



One Watershed, One Plan Progress

The Long Prairie River One Watershed One Plan is making steady progress and is now through the issue identification and prioritization step of the planning process. This step sets the priorities on what the plan will address.

Issues gathered from the public were compiled and compared to input from state agencies, existing county water plans, and the Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) resulting in a watershed issues list. These issues were prioritized by the Citizen Advisory Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee using data, maps, and local expertise. Priority issues include runoff (stormwater, agriculture, and chloride) drinking water contamination, field erosion, altered hydrology, forest and grassland loss, wetland protection, intensification of lakeshore development, increasing precipitation, and sustainable groundwater quantity.

The next step in the process will be to prioritize resources such as lakes and streams for different management strategies such as which resources are high quality and will have a protection focus and which resources are degraded and will have a restoration focus. These management strategies will then be considered as they work on drafting measurable goals for the plan.



Long Prairie River headwaters east of Lake Carlos

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Accomplishments

1. Public Kickoff
2. Land & Water Resource Narrative
3. Prioritized Issues

Next Steps

1. Prioritize Resources
2. Set Measurable Goals

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Plan Timeline

