



# Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

**Requested Meeting Date:** October 24, 2023

**Title of Item:** Adoption of Mississippi River Brainerd - One Watershed One Plan

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<b>Action Requested:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
<b>Submitted by:</b> Janet Smude, District Manager	<b>Department:</b> Aitkin Co Soil & Water Conservation District	
<b>Presenter (Name and Title):</b> Janet Smude, District Manager		<b>Estimated Time Needed:</b> 15 minutes
<b>Summary of Issue:</b> <p>The One Watershed One Plan Comprehensive Plan has been completed by the partners. It will be brought before the North Region Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Committee on November 1st for final approval. We are asking that the County Board adopt this Plan as the Comprehensive Plan, for the portion of the Mississippi River Brainerd Watershed in Aitkin County. This will replace Aitkin County Comprehensive Water Management Plan for this watershed. Adopting this plan before it goes before the Board of Water and Soil Resources will show support of the local partners and ensure that the plan is approved.</p> <p>A copy of the Mississippi River Brainerd One Watershed One Plan may be viewed at <a href="https://www.crowwing.gov/DocumentCenter/View/20255/Mississippi_Brainerd_1W1P">https://www.crowwing.gov/DocumentCenter/View/20255/Mississippi_Brainerd_1W1P</a>.</p>		
<b>Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:</b> The Board could choose to not adopt this Plan as the Comprehensive Plan. Future funding from the Board of Water and Soil Resources would be jeopardized.		
<b>Recommended Action/Motion:</b> It is recommended that this Resolution be approved.		
<b>Financial Impact:</b> <i>Is there a cost associated with this request?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$</i> <i>Is this budgeted?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>Please Explain:</i>		

**CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**ADOPTED October 24, 2023**

By Commissioner: xxx

**20231024-xxx**

**Adopt Mississippi River – Brainerd Comprehensive 1W1P**

**WHEREAS** the Mississippi River - Brainerd Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan identifies high-priority erosion, sedimentation, and water quality problems in accordance with Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) rules and guidelines and;

**WHEREAS** the Mississippi River - Brainerd Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan identifies high-priority erosion, sedimentation, and water quality improvement projects to maintain and improve the natural resources of the watershed in accordance with Board of Water Soil Resources (BWSR) rules and guidelines and;

**WHEREAS** the Mississippi River – Brainerd Comprehensive Local Watershed Management Plan replaces the Aitkin County Comprehensive Water Management Plan for the area of the county identified within the Plan.

**WHEREAS** the County supports sending the final draft plan of the Mississippi River - Brainerd Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan to BWSR for review and.

**WHEREAS** the BWSR Board will review and approve the Mississippi River - Brainerd Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan according to Minnesota Statutes §103B.101, Subdivision 14.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Aitkin County adopts the Mississippi River - Brainerd Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan as its Comprehensive Plan within the Mississippi River - Brainerd Watershed from 2023 to 2033 upon approval from the BWSR Board.

Commissioner xxx seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

**xxx MEMBERS PRESENT**

**All Members Voting xxx**

**STATE OF MINNESOTA}  
COUNTY OF AITKIN}**

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023

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Jessica Seibert  
County Administrator