

<b>Project Name</b>	Brown's Creek Watershed District Watershed Management Plan Update	<b>Date</b>	11-06-2024
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<b>Regarding</b>	Issue Update – Lake Management, Ecological Health, Land Conservation		

## Background

To complete the Watershed Management Plan (WMP) Update, staff are reviewing Issues with watershed partners (Citizen Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee), and reviewing plans and work completed over the past 10 years to identify updates to the Issues, Goals, and Implementation Actions that will guide the next 10 years of work. Since the last WMP Update to the Board in September 2024, the project team has advanced work in the following ways.

- **Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting – October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
Staff met with the CAC to gather input on the Issues of Ecological Health and Land Conservation. *Minutes from the CAC meeting are included as an attachment to this memo.*
- **Technical Advisory Committee Meeting – October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**  
Staff met with the TAC to gather input on the Issues of Lake Management and Wetland Management. *Minutes from the TAC meeting are included as an attachment to this memo.*
- **Internal Issue Review – October, 2024**  
EOR staff conducted an internal review of Lake Management and Ecological Health, consulting with staff involved in planning and implementation projects relevant to these Issues.
- **Issue Review Session – November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
Staff met internally to review the updates to Lake Management, Ecological Health, and Land Conservation in advance of the November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Board meeting. *A copy of the redlined WMP Update reflecting proposed changes to the Plan is included as an attachment to this memo, see Sections 3.4, 3.8, and 3.13.*

## Submittal Materials / Instructions

As a reminder, we will be reviewing the following issue categories at the November Board meeting:

- Lake Management
- Ecological Health
- Land Conservation

Discussion of Wetland Management will be deferred to the December 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting to align with a forthcoming presentation from EOR with additional relevant information pertaining to recently completed wetland inventorying.

Attached to this memorandum, you will find the following materials which we are asking you to review in advance of next week's Board meeting:

1. **Lake Management** (Track Changes version) – Review the *General Issue Statement, Relevance to the District, Sub-Issue Areas, and Policies and Goals*. You may review the *Implementation Items as well, however these will not be the focus of the conversation*.
2. **Ecological Health** (Track Changes version) – Same comments as above.
3. **Land Conservation** (Track Changes version)– Same comments as above.
4. **Lake Management** (Clean version)
5. **Ecological Health** (Clean version)
6. **Land Conservation** (Clean version)

For next week's discussion, we are asking the Board if they are comfortable with the content developed to date. This content is still subject to change and may be modified based on what we learn over the coming months. We are looking for you to tell us if the changes made to the document are in line with what you think the BCWD should be doing for the next 10 years. With this in mind, please think about the following questions as you review each of these documents:

- **What do you like about this content?**
- **What concerns do you have with the content?**
- **What doesn't make sense? Where would you like more education on a topic or aspect of this issue?**

Be prepared – We will ask you to answer these questions during our meeting.

### *Areas of Board of Manager Decision*

As stated above, the revised sections of the Plan are provided for initial review and reaction to understand whether new directions for these Issues align with the Board's comfort level. As the WMP Update progresses to review other Issues, interrelationships between Issues may result in changes to the Issues presented. The Board will have further opportunity to refine and sign-off on the characterization of these Issues.

We ask that the Board review the three Issue sections of Lake Management, Ecological Health, and Land Conservation to provide input and direction on:

- General Issue Statement
- Relevance to the District
- Sub-Issue Areas
- Policies
- Goals