carlson@mn.nacdnet.net](mailto:darren.carlson@mn.nacdnet.net), or the Marshall County SWCD at 105 South Division St, Warren, MN by **4:30 PM, May 26, 2021**.

There will be a public kickoff meeting scheduled following the public comment period to review watershed data, present and discuss priority resources and issues identified by the stakeholders, and provide an opportunity to gain further feedback. Feel free to contact Darren Carlson with any questions.

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