

Thief River Watershed Assessment Project Stakeholders' Project Kick-Off Meeting

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13TH, 2012 | 10:00 AM UNTIL NOON | RED LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT OFFICE

About the Project

The Thief River Watershed Assessment Project is a watershed-wide assessment of the water quality, biotic integrity (fish, aquatic macro-invertebrates), and stream channel stability in the Thief River and its tributaries. This project will produce Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) reports that describe how water quality problems can be fixed. We will also create protection plans to protect streams with good water quality.

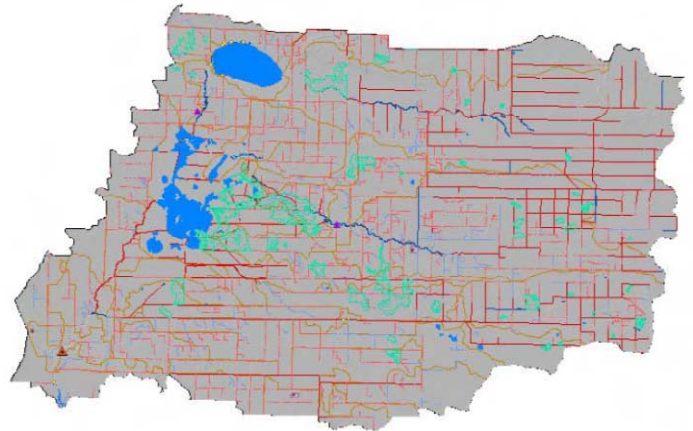
Previous water quality studies in the Thief River Watershed have already led to stream bank stabilization, grade stabilization, and best management practice implementation projects. This project will broaden our knowledge of the watershed and the completion of official TMDLs will open doors to additional funding sources for water quality improvement projects.

This project features an enhanced civic engagement effort in order to gain input for a broader spectrum of stakeholders. Input from stakeholders is very important to the success of this project and future work. You are a stakeholder if you live in, work in, manage resources within, own land in, or have an interest in the natural resources of the Thief River watershed. We plan to discuss questions like these: How does water quality in the Thief River watershed affect you? Which BMP programs work best in the watershed? Are there any sources of water quality problems that have been missed by monitoring? In what ways should the RLWD be reaching out to and involving the public?

Meeting Agenda

- The Importance of Stakeholder Involvement in Watershed-Wide Planning.
- History of Water Quality Monitoring on the Thief River
- What is the Thief River Watershed Assessment Project?
- Progress Report
- Stream Channel Stability Assessment of the Thief River

Donuts and Coffee!



Public Welcome!



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