

**RESOLUTION TO REQUEST AN EXTENSION OF THE BOIS DE SIOUX
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes §103D.401 requires Watershed Districts to develop and implement a Watershed Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Bois de Sioux Watershed District has a BWSR approved water Management Plan commencing in May 2003, that is extended until 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Bois de Sioux Watershed District has demonstrated its interest in developing a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan as per Minnesota Statutes §103B.801 through the use of a planning grant to develop a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan using the One Watershed One Plan planning process; and

WHEREAS, a draft of the Bois de Sioux River and Mustinka River Watershed is scheduled for submission for Minnesota BWSR approval Spring of 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Bois de Sioux Watershed District requests the Minnesota BWSR for an extension of the effective date of the current Watershed District Water Management Plan until December 31, 2021 in order to transition to Comprehensive Watershed Management Planning consistent with Minnesota Statute 103B.801;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bois de Sioux Watershed District will continue to utilize its Water Management Plan until the completion of a Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan on or before December 31, 2021.

Approved this 16th day of JANUARY, 2020



Linda Vavra, President



May 12, 2020

Bois de Sioux Watershed District Board of Managers
c/o Jamie Beyer, Administrator
704 Hwy 75 South
Wheaton, MN 56296

RE: Approval of the Bois de Sioux Watershed District Overall Plan Extension

Dear Bois de Sioux Watershed District Board of Managers:

The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) is pleased to inform you the Bois de Sioux Watershed District Overall Plan (Plan) extension was approved on May 12, 2020. Attached is the signed Board Order that documents approval of the extension and indicates the Plan meets all relevant requirements of law and rule.

Please contact our Board Conservationist, Pete Waller at 218-846-8422 or pete.waller@state.mn.us for further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John L. Jaschke'.

John Jaschke, Executive Director
Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources

Enclosure: BWSR Board Order

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BOARD ORDER

Watershed Management Plan Extension

PURPOSE

To extend the Bois de Sioux Watershed Management Plan (Plan) pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 103B.3367.

RECITALS /FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (Board), by Board Order, approved the Plan in May 2003 that was effective until May 2013.
2. The Board has authorization to grant extensions pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 103B.3367.
3. On September 26, 2012, the Board approved a request from the Bois de Sioux Watershed District to extend the Plan until April 30, 2017, in order to transition to comprehensive watershed management planning.
4. On January 13, 2017, the Board approved a request Bois de Sioux Watershed District to extend the Plan until December 31, 2020, in order to transition to comprehensive watershed management planning
5. The Board adopted Order #19-69 Local Water Plan Extension and Amendment Policy on December 18, 2019.
6. On January 30, 2020, the Board received a petition from Bois de Sioux Watershed District requesting an extension of their Plan to a new date of December 31, 2021. The following are the reasons for the request:
 - a. Bois de Sioux Watershed District has passed a resolution of intent to participate in watershed-based planning under the One Watershed, One Plan program.
 - b. Bois de Sioux Watershed District been selected as a participant in the One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) program. The 1W1P Plan may substitute for the current Plan when completed and adopted by their Board.

CONCLUSIONS

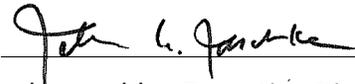
7. All relevant substantive and procedural requirements of law have been fulfilled.
8. The Board has proper jurisdiction in the matter of extending Watershed Management Plans, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 103B.3367.
9. The extension request is in conformance with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, Section 103B.3367 and the Board's Local Water Plan Extension and Amendment Policy dated December 18, 2019.

ORDER

The Board hereby approves the extension of the Bois de Sioux Watershed District Watershed Management Plan until December 31, 2021.

Dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, this May 12, 2020.

MINNESOTA BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES



John Jaschke, Executive Director
Board of Water and Soil Resources

Date: May 12, 2020