



Date: January 22, 2025

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From: Marcey Westrick, Central Region Manager

RE: Rice Creek Watershed District Petition for Boundary Change

On December 13, 2024, the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (Board) received a petition for a boundary change between the Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) and the Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD), Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO), Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District (RWMWD), and the Vadnais Lake Area Watershed Management Organization (VLAMO) pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.215. The petition included:

1. October 9, 2024 RCW Petition for boundary change.
2. July 19, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-41 stating concurrence from the City of Falcon Heights.
3. July 23, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 072324B stating concurrence from the City of Lauderdale.
4. August 27, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-109 stating concurrence from the City of Lino Lakes.
5. July 23, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 12079 stating concurrence from the City of Roseville.
6. June 25, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-041 stating concurrence from the City of Saint Anthony.

7. July 16, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-28 stating concurrence from the City of Shoreview.
8. July 25, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 13384 stating concurrence from the City of White Bear Lake.
9. July 1 ,2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-28 stating concurrence from White Bear Township.
10. August 8, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-146 stating concurrence from the Capitol Region Watershed District.
11. July 9, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 2024-021 stating concurrence from the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization.
12. August 8, 2024 letter and associated Resolution 24-03 stating concurrence from the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District.
13. December 11, 2024 VLAMO memo to RCWD and associated VLAMO Resolution 02-2024 stating concurrence with the boundary change.
14. Impacted Parcels

The Board has reviewed the petition for conformance with State law and rule and has determined that the submitted petition is valid. The Board is noticing the boundary change request pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.215. The legal notice of filing will be published in the Star Tribune and Pioneer Press on January 27 and February 3, 2025, and in the Anoka County Union Herald on January 31 and February 7, 2025.

The proposed boundary change encompasses 1,466 parcels totaling approximately 607 acres of land along the common hydrologic boundary of Rice Creek Watershed District, Capitol Region Watershed District, Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District, Mississippi Watershed Management Organization and the Vadnais Lake Watershed Management Organization, and are all within the Cities of Falcon Heights, MN, Lauderdale, MN, Lino Lakes, MN, Roseville, MN, Shoreview, MN, St. Anthony Village, MN , White Bear Lake, MN and White Bear Township, MN.

The Board invites written comments on the petition for boundary change. All comments received will be considered before a decision is made to change the boundary. Any person who objects to the petition may submit a written request for a hearing to the Board. If no written requests for a hearing are submitted within 20 days of the last publication of this notice of filing, the Board will consider all the comments and information received pertaining to the petition and make a decision on the boundary change without conducting a public hearing.

Any written comments or a written request for a hearing may be submitted to the Board, on or before March 1, 2025.

Please contact me at 612-298-4419 if you have any questions.

Enclosures (to all listed)

c: BWSR: Michelle Jordan