

**WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT
TECHNICAL EVALUATION PANEL**

July 11, 2017

The public meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM by Heather Cunningham.

Voting Members Present: Karola Dalen, Carlton County Zoning and Environmental Services; Laura Christensen, Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), David Demmer, Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR)

Ex Officio Members Present: Mike Scott, DNR Conservation Officer; Andy Chambers, Army Corps of Engineers

Others Present: none

Motion by Christensen, second by Demmer, to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2017 meeting.

617024 MN Power (Bridge Replacement)(Replacement Plan)

The WCA TEP discussed the project. Dalen provided details as she was on-site for the approved delineation in 2014. The wetlands are small and located on the slump bank of the tributary stream. The Corps will most likely need to do a cultural resources review due to the historical structure located in the project area. Motion by Demmer and seconded by Christensen to recommend to the Carlton County Board of Commissioners to approve the replacement plan request for this project.

617027 Decaigny (De minimis Exemption)

The WCA TEP discussed the project which consists of a subdivision of 19 lots. The majority of the wetland impacts are associated with construction of a new road. Proposed impacts are less than 10,000 square feet therefore the applicant is requesting a De minimis exemption. Demmer noted that we should check to make sure cut-off wetlands do not become isolated and water movement is maintained in the proposed impact areas labelled 2 and 4.

Violations Update

The TEP discussed current violations.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM to complete a site visit. The next TEP meeting is August 1, 2017 at 10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karola Dalen
Carlton County Zoning and Environmental Services Administrator