

January 25, 2023

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RE: Roseau River Watershed 1W1P 60-Day Review Period

Dear Tracy Halstensgard and Matt Fischer:

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has reviewed the draft Roseau River Watershed One Watershed, One Plan (Plan) dated December 16, 2022, and we are providing the following comments as part of the official 60-Day review and comment period.

The MPCA appreciates the opportunity to provide input throughout your Plan development process. As part of the agency's review, we are providing the following comments as part of the official 60-day Review and Comment Period.

1. Section 4. Measurable Goals – Bacteria Reduction Long-term Goal. The Plan identifies the long-term bacteria reduction goal as, "A 23% reduction in the concentration of *E. coli* in Hay Creek based on the TMDL." The 2020 Roseau River Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) identifies the Hay Creek *E. coli* reduction goals as 18% under low-flow conditions and 21% under very-low-flow conditions. The MPCA recommends citing the same goals in the Plan as identified in the TMDL.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft Plan. If we may be of further assistance, please contact Cary Hernandez at 218-846-8124 at the MPCA's Detroit Lakes regional office.

Sincerely,

*Theresa Haugen*

*This document has been electronically signed.*

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