

**VII. AMENDMENT PROCEDURES**

It is the intention of the Pioneer-Sarah Creek Watershed Management Commission to have this Watershed Management Plan reviewed and approved by the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). **Upon completion of the plan but before final adoption by the Commission, the Commission must submit the draft plan for a 60-day review and comment period as prescribed in Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103B.231, subdivision 7(a).** ~~Once approved, no significant changes to this plan can be facilitated without the approval of the proposed revisions by the BWSR. Significant or major changes to the Commission's Plan shall be made known to the following parties:~~

- ~~1. The member communities' City Council~~
- ~~2. The Pioneer-Sarah Creek Watershed Commission Board~~
- ~~3. Metropolitan Council~~
- ~~4. Hennepin County~~
- ~~5. Hennepin Conservation District~~
- ~~6. Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources and all review agencies as set forth in Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8410~~
- ~~7. A public meeting must be held to explain the amendments and a legal notice of this public meeting must be published twice at least seven (7) days and 14 days prior to the date of the public meeting.~~

~~Following notification of the above parties, there shall be 45 days to comment on the proposed revisions. Failure to respond within 45 days constitutes approval.~~

**The Commission must respond in writing to any concerns expressed by the review agencies at least ten days before the public hearing.**

**The Commission must hold a public hearing on the draft plan no sooner than 14 days after the 60-day review.**

**After completion of the review, the draft plan, any amendments thereto, all written comments received on the draft plan, a record of the public hearing, and a summary of changes incorporated as a result of the review process shall be submitted to the Metropolitan Council, the state review agencies, and the Board of Water and Soil Resources for final review in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103B.231, subdivision 9. The board shall complete its review within 90 days.**

**Once approved, no significant changes to this plan can be facilitated without approval of the proposed revisions by BWSR.**

**Amendments.** To the extent and in the manner required by the adopted plan, all amendments to the adopted plan shall be submitted for review in accordance with

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the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 103B.231, subdivision 11.

Minor amendments to a plan shall be reviewed in accordance with standards prescribed in this watershed management plan. Minor changes to the plan shall be defined as, but not be limited to, the following:

- Recodification of the plan
- Revision of a procedure meant to streamline administration of the plan
- Clarification of the intent of a policy
- Inclusion of additional data not requiring interpretation
- Revisions to the standards outlined in **Appendix F**
- Any other action that will not adversely affect the member cities or diminish the Commission's ability to achieve the plan goals or implementation program.

Adjustment to subwatershed boundaries will be considered minor changes, provided that the change will have no significant impact on the rate or quality in which stormwater runoff is discharged from the Commission's boundaries. The Commission Board can make minor changes to this plan with the above-noted public notification process. This plan will be in effect through ~~July 2011~~ **October 2014** unless significant changes to the plan are deemed necessary prior to that date.

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