

**BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES
520 LAFAYETTE ROAD N.
LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2014**

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

9:00 AM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2014 BOARD MEETING

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM (10-minute agenda time, two-minute limit/person)

REPORTS

- Chair & Administrative Advisory Committee – Brian Napstad
- Audit & Oversight Committee – Brian Napstad
- Executive Director – John Jaschke
- Dispute Resolution Committee – Gerald Van Amburg
- Grants Program & Policy Committee – Steve Sunderland
- RIM Reserve & Soil Conservation Committee – Gene Tiedemann
- Water Management & Strategic Planning Committee – Jack Ditmore
- Wetlands & Drainage Committee – Gerald Van Amburg
- Drainage Work Group – Tom Loveall/Al Kean

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Water Management and Strategic Planning Committee

1. Modification to the Local Water Plan Extensions Policy – Jack Ditmore and Doug Thomas – ***DECISION ITEM***

Grants Program and Policy Committee

1. Targeted Watershed Demonstration Program Funding Recommendations - Marcey Westrick – ***DECISION ITEM***

Wetland and Drainage Committee

1. Wetland Conservation Act Federal Approvals Exemption – Les Lemm – ***DECISION ITEM***

NEW BUSINESS

1. Durable & Targeted Ideas for Conservation Challenges in the Agricultural Regions of the Midwest and Minnesota - Craig Cox, Senior Vice President, Environmental Working Group (EWG) – ***INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEM***

AGENCY REPORTS

- Minnesota Department of Agriculture – Matthew Wohlman
- Minnesota Department of Health – Chris Elvrum
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources – Tom Landwehr
- Minnesota Extension Service – Faye Sleeper
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency – Terry McDill

ADVISORY COMMENTS

- Association of Minnesota Counties – Julie Ring
- Minnesota Association of Conservation District Employees – Matt Solemsaas
- Minnesota Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts – LeAnn Buck
- Minnesota Association of Townships – Sandy Hooker
- Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts – Ray Bohn
- Natural Resources Conservation Service – Don Baloun

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Next BWSR Board Meeting, January 28, 2015, St. Paul

Noon **ADJOURN**