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TO: Carver County Soil and Water Conservation District Board

FROM: Jennifer King, County Executive Director

SUBJECT: July 2026 Board Meeting

Old Business

Acreage Reporting – July 15th

- Spring planted crops have an acreage reporting deadline of July 15, 2026.

2023/2024 Supplemental Disaster Relief Program (SDRP)

- Deadline extended to August 12, 2026.

New Business

Base Acre Increase for Safety Net Program (ARC/PLC)

- Contact FSA by August 31, 2026:
 - Acreage history data is incorrect or missing,
 - There are “subsequent acres” listed on the producer’s Base Allocation summary,
 - If the producer elects to opt out of receiving any additional base acres.

FSA County Committee (COC)

- Nomination period closes in August.
- Carver-McLeod: LAA1 & LAA5 (see attached map for reference)

July CCC Interest Rates announced through Notice FI-3479

- FSFL 3-year term – 4.125%
- FSFL 5-year term – 4.250%
- FSFL 10-year term – 4.500%

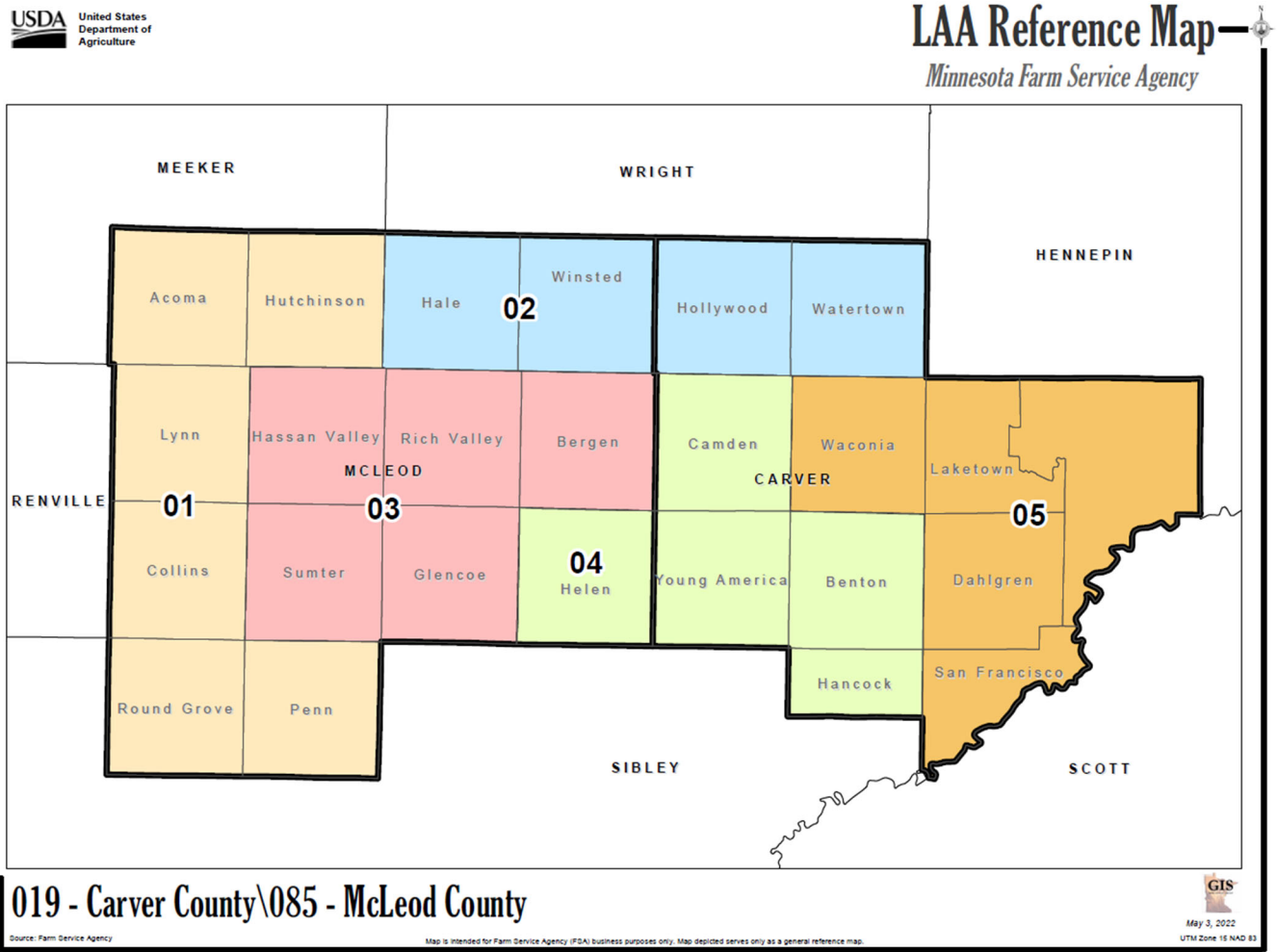
CRP Notices

- CRP-1091: Preparing for 2026 CRP Annual Rental & TIP Payments
- CRP-1092: FY2026 TIP Update (no additional offers to be accepted)

County Committee (COC) Meeting: Regular sessions are open to the public (0:15-0:30)

- August 11th at 9:00AM is the next McLeod-Carver COC Meeting.

*FSA COC Reference Map:





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Cologne, MN 55322

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Carver SWCD Board Meeting Minutes – June 18, 2026

Held in Conference Room 1 at the Carver County Public Works facility in Cologne, MN

Board Members Present:

Mark Zabel, Chair
Karli Wittner, Vice Chair
Michael Lynch, Member
Marcus Zbinden, Member

Board Members Absent:

Jeffrey Sons, Secretary/Treasurer

Others Present:

Cindy Hoffmann, NRCS Soil Conservationist
Katie Mattila, NRCS District Conservationist
Paul Moline, Carver County Public Services Deputy Director

SWCD Staff Present:

Mike Wanous, District Manager
Felicia Brockoff, Administrative & Finance Specialist

1. Call to order.

Chair Zabel called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. Public Comments – None.

3. Appoint a Secretary/Treasurer for June 2026 meeting.

Resolution 024-2026: Chair Zabel moved, Lynch seconded to appoint Supervisor Zbinden as the acting Secretary/Treasurer for the June 18, 2026 Board meeting. Roll call vote: Lynch-aye; Sons-absent; Wittner-aye; Zabel-aye; Zbinden-aye. Motion carried.

4. Agenda review and adoption.

Resolution 025-2026: Zbinden moved, Wittner seconded, to approve the June 18, 2026, Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Lynch-aye; Sons-absent; Wittner-aye; Zabel-aye; Zbinden-aye. Motion carried.

5. Agency Reports.

- a. FSA report – Jennifer King provided a written report that was included in the Board packets. Due to staff shortages, an FSA representative was unable to attend the meeting. Interesting item was assistance for specialty crops.
- b. NRCS report – Katie reported that all the initial EQIP pre-approvals have been processed and obligated. Minnesota requested additional EQIP funding from the National office, and an increased allocation was granted. Carver County has four contracts, plus one additional under the RCPP program. Carver County also has four CSP applications that are going through the pre-approval process. She also reported staff are completing status reviews for the CRP contracts that are about to expire. Cindy has also completed the HEL compliance reviews for Carver County.

Katie mentioned that the NRCS Local Work Group meeting will be following the Board meeting this morning. She also mentioned that Colton Buckley has been named as the new NRCS Chief.

- c. Carver County report – Paul reported that the SWCD’s proposed overall budget increase for 2027 is currently 3.5%. He noted that this is similar to last year’s initial budget proposal; however, the final approved budget for that year resulted in a 0% increase. The budget hearing for the Public Services Division is scheduled for July 28.

In addition, all Union employee contracts are set to expire in 2026, along with the current health insurance contract, which will impact future budget figures. Mike commented that the preliminary budget will impact the SWCD, since salaries and insurance costs for the SWCD employees are not yet factored into this proposal.

Paul also discussed potential opportunities for the SWCD to receive technical assistance funding through various WBIF projects that are planned. While this would not resolve the SWCD’s broader budget challenges, it could provide some temporary relief.

Paul reminded the Board that the WMO tour will be held on June 30, and highlighted the stops that will be included on the tour.

5. Consent Agenda Items

Resolution 026-2026: Wittner moved, Lynch seconded to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approval of May 21, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes.
- b. Acceptance of the May 2026 Treasurer’s Report

Roll call vote: Lynch-aye; Sons-absent; Wittner-aye; Zabel-aye; Zbinden-aye. Motion carried.

6. Regular Agenda Items

- a. MASWCD has announced another Leadership Institute training for 2026-2027, the deadline to register is July 10, 2026.
- b. The DNR has sent out the Public Waters Inventory correction process. Mike gave the Supervisors a presentation on how this would affect the SWCD after the inventory correction process is completed. If there are new waters added to the inventory, the buffer law would then be applicable to those areas. Mike showed them the areas in question that were south of Burandt Lake in Waconia, and north of Benton Lake in Cologne. He reported there are approximately six locations in Carver County that would be changed.

7. SWCD Board Committee & SWCD Staff Monthly Reports

- a. Personnel Committee (Zabel, Zbinden) – Mike reported that mid-year informal reviews with the staff will be conducted soon.
- b. Metro Conservation Districts Committee (Wittner; Lynch alt.) – Wittner gave an update on the licensing agreement for the Children’s Water Festival to be held at the State Fairgrounds. There was a special meeting called to approve the contract, which was held during the luncheon of the Metro Area Conservation District’s meeting and tour on June 4.
- c. Education & Outreach Committee (Sons, Lynch) – did not meet.

- d. Budget Committee (Sons, Zbinden) – did not meet.
- e. WMO Advisory Committee (Zbinden; Wittner alt.) – Zbinden could not attend, the discussion items were the WMO budget for 2027, and notes from the field about the native plant workshops that were held.
- f. South Fork Crow River 1W1P (Zabel; Lynch alt.) – Chair Zabel reported the annual meeting will be on July 10 in Glencoe.
- g. The SWCD staff monthly progress report was presented and discussed.

8. Board of Supervisors announcements

- a. Supervisors' compensation forms are due to Felicia today.
- b. Upcoming meetings/events:
 - July 3 – Independence Day Observed, SWCD office closed
 - July 16 – SWCD Board Meeting, 8:00 AM

11. Adjourn

Resolution 027-2026: Zbinden moved, Wittner seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 a.m. Roll call vote: Lynch-aye; Sons-absent; Wittner-aye; Zabel-aye; Zbinden-aye. Motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, July 16, 2026, at 8:00 AM
Location: Public Works Headquarters, Conference Room 2
11360 Highway 212, Cologne, MN 55322

Approved: _____ Date signed: July 16, 2026
Secretary/Treasurer

Carver Soil & Water Conservation District
Treasurer's Report
As of June 30, 2026

Date	NuM	Name	Memo	Debit	Credit	Balance
1000 Checking-Security Bank						32,208.15
06/04/2026	3904	NCPERS Group Life Ins.	910300-062026		16.00	32,192.15
06/04/2026	3902	Elan Financial Services	1335		1,140.94	31,051.21
06/04/2026	3903	HSA Bank	#W709347 May Fees		12.50	31,038.71
06/09/2026	3905	Frontier Precision, Inc.	M219973		1,512.00	29,526.71
06/10/2026			Funds Transfer-524357746	30,000.00		59,526.71
06/12/2026		QuickBooks Payroll Service	Created by Payroll Service on 06/03/2026		16,904.00	42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1331	Brockoff, Felicia L.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1332	Datres, Benjamin R.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1333	Genelin, Thomas M.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1334	Meiller, Terry J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1335	Polster, Tyler J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1336	Ristow, Seth E.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	DD1337	Wanous, Richard M.	Direct Deposit	0.00		42,622.71
06/15/2026	EFT-946	HSA Bank	41-1385530		1,347.95	41,274.76
06/15/2026	EFT-947	Minnesota Revenue	7694248		1,173.00	40,101.76
06/15/2026	EFT-948	MSRS-VOYA	0058 Carver SWCD		1,679.00	38,422.76
06/15/2026	EFT-949	PERA	9103-00		3,792.61	34,630.15
06/15/2026	EFT-950	US Treasury IRS	41-1385530		6,278.72	28,351.43
06/15/2026	3906	MNL-Minnesota Native Land...	Invoice #2205		1,935.00	26,416.43
06/16/2026			Deposit-Drill Rentals	3,070.00		29,486.43
06/22/2026	3907	Carver County	June Insurance Due		9,828.87	19,657.56
06/24/2026			Funds Transfer-526820838	35,000.00		54,657.56
06/25/2026	3908	Minnesota UI Fund	VOID: 07974447	0.00		54,657.56
06/25/2026	3909	MN Paid Leave	07974447		1,113.99	53,543.57
06/29/2026		QuickBooks Payroll Service	Created by Payroll Service on 06/22/2026		19,321.32	34,222.25
06/30/2026	3910	Polster, Tyler J.	2026 Health Incentive		100.00	34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1338	Brockoff, Felicia L.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1339	Datres, Benjamin R.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1340	Genelin, Thomas M.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1341	Meiller, Terry J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1342	Polster, Tyler J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1343	Ristow, Seth E.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	DD1344	Wanous, Richard M.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,122.25
06/30/2026	3911	Lynch, Michael J.			566.85	33,555.40
06/30/2026	3912	Sons, Jeffrey R.			375.11	33,180.29
06/30/2026	DD1345	Wittner, Karli A.	Direct Deposit	0.00		33,180.29
06/30/2026	DD1346	Zabel, Mark A.	Direct Deposit	0.00		33,180.29
06/30/2026	DD1347	Zbinden, Marcus R.	Direct Deposit	0.00		33,180.29
06/30/2026	EFT-951	HSA Bank	41-1385530		1,347.95	31,832.34
06/30/2026	EFT-952	Minnesota Revenue	7694248		1,173.00	30,659.34
06/30/2026	EFT-953	MSRS-VOYA	0058 Carver SWCD		1,679.00	28,980.34
06/30/2026	EFT-954	PERA	9103-00		3,855.11	25,125.23
06/30/2026	EFT-955	US Treasury IRS	41-1385530		6,642.40	18,482.83
06/30/2026	EFT-956	MN Dept. of Rev. Sales Tax			345.00	18,137.83
06/30/2026			Deposit-Drill Rentals	500.00		18,637.83
06/30/2026			Interest	0.69		18,638.52
Total 1000 Checking-Security Bank				68,570.69	82,140.32	18,638.52
1100 Savings-Security Bank						475,477.97
06/10/2026			Funds Transfer-524357746		30,000.00	445,477.97
06/24/2026			Funds Transfer-526820838		35,000.00	410,477.97
06/30/2026			Interest	510.75		410,988.72
Total 1100 Savings-Security Bank				510.75	65,000.00	410,988.72
1110 Member Savings-SouthPoint						10.30
Total 1110 Member Savings-SouthPoint						10.30
1150 Savings Citizens NYA						82,916.45
06/30/2026			Interest	80.99		82,997.44
Total 1150 Savings Citizens NYA				80.99	0.00	82,997.44
1200 Investments CD's						431,904.51
12.SPFCU*024 (3.8%-08/23/26)						115,055.87
Total 12.SPFCU*024 (3.8%-08/23/26)						115,055.87
12.ONB*141 (3.75%-08/24/26)						101,636.44
Total 12.ONB*141 (3.75%-08/24/26)						101,636.44

Carver Soil & Water Conservation District
Treasurer's Report
As of June 30, 2026

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Debit	Credit	Balance
		12.SB&T*266 (3.7%-02/07/27)				102,095.58
		Total 12.SB&T*266 (3.7%-02/07/27)				102,095.58
		12.ONB*968 (4.0%-11/06/26)				113,116.62
		Total 12.ONB*968 (4.0%-11/06/26)				113,116.62
		Total 1200 Investments CD's				431,904.51
TOTAL				69,162.43	147,140.32	944,539.49



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Treasurer's Monthly Report Program Summary - June 2026

	Cash Balance <u>5/31/2026</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	Cash Balance <u>6/30/2026</u>
<u>Funds</u>				
BWSR Soil Health Delivery	\$6,852.52		\$1,898.48	\$4,954.04
BWSR Buffer Implementation	\$14,944.88		\$10,452.96	\$4,491.92
BWSR Conservation Delivery	\$0.00			\$0.00
BWSR Soil Health Practices	\$180,000.00			\$180,000.00
BWSR State Cost Share	\$38,924.00			\$38,924.00
BWSR WBIF (Waconia & Eagle)	\$0.00			\$0.00
SWCD Operating Funds	\$662,375.98	\$4,162.43	\$69,788.88	\$596,749.53
District Escrow	\$119,420.00			\$119,420.00
TOTAL	\$1,022,517.38	\$4,162.43	\$82,140.32	\$944,539.49

<u>Use of Cash</u>				
1000 Checking Security Bank	\$32,208.15	\$68,570.69	\$82,140.32	\$18,638.52
1100 Savings-Security Bank	\$475,477.97	\$510.75	\$65,000.00	\$410,988.72
1110 Savings-South Point CU	\$10.30			\$10.30
1150 Savings-Citizens NYA	\$82,916.45	\$80.99		\$82,997.44
1200 Investments CD's	\$431,904.51			\$431,904.51
TOTAL	\$1,022,517.38	\$69,162.43	\$147,140.32	\$944,539.49

Carver SWCD Board Treasurer

7/16/2026
Date

Carver Soil & Water Conservation District
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2026

	<u>Jun 30, 26</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 Checking-Security Bank	18,638.52
1100 Savings-Security Bank	410,988.72
1110 Member Savings-SouthPoint	10.30
1150 Savings Citizens NYA	82,997.44
1200 Investments CD's	431,904.51
Total Checking/Savings	944,539.49
Accounts Receivable	
1300 Accounts Receivable	5,258.39
Total Accounts Receivable	5,258.39
Total Current Assets	949,797.88
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>949,797.88</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2200 Payroll Liabilities	0.09
2300 Sales Tax Payable	-0.10
2400 Unearned-Deferred Revenue	
2402 Buffer Implementation	4,491.92
2405 Cost-Share	38,924.00
2407 Soil Health Grants	184,954.04
Total 2400 Unearned-Deferred Revenue	228,369.96
Total Other Current Liabilities	228,369.95
Total Current Liabilities	228,369.95
Total Liabilities	228,369.95
Equity	
3000 FUND BALANCE	825,887.29
Net Income	-104,459.36
Total Equity	721,427.93
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>949,797.88</u>

Carver Soil & Water Conservation District
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through June 2026

	Jan - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
4000 Intergovernmental County				
4010 Annual Allocation	286,831.00	573,581.00	-286,750.00	50.0%
4020 CCWMO Projects	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
4030 Ditches/Misc. County Rev.	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
4040 WCA Services	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
Total 4000 Intergovernmental County	286,831.00	608,581.00	-321,750.00	47.1%
4100 Intergovernmental Local				
4110 Cities, WD, LGU Revenue	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
4120 MCD, MACD Revenue	30,105.50	35,000.00	-4,894.50	86.0%
4130 WBIF Staff Time	2,398.08			
Total 4100 Intergovernmental Local	32,503.58	55,000.00	-22,496.42	59.1%
4200 Intergovernmental State				
4202 Buffer Implementation	15,508.08	20,000.00	-4,491.92	77.5%
4204 Conservation Delivery	24,991.56	19,000.00	5,991.56	131.5%
4205 Cost-Share	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
4208 Easement Reimbursements	2,500.00			
4210 RIM Misc. Income	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
4207 Soil Health Grants	5,045.96	60,000.00	-54,954.04	8.4%
4212 SWCD Aid	0.00	133,000.00	-133,000.00	0.0%
4211 WBIF Grants	0.00	40,000.00	-40,000.00	0.0%
4200 Intergovernmental State - Other	0.00	60,000.00	-60,000.00	0.0%
Total 4200 Intergovernmental State	48,045.60	362,000.00	-313,954.40	13.3%
4300 Charges for Services				
4320 Great Plains Drill Rental	10,137.92	7,500.00	2,637.92	135.2%
4330 Tree & Native Seed Sales	23,252.49	30,000.00	-6,747.51	77.5%
Total 4300 Charges for Services	33,390.41	37,500.00	-4,109.59	89.0%
4400 Interest Earnings	7,057.26	20,000.00	-12,942.74	35.3%
4500 Miscellaneous Revenues	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
Total Income	407,827.85	1,088,081.00	-680,253.15	37.5%
Expense				
5000 District Operations				
5100 Personnel Services				
5101 Payroll Expenses	340,086.71	666,016.00	-325,929.29	51.1%
5102 Payroll Fees	546.00	1,200.00	-654.00	45.5%
5103 SWCD - FICA/Medicare	24,371.10	50,950.00	-26,578.90	47.8%
5104 SWCD - Insurance Ben.	56,827.76	150,000.00	-93,172.24	37.9%
5105 SWCD - PERA & DCP	24,740.42	49,951.00	-25,210.58	49.5%
5106 MN Paid Leave Law	0.00	4,396.00	-4,396.00	0.0%
Total 5100 Personnel Services	446,571.99	922,513.00	-475,941.01	48.4%
5200 Other Services & Charges				
5201 Dues	8,254.59	9,000.00	-745.41	91.7%
5202 Education & Promotion	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
5203 Employee Expense	828.94	2,500.00	-1,671.06	33.2%
5204 Equipment Repairs	427.74	500.00	-72.26	85.5%
5205 MCIT Insurance Coverage	13,581.00	14,500.00	-919.00	93.7%
5206 Mileage	545.93	1,500.00	-954.07	36.4%
5207 Office Operations/Misc.	5,081.59	7,000.00	-1,918.41	72.6%
5208 Professional Services	248.00	5,000.00	-4,752.00	5.0%

Carver Soil & Water Conservation District
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through June 2026

	Jan - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
5209 Supervisor Expenses	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
5220 Vehicle/Equipment Expenses	1,956.00	5,000.00	-3,044.00	39.1%
5200 Other Services & Charges - Other	0.00			
Total 5200 Other Services & Charges	30,923.79	48,500.00	-17,576.21	63.8%
5300 Supplies - Office & Field	174.00	2,500.00	-2,326.00	7.0%
5400 Capital Outlay	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
Total 5000 District Operations	477,669.78	983,513.00	-505,843.22	48.6%
6000 Project Expenses				
6100 District Projects				
6112 Ditches/Other Co. Depts.	376.00			
6113 ETA/Misc. MCD Reimb.	15,000.00			
6114 Tree Program Expenses	19,241.43			
6100 District Projects - Other	0.00	40,000.00	-40,000.00	0.0%
Total 6100 District Projects	34,617.43	40,000.00	-5,382.57	86.5%
6200 State Projects	0.00	64,568.00	-64,568.00	0.0%
Total 6000 Project Expenses	34,617.43	104,568.00	-69,950.57	33.1%
Total Expense	512,287.21	1,088,081.00	-575,793.79	47.1%
Net Income	-104,459.36	0.00	-104,459.36	100.0%

From: [Sheila Vanney](#)
Subject: MASWCD Award Nominations are OPEN!
Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2026 3:54:40 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

To SWCD Supervisors and Employees:



2026 MASWCD Award Nominations are OPEN

CLOSES Friday, September 4

Award nominees and winners will be recognized at the [90TH Annual MASWCD Convention](#), **November 30 to December 2, 2026**, at the Double Tree by Hilton, Bloomington-Minneapolis South.

Nomination forms are posted on the MASWCD [Member Resources page](#) for the following award categories:

- **MASWCD Outstanding Conservationist Award**, with support from The Farmer magazine - .docx
- **MASWCD/MPCA Community Conservationist Award** - .docx
- **MASWCD/Pheasants Forever Wildlife Habitat Steward Award** - .docx
- **MASWCD/DNR Forest Steward Award** - .docx
- **MASWCD Teacher of the Year Award** - .docx

**Award applications and supporting materials must be submitted via email as stated on the application forms.*

Thank you in advance for helping us celebrate your conservation accomplishments and those of your local cooperators!



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Regular Agenda

Meeting Date: July 16, 2026

Prepared by: Terry Meiller

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve batching and cost-share contract 10-1-2 and 10-1-3 for cover crop implementation under RCPP requirements.

SUMMARY:

Per RCPP guidelines, the board must first approve batching prior to contract approval.

Contract 10-1-2 is a single year agreement for cover crops and no-till implementation on 56.0 acres. The landowner is requesting board approval for a multi-species cover crop of Winter Cereal Rye and Winter Triticale that will be seeded per NRCS seeding rates/dates following the 2026 crop harvest. Total cost-share request is \$5,320.0.

Contract 10-1-3 is a single year agreement for cover crops and no-till implementation on 66.9 acres. The landowner is requesting board approval for a multi-species cover crop mixes for aerial seeding into soybeans and no-tilling following corn harvest. Total cost-share request is \$6,355.50.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve batching and cost-share contracts 10-1-2 and 10-1-3.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACT:

Funding is available through the Soil Health Practices Grant (MN RCPP)

Supporting Documents:

Fact Sheet and map attached

Previous Board Action:

None

Ranking Form Carver SWCD – Contract 10-1-2

Batching Frequency: Monthly.

Ranking Criteria	Answer	Points
Does this project address at least one required resource concern?	Yes / No	N/A
1. Does the applicant identify as a Historically Underserved Farmer/Rancher? (5 pts)	Yes / No	
2. Is this the first time the applicant has utilized the proposed practice? (15 pts)	Yes / No	
3. Does the proposed project fall within a Drinking Water Supply Management Area? (5 pts)	Yes / No	
4. Is the proposed project located adjacent to a high priority area within a CWMP? (20 pts Max) a) Drains directly to a Priority 1 waterbody (20 pts) b) Drains directly to a Priority 2 waterbody (15 pts) c) Drains directly to a Priority 3 waterbody (10 pts)	Yes / No	
5. Does the proposed project fall within a sensitive ground water area? (5pts)	Yes / No	
6. Does the proposed practice include more than a single species? (5pts)	Yes / No	
7. How far away is the proposed practice from a surface water? (25 pts Max) a) Within 500' (25 pts) b) 501' – 1000' (20 pts) c) 1001' – 3000' (15 pts) d) 3001' or greater (10 pts)	a.	25
8. How many acres will the proposed practice be applied to? (20 pts Max) a) 50 acres or more (20 pts) b) 25-49 acres (15 pts) c) Less than 25 acres (10 pts)	a.	20
Total Available Points = 100	Total Points	45

Tier 1 = 100-50, Tier 2 = 25-49, and Tier 3 = <25.

Cover Crop Contract 10-1-2

Project Location

City/Twp. Hamburg, MN
 Young America- Sec. 33
 Watershed Bevens Creek

Project Details

Practice Cover Crops (340) / No-till (329)
 Quantity 56.0 Acres
 Project ID 10-1-2
 Planting Date October, 2026

Funding

Grant Soil Health Practices Grant (RCPP – P26-0006)
 Total Cost-Share Requested \$5,320.00

Project Overview

Contract 10-1-2 is a single year agreement for a cover crop mix of winter cereal rye and winter triticale on 56.0 acres to help address local water quality concerns.

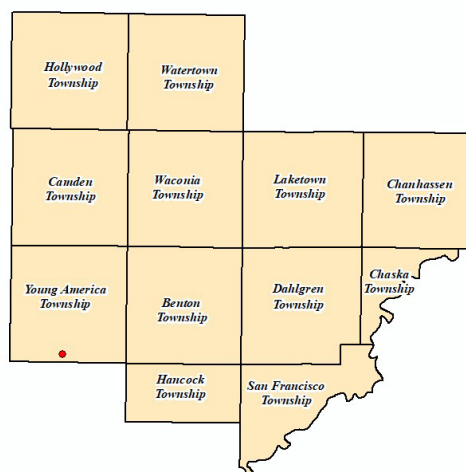
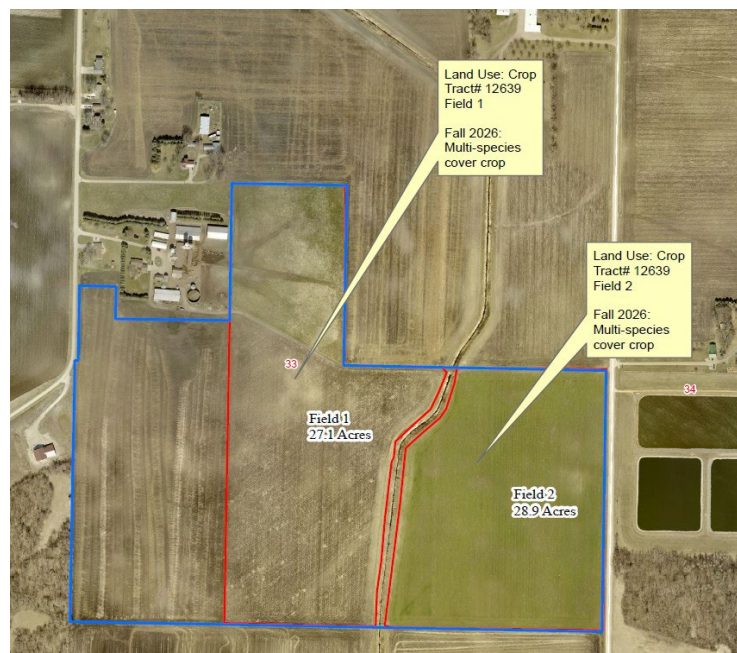
The cover crop mix was selected based on its ability to effectively utilize nutrients (N-Scavenging) and the planting dates/growth habit that maximizes plant biomass production and nutrient uptake, while not adversely affecting the landowners harvest process. The landowner intends to implement no-till practices during the contract period.

Environmental Benefits

Reduce Soil Loss and Erosion
 Improve Water Quality
 Improve Soil Health and Soil Tilth

Young America Township

Cover Crops (340) No-till (329)



Ranking Form Carver SWCD – Contract 10-1-3

Batching Frequency: Monthly.

Ranking Criteria	Answer	Points
Does this project address at least one required resource concern?	<i>Yes / No</i>	N/A
1. Does the applicant identify as a Historically Underserved Farmer/Rancher? (5 pts)	<i>Yes / No</i>	
2. Is this the first time the applicant has utilized the proposed practice? (15 pts)	<i>Yes / No</i>	
3. Does the proposed project fall within a Drinking Water Supply Management Area? (5 pts)	<i>Yes / No</i>	
4. Is the proposed project located adjacent to a high priority area within a CWMP? (20 pts Max) a) Drains directly to a Priority 1 waterbody (20 pts) b) Drains directly to a Priority 2 waterbody (15 pts) c) Drains directly to a Priority 3 waterbody (10 pts)	<i>Yes / No</i>	10
5. Does the proposed project fall within a sensitive ground water area? (5pts)	<i>Yes / No</i>	
6. Does the proposed practice include more than a single species? (5pts)	<i>Yes / No</i>	5
7. How far away is the proposed practice from a surface water? (25 pts Max) a) Within 500' (25 pts) b) 501' – 1000' (20 pts) c) 1001' – 3000' (15 pts) d) 3001' or greater (10 pts)	<i>a.</i>	25
8. How many acres will the proposed practice be applied to? (20 pts Max) a) 50 acres or more (20 pts) b) 25-49 acres (15 pts) c) Less than 25 acres (10 pts)	<i>a.</i>	20
Total Available Points = 100	Total Points	60

Tier 1 = 100-50, Tier 2 = 25-49, and Tier 3 = <25.

Cover Crop Contract 10-1-3

Project Location

City/Twp. New Germany, MN
Hollywood & Camden
Townships

Watershed South Fork Crow River

Project Details

Practice Cover Crops (340) / No-till
(329)

Quantity 66.9 Acres

Project ID 10-1-3

Planting Date Aug/Sept & Oct, 2026

Funding

Grant Soil Health Practices Grant
(RCPP – P26-0006)

Total Cost-share Requested \$6,355.50

Project Overview

Contract 10-1-3 is a single year agreement for multiple cover crop mixes on 66.9 acres to help address local water quality concerns.

The cover crop mix was selected based on its ability to effectively utilize nutrients (N-Scavenging) and increase organic matter over time, while not adversely affecting the landowners harvest process. The landowner intends to implement no-till practices during the contract period.

Environmental Benefits

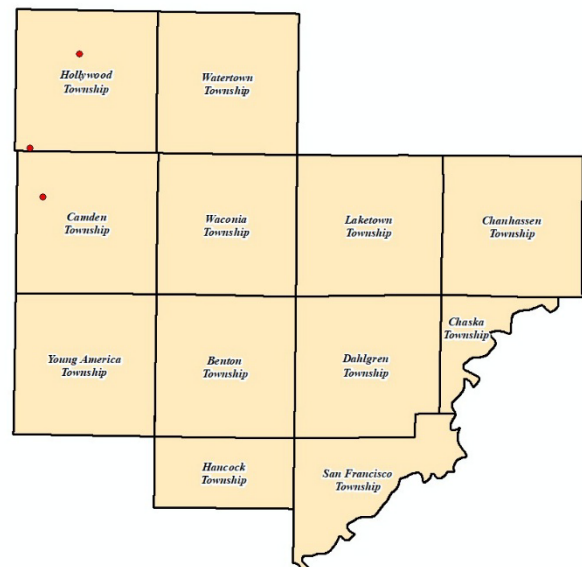
Reduce Soil Loss and Erosion

Improve Water Quality

Improve Soil Health and Soil Tilth

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Cover Crops (340)
No-till (329)



Mike Wanous – District Manager

- Watershed Based Implementation Funding (WBIF) meetings/convene groups area starting. The SWCD is involved in 4 separate WBIF areas in addition to the 1W1P for the South Fork Crow River.
- Assist the landowners that are enrolling in the Local Government Road Wetland Replacement Program, they met with their legal counsel and had some questions about the process.
- Provide assistance to County departments for proposed gravel mining operations, 3 different proposals during this past month.
- Help staff with reviewing potential WCA violations around Buck Lake.
- Start working on quarterly grant reports for ETA and Crow technical assistance.
- Meetings – MCD mngr mtg, staff mtg, WMO Tour, WBIF mtgs

Felicia Brockoff – Administrative & Finance Specialist

- Accounting: Verified and paid regular monthly expenses. Completed June Treasurer's Report, semi-monthly payroll, Supervisor's Compensation, and paid all liabilities. Completed all quarterly reports for IRS, MnDOR, MNUI, and paid sales tax and MNPFML taxes due. Drill billings to landowners.
- Admin: Completed the Minutes for the June meeting, updated 2026 resolutions document with approved Board meeting motions. Prepared July Agenda packets and posted online. Continuing to work through our Personnel Handbook and make suggested updates.

Terry Meiller – Resource Conservationist

- Soil Health RCPP: Landowner outreach/meetings with producers regarding 2026 cover crop enrollments. Conservation planning, eligibility requests/determinations completed for Contracts 10-1-2 and 10-1-3. Waiting for responses from others. Began planning Farmer Led Workshop initiative (Purpose, Format, Discussions with NRCS staff, discussed with producers participating in RCPP, etc).
- Crow WBIFMS4Front reporting (N reductions, photo uploads of all past projects).
- Misc: Great Plains drill deliveries and calibrations (3 landowners). Landowner Tech Assistance (CRP phone calls & site visits, OHW survey for landowner). Staff meeting, Local work Group, Strategic Planning session.

Seth Ristow – Resource Conservation Technician

- Reviewed conservation easement and plantings for Chevelle 19th for WMO
- Reviewed existing conservation easement of Oakwood Church to verify it was established correctly for WMO
- Finished pollinator planting plan for Lundgren's in Cologne. Entrance and rear plantings
- Conducted site visits for WMO cost-share program and general native planting help (4 sites)
- Consulted with interested homeowners on RPBCWD Stewardship Grant Program (7 sites)
- Co-facilitated our first native plant sale, through MNL. Demand was good and handout was successful
- Helped guide volunteers in the maintenance of Chaska Community Centers pollinator garden
- Met with Tom L and Tim to discuss updates to our native habitat evaluation form
- Began working on planting plan for Savanna Oaks pollinator project enhancement. Recommending installation next year as planting is currently in year 1 of growth
- Updated planting plan for Cedar Pt. raingarden in Waconia
- Reviewed maintenance of past projects in Waconia and reported findings to Tim
- Attended stormwater seminar on biochar online
- Began brainstorming ideas for potential Fall native seed collection workshop
- Scheduled times to inspect Waconia variance buffers

- Reviewed seeding information for hwy. 5 reconstruct for Lea

Tom Genelin – Senior District Technician

- Meetings/Plan Review:
 - Chevalle 19th (Chaska) preconstruction meeting
 - Summerfield (Carver) plan review
 - Norwood Flats Apartments (NYA) preconstruction meeting
 - GVT Auto (Waconia) plan review
 - Cologne Wastewater Treatment Facility (Cologne) plan review
 - Chaska Municipal Building (Chaska) preconstruction meeting
 - 420 RR Street (NYA) preconstruction meeting
 - CSAH 40 (San Fran. Twp) plan review
 - TH 5 (Waconia) plan review
 - TH25 Trail Reconstruction (Mayer) plan review
 - Waconia Wastewater Treatment Facility (Waconia) site meeting
- Site Inspections –
 - Aion Business Park (Carver) site inspection
 - Suite Living (Chaska) site inspection
 - Waterford (Waconia) site inspection
 - Woodland Creek (Waconia) site inspection
 - Timber Creek (Carver) site inspection
 - The Preserve (Carver) topsoil site inspection
 - The Fields (Waconia) site inspection
 - Ensconced Woods (Chaska) site inspection
 - Carlson Bluffs (Chaska) site inspection
 - Rivertown Heights (Chaska) topsoil site inspection
 - Chaska Bluffs (Chaska) site inspection
 - Clubs West 11th (Chaska) topsoil inspection
 - Winkler's Crossing (Cologne) site inspection
 - Lakeview Clinic (Waconia) site inspection
 - Oakwood Community Church (Waconia) site inspection
 - Les Schwab (Carver) site inspection
 - Enclave (Carver) site visit
 - Eischen's Driveway (NYA) site inspection
 - Boulder Images (Waconia) site inspection

Ben Datres – Farm Bill Technician

- CREP/RIM:
 - Kullman & Philp Easement- Technical assistance for temporary cover seeding. misc easement tasks. Site Visit and meeting with landowner.
 - Working with BWSR and landowner for a boundary change- older easement with a mapping discrepancy.
 - Annual inspections for CREP and RIM & updating ownership changes.
 - Fielding landowner phone calls- providing easement program info and options.
- MN Buffer Law:
 - Annual buffer compliance checks for eastern 1/3 of the county- started in Chaska.
 - Continuing to update procedures for documenting buffer status, landowner folders etc.
- Other:
 - Great Plains Drill: delivery, pick up and calibration assistance. Landowner phone calls regarding rental, seeding questions etc.

- Soil Health Assistance- RUSLE 2 review, misc tasks
- Week-long vacation

Tyler Polster – District Technician

- WCA
 - Carver County WMO:
 - Conducted site visit of wetland bank near Watertown with the Army Corps, BWSR and WMO Staff. The landowner is doing well with restoration maintenance and should qualify for a partial credit release after the growing season is over, and the monitoring report is put together.
 - Reviewed new plan and attended an on-site meeting with WMO staff, Tom and landowner outside of NYA. The landowner is looking to extend his land management permits but had a potential wetland violation along with other erosion and sediment control issues. All issues have either been remedied or close to being fixed (weather dependent).
 - Conducted follow up on an anonymous tip given to land management regarding a potential wetland violation on Buck Lake. The landowner was given a stop work order and has since replied to land management. A site visit has been scheduled for July 10th to meet with the landowner and discuss his wetland issues. In review of the above tip, other potential violations were noted via aerial imagery surrounding Buck Lake (different landowners.) DNR Conservation Officer will attempt to contact this owner.
 - Minnehaha Creek Watershed: Reviewed applications and attended TEP meeting on-site at Crown College. Boundary and type of wetlands were approved as well as a de-minimis application that came afterwards.
 - Chanhassen: Met with city staff on site of the restoration of a wetland violation along Lake Minnewashta. Restoration will be considered complete once MCWD conducts their separate site visit.
 - Mayer: Received and reviewed the 2025 monitoring report for city owned wetland bank. Site visit to follow later this summer.
 - Chaska: Received and reviewed application for business park construction on Big Woods Blvd.
- Miscellaneous:
 - Conducted two site visits for landowners with tree health questions/concerns.
 - Attended a Pre-Con meeting for the Carver Enclave development on behalf of Tom (attending a training.)