



Red River Watershed Management Board

Meeting Highlights – June 19, 2018

1. Project Funding – The following three projects were presented to the RRWMB Managers for discussion and consideration:

- Thief River Falls Westside Flood Damage Reduction
- Goose Prairie Wetland Management Area Enhancement Project
- City of Hendrum Flood Control Levee Improvement Project

The RRWMB Technical Advisory Committee will review all three projects and will make recommendations back to the RRWMB Managers. The Red River Basin Commission also requested funding to utilize the RRWMB Technical Advisory Committee to assist in reviewing technical aspects of the existing Long Term Flood Solutions document, which will be updated by the Red River Basin Commission and its partners in the coming months. The RRWMB approved this request.

2. Upcoming Special Meeting – The RRWMB Managers directed staff to schedule a special meeting as soon as possible, for the Managers to discuss the funding of flood damage reduction projects.

3. RRWMB Committee Appointments – Several appointments were made by the RRWMB President to a number of internal RRWMB Committees and various external committees.

4. Outreach – The RRWMB Managers approved an outreach strategy that will be used by RRWMB staff to communicate to member watershed districts, local governmental officials, and various stakeholders about RRWMB activities, programs, and initiatives. The Executive Director reported that several meetings have been attended since the last regular RRWMB meeting and included:

- Member Watershed Districts – Presentations were given to four of the RRWMB member watershed districts during this timeframe regarding several matters and activities.
- Association of Minnesota Counties District Meetings – Approximately 100 county commissioners and county officials attended meetings in Bemidji, Ada, and Fergus Falls last week. The RRWMB presented information about the Board, current activities, and provided several factsheets and informational items at the events.
- Red River Basin Commission – The RRWMB attended the regular meeting of the Commission and provided updates and information about current activities.

5. Reports – Several reports were shared in the meeting packet including member watershed districts, the Red River Retention Authority, the International Water Institute, and other partners.

6. Meeting Calendar – A monthly meeting calendar of upcoming watershed district meetings and related events was included in the meeting packet.

7. Notes – The July 17, 2008 RRWMB meeting will include discussion and decisions about the RRWMB levy and budget for 2019. The next RRWMB Board Meeting is on July 17, 2018 in Wheaton at the Bois de Sioux Watershed District office.