



Cannon River One Watershed, One Plan

"Aligning local water planning on major watershed boundaries with state strategies towards prioritized, targeted and measurable implementation plans"

June 5, 2019

RE: Submittal of Cannon River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for 90-Day Review

State Review Agencies,

On June 5th, 2019, the Cannon River One Watershed One Plan Policy Committee approved submittal of a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan (Plan) to initiate the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) 90-day review and approval process.

Local planning partners were awarded a BWSR planning grant in March 2017. The planning process included various means for gathering input including the establishment of a Policy Committee, Technical Advisory Group and Planning Work Group. Six "Water Conversation" meetings were held for citizens to attend, contribute and discuss Plan options. Public open house meetings were also held both at the beginning of the planning process and after the initial draft of the Plan was approved.

The initial draft of the Plan was approved by the Policy Committee on January 23, 2019 and sent for a 60-day review by State review agencies and affected parties. It was also made available for public review and comment. The comment period for this 60-day review closed on March 30th, 2019. A public hearing was then held on April 24th, 2019. All comments received have been documented in a response to comments spreadsheet. The Final Plan and supporting documents are available on the Cannon River One Watershed, One Plan website: www.dakotacountyswcd.org/1w1p.html.

On behalf of the local planning partners, we are pleased to submit the final draft of the Cannon River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan for your review and approval.

Sincerely,

Steven Rohlfiing, Chair
Cannon River 1W1P Policy Committee

Encl: Written Comments from 60-Day Review
Minutes from Public Hearing
Response to Comments Spreadsheet