



LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting
Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Agenda Item

Item 4. H. - Adopt Resolution 21-04 Planning Area 56

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Summary

Boundaries for the One Watershed One Plan for planning area 56 have been settled. Boundaries were determined by the water management organizations that were interested in participating in the planning process. While the LMRWD indicated its willingness to participate, only portions of the LMRWD are included in the final planning area. A map is attached showing the final area.

BWSR has asked that those organizations that are planning to participate in the policy committee affirm their participation by the adoption of a resolution of the governing board, even if they have previously provided a resolution.

LMRWD Resolution 20-04 has been updated to reflect a 2021 date. Assuming the Board wants to continue to be involved in this planning effort, the Board should adopt Resolution 21-04 Expressing Intent to Participate in One Watershed Planning and Supporting a Planning Grant Application.

Attachments

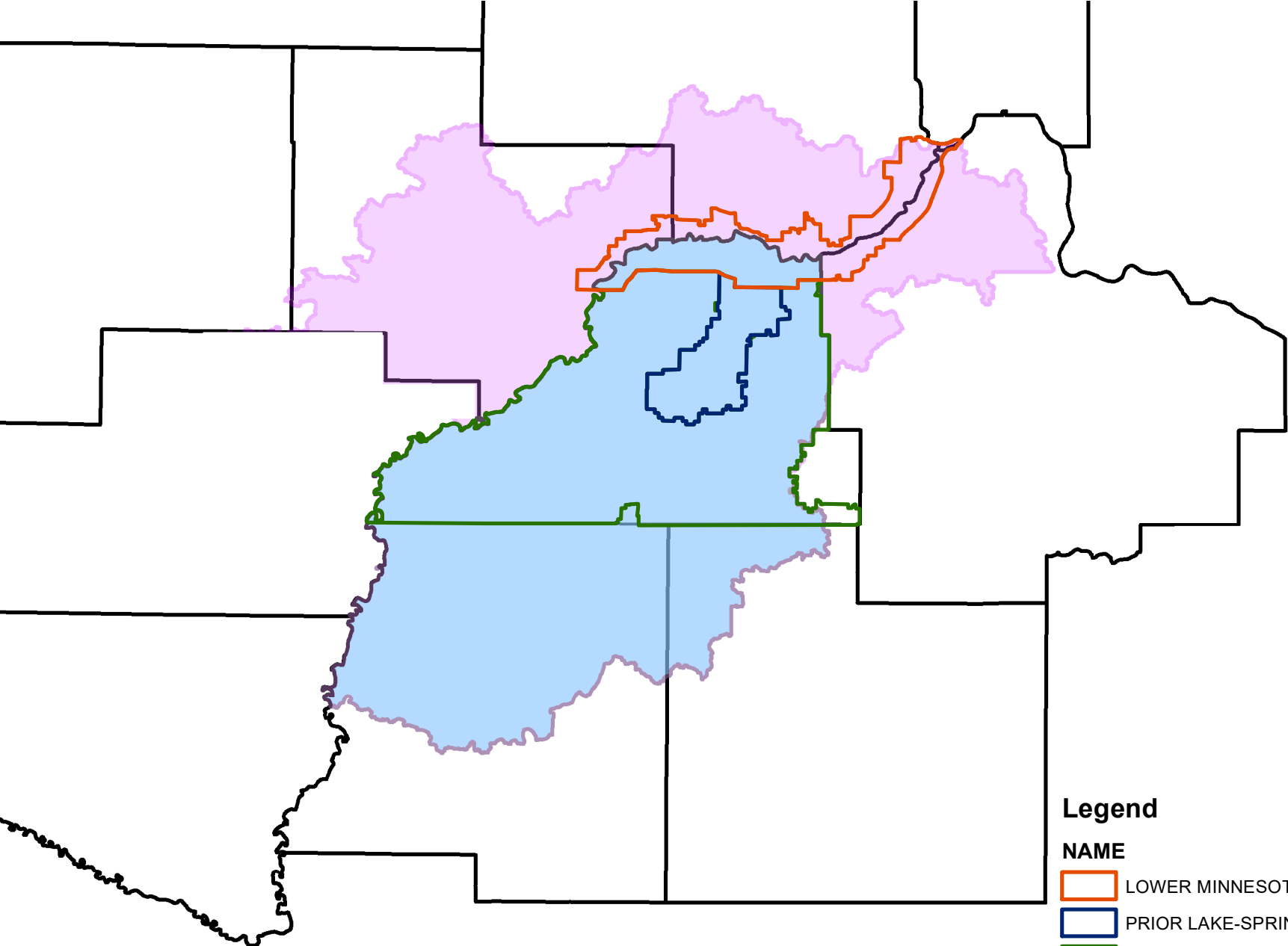
Map of Final Planning Area for Planning Area 56 1W1P

Resolution 21-04 Expressing Intent to Participate in One Watershed Planning and Supporting a Planning Grant Application

Recommended Action





Motion to adopt Resolution 21-04 Expressing Intent to Participate in One Watershed Planning and Supporting a Planning Grant Application

Lower Minnesota River Watershed 1W1P Boundary



Legend

NAME

-  LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WD
-  PRIOR LAKE-SPRING LAKE WD
-  SCOTT WMO
-  Lower Minnesota River Watershed 1W1P Boundary

ID

-  56

RESOLUTION # 21-04

RESOLUTION OF THE LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS

Expressing Intent to Participate in One Watershed Planning and Supporting a Planning Grant Application

Manager _____ offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Manager _____:

WHEREAS, the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (LMRWD) exists in a portion of One Watershed Planning Area 56 as established by the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR); and

WHEREAS, other watershed districts, watershed management organizations, counties and county soil and water conservations districts in Planning Area 56 have expressed an interest in initiating One Watershed Planning and in applying for a Planning Grant from the BWSR; and

WHEREAS, all of the interested entities, including the LMRWD, are required by statutes chapters 103B, 103C or 103D to prepare an adopt a water management plan for their organization or entity; and

WHEREAS, One Watershed Planning facilitates coordination of water management priorities, goals and actions across the Planning Area and between entities; and

WHEREAS, One Watershed Planning results in a One Watershed One Plan (watershed management plan) that may be adopted by the participating entities to replace their individually required plans under statutes chapters 103B, 103C and 103D; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the recent adoption of the LMRWD's Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan (2018) and the significant time and resources involved in developing that plan, the Board of Managers finds merit in coordinating with its neighboring entities in a One Watershed Planning effort and in seeking a Planning Grant to facilitate coordination and development of a One Watershed One Plan for Planning Area 56.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the LMRWD Board of Managers intends to participate in One Watershed Planning for Planning Area 56 should the process move forward; and

FURTHER, the Board supports the efforts of other entities within Planning Area 56 to seek a Planning Grant from the BWSR for the planning effort; and

FURTHER, given the recent adoption of the LMRWD Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan, the Board reserves any decision on whether to adopt a subsequent One Watershed One Plan to replace its current plan. Rather, the Board, by intending to participate fully the planning process, seeks to coordinate its existing priority, goals and actions with any subsequent One Watershed One Plan.

The question was on the adoption of the Resolution and there were ___ yeas and ___ nays as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
FREY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HARTMANN	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
RABY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SALVATO	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Upon vote, the President declared the Resolution adopted.

Jesse Hartmann, President

ATTEST:

Lauren Salvato, Secretary

I, Lauren Salvato, Secretary of the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District, do hereby certify that I have compared the above Resolution with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with the District and find the same to be a true and correct transcript thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this ___ day of _____ 2021.

Lauren Salvato, Secretary