



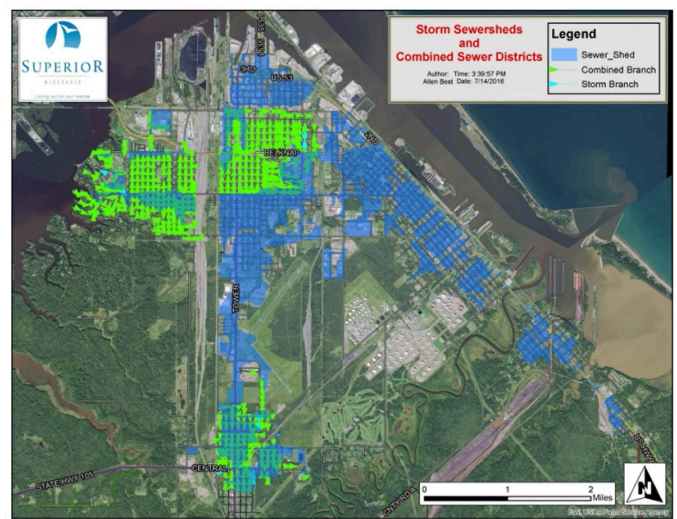
Regional Stormwater Protection Team (RSPT) Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 07/19/23, 1:00 – 2:30 PM

- **Welcome, Introduction/new attendees**
- **Review & Approve June [meeting minutes](#) - All**
 - Jon made a motion to approve the minutes. 2nd by Carol. None opposed. **Motion passed.**
- **Host presentation - Lisa DeGuire and Megan Hogfeldt, City of Superior ESD**

- Superior is one of two cities in WI with combined sewer systems.
- Barker's Island is a Green Infrastructure hotspot!
- 2.4 million gallons of SW retention added annually to the site with 50,000 sq feet removed.
- Aug 9th Green Infrastructure walking tour 4:30-6 pm! See flyer in RSPT email.
- Clean water postcards of the storm drain art because it doesn't last forever.
- 2018 artwork still looks great still and also not - depends on snow maintenance etc.

Our Sewershed

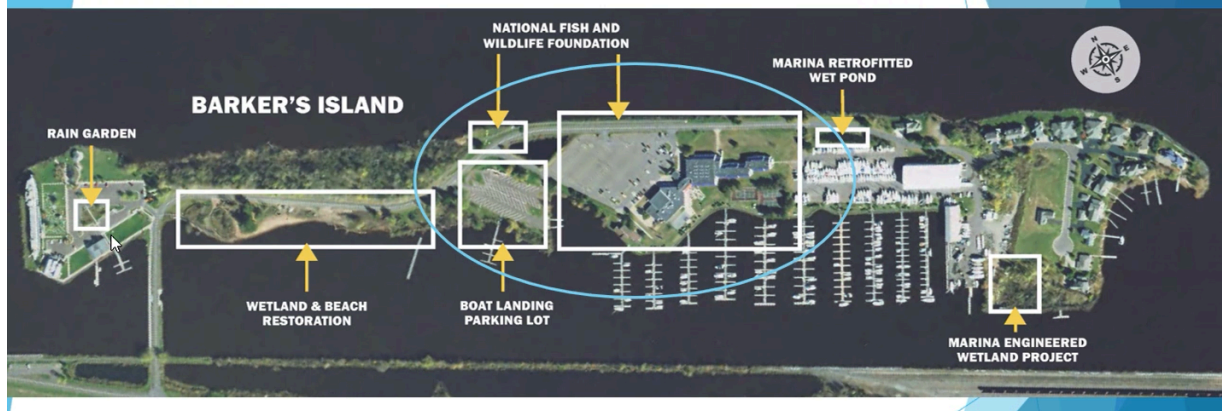


Storm Drain Art Project (2022 and 2023)



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Barker's Island Improvement Project (NFWF)



- **Budget update** - Tammy/Ryan
 - No update
- **BlueThumb Follow-up** - Ryan
 - [Partner agreement](#)
 - Would MS4s want to contribute more funds to partner? There is interest in partnering.
 - Executive Team will talk at the next Executive meeting
 - What fee- We should be a small organization?
 - Revisit joining at next meeting- will it be metro focused?
- **Outreach Materials re-stock**
 - Poop bags? Colors! Not an option last time.
 - Stickers? Better quality ones.
 - Other swag?
 - Window stickers?
 - Tattoos?
 - Magnets? more expensive than expected.
 - Calendar- different seasons. What to do.
 - Windshield wiper? <https://wipertagstore.com/pages/custom-designs>
 - Executive team will look into prices to do.
- **Media Team update** - Megan
 - NPF Cutout Banner- working on invoice for the purchase
 - Facebook Boost updates: massive success for \$20 & likely worth doing a few more \$20 boosts.
 - Unpaid post:
 - Post Impressions: 28
 - Post reach: 26
 - Engagement: 0
 - Boosted post:
 - Post Impressions: 2,722
 - Post Reach: 2,450

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- Engagement: 235
 - Meeting- wow, big difference in the impression. What is the difference between Impression and Reach?
 - Barb- instagram over facebook
 - More to come
 - RSPT Educational Brochure- could have been useful at the Grandma's marathon etc..
 - Barb- what action to take for the reader? - adopt a drain etc...
 - Older brochures still around- good to review
- **Summer recess for August meeting?**
 - Wisconsin Stormwater Week Aug 5th-13th
 - What are the events in the interim?
 - Plan to have August meeting- no delay- more work to do plus promotion of open house at future meeting
 - [2023/2024 Annual Planning](#)
- **League of Women Voters - Road Salt Education** - Barb Huberty (bjanehuberty@gmail.com)
 - Familiar with MS4 requirements! Works in the St. Louis River area of concern.
 - Representing The League of MN Voters- did a lot of research on what's being done, what the resources there are, what could be done when it comes to salt. 3 ideas to move forward with reducing salt problems
 - City of Duluth possible protections through ordinances
 - MN potential bill to reduce salt use
 - Salt awareness & education- What are RSPT's plans and how can we help?
 - New Hampshire Green Snow Program
<https://www.des.nh.gov/land/roads/road-salt-reduction/green-snowpro-certification>
 - <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/events-and-meetings> Many training events for MPCA
 - WI Trainings: <https://www.wisaltwise.com/Winter-Salt-Certification>
 - Carol
 - Think about different users of salt (property owners/road authorities). Road authorities are doing a lot.
 - Megan- lots of good resources to the city of Superior.
 - Allison- online resources can be used and shared
 - John- how many times Limited Liability bill question- 5 times. Getting worried that it will never go through. Instead push to local ordinances.
 - How many- no limit- 60 was once kind of a lot
 - Sit down and share what's happened and changed for the municipalities
 - Steven's Point- Took work to get a group of people to go. But now they meet and lunch together because they learned so much!
- **Superior Streams website domain expiration 9/16/2023**
 - To renew or not to renew? - Will delay to next month to vote.
 - Survey results?- Maggie can join next month.
 - VOTE on whether to continue

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- Roundtable Member Updates - All but not much time

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RSPT June 2023 meeting		
Name	Representing	Update notes
Carol Andrews	St. Louis County Public Works	
Jim Arid	Midway Township	
John Anderson	Cloquet (City of)	
Jonna Korpi	UMD	MN Climate Adaptation Conference at DECC in Oct. Another Climate conference earlier that week in Duluth.
Lisa DeGuire	Superior (City of)	
Ryan Granlund	Duluth (City of)	
Matt Meyer	MN DOT	
Eric Johnson	Hermantown (City of)	
Ryan Irke	WLSSD	
Maggie Karschnia	MN Sea Grant	
Erin Loeffler	BWSR	
Tom Estabrooks	MPCA	There's many scheduled virtual and in-person events for salt training & certification scheduled: Events and meetings Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (state.mn.us)
Derrick Passe	Lake SWCD	
Chris Filstrup	UMD NRRI	
Megan Högfeldt	Superior (City of)	WI Stormwater Week Aug 5-13 two weekends - encouraging local events- Green Infrastructure tour- Workshops on rain barrels- and information on leaves on the streets
Linnea & Marsha	Village of Superior	

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Barb Huberty	League of Women's Voters	Contact is bjanehuberty@gmail.com
Allison Madison	WI Salt Wise	WI Salt wise Trainings: https://www.wisaltwise.com/Winter-Salt-Certification
Becca Reiss	N. St. Louis SWCD	

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