



FY 20 - 21 Biennial Budget Request Elk River Watershed Association

Total Requested Biennial State Contribution:	\$370,000.00	BBR ID	BBR18-8782
Total Leveraged Funds	\$71,250.00	Submitted Date	4/9/2018
Total Resource Project and Activities Budget	\$441,250.00	Staff Contact	Gerry Maciej
Total BMPs	40	Board Conservationist	Jason Weinerman
Total FTEs	1.95		

Water Resources of Concern

Primary Water Resource of Concern	Water Resource Category	Watershed	Impairments	Trend
Elk River Watershed	Surface Water	Mississippi River - St. Cloud	Yes	Up

Activity Summary

Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	Analyze and asses water quality monitoring data to determine trends and current conditions. Conduct additional water quality monitoring, if found to be necessary to perform this analysis. Improve understanding of water quality trends to make informed decisions about future activities.		
Activity Category	Planning and Assessment	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	MN Pollution Control Agency	Estimated # of FTEs	0.2
Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$15,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$3,750.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$18,750.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	Assessing and analyzing water quality is found throughout both local water plans.
Describe how this activity could be	The Elk River Watershed Association will seek annual project funding, including staffing for the respective		

accomplished in the biennium	SWCDs where appropriate. The Elk River Watershed Association will employ no staff, and will rely on staff from the respective SWCDs.
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Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete farm environmental assessments, focusing on “Tier 1 & Tier 2” priority areas, as identified in TMDL documents. Provide assistance as necessary to install the best management practices identified. 		
Activity Category	Project Development	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	BWSR Clean Water Fund - Projects and Practices	Estimated # of FTEs	1
Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$45,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$0.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$45,000.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	The Elk River Watershed Association, which covers two counties, utilizes two water plans, multiple TMDLs and the Mississippi River - St. Cloud WRAP. This action is listed in multiple places however the most specific description location of this activity is in the Big Elk and Mayhew Lake TMDL Implementation Plans.
Describe how this activity could be accomplished in the biennium	The Elk River Watershed Association will seek annual project funding, including staffing for the respective SWCDs where appropriate. The Elk River Watershed Association will employ no staff, and will rely on staff from the respective SWCDs.		

Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide assistance to small/hobby farms to install BMPs as identified in county local water management plans. 		
Activity Category	Livestock Waste Management	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	BWSR Clean Water Fund - Projects and Practices	Estimated # of FTEs	

Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$50,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	20
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$15,000.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$65,000.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	The Elk River Watershed Association, which covers two counties, utilizes two water plans, multiple TMDLs and the Mississippi River - St. Cloud WRAP. This action is listed in multiple places however the most specific description location of this activity is in the Big Elk and Mayhew Lake TMDL Implementation Plans.
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Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	Provide outreach activities to increase the visibility of the Elk River Watershed Association.		
Activity Category	Education/Information	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	BWSR Clean Water Fund - Projects and Practices	Estimated # of FTEs	0.25
Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$15,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$0.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$15,000.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	There are civic engagement sections in the referenced TMDL and WRAP documents. Nearly all of the activities are watershed based and will need to be accomplished by the Elk River Watershed Association.
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Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	Participate in the 1W1P – “One Water, One Plan” planning process when the process is initiated in the area that includes the Elk River Watershed.		
Activity Category	Planning and Assessment	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	BWSR Clean Water Fund - Planning Grants: One Watershed One Plan	Estimated # of FTEs	0
Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$45,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$0.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$45,000.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	Water plans in both counties are part of this watershed.
Describe how this activity could be accomplished in the biennium	The Elk River Watershed Association will seek annual project funding, including staffing for the respective SWCDs where appropriate. The Elk River Watershed Association will employ no staff, and will rely on staff from the respective SWCDs.		

Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	Promote and provide support for the installation of filter strips, buffer strips and managed grazing systems along water courses in the Elk River watershed.		
Activity Category	Agricultural Practices	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	BWSR Clean Water Fund - Projects and Practices	Estimated # of FTEs	
Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$50,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	20
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$15,000.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$65,000.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	The Elk River Watershed Association, which covers two counties, utilizes two water plans, multiple TMDLs and the Mississippi River - St. Cloud WRAP. This action is listed in

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Water Resource Name	Elk River Watershed		
Activity Description	Address flooding concerns by initiating the following prioritized activities: 1. Identify focus area (perhaps through a flood mitigation study or other assessment) and identify potential causes of flooding. 2. Strategically install implementation BMP's (wetland restorations, soil health practices, etc.) where identified as a result of the study or assessment.		
Activity Category	Planning and Assessment	Capital Improvement Project?	No
Source of State Contribution	BWSR Clean Water Fund - Projects and Practices	Estimated # of FTEs	0.5
Total Requested Biennial State Contribution	\$150,000.00	Estimated Number of Practices	
Estimated Leveraged Funds	\$37,500.00	Plan Type	County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan (non-metro counties only)
Projects & Activities Budget	\$187,500.00	Action or Objective (from plan)	Hydrology concerns are in various places of the local water plans.
Describe how this activity could be accomplished in the biennium	The Elk River Watershed Association will seek annual project funding, including staffing for the respective SWCDs where appropriate. The Elk River Watershed Association will employ no staff, and will rely on staff from the respective SWCDs.		