

RE: Review and approval of Accomplishment Plan - ML 2025, subd. 4(g)

Good Morning Mark,

I'm writing to give you an update on work that has taken place on the project since the June Council meeting. Roseau County as the jurisdictional authority for the ditches in the project area held a public meeting on July 9th to hear landowners concerns about the project. There was also one-on-one follow-up with individual landowners in the two weeks after that meeting.

Some of the concerns were centered around the relationships with the DNR. As you know, the RRWD has had several successful partnership projects with the DNR. Unfortunately, the relationship between the County and DNR still has some tension. There have also been efforts in the last month to work through those issues as well, including DNR representatives attending the July 22nd Roseau County Board meeting. Everything seems to be moving in the right direction on that front. The Project Team will continue to meet and work through these concerns as well to keep all stakeholders involved in project development.

At this time, we request the Council approve the Accomplishment Plan and move forward with the grant agreement for the allocated funding.

I plan on attending the July 30th meeting virtually.

Thank you,

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