MEMORANDUM
Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District

To: Board of Managers                         Date: March 15, 2018
From: Mike Kinney                             
Subject: FY 2018 CWF Grant Agreement

Background/Discussion

The CLFLWD was awarded a FY18 Clean Water Fund grant for the Moody Lake Alum Treatment project. Staff is currently working with the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) to finalize the grant work plan. The attached resolution has been drafted by staff based on a similar resolution from 2017, and has been reviewed by legal counsel. By adopting the resolution the Board will authorize the Board President to sign the grant agreement. Once BWSR fully executes the grant agreement, the District will receive 50% payment for the grant ($67,500) and may begin reporting expenditures to be covered by the grant.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the Board adopt resolution 18-03-01 as it is presented.

Attached: FY 2018 CWF Grant Agreement, Resolution 18-03-01
This Grant Agreement is between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Water and Soil Resources (Board) and Comfort Lake-Forest Lake WD, 44 Lake Street South, Suite A, Forest Lake, Minnesota 55025 (Grantee).

This grant is for the following Grant Programs:

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Total Grant Awarded: $135,000

Recitals

1. The Laws of Minnesota 2017, 1st Special Session, HF 707 4th Engrossment, Article 2, Section 7, appropriated Clean Water Funds (CWF) to the Board for the FY 2018 Competitive Grants Program.
3. The Board adopted Board Resolution 17-95 to allocate funds for the FY 2018 Competitive Grants Programs.
4. The Grantee has submitted a BWSR approved work plan for this Program which is incorporated into this agreement by reference.
5. The Grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this grant agreement to the satisfaction of the State.
6. As a condition of the grant, Grantee agrees to minimize administration costs.

Authorized Representative

The State’s Authorized Representative is Marcey Westrick, Clean Water Coordinator, BWSR, 520 Lafayette Road North, Saint Paul, MN 55155, 651-284-4153, or her successor, and has the responsibility to monitor the Grantee’s performance and the authority to accept the services and performance provided under this Grant Agreement.

The Grantee’s Authorized Representative is: Mike Kinney, District Administrator 44 Lake Street South, Suite A Forest Lake, MN 55025 (651) 395-5855

If the Grantee’s Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Grant Agreement, the Grantee must immediately notify the Board.

Grant Agreement

1. Term of Grant Agreement.
   1.1. Effective date: The date the Board obtains all required signatures under Minn. Stat. § 16B.98, Subd.5. The State’s Authorized Representative will notify the Grantee when this grant agreement has been executed. The Grantee must not begin work under this grant agreement until it is executed.
   1.2. Expiration date: December 31, 2020, or until all obligations have been satisfactorily fulfilled, whichever comes first.

2. **Grantee’s Duties.**
The Grantee will comply with required grants management policies and procedures set forth through Minn. Stat. § 16B.97, Subd. 4(a)(1). The Grantee is responsible for the specific duties for the Program as follows:

2.1. **Implementation:** The Grantee will implement their work plan, which is incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

2.2. **Reporting:** All data and information provided in a Grantee’s report shall be considered public.

2.2.1. The Grantee will submit an annual progress report to the Board by February 1 of each year on the status of program implementation by the Grantee. Information provided must conform to the requirements and formats set by the Board. All individual grants over $500,000 will also require a reporting of expenditures by June 30 of each year.

2.2.2. The Grantee will prominently display on its website the Clean Water Legacy Logo and a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission website.

2.2.3. Final Progress Report: The Grantee will submit a final progress report to the Board by February 1, 2021 or within 30 days of completion of the project, whichever occurs sooner. Information provided must conform to the requirements and formats set by the Board.

2.3. **Match:** The Grantee will ensure any local match requirement will be provided as stated in Grantee’s approved work plan.

3. **Time.** The Grantee must comply with all the time requirements described in this Grant Agreement. In the performance of this Grant Agreement, time is of the essence.

4. **Terms of Payment.**

4.1. Grant funds will be distributed in three installments: 1) The first payment of 50% will be distributed after the execution of the Grant Agreement. 2) The second payment of 40% will be distributed after the first payment of 50% has been expended and reporting requirements have been met. An eLINK Interim Financial Report that summarizes expenditures of the first 50% must be signed by the Grantee and approved by BWSR. Selected grantees may be required at this point to submit documentation of the expenditures reported on the Interim Financial Report for verification. 3) The third payment of 10% will be distributed after the grant has been fully expended and reporting requirements are met. The final, 10% payment must be requested within 30 days of the expiration date of the Grant Agreement. An eLINK Final Financial Report that summarizes final expenditures for the grant must be signed by the grantee and approved by BWSR.

4.2. All costs must be incurred within the grant period.

4.3. All incurred costs must be paid before the amount of unspent grant funds is determined. Unspent grant funds must be returned within 30 days of the expiration date of the Grant Agreement.

4.4. The obligation of the State under this Grant Agreement will not exceed the amount stated above.

4.5. This grant includes an advance payment of 50 percent of the grant’s total amount. Advance payments allow the grantee to have adequate operating capital for start-up costs, ensure their financial commitment to landowners and contractors, and to better schedule work into the future.

4.6. Contracting and Bidding Requirements per Minn. Stat. §471.345, Grantees that are municipalities as defined in Subd. 1 must do the following if contracting funds from this grant contract agreement for any supplies, materials, equipment or the rental thereof, or the construction, alteration, repair or maintenance of real or personal property.

4.6.1. If the amount of the contract is estimated to exceed $100,000, a formal notice and bidding process must be conducted in which sealed bids shall be solicited by public notice. Municipalities may, as a best value alternative, award a contract for construction, alteration, repair, or maintenance work to the vendor or contractor offering the best value under a request for proposals as described in Minn. Stat.§16C.28, Subd. 1, paragraph (a), clause (2).
4.6.2. If the amount of the contract is estimated to exceed $25,000 but not $100,000, the contract may be made either upon sealed bids or by direct negotiation, by obtaining two or more quotations for the purchase or sale when possible, and without advertising for bids or otherwise complying with the requirements of competitive bidding. All quotations obtained shall be kept on file for a period of at least one year after receipt thereof. Municipalities may, as a best value alternative, award a contract for construction, alteration, repair, or maintenance work to the vendor or contractor offering the best value under a request for proposals as described in Minn. Stat.§16C.28, Subd. 1, paragraph (a), clause (2) and paragraph (c).

4.6.3. If the amount of the contract is estimated to be $25,000 or less, the contract may be made either upon quotation or in the open market, in the discretion of the governing body. If the contract is made upon quotation, it shall be based, so far as practicable, on at least two quotations which shall be kept on file for a period of at least one year after their receipt. Alternatively, municipalities may award a contract for construction, alteration, repair, or maintenance work to the vendor or contractor offering the best value under a request for proposals as described in Minn. Stat.§16C.28, Subd. 1, paragraph (a), clause (2).

4.6.4. Support documentation of the bidding process utilized to contract services must be included in the Grantee’s financial records, including support documentation justifying a single/sole source bid, if applicable.

4.6.5. For projects that include construction work of $25,000 or more, prevailing wage rules apply per Minn. Stat. §§177.41 through 177.44. Consequently, the bid request must state the project is subject to prevailing wage. These rules require that the wages of laborers and workers should be comparable to wages paid for similar work in the community as a whole. A prevailing wage form should accompany these bid submittals.

5. **Conditions of Payment.** All services provided by the Grantee under this Grant Agreement must be performed to the State’s satisfaction, as set forth in this Agreement and in the BWSR approved work plan for this program. Compliance will be determined at the sole discretion of the State’s Authorized Representative and in accordance with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, policies, ordinances, rules, FY 2018 Clean Water Fund Competitive Grants Policy, and regulations. All Grantees must follow the Grants Administration Manual policy. Minnesota Statutes §103C.401 (2014) establishes BWSR’s obligation to assure program compliance. If the noncompliance is severe, or if work under the grant agreement is found by BWSR to be unsatisfactory or performed in violation of federal, state, or local law, BWSR has the authority to require the repayment of grant funds, or an additional penalty. Penalties can be assessed at a rate up to 150% of the grant agreement.

6. **Assignment, Amendments, and Waiver.**

   6.1. **Assignment.** The Grantee may neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this Grant Agreement without the prior consent of the State and a fully executed Assignment Agreement, executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved this Grant Agreement, or their successors in office.

   6.2. **Amendments.** Any amendment to this Grant Agreement must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved the original Grant Agreement, or their successors in office. Amendments must be executed prior to the expiration of the original agreement or any amendments thereto.

   6.3. **Waiver.** If the State fails to enforce any provision of this Grant Agreement, that failure does not waive the provision or its right to enforce it.

7. **Liability.** The Grantee must indemnify, save, and hold the State, its agents, and employees harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorney’s fees incurred by the State, arising from the performance of this Grant Agreement by the Grantee or the Grantee’s agents or employees. This clause will not be construed to bar any legal remedies the Grantee may have for the State's failure to fulfill its obligations under this Grant Agreement.

8. **State Audits.** Under Minn. Stat. § 16B.98, subd. 8, the Grantee’s books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices of the Grantee or other party relevant to this Grant Agreement or transaction are
subject to examination by the Board and/or the State Auditor or Legislative Auditor, as appropriate, for a
minimum of six years from the end of this Grant Agreement, receipt and approval of all final reports, or the
required period of time to satisfy all State and program retention requirements, whichever is later.
8.1. The books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices of the Grantee and its designated local
units of government and contractors relevant to this grant, may be examined at any time by the Board or
Board’s designee and are subject to verification. The Grantee or delegated local unit of government will
maintain records relating to the receipt and expenditure of grant funds.
8.2. The Grantee or designated local unit of government implementing this Agreement will provide for an audit
that meets the standards of the Office of State Auditor. The audit must cover the duration of the Agreement
Period and be performed within one year after the end of the Agreement Period or when routinely audited,
whichever occurs first. Copies of the audit report must be provided to the Board if requested.

Act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 13, as it applies to all data provided by the State under this Agreement, and as it applies to all
data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Grantee under this Grant
Agreement. The civil remedies of Minn. Stat. § 13.08 apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by
either the Grantee or the State.

10. Workers’ Compensation. The Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with Minn. Stat. § 176.181, subd. 2,
pertaining to workers’ compensation insurance coverage. The Grantee’s employees and agents will not be
considered State employees. Any claims that may arise under the Minnesota Workers’ Compensation Act on behalf
of these employees and any claims made by any third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of
these employees are in no way the State’s obligation or responsibility.

11. Publicity and Endorsement.
11.1. Publicity. Any publicity regarding the subject matter of this Grant Agreement must identify the Board as
the sponsoring agency. For purposes of this provision, publicity includes notices, informational pamphlets,
press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Grantee individually
or jointly with others, or any subcontractors, with respect to the program, publications, or services provided
resulting from this Grant Agreement.
11.2. Endorsement. The Grantee must not claim that the State endorses its products or services.

12. Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue. Minnesota law, without regard to its choice-of-law provisions, governs
this Grant Agreement. Venue for all legal proceedings out of this Agreement, or its breach, must be in the
appropriate State or federal court with competent jurisdiction in Ramsey County, Minnesota.

13. Termination.
13.1. The State may cancel this Grant Agreement at any time, with or without cause, upon 30 days’ written
notice to the Grantee. Upon termination, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata
basis, for services satisfactorily performed.
13.2. In the event of a lawsuit, an appropriation from a Clean Water Fund is canceled to the extent that a
court determines that the appropriation unconstitutionally substitutes for a traditional source of funding.

14. Data Disclosure. Under Minn. Stat. § 270C.65, Subd. 3, and other applicable law, the Grantee consents to disclosure
of its social security number, federal employer tax identification number, and/or Minnesota tax identification
number, already provided to the State, to federal and State tax agencies and State personnel involved in the
payment of State obligations. These identification numbers may be used in the enforcement of federal and State
tax laws which could result in action requiring the Grantee to file State tax returns and pay delinquent State tax
liabilities, if any.

15. Prevailing Wage. It is the responsibility of the Grantee or contractor to pay prevailing wages on construction
projects to which State prevailing wage laws apply (Minn. Stat. 177.42 – 177.44). All laborers and mechanics
employed by grant recipients and subcontractors funded in whole or in part with these State funds shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality.

16. Constitutional Compliance. It is the responsibility of the Grantee to comply with requirements of the Minnesota Constitution regarding use of Clean Water Funds to supplement traditional sources of funding.

17. Signage. It is the responsibility of the Grantee to comply with requirements for project signage as provided in Minnesota Laws 2010, Chapter 361, article 3, section 5 (b) for Clean Water Fund projects.

18. Intellectual Property Rights. The State owns all rights, title, and interest in all of the intellectual property rights, including copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trademarks, and service marks in the Works and Documents created and paid for under this grant. Works means all inventions, improvements, discoveries (whether or not patentable), databases, computer programs, reports, notes, studies, photographs, negatives, designs, drawings, specifications, materials, tapes, and disks conceived, reduced to practice, created or originated by the Grantee, its employees, agents, and subcontractors, either individually or jointly with others in the performance of this grant. Works includes "Documents." Documents are the originals of any databases, computer programs, reports, notes, studies, photographs, negatives, designs, drawings, specifications, materials, tapes, disks, or other materials, whether in tangible or electronic forms, prepared by the Grantee, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in the performance of this grant. The Documents will be the exclusive property of the State and all such Documents must be immediately returned to the State by the Grantee upon completion or cancellation of this grant at the State’s request. To the extent possible, those Works eligible for copyright protection under the United States Copyright Act will be deemed to be "works made for hire." The Grantee assigns all right, title, and interest it may have in the Works and the Documents to the State. The Grantee must, at the request of the State, execute all papers and perform all other acts necessary to transfer or record the State's ownership interest in the Works and Documents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Grant Agreement to be duly executed intending to be bound thereby.

Approved:

Comfort Lake-Forest Lake WD                                      Board of Water and Soil Resources

By: ______________________________________  By: ______________________________________
   (print)                                           (signature)

Title: __________________________________________  Title: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________  Date: ________________________________
COMFORT LAKE - FOREST LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS

RESOLUTION 18-03-01

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION of GRANT AGREEMENT for FY18 CLEAN WATER FUND PROJECT:
MOODY LAKE ALUM TREATMENT

Manager _____________ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Manager _____________:

WHEREAS the District has adopted a watershed management plan (WMP) in accordance with Minnesota Statutes §103B.231 that identifies and programs capital improvement projects and related actions for the purpose of protecting and enhancing water quality within the watershed;

WHEREAS through its Moody Lake Internal Load Treatment Options Study (October 2012) and Moody Lake Diagnostic Study (December 2014), and pursuant to WMP implementation category 5221C, the District has identified the need for completion of an alum or other in-lake treatment to reduce the internal load of phosphorus to Moody Lake;

WHEREAS through the completion of its deep sediment core Paleolimnological Study (September 2017) and collection of depth increment sediment phosphorus fraction data the District will use scientific data to perform appropriate alum dosing;

WHEREAS the District engineer has advised that this project is feasible and offers an opportunity for substantial water quality benefits for Moody Lake and Bone Lake which is located downstream of Moody Lake, and the District applied for and has been awarded a grant under the Clean Water Fund, Competitive Grants program, for this project totaling $135,000;

WHEREAS the Board of Managers has reviewed the grant agreement and finds it acceptable, will amend the 2018 budget to incorporate expenses for this project and associated grant income, and will budget over the subsequent fiscal years of the grant period, as necessary, for required local cost share and other associated costs of this project for which the District is responsible;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board President is authorized to sign the grant agreement, on advice of counsel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Administrator is to establish a separate project fund for receipt and proper management of grant funds.

The question was on the adoption of the above resolution and there were _____ ayes and _____ nays as follows:
The President declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: March 22, 2018

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The President declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: March 22, 2018

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Wayne S. Moe, Secretary

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I, Wayne S. Moe, Secretary of the Comfort Lake - Forest Lake Watershed District Board of Managers, do hereby certify that I have compared the above resolution with the original thereof as the same appears on record and on file in the District’s offices and find the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 22nd day of March, 2018.

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Wayne S. Moe, Secretary