**Metro Conservation Districts** (MCD) is a joint powers board formed under authority of Minnesota Statutes section 471.59. MCD is composed of eleven members, including: Hennepin and Ramsey counties, and the Soil and Water Conservation Districts of Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Isanti, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright counties. MCD serves as an entity under which its members can jointly plan, develop and implement programs and activities for resource conservation. Soil and Water Conservation Districts, which make up the bulk of the membership are a non-regulatory county level subdivisions of state government formed under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103C. Professional SWCD staff conserve and enhance the natural resources of their counties under the supervision of a locally elected boards of supervisors.

**Chris Lord, Anoka Conservation District Manager**, will serve as project coordinator; facilitate development of protocols; hire, train, and manage staff; see to the accurate tracking and reporting of all expenses, and see to the timely and accurate delivery of all work products. Chris has 28 years of project management experience, including multi-year projects in excess of $1,000,000. Chris was largely responsible for completing the original Anoka County MLCCS inventory, which utilized many funding sources over many years. Chris has a BS in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences.