Thief River One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) Policy Committee Public Hearing

Red Lake Watershed District office December 2, 2019 9:00 a.m.

The Public Hearing was convened by Vice Chairman Gary Kiesow at 9:00 a.m. at the Red Lake Watershed District office. The following Policy Committee members (or their alternates) and Local Governmental Unit staff was present:

Policy Committee:

Brad Berg, Marshall SWCD-D LeRoy Ose, RLWD-D

Gary Kiesow, Marshall County-D
Ray Hendrickson, Beltrami SWCD-D
Neil Peterson, Pennington County-D
Don Jensen, Pennington County-A

Dale M. Nelson, RLWD-A

Local Governmental Unit Staff:

Myron Jesme, RLWD Matt Fischer, BWSR

Peter Nelson, Penn. SWCD Bryan Malone, Penn. SWCD

Drew Kessler, Houston Engineering, Inc., presented an overview of the Thief River 1W1P process. Kessler stated that the plan started in mid-2017, with a public meeting held in January 2018. The draft plan was composed from January 2018 to July 2019 which led to a 60-day public notice. Comments made during the 60-day public notice and from today's hearing will be included into the draft plan. The plan will then go through a local approval process by each Local Governmental Unit (LGU), after that it will go through a BWSR review process, and hopefully be approved by March 2020.

The hearing was opened for public comment.

Matt Fischer updated the Policy Committee on the process of revisions to the plan and moving forward to the BWSR approval process.

Hearing no further public comment the hearing was closed.

The hearing was videotaped and will be available for viewing on the Thief River 1W1P website.

Discussion was held on the Memorandum of Agreement. The Policy Committee will need to decide which LGU will be appointed as the Coordinator and Fiscal Agent.

Motion by LeRoy Ose, seconded by Ray Hendrickson, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the recommended revisions to the draft plan. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Kiesow, seconded by LeRoy Ose, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Brad Berg, Secretary	