

**2003 Project Abstract**

for the period ending June 30, 2006

**TITLE:** Local Water Planning (LWP) Matching Challenge Grants

**PROJECT MANAGER:** David Weirens

**ORGANIZATION:** Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources

**ADDRESS:** 520 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155

**WEB SITE ADDRESS:** www.bwsr.state.mn.us

**FUND:** Future Resources Fund and Great Lakes Protection Account

**LEGAL CITATION:** ML 2003, Ch.128, Article 1, Sec. 9, subd. 7a

**APPROPRIATION AMOUNT: \$500,000**

Overall Project Outcome and Results

Grants were awarded to 14 counties, 2 watershed districts and 5 soil and water conservation districts to implement high priority actions identified in state approved and locally adopted comprehensive water management plans. The funds were used to complete the following projects:

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- Faribault SWCD - Develop a comprehensive drainage watershed management plan
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- Kandiyohi, Le Sueur, Meeker and Swift Counties - Develop an inventory of public drainage systems
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- Wadena County - To provide cross-county collaboration on land and river management planning and implementation with Hubbard County
- Washington County - Integrate groundwater into surface water management strategies and policies
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Project Results Use and Dissemination

Results of the specific projects are available upon request from the Board of Water and Soil Resources.

**LCMR 2003 Final Work Program Report**

**Date of Report:** September 22, 2006

**Date of Next Status Report** May 15, 2005

**Date of Work Program Approval:** June 29, 2003

**Project Completion Date:** June 30, 2006 (additional year to allow project to apply for a one-year extension if unforeseen circumstances impede project progress.)

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**Total Biennial Project Budget:**

\$ LCMR:	\$500,000	\$ Match required	\$488,441
-\$ LCMR Amount		-\$ Match Amount	
Allocated:	\$ 488,441	Allocated:	\$614,973
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= \$LCMR Balance:	\$ 11,559	= \$ Match Balance:	(\$126,532)

\* see attachment B for a list of individual projects, and grant and match balances per project.

**A. Legal Citation:** ML 2003, Chapter 128, article 1, Section 9, subd. 7a,

**Appropriation Language:** 1 (a) Local Water Planning matching Challenge Grants. \$222,000 the first year and \$222,000 the second year are from the trust funds and \$56,000 is from the Great Lakes protection account to the board of water and soil resources to accelerate the local water planning challenge grant program under Minnesota Statutes, sections 103B.3361 to 103B.3369, through matching grants to implement high-priority activities in comprehensive water management plans, plan development guidance, and regional resource assessments. For the purposes of this paragraph, the match must be a nonstate contribution, but may be either cash or qualifying in-kind. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2006, at which time the project must be completed and final products delivered, unless an earlier date is specified in the work program.

**B. Status of Match Requirement:** A one-to-one cash or in kind non-state match is required.

## II. and III. FINAL PROJECT SUMMARY.

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## IV. OUTLINE OF PROJECT RESULTS:

**Result 1: Grants to Implement Local Water Mgt. Activities Budget: \$444,000**

**Summary Budget Information for Result 1: LCMR Budget** **\$444,000**  
**Balance** **\$11,559**

**Result 2: Grants to Implement Local Water Mgt. Activities in the Lake Superior Basin Budget: \$56,000**

**Summary Budget Information for Result 1: LCMR Budget** **\$56,000**  
**Balance** **\$0**

**Procedures for the Challenge Grant Program:**

**Action 1:** Notify eligible local units of government that the BWSR is taking applications for Local Water Management Planning Challenge Grants. Eligible LGU's will be notified via eLINK and electronic e-mail lists.

**Completion Date: June, 2003**

**Status: Completed**

**Action 2:** Agency LWM liaisons will be invited to participate on the Interdisciplinary Challenge Grant Review Committee, along with BWSR board conservationists from the northern, southern and metro region. Reviewers meet to develop a project funding recommendation for the BWSR Board to approve.

**Completion Date: July, 2003**

**Status: Completed**

**Action 3:** BWSR board acts on the review team's project funding recommendation.

**Completion Date: August, 2003**

**Status: Completed**

**Action 4:** Applicants are notified of their funding status. Managers of funded projects will be asked to submit detailed work plans and budgets to their BWSR board conservationists (BC).

**Completion Date: September, 2003**

**Status: Completed.**

**Action 5:** Upon BC approval of the workplan grant agreements will be executed appropriated one half of the grant monies for all projects but those in the Lake Superior Basin which will receive the full amount of the grant.

**Completion Date: October 2003**

**Status: Completed**

**Action 6:** Grant agreements will be executed for the remaining (fifty percent) of the total grant amount.

**Completion Date: August, 2004**

**Status: Completed**

**Action 7:** Project managers submit individual progress reports to BWSR.

**Completion Date:** March 15, 2004, Sept. 15, 2004 and April 1, 2005.

**Status: Completed**

**Action 8:** Project managers submit final reports to BWSR.

**Completion Date: July 31, 2005, May 31, 2006 for projects granted extensions.**

**Status: Completed**

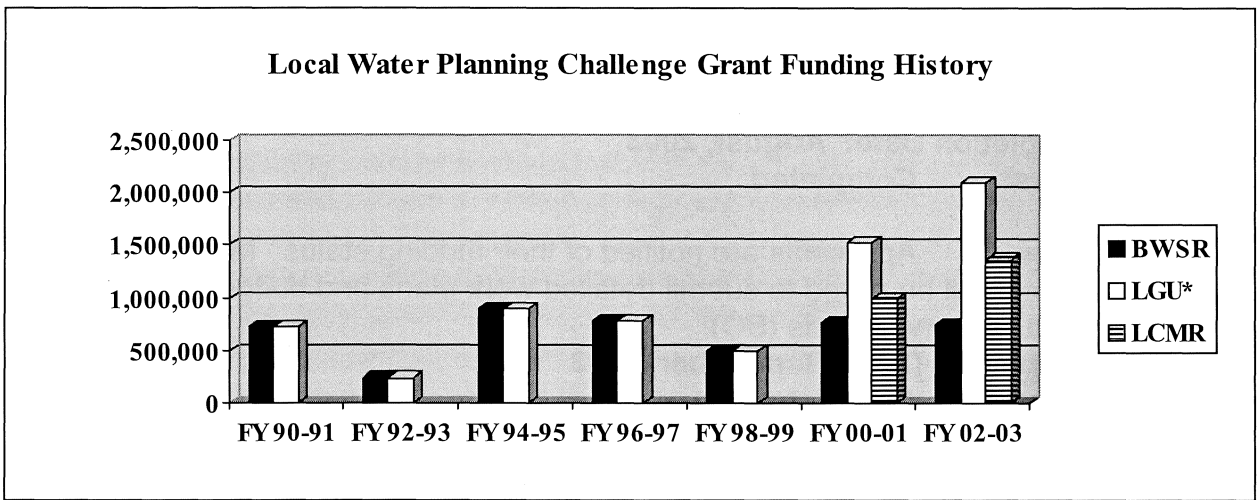
**V. Total LCMR Project Budget:**

All Results: Personnel: \$0  
 All Results: Equipment: \$ 0  
 All Results: Development: \$0  
 All Results: Acquisition: \$0  
 All Results: Other: \$488,441

**TOTAL BUDGET: \$500,000**

**VI. PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE SPENDING:**

**A. Past Spending:**



Total Past Spending: \$7,005,413

Total LGU\* Match: \$6,770,413

**B. Current Spending:** \$3,000,000 of state funding will be appropriated as **base grants** to counties for the base capacity to develop and implement local water management plans. Counties, swcds, watershed districts and watershed management organizations will levy additional funds to develop and implement local water management plans. Through budget reductions the BWSR appropriation to LWM Challenge Grants was eliminated. This appropriation will enable recipients to carry out high priority activities identified in the plans.

**C. Required Match:** Recipients of grant monies (counties, watershed districts, watershed management organizations and soil and water conservation districts) will be required to match the grant one-to-one with non-state in kind or cash contributions.

**D. Future Spending:** Undoubtedly local units of government, and cooperating partners such as lake associations, will invest resources in the selected projects after the grant agreement expires. However, at this point the amount and source is unknown.

## **VII. Project Partners:**

### **A. Partners Receiving LCMR Funds**

- Minnesota Counties
- Minnesota Watershed Districts
- Minnesota Watershed Management Organizations
- Minnesota Soil and Water Conservation Districts

### **D. Project Cooperators**

- Associations representing the above local governments
- MN Department of Agriculture
- MN Department of Health
- MN Department of Natural Resources
- MN Pollution Control Agency

**VIII. DISSEMINATION:** Detailed project work plans; budgets and reports will be maintained by BWSR for successful grant applicants. These materials are available for inspection upon request. Project summaries will be prepared after awarding of grants and will be broadly distributed through cooperating agencies, the LCMR, BWSR newsletters, and BWSR's Web-site (BWSR's homepage is currently under development). Final project results will be available in an electronic format through the required use of BWSR's local government annual reporting system (LARS). This electronic database will be accessible through the BWSR web site after the completion of an agency database unification project that is expected to be completed in January of 1999.

**IX. LOCATION:** Statewide

**X: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:** Periodic work program progress reports will be submitted not later than December 31, 2003, May 1, 2004, November 15, 2004 and May 15, 2005. A final work program report and associated products will be submitted by June 30, 2006.

### **X. RESEARCH PROJECTS:**

Not applicable.

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Grant	Project Description:	FY 04 AWARDED:	PAYMENTS EXECUTED:	AMOUNT ISSUED:	GRANT FUNDS SPENT:	MATCH FUNDS SPENT:
1 Blue Earth County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	To develop a multi-use, Natural Resources Inventory and Management Plan that identifies, protects and enhances conservation corridors, including river, wetland, sensitive areas and other natural resources corridors in Blue Earth County for habitat, recreation, open space and water quality purposes.	\$20,000	4/26/2004 9/2/2004	\$10,000 \$10,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
2 Carlton County Funding Source: GREAT LAKES Funding Source: GREAT LAKES	This project will provide updated educational materials for government officials and landowners with clear, concise information regarding wetland regulations, best management practices, the social and environmental benefits wetlands provide, and the cumulative effects of wetland removal. It will also provide a local opportunity for technical training in wetland identification for LGU staff.	\$37,000	2/23/2004	\$37,000 \$0	\$37,000	\$49,675
3 Carnelian Marine Watershed District Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	The goal of the Silver Creek Corridor Implementation Plan is to protect and restore the instream and riparian resources of Silver Creek and its headwater lake system and develop a watershed-based implementation plan emphasizing the restoration and protection of a 15-acre riparian wetland and 1000 LF of stream channel.	\$25,000	2/23/2004 9/2/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$25,000	\$31,436
4 Cass County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	This project will protect critical habitats and water resources by developing and implementing lake management plans for 2 lake associations on 5 lakes, creating a model surface water use management plan for 15 townships, developing comprehensive plans for two pilot townships, and developing criteria and processes for implementing an intra-lake land reclassification model to be tested on five pilot lakes.	\$23,800	2/13/2004 9/2/2004	\$11,900 \$11,900	\$23,800	\$23,800
5 Chippewa County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	The project purpose is to identify and organize a detailed history of the County drainage ditch information. This information will be used to assess and develop an education program concerning the importance of drainage and water quality.	\$25,000	11/24/2003 9/2/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$13,441	\$13,441
6 Faribault SWCD Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Develop a Comprehensive Drainage Watershed Management Plan for County Ditch 3, a large contributor of TSS, to be used as a model to assess the diverse impacts subsurface drainage has on water quality. Planning at a drainage watershed level is critical for demonstrating effective implementation outcomes.	\$25,000	1/22/2004 9/2/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$25,000	\$25,000
7 Itasca SWCD Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Conduct water quality monitoring for different lake types in St. Louis and Itasca counties. Use these and other data to develop lake carrying capacities for all lake types. Further, use this information to develop and implement performance-based land use regulations to achieve future sustainability of lake water quality.	\$28,425	1/22/2004 9/2/2004	\$14,213 \$14,213	\$28,425	\$28,425
8 St. Louis County Funding Source: GREAT LAKES Funding Source: GREAT LAKES	With a focus on the Lake Superior Basin, conduct water quality monitoring for different lake types in St. Louis and Itasca counties. Use these and other data to develop lake carrying capacities for all lake types. This information will develop and implement performance-based land use regulations to achieve future sustainability of lake water quality.	\$19,000	6/22/2004	\$19,000 \$0	\$19,000	\$19,000
9 Jackson County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	The purpose of the project is to one, provide more water quality data about Fish Lake and then to interpret that information in the form of a Lake Management Plan. Two, is to gather more information regarding possible solutions for upgrading on-site septic systems around Fish Lake, three would be to gather local data regarding the use of lawn fertilizer around lakes and then to share that information with local homeowners.	\$10,000	12/24/2003 9/3/2004	\$5,000 \$5,000	\$10,000	\$10,000

Grant		Project Description:	FY 04 AWARDED:	PAYMENTS EXECUTED:	AMOUNT ISSUED:	GRANT FUNDS SPENT:	MATCH FUNDS SPENT:	EXTENSIO N STATUS:
10	Kandiyohi County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	To develop a comprehensive GIS-based inventory of Kandiyohi County's public drainage ditch systems, both surface and subsurface, which will enable drainage authorities and other stakeholders to spatially analyze water quality and quantity projects, as well as past maintenance and repair activities.	\$25,000	7/16/2004	\$25,000 \$0	\$25,000	\$26,025	
11	Le Sueur County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	To create an accurate drainage system inventory detailing past use and current status of the system, that can be utilized as a management tool within a drainage management plan, to make best management decisions based on all available data for the improvement of water quantity and quality within the system.	\$25,000	11/10/2003 9/3/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$25,000	\$25,000	
12	Meeker County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	To develop a comprehensive GIS-based inventory of Meeker County's public drainage ditch systems, both surface and subsurface, which will enable drainage authorities and other stakeholders to spatially analyze water quality and quantity projects, as well as past maintenance and repair activities.	\$25,000	1/22/2004 9/3/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$25,000	\$50,653	
13	Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	To engage local residents and agencies in the development of a management plan for Fish Lake. The project will fill in monitoring gaps and provide watershed information to assist residents and resource managers in identifying goals, evaluating management options, and developing a sustainable lake management plan.	\$8,350	12/24/2003 9/2/2004	\$4,175 \$4,175	\$8,350	\$8,543	
14	Stearns County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Establishment of a Coalition of Lake Associations in Stearns County with the intent that the COLA will aid lake associations in the development of lakeshed assessments and management plans. This project would enable the already planned lakeshed assessments for School Section, Little Birch, Sylvia, McCormic, Bear and Big Lakes to be completed.	\$25,000	1/22/2004 9/3/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$25,000	\$25,000	
15	Stearns SWCD Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Develop a lakeshed management plan and implementation project which targets the investment of resource conservation dollars from public, private and non-profit sources through a minor watershed assessment process. This plan will create a mechanism to facilitate the implementation of 'on the ground' conservation projects and organize/provide guidance to the lake association. The Plan will identify possible revenue sources for the lake association, so they are less reliant on State funding, and help them realize their political influence/voice.	\$23,000	1/16/2004 9/2/2004	\$11,500 \$11,500	\$23,000	\$96,048	
16	Swift County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Begin building a comprehensive drainage system inventory for Swift County. Converting paper ditch records to an electronic digital format will help in drainage management. Modernizing records will allow natural resource GIS layers to be linked directly with drainage systems. This information will be used to assist with the management of drainage systems.	\$18,975	12/9/2003 9/3/2004	\$9,488 \$9,488	\$18,975	\$19,975	
17	Todd SWCD Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Provide technical and financial support to four lake associations, to develop and implement lake management plans that will improve and protect water quality through education and training, monitoring, and installation of best management practices.	\$25,000	3/17/2004 9/2/2004	\$12,500 \$12,500	\$25,000	\$27,600	
18	Wadena SWCD Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	To enhance the ability for Hubbard County and Wadena County, to work together, to offer lake/river management planning and expand project action item implementation, working with and through the Initiative Foundation Healthy Lakes and Rivers Program. Promote river management in the Crow Wing River Watershed with the Rivers Council.	\$20,000	3/4/2004 9/2/2004	\$10,000 \$10,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	



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19 Washington County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	Groundwater's role in surface water management is vital, but poorly understood. Watershed Districts will integrate groundwater elements into their management strategies and policies protecting lakes, wetlands, streams, and water supplies dependent on groundwater.	\$60,450	2/10/2004 9/3/2004	\$30,225 \$30,225	\$60,450	\$64,218	
20 Winona County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	A revision of the Winona County Zoning Ordinance will provide for a programmatic foundation to better control erosion and manage stormwater in the county. The regulation and accompanying education will help citizens understand the need to plan for construction and consider impacts of development.	\$15,000	5/10/2004 9/3/2004	\$7,500 \$7,500	\$15,000	\$15,134	
21 Yellow Medicine County Funding Source: LCMR Funding Source: LCMR	The purpose is to transfer all county and judicial ditch information from paper maps to ArcView and to add an inventory of existing buffer strips along the drainage ditches. This information will be used to target landowners and encourage them to place their ditch banks into available programs.	\$16,000	12/4/2003 9/3/2004	\$8,000 \$8,000	\$16,000	\$16,000	
				Grant Summary:	\$500,000	\$488,441	\$614,973

## ATTACHMENT C

### Guidelines For Applications For FY 2004/05 Local Water Mgt. Planning Challenge Grants:

**Application Period:** June 10, 2003 –July 1, 2003

**Eligible Local Units of Government** includes counties, watershed districts and watershed management organizations. SWCDs may apply if the county has delegated the local water management planning responsibilities to them per 103B.311, subd. 2. All applicants must have an approved, current local water management plan.

**Grant maximums:** Grants will not exceed \$25,000 per LGU or \$75,000 per project where 3 or more LGUs are involved in implementing a project. Successful projects will receive half of the funds requested in FY 2004 and half in FY 05.

**Required Match:** All grants must be matched one-to-one with non-state cash or in kind contributions.

**Eligible Projects:** Proposed projects must implement priority action items in an approved local water management plan. Eligible projects include:

1. land and water treatment (i.e., install erosion or water quality improvement practices);
2. inventories (e.g., inventory public and private drainage systems)
3. water quality monitoring; or
4. education activities.

**Special consideration** will be given to projects that:

1. develop, implement or complement plans for lakes, rivers or drainage management systems;
2. improve, develop, guide, or complement the development of environmental ordinances (e.g., develop comprehensive wetland protection standards, develop models or other tools to guide in drafting ordinances, etc.)

**Ineligible projects** include:

1. installation of ISTS's;
2. updating local water plans;
3. Clean Water Partnership Phase 1 diagnostic studies;
4. federal and state combined cost-share that exceeds 75% of the cost of the project;
5. additional state money for BWSR easement payments (RIM, CREP, WRP, road replacement) or admin/tech services associated with the easement acquisition; and
6. digitizing soil surveys not done to USDA-NRCS standards.

Eligible/Ineligible costs can be found on pages 1 and 2 of LCMR's website:  
*LCMR PROJECT MANAGER INFORMATION- Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources*

Application period closes at 4:30 on Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003.

All applications must be submitted using the BWSR eLINK program.

## ATTACHMENT D

# 2004/05 Local Water Management Challenge Grant RFP Summary & Ranking

**Application Summary:** All applications were submitted using BWSR's eLINK program. This was the first official business task conducted via the software program.

**Requests for proposals (RFPs) received:** 66  
(swcds 26; counties 22; and watershed districts/wmos 18)

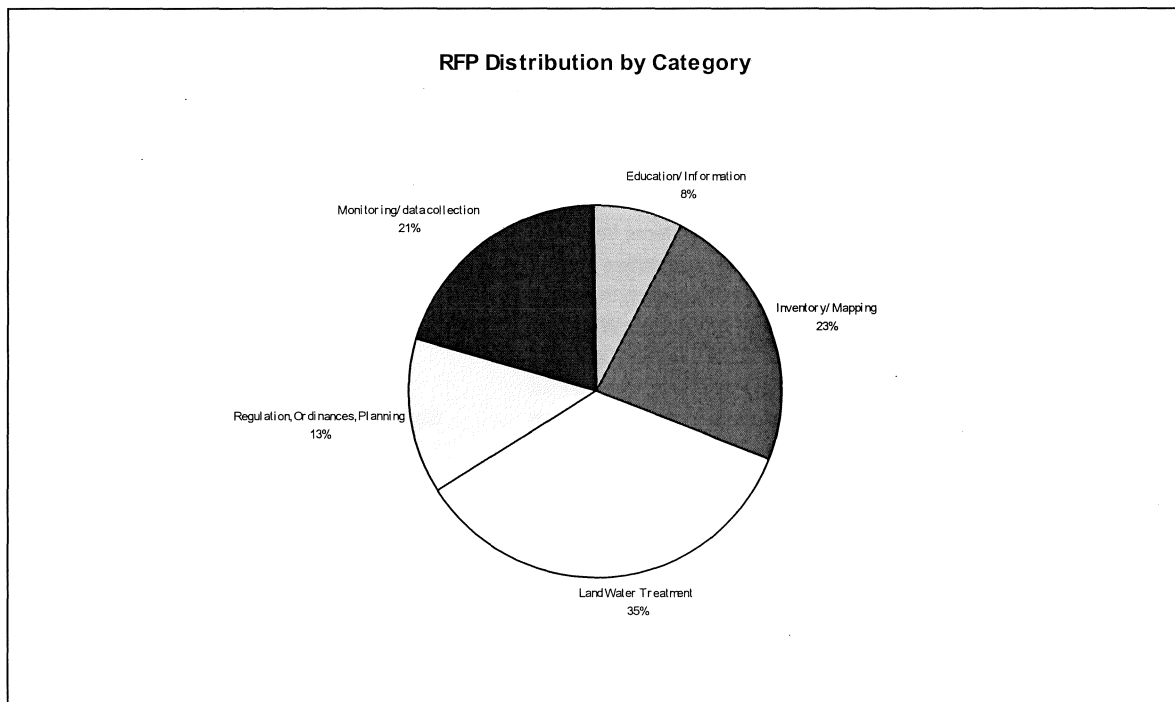
**Total funds requested:**  
\$1,518,578.00

**Total match offered:**  
\$2,157,675

*Ranked Projects: Below is a list of the projects submitted for funding, ranked from the highest to the lowest score.*

	Project Name	Local Unit of Govt	requested amount \$
1	Cass County Land and Water Protection Initiative	Cass SWCD	\$23,800.00
2	Connecting Water Quality Data With Land Use mgt	Itasca SWCD	\$47,375.00
3	Develop a Natural Resources Corridor Mgt Plan	Blue Earth COUNTY	\$20,000.00
4	Integrating Groundwater and Surface Water Mgt	Washington SWCD	\$75,000.00
5	Winona County Planning Department	Winona COUNTY	\$15,000.00
6	Silver Creek Corridor Implementation Plan	Carnelian Marine WD WSHED	\$25,000.00
7	Drainage System Inventory and Management Plan	Le Sueur COUNTY	\$25,000.00
8	Stearns County COLA, Assessments and Mgt Plans	Stearns COUNTY	\$25,000.00
9	Sauk River Chain of Lakes Lakeshed Mgt Plan and Imple	Stearns SWCD	\$23,000.00
10	Develop four lake mgt plans and begin implementation	Todd SWCD	\$25,000.00
11	Fish Lake Project	Jackson COUNTY	\$10,000.00
12	Compe Drainage System Management Planning Model	Faribault SWCD	\$25,000.00
13	Drainage System Inventory	Swift COUNTY	\$18,975.00
14	Wadena/Hubbard Healthy Lakes and Rivers Program	Wadena SWCD	\$20,000.00
15	Fish Lake Management Planning	Prior Lk- Spring Lake WSHED	\$8,350.00
16	History of Drainage Systems and Alternative Intake Demo	Chippewa COUNTY	\$25,000.00
17	Yellow Medicine Drainage Ditch Inventory and Mapping	Yellow Medicine COUNTY	\$16,000.00
18	Meeker public drainage ditch systems inventory	Meeker COUNTY	\$25,000.00
19	Kandiyohi public drainage ditch systems inventory	Kandiyohi COUNTY	\$25,000.00
20	Wetland Education: Arrowhead Water Quality Team	Carlton County	\$37,000.00
21	Lincoln Co. Public Drainage Systems Inventory	Lincoln COUNTY	\$25,000.00
22	Natural Features Mapping and Model Adaptation Project	Douglas COUNTY	\$25,000.00
23	Public and private ditch inventory	Wadena SWCD	\$5,000.00
24	Management Plan for High Priority Wetlands	West Mississippi WMO WMO	\$15,000.00
25	Renville Comp Drainage Ditch Inventory and Mgt	Renville SWCD	\$25,000.00
26	Powers Pond Park Pervious Pavement Parking Pad	South Wash WD	\$25,000.00
27	Enhance Sauk Lake Management Plan	Sauk River WD WSHED	\$4,600.00
28	Turtle River Watershed Assoc.Lake Mgt Plan Imple.	Beltrami SWCD	\$19,020.00
29	Beltrami County Lakes and Rivers Association	Beltrami SWCD	\$24,400.00
30	Martin and Typo Lakes Shoreline Restoration	Anoka SWCD	\$7,850.00
31	Drainage Inventory	Carver COUNTY	\$7,000.00
32	Spirit Lake Storm Water Retention Pond	Wadena SWCD	\$8,650.00
33	Wilkin County Non-Sewered Community Planning	Wilkin COUNTY	\$16,850.00
34	Stormwater Retention Strategy for the City of Clearbrook	Red Lake SWCD	\$18,500.00
35	Storm Water Management and Education Project	Douglas COUNTY	\$19,400.00
36	Arcola Creek Stormwater Mgt and Implementation Plan!	Marine on St. Croix WMO	\$25,000.00
37	North Fork Crow River Watershed District	North Fork Crow River WSHED	\$25,000.00
38	Powers Pond Park Pervious Pavement Parking Pad	South Washington Watershed District WSHED	\$25,000.00
39	Nutrient Mgt Planning in the South Fork of the Root River	Fillmore SWCD	\$25,000.00
40	Carlton County Land Use Resource Guide	Carlton COUNTY	\$6,475.00

	Project Name	Local Unit of Govt	requested amount \$
41	Small City Stormwater Education	Sauk River WD WSHED	\$4,200.00
42	Natural Resource Inventories Citizen Education	Carver COUNTY	\$3,000.00
43	BMP Cost-Share for Nobles County and WD's	Nobles SWCD	\$75,000.00
44	Elk River Wellhead Prot. Area Contaminant Elimination	Sherburne SWCD	\$11,000.00
45	Sibley Arsenic Testing Program	Sibley SWCD	\$4,000.00
46	Public Ditch Benefits - Wild Rice Watershed District	Mahnomen SWCD	\$22,500.00
47	Nicols Meadow Groundwater and Precip Monitoring Study	Gun Club Lake WMO	\$17,500.00
48	JD #10 Grade Stabilization	Two Rivers WD WSHED	\$22,500.00
49	West Buck Hill Park Stormwater BMP Treatment	Black Dog WMO	\$25,000.00
50	Washington County Water Consortium	Washington COUNTY	\$75,000.00
51	Minnehaha Creek Stream Assessment	Minnehaha Creek WSHED	\$24,800.00
52	Root River Water Quality Improvement	Root River SWCD	\$75,000.00
53	Percy Blake Erosion Control Project	Kittson SWCD	\$14,148.00
54	Pipestone County Soil Survey Update	Pipestone SWCD	\$25,000.00
55	Determination of water level	Thirty Lakes WSHED	\$22,500.00
56	Streambank Protection with In Stream Habitat Enhance	Watsonwan COUNTY	\$25,000.00
57	Unused, abandoned well sealing program	Sibley SWCD	\$4,000.00
58	Push-up pond program	Root River SWCD	\$20,000.00
59	Wayne Stewart Erosion Control Project	Kittson SWCD	\$9,225.00
60	Pollution Contribution Model in the Sauk River Watershed	Sauk River WD WSHED	\$8,000.00
61	BMP Feasibility and Cost Assessment Study	Lower Mississippi - WMO WMO	\$22,000.00
62	District TMDL's	Thirty Lakes WSHED	\$24,000.00
63	New Grant Application - Wild Rice Watershed District	Wild Rice WD WSHED	\$24,960.00
64	Elm Creek Watershed Management Organization	Elm Creek WMO	\$50,000.00
65	Lakeshore Stewardship Project	Pope COUNTY	\$18,000.00
66	Enhance EQIP with additional cost share	Waseca COUNTY	\$25,000.00
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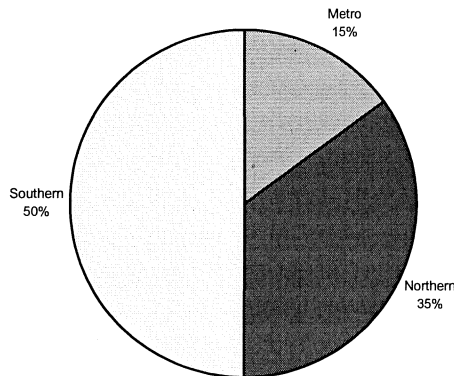
**Application Review:**

RFPs were reviewed and scored by four board conservationists and one water mgt specialist representing the metro region and central office. The DNR, PCA, MDH, MDA, MGS and MNPlanning/EQB were invited to score the applications; the PCA and MDH provided scores. There were some problems reviewing the applications in eLINK so they were posted to BWSR's website in .pdf files for the reviewers to use. It should be noted that DNR intended to review and score the applications but did not because of the problems with eLINK.

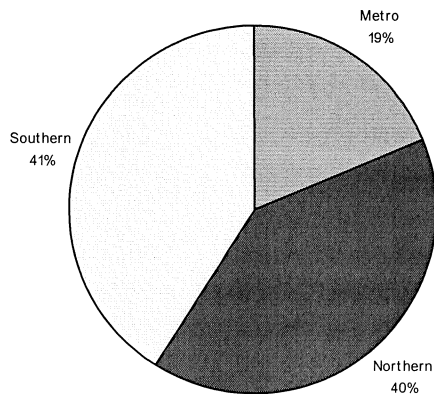
Additional points were added to each reviewer's score if the project met the special consideration criteria as listed in the guidance for the grant (see attachment A guidelines). All of the scores were then averaged and ranked to develop the funding recommendation .

**Geographic distribution of projects recommended for funding:**

Distribution by Region (# Projects)



Distribution by Region (Funds)



**Distribution by category of projects recommended for funding:**

