At the April 27th, 2017 regular board meeting, the Board briefly discussed the pros and cons of the St. Croix Basin 1W1P Planning Grant application. The outcome of the discussion was to wait until the results of the grant application were known. Per the attached letter, BWSR has informed the Washington Conservation District that the grant application was approved for funding. Thus, the Board may now consider having BWSR staff or others provide additional information at an upcoming board meeting, or to review the 1W1P material published to date that is on the BWSR website and consider drafting a letter outlining questions, recommended changes, etc. given that this will be the first 1W1P planning effort that will include a portion of the metro area.
June 30, 2017

Jay Riggs
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RE: One Watershed, One Plan Program Request for Proposal

Dear Jay,

We are pleased to announce that at its June 28, 2017 meeting, the Board of Water and Soil Resources selected the Lower St. Croix River watershed for a planning grant in the One Watershed, One Plan program.

Next steps:

- BWSR staff will be contacting you in the next few weeks to schedule a meeting in your area with the lead staff of all of the local government participants identified in your proposal. The purpose of this meeting is to provide an orientation to the program and to have a discussion about the early phases of the process, which include establishing a Memorandum of Agreement and a workplan. An agenda and additional information, including work plan templates, will be provided prior to the meeting.
- A template Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and bylaws for establishment of a formal agreement between participants is available on the One Watershed, One Plan page of BWSR’s website.
- BWSR must approve the completed MOA and workplan before we execute your grant agreement.

Congratulations on the selection of your proposal. We look forward to working with you on developing your watershed-based plan. Please pass this letter on to all of the local participants in the watershed.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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