

Meeting Agenda
Bois de Sioux and Mustinka Watersheds
1W1P Steering Committee Meeting
5/2/19 at 9:30 am

<u>Member Organizations</u>	<u>Committee Representative</u>	<u>Designated Alternate</u>
Big Stone County	Danny Tuckett	Darren Wilke [Absent]
Big Stone SWCD	Adam Maleski	Joseph Otto [Absent]
Grant County	Greg Lillemon	
Grant SWCD	Joe Montonye	Jared House
West Otter Tail SWCD	Brad Mergens	Ben Underhill
Otter Tail County	Kyle Westergard	Chris LeClair [Absent]
Stevens County	Bill Kliendl	
Stevens SWCD	Matt Solemsaas [Absent]	
Traverse County	Lynn Siegel	Bruce Johnson [Absent]
Traverse SWCD	Sara Gronfeld	Bruce Johnson [Absent]
Wilkin County	Breanna Koval	
Wilkin SWCD	Craig Lingen	Don Bajumpaa [Absent]
Bois de Sioux Watershed	Jamie Beyer	Linda Vavra

CC:

BWSR	Pete Waller
BWSR	Julie Westerlund
Bois de Sioux Watershed	Chad Engels
HEI	Kris Guentzel
HEI	Matt Jacobson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am.

Approve April 4 & 15, 2019 Minutes: Upon motion by Montonye, seconded by Westergard and carried unanimously, the Minutes of April 4 & 15, 2019 were approved.

Recommend Payment for HEI Claim: HEI has developed a monthly financial report that describes task completion and billing progress; figures through April 24, 2018 were presented. Upon motion by Gronfeld, seconded by Koval and carried unanimously, payment to HEI in the amount of \$11,961.26 was recommended to the Policy Committee for payment.

Updates (Public Kickoff Meeting; 60-Day Notification): Guentzel presented HEI's analysis of the results of the Wendell and Wheaton Public Kick-Off meetings.

Big Takeaways (Issues and Issue Themes):

1. Issues related to drainage by far most important (46% of votes in both watersheds).
2. After Drainage, issues within Erosion and Sedimentation, Flooding, and Land Use Management issue themes had the next most votes.

3. Overall, less votes for issues related to Groundwater, Habitat, and Surface Water Quality issue themes.
4. Voting patterns were generally consistent across major watersheds.
5. Top 10 issues were related to Drainage, Erosion and Sedimentation, and Flooding:
 - 1 Drainage system inadequacy
 - 2 Sediment loading to surface waters
 - 3 Out of date benefit determinations
 - 4 Protect and improve agricultural land productivity
 - 5 Flood damage to farmland, homesteads, and public infrastructure surrounding farmland.
 - 6 Flood damage to communities and public infrastructure
 - 7 Drainage system records modernization and standardization
 - 8 Drainage system instability
 - 9 Inadequate funding for conservation practices
 - 10 Unstable river and stream channels

Collectively these 10 issues received nearly 90% of all votes cast by citizens.

Issue Prioritization by Planning Region: Nearly a full committee attended the April 15th committee meeting to prioritize issues by planning region. The committee re-reviewed each issue ranking and suggested changes.

Land and Water Resources Inventory: Committee members discussed changes to the first-draft of the Land and Water Resources Inventory. Committee members requested a number of changes/additions/deletions.

Plan Section 1: Introduction: Committee members reviewed the draft introduction.

Measurable Goals Process: Guentzel advised committee members to consider “short-term” as projects requiring 10 years or less; “long-term” require more than 10 years. Issues with a High or Medium ranking will later be assigned goals, and goals will need to be easily measureable. HEI provided an example fact sheet, which will be developed for each issue. The fact sheets will list measurable goals, background and history for each issue.

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