



BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Date: Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at 8:15 AM

Location: Board Room, Courthouse

or

Virtual TEAMS Meeting Option

Call-In #: 763-496-5929 - Conference I.D.: 228 374 758#

- 8:15 Call the Board Meeting to Order: Board Chair Jepson
1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 8:20 Regular Business
1. Agenda Confirmation
 2. Minutes of July 21, 2026 3
- 8:25 Consent Agenda
1. Auditor-Treasurer: Regular Claims, Auditor Warrants, & Over 90 Days 6
 2. Auditor-Treasurer: 2025 Annual City TIF Reports for Detroit Lakes, Frazee, and Lake Park 7
 3. Auditor-Treasurer: June 2026 Cash Comparison, Sales Tax, and Investments 10
 4. Human Services: Regular Claims, Public Health, & Transit
 5. Land Use: NRM/Parks & Rec: Right of Entry Agreement 13
 6. Land Use: Environmental Services - Capital Purchase Request - Roll Off Containers 24
- 8:30 Commissioners
1. Open Forum
 2. Reports and Correspondence
 3. Appointments
 - a) Opioid Settlement Review Committee
- 9:00 Pickerel Lake
1. Pickerel Lake: Seeking a Water Surface Ordinance 27
- 9:15 County Administrator
1. Report
- 9:30 Auditor-Treasurer
1. Primary Election Canvass 48
- 9:35 Highway
1. Resolution 08-26-1A - 5-Yr Plan Amendment - Advertise CP 003-120-001 - Preliminary Work 50
- 9:40 Human Resources
1. Resolution 08-26-1B - Environmental Truck Driver Pay Grade 51
- 9:45 Planning & Zoning
1. Planning Commission Recommendations 07/29/2026 54
 - a) Brenden & Deborah Mattson - Request a Conditional Use Permit to operate a gunsmith business to include retail sales of used firearms
 - b) Great Plains Towers, LLC on behalf of John Paul Grieser - Request a Conditional Use Permit for a one hundred-ninety (190) foot guyed tower with a nine (9) foot lightening rod and

accompanying equipment

- c) William Jacobson on behalf of Louise Ann Ness - Request a Conditional Use permit to operate a metal sales business

Adjourn

BOARD MEETING AS POSTED

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DATE: TUESDAY, July 21, 2026 at 8:15 am

LOCATION: Board Room, Courthouse

1. Meeting was brought to order by Chair Jepson. Commissioners in attendance: Jepson, Hansen, Meyer, Vareberg and Nelson, County Administrator Carrie Smith and minute taker Peggy Martin.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Agenda – Motion and second to approve the agenda (Meyer, Nelson) carried.
2. Minutes – Motion and second to approve minutes of July 7, 2026 with the requested changes (Meyer, Nelson) carried.
3. Minutes – Motion and second to approve minutes July 8, 2026 Emergency Meeting with the requested changes (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Consent Agenda

1. Motion and second to approve and accept the following Consent Agenda Items and pull item #6 – Henderson Corrective Deed of Appurtenant Easement: Auditor-Treasurer: Regular Claims, Auditor Warrants and Claims over 90 Days, Resolution 07-26-3A – Release from State Audit, Resolution 07-26-3B – Accept Disaster Relief Donations, Tax Forfeited Land Sales Recap, Human Services: Regular Claims, Public Health, & Transit, (Hansen, Meyer) carried.
2. Motion and second to approve the Henderson – Corrective Deed of Appurtenant Easement with the County Attorney's final approval (Nelson, Meyer) carried.

Commissioners:

1. Open Forum:
 - None.
2. Heartland Trail Route Discussion.
 - Remaining funds can be used for engineering design of the next segment.
 - Approximately \$500,000 to \$550,000 that need to be allocated by December of 2027. The funds need to be encumbered; they do not need to be spent by December of 2027.
3. Reports and Correspondence: Reports were provided on the following meetings:

- Commissioner Hansen – Becker County Trail Alliance, Planning & Zoning, RAC, PRWD, Airport, Environmental.
- Commissioner Meyer – Historical Society, DAC, Courthouse, Economic Development West Central Initiative, Partnership4Health.
- Commissioner Nelson – Courthouse, Benefits, NRM.
- Commissioner Vareberg – Environmental, NRM, EDA, Human Services.
- Commissioner Jepson – Benefits, EDA, Human Services, Mahube-OTWA Sr. Council, WCRJC.

4. Appointments.

- None.
- Post EDA opening for District 1.
- Appoint a commissioner to the Becker County Opioid Review Team at our next board meeting.

Information Technology: presented by Judy Dodd.

1. Motion and second to upgrade the current Microsoft 2019 licenses and MS SQL licenses to 2022 and 2025 in the amount of \$56,455.36 (Hansen, Nelson) carried.

Land Use/Environmental: presented by Steve Skoog.

1. Motion and second to approve Resolution 07-26-3C – Personnel Request – Combine 2 PT Pay Station Attendant Positions into 1 FT Pay Station Attendant Position to include other duties on the Solid Waste Campus (Nelson, Hansen) carried.

County Administrator: presented by Carrie Smith.

1. Report.
 - ONEboxes for Narcan have been distributed throughout the county buildings.
 - One bargaining unit has reached out to begin negotiating.
 - MACA conference this Wednesday afternoon through Friday.
 - Departmental Budget Reviews starting today.
2. Disaster Relief Update.
 - Tree Grinding has stopped.
 - Friday – 10:00 am - State Emergency Management Team will be here.
 - Rubicon signed a tree ring to share with the county.
3. Verizon Tower Lease Discussion.
 - Tower near Bad Medicine area.

- Verizon shared different options for new lower rent or a lump sum payment option.
- We are currently in a lease agreement and will keep that agreement.

Being no further business, Board Chair Jepson adjourned the meeting at 10:29 am.

/s/ Carrie Smith
Carrie Smith
County Administrator

/s/ Erica Jepson
Erica Jepson
Board Chair



BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Finance Committee Meeting

Date: Monday, August 3, 2026 at 8:30 AM

Location: 1st Floor – Board Meeting Room - Courthouse
915 Lake Avenue, Detroit Lakes, MN

County Administrator

1. Report

Auditor-Treasurer

1. Regular Claims, Auditor Warrants, & Over 90 Days
2. Human Services: Regular Claims, Public Health, & Transit
3. 2025 Annual City TIF Reports for Detroit Lakes, Frazee, and Lake Park
4. June 2026 Cash Comparison, Sales Tax, and Investments

Land Use

1. NRM/Parks & Rec
 - a) Right of Entry Agreement
2. Environmental Services
 - a) Capital Purchase Request - Roll Off Containers

Highway

1. Resolution 08-26-1A - 5-Yr Plan Amendment - Advertise CP 003-120-001- Preliminary Work

Human Resources

1. Resolution 08-26-1B - Environmental Truck Driver Pay Grade

Adjourn

City of Detroit Lakes
Annual Disclosure Statement for Tax Increment Financing Districts for the Year Ended December 31, 2025

District	Project	Current Net Tax Capacity	Original Net Tax Capacity	Captured Net Tax Capacity	Principal & Interest Payments Due in 2026	TIF Received 2025	TIF Expended 2025	Mo & Yr of First TIF Receipt	Date of Required Decertification
8-9	Richwood Heights	8,093	860	7,233	5,458	6,066	6,066	6/2004	12/31/2029
8-10	Marina Condo	28,485	630	27,855	23,499	23,356	2,505	6/2004	12/31/2029
8-13	Meadow's Edge	22,598	123	22,475	17,000	18,850	18,850	5/2005	12/31/2030
23-1	Tekstar/Hartmans	19,598	3,652	15,946	-	13,372	13,372	1/2000	12/31/2025
25-1	The Chamber of Commerce	5,988	1,475	4,513	-	3,785	3,785	5/2007	12/31/2032
26-1	Long Bridge Heights	-	-	-	54,955	302	22,073	5/2007	12/31/2032
26-2	Long Bridge Heights III	32,998	1,487	31,511	31,835	26,430	3,069	12/2019	12/31/2044
28-1	Union Central	24,038	3,720	20,318	15,000	17,041	17,041	6/2012	12/31/2037
30-1	Downtown Crossing	46,542	2,662	43,880	45,904	36,801	36,801	7/2014	12/31/2039
34-1	DL Hotel Partners	119,097	11,798	107,299	98,000	89,987	89,987	6/2018	1/31/2043
35-1	McKinley Plaza	92,405	12,904	79,501	66,000	66,674	66,674	6/2018	12/31/2043
36-1	Dream Island Holdings, LLC	16,194	624	15,570	13,500	13,058	13,058	6/2018	6/1/2026
37-1	Apex Townhomes	6,324	46	6,278	4,500	5,266	5,266	12/2021	6/1/2046
38-1	Pelican Landing	81,265	653	80,612	60,142	67,607	67,607	12/2021	12/31/2046
39-1	Accessories Unlimited	20,102	1,328	18,774	16,000	15,745	15,745	12/2021	12/31/2029
40-1	Midtown Development	69,721	16,318	53,403	44,500	44,789	44,789	12/2021	8/1/2046

Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from Heidi Tumberg, 1025 Roosevelt Ave, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501; 218-846-7124; htumberg@cityofdetroitlakes.com

ANNUAL DISCLOSURE REPORT
City of Frazee, Minnesota

Annual Disclosure of Tax Increment Districts for the Year Ended December 31, 2025

TIF District Name/Number	TIF No. 1-3 Red Willow Hsg	TIF No. 1-4 Swift Redevel.	TIF No. 1-5	TIF No. 1-6
Current net tax capacity	93,626	7,664	18,188	25,806
Original net tax capacity	2,714	123	10,429	26,879
Captured net tax capacity	90,912	7,541	7,759	0
Principal and interest payments due in 2026	0	9,000	12,400	0
Tax increment received in 2025	102,765	8,595	9,035	0
Tax increment expended in 2025	102,765	0	15,995	339,656
Month and year of first tax increment receipt	June, 2005	June, 2010	June, 2016	May, 2023
Date of required decertification	December 31, 2030	December 31, 2035	December 31, 2041	December 31, 2048
Increased property taxes to be paid from outside the district if fiscal disparities Option A applies	0	0	0	0

Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from:

Stephanie Poegel, Administrator
City of Frazee
222 West Main Avenue, PO Box 387
Frazee, MN 56544
Phone: 218-334-4991
cityadmin@frazeecity.com

ANNUAL DISCLOSURE REPORT
City of Lake Park, Minnesota

Annual Disclosure of Tax Increment Districts for the Year Ended December 31, 2025

TIF District Name/Number	TIF No. 1-2	TIF No. 1-3
Current net tax capacity	32,716	2,230
Original net tax capacity	845	770
Captured net tax capacity	31,871	1,460
Principal and interest payments due in 2026	19,036	0
Tax increment received in 2025	24,746	1,177
Tax increment expended in 2025	24,271	0
Month and year of first tax increment receipt	December, 2020	December, 2020
Date of required decertification	December 31, 2045	December 31, 2045
Increased property taxes to be paid from outside the district if fiscal disparities Option A applies	0	0

Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from:

Sarah Mikkelsen, Clerk-Treasurer
City of Lake Park
2032 2nd Street, PO Box 239
Lake Park, MN 56554
Phone: 218-238-5532
smikkelsen@lakeparkmn.com

BECKER COUNTY CASH COMPARISON

FUND	Jun 2025	June 2026	% Change	May 2026
REVENUE FUND				
REVENUE FUND	\$ 16,891,995.54	\$ 19,025,619.95	12.63%	\$ 19,381,269.34
DESIGNATED				
LAW LIBRARY	33,545.29	49,601.51	47.86%	48,872.82
ATTORNEY'S FORFEITURES	85,360.92	61,648.48	-27.78%	60,424.67
RECORDERS EQUIPMENT	(3,191.55)	46,166.27	-1546.52%	38,676.27
RECORDERS ENHANCEMENT	80,923.79	49,676.79	-38.61%	41,437.79
TRANSIT	71,305.73	118,784.31	66.58%	85,016.58
TRANSIT LOCAL RESERVE	37,279.73	37,279.73	0.00%	37,279.73
2023 PUBLIC SAFETY AID	5,710.47	-	-100.00%	-
TOTAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 17,202,929.92	\$ 19,388,777.04	12.71%	\$ 19,692,977.20
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 3,162,668.57	\$ 2,399,638.35	-24.13%	\$ 3,241,669.07
E-911	371,043.78	437,772.08	17.98%	423,522.39
ROAD AND BRIDGE	(421,106.39)	2,950,436.37	-800.64%	3,667,688.31
HUMAN SERVICES	11,420,898.60	11,178,729.97	-2.12%	11,726,156.50
RECREATION	175,749.87	288,233.34	64.00%	302,095.56
RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	986,805.71	939,607.31	-4.78%	944,014.97
ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS	3,221,362.33	3,869,234.38	20.11%	3,724,121.27
DEBT FUNDS	1,482,910.69	1,475,155.44	-0.52%	1,460,155.44
DITCH FUND	215.64	215.64	0.00%	215.64
SUNNYSIDE CARE CENTER	2,884,006.90	2,543,287.72	-11.81%	2,415,184.76
NATURAL RESOURCE MGT	218,450.18	362,602.37	65.99%	332,416.51
GRAVEL RESERVE	603,235.46	255,143.89	-57.70%	255,143.89
OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND	502,071.25	453,494.51	-9.68%	428,199.22
LOCAL ASSISTANCE & TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND	54,286.23	-	-100.00%	-
STATE AID AFFORDABLE HOUSING	-	204,681.39	100.00%	204,681.39
GENERAL - SPECIAL	1,582,804.21	1,428,950.92	-9.72%	1,419,923.92
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$ 26,245,403.03	\$ 28,787,183.68	9.68%	\$ 30,545,188.84
AGENCY FUNDS				
BCCI	\$ 194,256.01	\$ 272,022.54	40.03%	\$ 218,887.37
TAXES AND PENALTIES	737,620.78	3,255,736.39	341.38%	15,353,663.98
CLEARING FUNDS	505,577.27	580,288.09	14.78%	658,615.58
TOTAL AGENCY PASS THRU FUNDS	\$ 1,437,454.06	\$ 4,108,047.02	185.79%	\$ 16,231,166.93
TOTAL CASH & INVESTMENTS	\$ 44,885,787.01	\$ 52,284,007.74	16.48%	\$ 66,469,332.97

Becker County Sales & Use Tax

2014					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	606,000.00	129,165.85	735,165.85	(31,350.71)	703,815.14
2015					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	1,925,000.00	199,199.05	2,124,199.05	(26,358.15)	2,097,840.90
2016					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	1,912,893.48	209,748.19	2,122,641.67	(27,908.63)	2,094,733.04
2017					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	2,172,000.00	233,642.63	2,405,642.63	(29,318.97)	2,376,323.66
2018					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	2,281,000.00	365,457.85	2,646,457.85	(33,661.93)	2,612,795.92
2019					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	2,452,000.00	222,944.01	2,674,944.01	(34,367.81)	2,640,576.20
2020					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	2,563,000.00	279,602.16	2,842,602.16	(36,985.03)	2,805,617.13
2021					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	2,957,000.00	376,489.88	3,333,489.88	(38,856.08)	3,294,633.80
2022					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	3,230,000.00	485,045.29	3,715,045.29	(38,854.14)	3,676,191.15
2023					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	3,471,000.00	307,883.00	3,778,883.00	(38,200.43)	3,740,682.57
2024					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt 1</u>	<u>Receipt 2</u>	<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
	3,464,709.18	61,883.40	3,526,592.58	(19,435.57)	3,507,157.01
2025					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt</u>			<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
November	300,638.51		300,638.51	(2,705.75)	297,932.76
December	276,634.30		276,634.30	(2,489.71)	274,144.59
January	307,544.79		307,544.79	(2,767.90)	304,776.89
February	234,737.21		234,737.21	(2,112.63)	232,624.58
March	223,127.64		223,127.64	(2,008.15)	221,119.49
April	293,314.67		293,314.67	(2,639.83)	290,674.84
May	298,221.32		298,221.32	(2,683.99)	295,537.33
June	376,771.57		376,771.57	(3,390.94)	373,380.63
July	416,827.17		416,827.17	(3,751.44)	413,075.73
August	410,556.86		410,556.86	(3,695.01)	406,861.85
September	408,175.18		408,175.18	(3,673.58)	404,501.60
October	344,912.96		344,912.96	(3,104.22)	341,808.74
	3,891,462.18	-	3,891,462.18	(35,023.15)	3,856,439.03
2026					
<u>Month</u>	<u>Receipt</u>			<u>Fees</u>	<u>Net Total</u>
November	323,913.45		323,913.45	(2,915.22)	320,998.23
December	284,894.50		284,894.50	(2,564.05)	282,330.45
January	325,240.95		325,240.95	(2,927.17)	322,313.78
February	229,571.22		229,571.22	(2,066.14)	227,505.08
March	236,648.33		236,648.33	(2,129.83)	234,518.50
April	314,248.68		314,248.68	(2,828.24)	311,420.44
May			-		-
June			-		-
July			-		-
August			-		-
September			-		-
October			-		-
	1,714,517.13	-	1,714,517.13	(15,430.65)	1,699,086.48
Grand Total	32,640,581.97	2,871,061.31	35,511,643.28	(405,751.25)	35,105,892.03

Please note effective April 2024 ONE payment of GROSS REVENUE and ADMINISTRATIVE COST is received
EX--December 2023 Receipt 1 in the IFS (Bank/Cash Comp) January 2024 and Receipt 2 in the IFS (Bank/Cash Comp) February 2024
Bolded amounts corresponds to Monthly-Cash Comp

**Becker County
Investment Analysis
June 30, 2026**

Bank or Institution		Investment Number	Interest Rate	Yield Rate	Maturity Date	Book Value(Cost)	Fair Market Value
<u>American National Bank</u>							
ANB CD	American Natl	24-03	3.950%	3.950%	10/14/26	245,000.00	245,000.00
<u>Deerwood Bank</u>							
CDB CD	CDBoO	09-13	3.850%	3.850%	7/18/26	500,000.00	500,000.00
CDB CD	CDBoO	13-1	3.450%	3.450%	2/15/27	425,000.00	425,000.00
<u>Midwest bank</u>							
MW CD	Midwest	0-09	4.000%	4.000%	6/8/26	96,000.00	96,000.00
MW CD	Midwest CDARS	10-09	3.922%	3.922%	7/2/26	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00
<u>State Bank of Lake Park</u>							
SBLP CD	State Bank of LP	01-09	4.110%	4.110%	9/30/26	165,718.52	165,718.52
<u>United Community Bank of Frazee</u>							
UCB CD	UCBoF	23-07	3.750%	3.750%	6/7/26	203,851.82	203,851.82
<u>Raymond James</u>							
MK	Florida HSG Fin Corp Rev Taxable Home Mtg Bds	26-01	3.722%	3.722%	1/1/29	255,000.00	251,567.70
MKI	Florida HSG Fin Corp Rev Taxable Home Mtg Bds	26-02	3.772%	3.722%	7/1/29	300,000.00	295,563.00
MK	FFCB	26-10	3.800%	3.800%	3/16/29	245,000.00	242,008.55
MK	FFCB	26-04	3.831%	3.831%	10/21/30	532,086.20	526,669.00
MK	FHLB	25-05	4.000%	4.000%	7/2/30	500,000.00	495,430.00
MK	FHLB	25-06	4.080%	4.080%	7/23/29	305,000.00	303,566.50
MK	CD	26-05	3.850%	3.850%	8/28/28	249,000.00	247,640.46
MK	CD	24-08	3.800%	3.800%	9/5/28	150,000.00	148,629.00
MK	CD	22-07	4.850%	4.850%	11/9/26	244,000.00	244,734.44
MK	CD	26-08	3.700%	3.700%	3/11/30	245,000.00	239,668.80
MK	CD	23-06	4.600%	4.600%	7/7/26	100,000.00	100,012.00
MK	CD	26-09	3.800%	3.800%	3/13/30	240,000.00	235,660.80
<u>Wells Fargo Advisors (Formerly Wachovia Securities)</u>							
WFA BOND	US Treasury Notes	22-03	2.750%	2.750%	4/30/27	324,972.65	326,472.30
WFA FHLMC	Federal Home Loan Mtg Corp	25-03	4.000%	4.000%	4/17/29	1,497,000.00	1,486,215.00
WFA CD	Goldman Sachs BK USA CD	21-07	1.000%	1.000%	8/8/26	215,000.00	214,124.95
WFA CD	UBS Bank USA CD	24-07	3.850%	3.850%	8/30/27	245,000.00	244,198.85
WFA CD	KS Bank Inc CD	25-08	3.550%	3.550%	10/31/30	245,000.00	237,213.90
WFA CD	Morgan Stanley PVT BK CD	26-03	3.900%	3.900%	1/28/31	245,000.00	240,433.20
WFA CD	Synchrony Bank CD	23-08	5.050%	5.050%	10/27/26	245,000.00	245,717.85
WFA CD	Sallie Mae Bank/Salt CD	24-09	4.050%	4.050%	11/22/27	245,000.00	244,588.40
WFA CD	American Expr National Bk CD	25-04	4.250%	4.250%	6/12/28	245,000.00	245,100.45
WFA CD	Morgan Stanley BK NA CD	25-09	3.850%	3.850%	12/10/30	245,000.00	240,004.45
WFA CD	State Bank of India CD	25-07	3.750%	3.750%	10/22/30	245,000.00	239,181.25
WFA CD	Celtic Bank CD	26-12	4.200%	4.200%	6/24/31	230,000.00	228,454.40
WFA CD	Manuf & Traders TR CO CD	26-11	4.200%	4.200%	6/15/29	230,000.00	229,420.40
WFA CD	BMW BK N America CD	26-06	3.700%	3.700%	3/20/28	245,000.00	242,856.25
WFA CD	Bankfirst Norfolk CD	26-07	3.650%	3.650%	3/27/28	245,000.00	242,699.45

Total Pooled Investments - Securities

10,947,629.19 10,873,401.69

Summary of Investments by Type			Investment Summary by Fund	
	Book Value	Fair Value	Revenue Fund	
CD's	5,988,570.34	5,945,909.64	10,947,629.19	10,873,401.69
CDARS	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00		
Jumbo CDs			10,947,629.19	10,873,401.69
Local Gov Issues	0.00	0.00		
Govt. Securities	555,000.00	547,130.70		
Treasury	324,972.65	326,472.30		
FNMA	0.00	0.00		
FHLBMSUCP	0.00	0.00		
FHLMC	1,497,000.00	1,486,215.00		
FFCB	777,086.20	768,677.55		
FHLB	805,000.00	798,996.50		
Totals	10,947,629.19	10,873,401.69	Fair Market Value Adjustment	(74,227.50)



BECKER COUNTY

915 Lake Avenue • Detroit Lakes, MN 56501
218-846-7311

MEMORANDUM FOR ACTION

Date: August 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Approve Right of Entry Agreement for MRC Transmission Line

TO: Becker County Board of Commissioners

1. Discussion: Becker County has been approached by Sr. Land Representative for the Maple River to Cuyuna Transmission Project requesting Right of Entry Agreement to essentially conduct surveying and reconnaissance of civil, environmental, biological, cultural resource, geotechnical, and soil borings on three Becker County owned or managed properties. The Becker County Attorney has reviewed the agreement and requested one special provision be made regarding a "irrevocable license". This has been revised, reviewed, and approved by the County Attorney.
2. Funding: General Fund
3. Action request: Approve and authorize Becker County Administrator to sign the Right of Entry Agreement.
4. The point of contact for this memorandum is Steve Skoog/Mitch Lundeen

Distribution: Board of Commissioners, County Administrator

RIGHT OF ENTRY AGREEMENT

PARCEL NO #: **BE-143, BE-155, BE-424**

This Right of Entry Agreement is made and entered into as of _____, 2026 (“Effective Date”). WHEREAS, the undersigned, **Becker County, a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota** (“Grantor,” whether one or more), owns the property that is identified in Exhibit A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Power, a division of ALLETE, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (“Grantee”), is developing an electric transmission project known as the MAPLE RIVER TO CUYUNA PROJECT (the “MRC Project”) in cooperation with Otter Tail Power Company, a Minnesota corporation, and Great River Energy, a Minnesota cooperative corporation; and

WHEREAS, Grantee desires to enter the Property for purposes of evaluating the Property in connection with permitting and construction of the MRC Project; and

WHEREAS, Grantor is willing to grant to Grantee the right to enter the Property to conduct such evaluations as Grantee determines are reasonably necessary in connection with the permitting and construction of the MRC Project, on the terms and conditions herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, Grantor and Grantee agree as follows:

1. In consideration of **Two Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,000.00)**, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Grantor does hereby grant unto Grantee an irrevocable license and right of entry for Grantee, its affiliates, agents, contractors, appraisers, sub-contractors, assignees, and/or proposed assignees, licensees, and invitees to enter the Property for the purpose of doing all activities that Grantee wants or needs to do in order to study, survey, inspect, investigate, test, and plan for Grantee’s potential use of the Property in connection with the MRC Project. The activities

that may be conducted by Grantee include, but are not limited to, civil, environmental, biological, cultural resource, and geotechnical and soil borings.

2. Grantee will indemnify, defend, and hold Grantor harmless from all third party claims and damages asserted against Grantor that arise out of any such entry by Grantee onto the Property or Grantee's exercise of its rights hereunder, unless the claims or damages are caused by the negligence or intentional misconduct of Grantor, and except that Grantee shall not have any obligation with respect to any Hazardous Materials¹ located in, on, under or about the Property prior to its entry onto the Property or thereafter to the extent not stored, released or disposed of by Grantee.

3. Grantee will restore the Property to substantially the same condition as the Property was in at the time Grantee entered the Property pursuant to this Agreement, including the filling of any test holes. Any remediation efforts will be promptly undertaken by Grantee, weather permitting.

4. Grantee agrees to pay Grantor a settlement, in an amount to be determined by mutual agreement of the parties at the time of settlement, for any unrestored, direct damages to the Property, including any crops that were growing thereon prior to Grantee activities. Any dispute as to damages if not resolved within 30 days of written notice shall be submitted to binding arbitration with the arbitrator's decision final and enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction.

¹ For the purposes of this Agreement, "Hazardous Materials" refers to any substances or materials that may be harmful to people or the environment and are regulated by environmental laws. This includes things like pollutants, chemicals, petroleum products, radioactive materials, and certain wastes. Examples of relevant laws include the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, and the Minnesota Environmental Response and Liability Act, among others. These laws and regulations may change over time and cover a wide range of substances intended to protect health, safety, and natural resources.

5. This agreement shall be binding upon Grantor and Grantee's respective successors and assigns. Grantee's presentation of or entrance into this Agreement shall not be deemed to limit or otherwise affect any existing rights Grantee holds in this Property, including without limitation any existing survey or access rights. Grantor shall provide actual notice of this agreement to any prospective successor-in-interest or assignee.

6. Additional Provisions: _____

The expiration of Right of Entry will expire December 31, 2029.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor and Grantee have executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date first written above.

GRANTOR

Becker County, a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota

Print: _____

Its: _____

GRANTEE

Minnesota Power, a division of ALLETE, Inc., a Minnesota corporation

Print: _____

Its: _____

EXHIBIT A

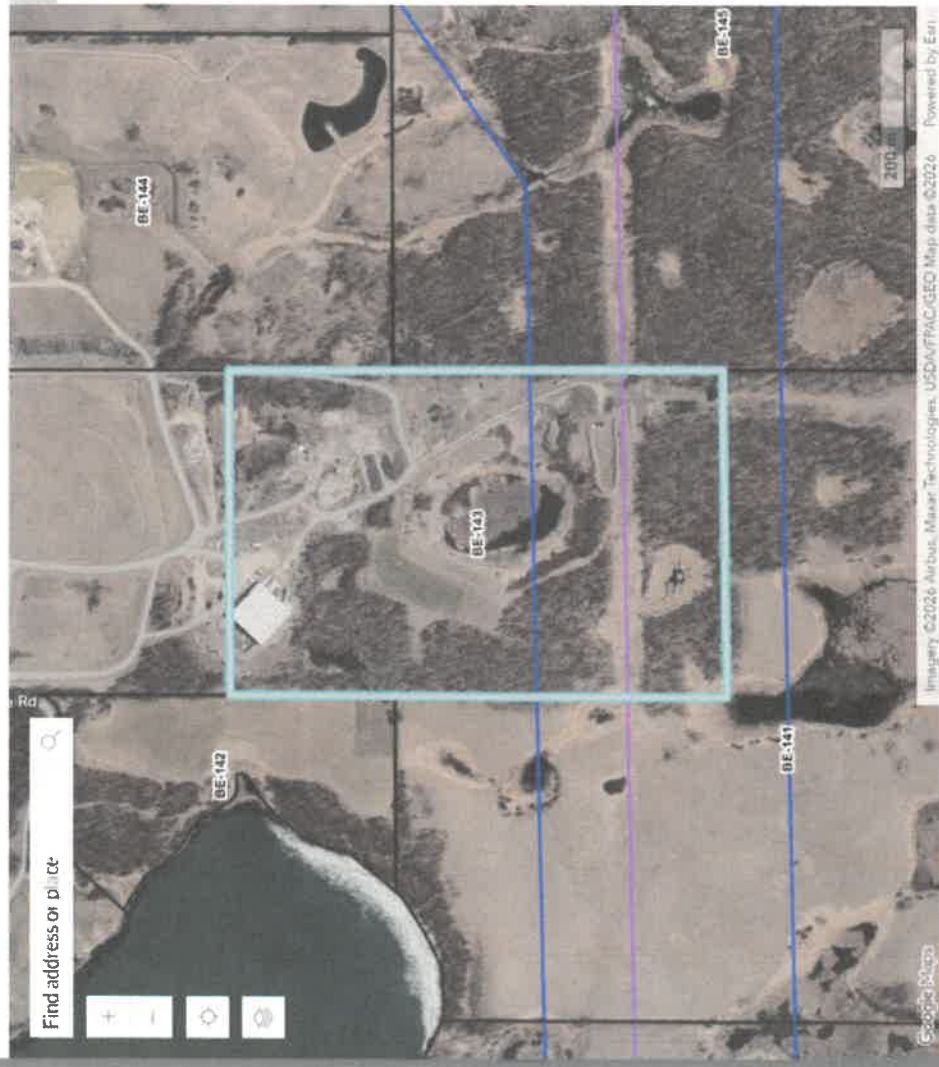
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**The Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) Dump ground, Section 17, Township 139, Range 41, Becker County, Minnesota.
08.7017.015 Becker County, MN**

**That portion of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) in Section Sixteen (16), Township One Hundred. Thirty Nine (139) North, Range Forty One (41) West, described as follows: Beginning at a point at the intersection of the northerly right of way line of Highway 59 and the east boundary of said southwest quarter of the northwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$); thence northerly along said east boundary a distance of thirteen hundred and two (1302 feet); thence westerly along the north boundary of said southwest quarter of the northwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$) a distance of three hundred sixty three (363) feet; thence southerly parallel with the aforesaid east boundary to the northerly right of way line of Highway 59, thence southeasterly along a said line a distance of five hundred and five (505) feet to the point of beginning.
08.7015.001 Becker County, MN**

**Lot 6 (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$) in Section 33, Township 139, Range 37, Becker County, MN
37.7103.000 Becker County, MN**

MR-C Parcels



087017015, BE-143, COUNTY OF BECKER

Land Owner Name COUNTY OF BECKER

Land Owner Address

Land Owner Address 2

Land Owner Phones(s)

Land Owner Email(s)

Tax Name

Tax Name Address 1

Tax Name Address 2

Is there a tenant on this property?

Land Use

Township

Range

Section

Legal Abbrev

Is there an existing easement on this property?

Online/Offline Status

Online

Road, Railroad & Trail Crossing Section

Railroad, Road or Trail?

COUNTY OF BECKER

COUNTY OF BECKER

915 LAKE AVE

DETROIT LAKES, MN 56501

139

41

17

NE1/4 SW1/4 & S1/2 SE1/4 NW1/4 DUMP GROUND

Landfill
Blue = Survey Request
Purple = Existing transmission line

MR-C Parcels



377103000, BE-424, BECKER COUNTY TAX FORFEITED	BECKER COUNTY TAX FORFEITED
Land Owner Name	BECKER COUNTY TAX FORFEITED
Land Owner Address	
Land Owner Address 2	
Land Owner Phones(s)	
Land Owner Email(s)	
Tax Name	BECKER COUNTY TAX FORFEITED
Tax Name Address 1	915 LAKE AVE
Tax Name Address 2	DETROIT LAKES, MN 56501
Is there a tenant on this property?	
Land Use	
Township	139
Range	37
Section	33
Legal Abbrev	LOT 6 (NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4)
Is there an existing easement on this property?	
Online/Offline Status	Online
Road, Railroad & Trail Crossing Section	
Railroad, Road or Trail?	

17971 N Tower Rd.
Mitch

MR-C Parcels



087015001, BE-155, BECKER COUNTY

County	Becker
State	
Land Type	
Land Owner Name	BECKER COUNTY
Land Owner Address	19595 US HWY 59
Land Owner Address 2	DETROIT LAKES, MN 56501
Land Owner Phones(s)	
Land Owner Email(s)	
Tax Name	BECKER COUNTY
Tax Name Address 1	915 LAKE AVE
Tax Name Address 2	DETROIT LAKES, MN 56501
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Land Use	
Township	139
Range	41
Section	16
Legal Abbrev	PT SW1/4 NW1/4; BEG AT POINT NLY R-O-W US HWY 59 CROSSES E BOUNDARY OF SW1/4 NW1/4, CONT NLY DIRECTION 1302; TH WLY 363; S TO NLY R-O-W US HWY 59 TH

MR-C Parcels



377103000, BE-424, BECKER COUNTY TAX FORFEITED	BECKER COUNTY TAX FORFEITED
Land Owner Name	
Land Owner Address	
Land Owner Address 2	
Land Owner Phones(s)	
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Is there an existing easement on this property?	
Online/Offline Status	Online
Road, Railroad & Trail Crossing Section	
Railroad, Road or Trail?	

Wolf Lake

1971 N Tower Rd.
Mitch

MR-C Parcels



087015001, BE-155, BECKER COUNTY

County	Becker
State	
Land Type	
Land Owner Name	BECKER COUNTY
Land Owner Address	19595 US HWY 59
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59 Hwy Pit

Capital Improvement Expenditure Request Form



Date Requested: 7/29/2026

Department: Land Use/ Environmental Services

Department Head: Steve Skoog

EXPLANATION OF THE REQUEST

Purpose/Need: Purchase three (3) roll off containers and one roll off cover

REQUEST AMOUNT: \$26,850.34

Savings Achieved (Dollar Amount/Time/ Efficiency): The roll off containers will be used to as follows: 1) 40 CY roll off – store mattresses & E-waste at the Osage transfer station. 2) 20 & 30 CY roll offs – will be used at the Solid Waste Campus to temporarily hold commodities sorted from the solid waste stream. The 20 CY roll off has low sides that will allow the public to throw items over the sides, reducing staff time needed to handle the product being collected. A roll off cover will be used to cover a roll off used to store organics. The price quote provided is based on government pricing through Sourcewell.

Are There Sufficient Funds In Your Budget?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Is this included in your department's 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Please explain further, if necessary: Commodities sorted from demo or mixed trash & demo materials include scrap metal and clean wood waste.

Action Taken *(If different than request)*: Click or tap here to enter text.

Date Request Completed: 7/29/2026

* This form must be completed and sent to the County Administrator for any request of Capital Improvement Purchase.

Sourcewell 

Awarded Contract

Contract #010825-WQI

Sell To:

Contact Name	Steve Skoog	Ship To Name	Becker County
Bill To Name	Becker County	Ship To	915 Lake Ave
Bill To	24413 County Rd 144 Detroit Lakes, MN 56501 USA		Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-3403 USA
Email	slskoog@co.becker.mn.us	Quick Ship	☐
Phone	(218) 846-7201 		

Quote Information

Salesperson	Becky Nerby	Expiration Date	8/7/2026
Salesperson Email	bneryby@wastequip.com	Quote Number	WQ-10392033
Salesperson Phone	651-480-4871		Please Reference Quote Number on all Purchase Orders

Product	Product Description	Description	Quantity	Sales Price	Total Price
Container - MN - 220085RO	ROC Cover with Quickly Removable Mount Length from 12' up to 23' - INCLUDES: Standard Cover plus Clamp on Hinges & Fork Pocket Frame - Customer to Install - Specify Length - Standard 19'5" to 23', Midsize 14'5" to 19'5" or Short 12' to 14'5"		1.00	\$4,430.00	\$4,430.00
Container - MN - 281593	20 Cubic Yard Standard Duty Rectangular Roll Off Slope Front Container 22' Long - Floor: 7 gauge with 3" structural channels on 18" centers and 6"x 2"x 3/16" Structural Tubing Main Rails, Walls: 12 gauge with side columns on 36" centers and 3" x 4" x 11 gauge Top Rails, (2) Rear Wheels only, Primed and Painted any Standard Color	61 3/4" hook only	1.00	\$5,480.00	\$5,480.00
Container - MN - 281594	30 Cubic Yard Standard Duty Rectangular Roll Off Slope Front Container 22' Long - Floor: 7 gauge with 3" structural channels on 18" centers and 6"x 2"x 3/16" Structural Tubing Main Rails, Walls: 12 gauge with side columns on 36" centers and 3" x 4" x 11 gauge Top Rails, (2) Rear Wheels only, Primed and Painted any Standard Color	61 3/4" hook only	1.00	\$5,976.00	\$5,976.00
Container - MN - 281595	40 Cubic Yard Standard Duty Rectangular Roll Off Slope Front Container 22' Long - Floor: 7 gauge with 3" structural channels on 18" centers and 6"x 2"x 3/16" Structural Tubing Main Rails, Walls: 12 gauge with side columns on 36" centers and 3" x 4" x 11 gauge Top Rails, (2) Rear Wheels only, Primed and Painted any Standard Color	61 3/4" hook only	1.00	\$6,787.00	\$6,787.00
Container - MN - ROC301	Understructures - 61 3/4"Hooklift		3.00	\$595.00	\$1,785.00

Payment Terms	Net 30 Days if credit has been established	Subtotal	\$24,458.00
Shipping Terms	FOB Origin	Shipping	\$2,392.34
		Tax	\$0.00



15629 Clayton Ave, Rosemount, MN, 55068

PHONE: 800-624-4764 FAX: 651-437-2272

WQ-10392033

Sourcewell 

Awarded Contract

Contract #010825-WQI

Grand Total \$26,850.34

Special Instructions

Special Instructions Customer is responsible for the off loading

Additional Information

Additional Terms Our Quote serves as an offer to provide Products and/or services at the quantities and prices shown and is a good faith estimate, based on our understanding of your needs. By signing below, you indicate your acceptance of our offer which is expressly subject to the Wastequip Terms & Conditions of Sale ("Wastequip's Terms") located at: <https://www.wastequip.com/terms-conditions-sale>, as of the date set forth in Section 1(b) of the WQ T&C, which are made a part of this Quote. Wastequip's Terms may be updated from time to time and are available by hard copy upon request. Any changes or deviations to the terms of this Quote, including any different terms in an Order submitted by you, must be agreed upon in writing by both parties.

Additional Information Pricing is based on your acceptance prior to the expiration of this Quote, including product specifications, quantities, and timing. Any differences to your Order may result in different pricing, freight or other costs. Due to volatility in petrochemical, steel and related Product material markets, actual prices and freight, are subject to change. We reserve the right, by providing notice to you at any time before beginning Product manufacturing, to increase the price of the Product(s) to reflect any increase in the cost to us which is due to any factor beyond our control (such as, without limitation, any increase in the costs of labor, materials, or other costs of manufacture or supply). Unless otherwise stated, materials and container sizes indicated on sales literature, invoices, price lists, quotations and delivery tickets are nominal sizes and representations – actual volume, Products and materials are subject to manufacturing and commercial variation and Wastequip's practices, and may vary from nominal sizes and materials. All prices are in US dollars; this Quote may not include all applicable taxes, brokerage fees or duties. If customer is not tax exempt, final tax calculations are subject to change. Pursuant to California Section 26275 of the Health and Safety Code, certain trash receptacles and storage containers must be marked with reflectors. Customers must disclose if such receptacles and containers are intended for use in California – if not disclosed, the receptacles and containers are not intended for use in California.

Special Contract Information Sourcewell-Pricing & Product offerings are based on the Sourcewell Co-Operative Contract with Wastequip Manufacturing Company LLC (#010825-WQI, eff. 05/29/2025) and such Contract terms & conditions are incorporated herein by reference. Pricing & Product (& related) changes may occur at any time with proper documentation, & subject to Sourcewell approval; therefore, offerings may change without written prior notice. Wastequip Product Limited Warranties, Disclaimers, Limitation of Liability & Remedies, & Limited Warranty Provisions apply to all purchases thereunder.

Signatures

Accepted By: _____

Company Name: _____

Date: _____

Purchase Order: _____

Please Reference Quote Number on all Purchase Orders

Water Surface Use Ordinance Checklist

Water Surface Use Ordinance Checklist

Required Documents	Check if complete
Letter of Intent	☒
Proposed Ordinance	☒
Worksheet	☒
Map	☒
Public Notice	☒
Public Feedback	☒
Joint Agreement (if applicable)	☐
Signed Ordinance (when approval process is complete)	☐

Return completed documents to:

Adam Block
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

State Boating Law Administrator
500 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4047

Or email to: Adam Block at adam.block@state.mn.us

LETTER OF INTENT

The residents of Pickerel Lake in Becker County are seeking an ordinance prohibiting wake enhancement/wake surfing on this lake.

Pickerel lake is narrow, with only a small area that allows a watercraft to operate at more than 500' from shore.

Many residents have reported safety issues when confronted with the large waves that are generated by a wake boat. Swimmers have been thrown onto the rocks, people have been knocked off their seats in small boats, waves break over the deck of pontoons causing everything to get wet.

The area wide enough to support wake surfing 500' from shore helps preserve the shoreline but doesn't allow space for other boaters escape the waves.

Currently, there are no laws restricting wake surfing to 500' from shore or other watercraft. The narrower parts of the lake are dealing with shoreline erosion and even greater safety issues. Fishermen report the cloudiness of the water around the island and shoreline impairing fishing conditions for hours or even into the next day.

We argue that the enjoyment of people on one wake boat should not jeopardize the safety of all others.

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF BECKER

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SURFACE USE OF PICKEREL LAKE

Section 1: PURPOSE, INTENT AND APPLICATION: As authorized by Minnesota Statutes 86B.301, 86B.205, and 459.20 AND Minnesota Rules 6110.3000-6110.3800 as now in effect and as hereafter amended, this Ordinance is enacted for the purpose and with the intent to control and regulate the use of the waters of Pickerel Lake, located in Erie and Holmesville townships, Becker County, to promote its fullest use and enjoyment by the public in general and the citizens of Becker County in particular, to insure safety for persons and property in connection with the use of said waters; to harmonize and integrate the varying uses of said waters; and to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Becker County, Minnesota.

Section 2: DEFINITIONS: Terms used in this ordinance related to boating are defined in M.S. 86B.005.

Section 3: WAKE SURFING: Wake surfing, defined as the untethered use of a surfboard behind a watercraft, is prohibited on Pickerel Lake.

Section 4: WAKE ENHANCEMENT: No person may operate a boat on Pickerel Lake in an artificially bow-high manner, to increase or enhance the boat's wake. Such prohibited operation shall include wake enhancement by use of ballast, mechanical hydrofoils, uneven loading or operation at transition speed. Transition speed means the speed at which the boat is operating at greater than slow-no-wake speed, but not fast enough so that the boat is on plane. It shall not be a violation of this ordinance to operate a boat through the ordinary transition from no wake to up on plane and from on plane to no wake.

Section 5: ENFORCEMENT: The primary responsibility for enforcement of this ordinance shall rest with the Becker County Sheriff's Office. This, however, shall not preclude enforcement by other licensed peace officers.

Section 6: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after the date of its passage and publication.

Passed by the Becker County Board of Commissioners on this ____ day of ____, 2026.

WATER SURFACE USE WORKSHEET

APPLICANTS FOR WATER SURFACE USE ORDINANCES ARE REQUIRED BY MINN. RULE 6110.3600 TO SUPPLY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING THE WATER BODY TO BE REGULATED. YOU MAY USE THIS FORM OR SEPARATE SHEETS TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY INFORMATION (PLEASE NOTE ANY INFORMATION THAT IS NOT RELEVANT.)

1. Physical Characteristics

- a. Size- normal surface acreage, if available, or the basin acreage listed on the DNR Web Page or in the Division of Waters Bulletin No. 25 "An Inventory of Minnesota Lakes."
 - i. Basin average: 360.36 acres
- b. Crowding potential – expressed as a ratio of water surface area to length of shoreline.
 - i. Surface acres 360.63. miles of shoreline: 7.4
- c. Bottom topography and water depth (deepest & average) (available from DNR regional or area fisheries headquarters.)
 - i. 21 ft average depth, with a small basin of 74 ft depth.
- d. Shore soils and bottom sediments (available from DNR regional or area fisheries headquarters.)
 - i. The shore is primarily sandy soils. Bottom sediments are nutrient-rich, particularly phosphorus.
- e. Aquatic flora and fauna (available from DNR regional or area fisheries headquarters.)
 - i. Fish species present in Pickerel Lake include Bluegill, largemouth bass, northern pike, walleye, yellow perch, black crappie, rock bass, sunfish. Other wildlife includes resident loons, ducks, geese, swans, muskrats and beaver. A variety of native plants both submersed and emergent are present.

- f. Water Circulation For lakes: the existence and locations of strong currents, inlets, and large water level fluctuations. For rivers and streams: velocity and water level fluctuations.
 - i. There are no inlets or outlets to Pickerel Lake.
 - g. Natural and artificial obstructions of hazards to navigation, including but not limited to points, bars, rocks, stumps, weed beds, docks, piers, dams, diving platforms and buoys.
 - i. There are many docks, and diving platforms along the lake shore. There is a very shallow, rocky area separating the main body of the lake from Little Pickerel. Also, a shallow, rocky passage between the island and the peninsula.
 - h. Regional relationship- the locations and the level of recreational use of other water bodies in the area.
 - i. Most surrounding lakes are classified as recreational development.
2. Existing development.
- a. Private- to include number, location, and occupancy characteristics of permanent homes, seasonal homes, apartments, planned unit developments resorts, marinas, campgrounds, and other residential, commercial, and industrial uses.
 - i. All shoreline around Pickerel is privately owned except for a small area owned by the DNR. There are 114 residential lots with a combination of permanent and seasonal homes.
 - b. Public- to include type, location, size, facilities, and parking capacity of Parks, beaches, and watercraft launching facilities.
 - i. The public access boat launch has 5 parking spaces.
3. Ownership of shoreland-to include the location and managing governmental unit of shoreline in federal, state, county, or city ownership as well as private semi-public or corporate lands.

- i. All shoreline is privately owned except DNR ownership of the boat launch access, the island and a small parcel on the SW part of the lake.
- 4. Public regulations and management – to include federal, state or local regulations and management plans and activities having direct effects on watercraft use of surface waters.
 - i. Pickerel lake follows the MN state regulations for watercraft.
- 5. History of accidents which have occurred on the surface waters (available from sheriff's office.)
 - i. No reported accidents
- 6. Watercraft use- to include information obtained in the morning, afternoon and evening of at least one weekday and one weekend day, concerning the number of types of watercraft in each of the following categories:
 - a. Kept or used by riparians.
 - i. Thursday July 9th, 2026. Observed recreational boats, fishing boats, pontoons, kayaks, and paddle boards. Morning: 8 watercraft, Afternoon: 6 watercraft Evening: 12 watercraft
 - Saturday July 11th, 2026. Observed recreational boats, fishing boats, pontoon, kayaks, paddle boards and paddle boats. Morning: 14 watercraft, Afternoon: 23 watercraft, Evening: 8 watercraft.
 - b. Rented by or gaining access through resorts or marinas.
 - i. There are no resorts or marinas on Pickerel lake.
 - c. Using each public watercraft launching facility.
 - i. July 9th: Morning: 3 trailers, Afternoon: 2 trailers, Evening: 4 trailers.
 - ii. July 11th: Morning 5 trailers, Afternoon: 5 trailers, Evening: 2 trailers.
 - d. In use on the waterbody:

- i. There are primarily pontoons, kayaks and fishing boats. A few recreational boats pulling skiers and tubers and occasional wake boats.
- 7. Conflict perception and control preferences- to include opinions, gained by surveys or through public meetings or hearings of riparians, transients, local residents, and the public at large.
 - i. At the Pickerel Lake annual meeting, the residents expressed many safety and environmental concerns regarding waves generated by wake surfing. These include unsafe conditions for small fishing boats, kayaks, paddle boards and paddle boats. Water turbidity interfering with fishing, erosion of shorelines causing muddied waters for swimmers. Swimmers standing close to shore being thrown onto the rocks by wake surf waves. Many people stated that when there is a wake boat on the lake, they have to leave the water. A petition in support of this ordinance was circulated. 70% of lake residents were able to be contacted. Of those, 100% signed the petition.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, APPLICANTS ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO PROVIDE:

- 1. The information requested in Minn. Rule 6110.3600, portrayed on a map to the extent reasonable.
- 2. A statement evaluating whether the information reveals significant conflicts and explaining why the particular controls proposed were selected.
- 3. The proposed ordinance.
- 4. A description of public hearings held concerning the proposed controls, including an account of the statement of each person testifying.

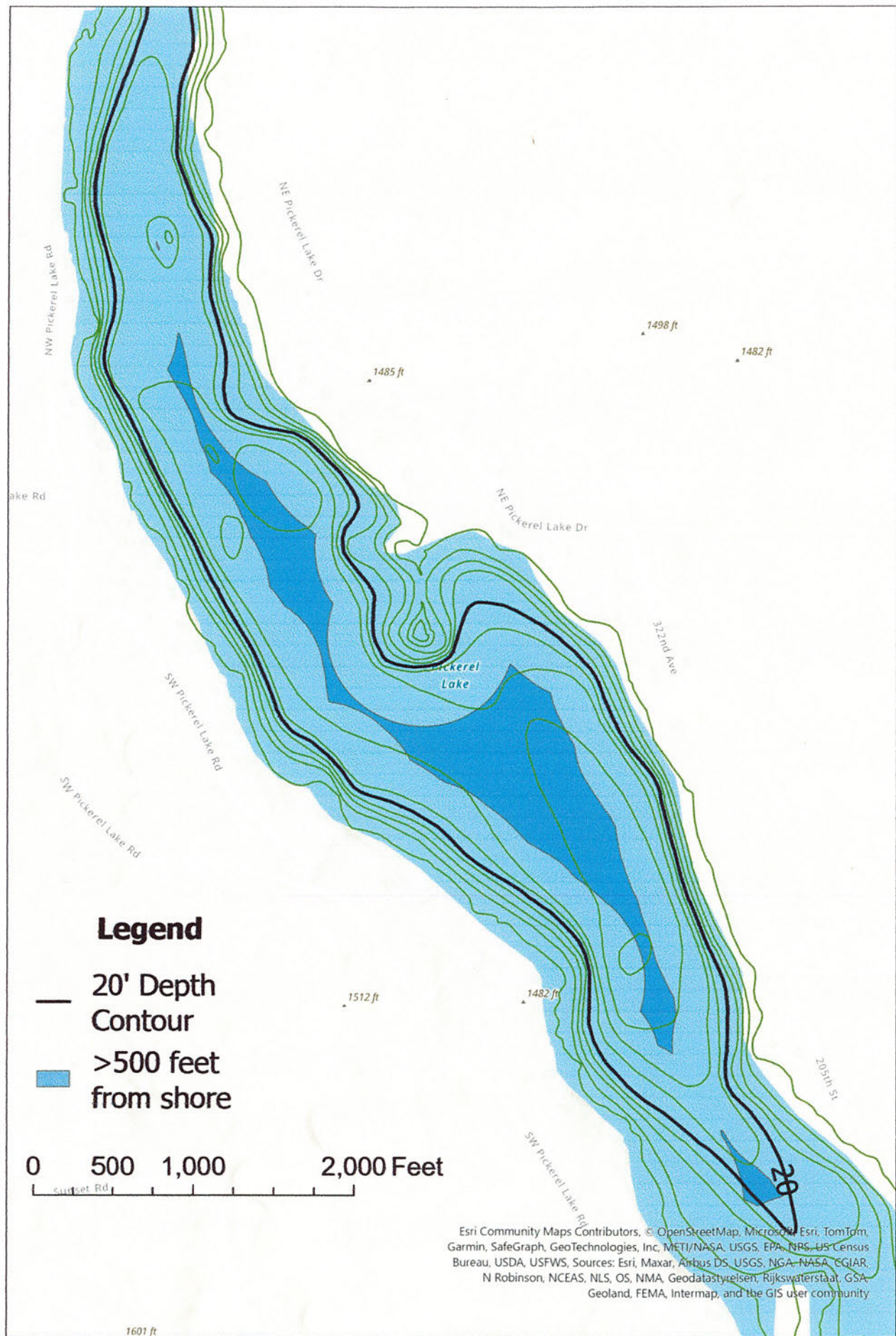
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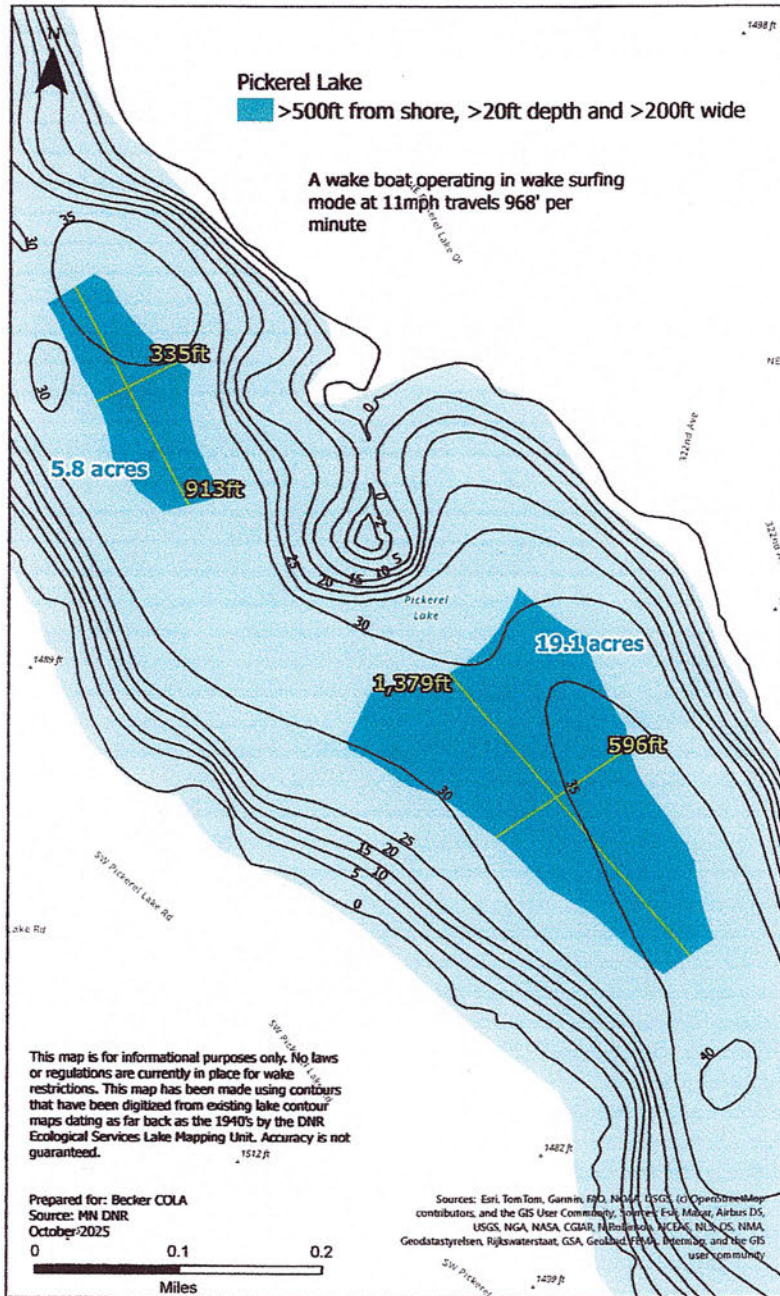
SIGNATURE Sandra Stalemo

TITLE OF PERSON

COMPLETING FORM Pickrel Lake Association Chairperson

PHONE/E-MAIL 701-361-5929 sstalemo@gmail.com





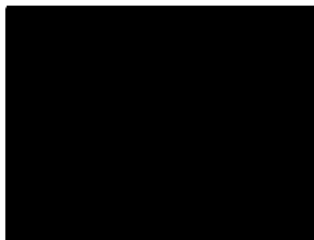
This past summer there were several concerning incidents involving wake boats.

We had an incident in June where we were having a leisurely pontoon ride when a wake boat slowly came alongside us going in the opposite direction, with about 30 yards between us. We didn't think too much about it because it was going slow. All of a sudden we got broadsided with 3 foot+ high waves that caused our pontoon to get inundated with water. My husband was knocked off the driver's seat and landed on the opposite bench. I held on for dear life in my seat. For about 10 seconds our pontoon rocked up and down viciously until the waves subsided. The water drenched the entire deck of the pontoon and we were soaked. We shudder to think of what might've happened if we would've been in a fishing boat, or worse yet, in a kayak. This experience has caused us to be hesitant to ride our kayaks any place other than close to shore, or when we don't see any boats on the lake.

Since Pickerel lake is quite narrow, we **STRONGLY** feel that wake boats should not be allowed on it. Under these circumstances, they can be dangerous, disruptive, and in some cases, even life threatening!

Sincerely,

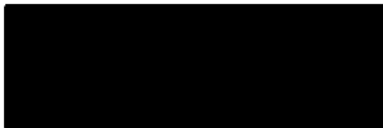
Pat and Rick Callens



Hi Sandy,

Besides just generally being frustrated by the impact of the high wakes when boating or swimming, on the raft or lily pad etc, the one time that really stands out in my mind is when my kids were in elementary school and the three of us (two in kayaks and a paddle board) went down to the island. On our way back, a wake boat was trying to teach someone how to wake board and they kept falling so they were going around and around trying and trying so the waves were massive and constant and my kids weren't strong enough to paddle and they were getting pushed all over the place. My son was lying down on the paddle board clinging to the sides. I had tie their crafts to mine and take them to shore and then I paddled out and asked the people to notice what other boaters were doing around them and to please take their boat somewhere else on the lake. They did and we got home, but my kids were truly scared.

Bess Hauser



Sandy,

We have experienced and observed the following due to wake boat activity and wake surfing:

*The lake is only about 300 feet wide from our shore to the opposite side, but the wake boats go back and forth from the bay right by our place to the island and back. The shore is constantly baraged by waves and no one else is able to use the water while they are out there because of the waves.

*Our dock and lift have been shifted and skewed by the continuous large waves.

*We have experienced multiple instances of being knocked off of floaties, paddle boards, and off of our feet while standing in the water by our shore (falling onto rocks).

*We observed one instance where thousands of snails suddenly erupted from the bottom and washed into the shore while we were trying to enjoy the water, but the water became too gross to stay in. This was due to multiple wake boats on the water going by and one was pulling tubes circling in front of our place. So, it's not just surfing that causes the huge waves. The big motors are also causing issues.

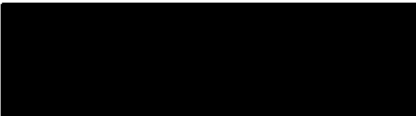
*Every time a wake boat is out on the water the water becomes full of foliage, especially after surfing.

*3 times while enjoying a pontoon ride we had a wake boat go by us within 50-100 ft. forcing us to shift directions to take on the huge waves. One instance I was knocked off of the seat in the pontoon by the waves.

*Teenagers operating the wake boat and surfing after dark and late at night, music blaring (late being 12 am-2am) -safety issue for the teenagers and for people fishing at night.

*I would like to add that I don't believe it's a coincidence that the fish population has gone down significantly. There are fewer people fishing because of this and because of the waves from the wake boats.

Julie Hersch



This past summer there were several concerning incidents involving wake boats.

One day in July a group of us boaters had our four pontoons lashed together with proper bumpers between each pontoon. A wake boat started passing near us and even circling us. This caused a frightening incident in which our boats were rocking excessively and bumping into each other. It would've been very easy for one of us to suffer serious injury. I do not believe the Wake boat drivers were intentionally trying to disturb our gathering or cause physical harm, I just think that (as usual) they were simply unaware of the serious effect that their excessive wake was having on us - not only our pleasurable enjoyment of The Lake, but also our safety. I understand that given the rather small size of our lake and its long and narrow shape, that the Wake boat driver's options were limited, and I can sympathize with that. But that's the very the reason why we should not have Wake boats on this lake.

There were two other incidents one involving our very young grandchildren on a lily pad in which the wake caused a dangerous situation that jeopardized their stability on the lily pad and required the attending parents to quickly remove them and return them to the boat to which the Lilly pad was attached. Another time I witnessed a neighbor who was paddle boarding have to lay down and hug their paddleboard in order to protect themselves from capsizing. The Wake boat was a long distance away, but on this particular lake there is no way for the waves to dissipate to a safe level before getting to shore. There's just not enough distance from one side of the lake to the other for other users of The Lake to find a safe distance from the Wake boat. Again this is owing to the size and shape of our particular lake.

Bill Tesch



We have experienced numerous issues with wake boats on Pickerel Lake:

1. They come very close to our shoreline and dock when they pass by or turn the boats, which is quite shallow. This causes numerous problems with turning up the bottom silt making the water cloudy and full of weeds snail shells.
2. Many times, they turned up weeds so badly that they congested our dock and lifts and our boat motors
3. The waves from these wake boats caused such large and powerful waves that if we were sitting or tanning on our boat dock, the waves would crash up over the edges and up through decking making sitting or enjoying our dock not an option
4. Many times, this last summer, a few of the wake boats on Pickerel Lake would be out after sunset with the wake activated. It would be dark, with loud music and bright lights going on well after midnight
5. We have experienced wake boats, with their wake activated, cut in front of our slow-moving pontoon. Once, our dog was standing on one of the seats, and the wave was so powerful that it threw him up in the air, and almost into the water
6. Pickerel Lake has some of the best water quality and visibility in the county. However, after the wake boats have been active, the early evening or morning water quality is horrible. The water clarity is almost zero, filled with silt, shredded weeds and snail shells. As a fisherman, seeing what these boats do to the lake bottom and shallow areas is alarming. However, what are they doing to the fish population?
7. The latest DNR fish report from 2025 states that all fish numbers are at record lows, except Northern Pike. This is a significant change in the last few years that correspond with the introduction of active wake boats on Pickerel Lake
8. The most alarming damage that they are causing, not including the shoreline erosion, the lake bottom and weed damage, danger to other boaters and swimmers, fish

population, is the effect they are having on our waterfowl. In particular, the Loons and their babies. One of the nests is on the shoreline of an island that is within 150 feet of where the wake boats constantly run. Their waves are constantly crashing over and submerging their nests. If this intrusion was caused by anything other than a wake boat, the DNR and the county would be acting to stop it. Why are wake boats exempt from all DNR and county regulations to protect the lakes and shoreline and the waterfowl.

for several summers we have watched the shoreline wash away from the wave action created when the wake boats go by. The silt stirring is very visible and what used to be firm base is loose under foot in the water making boat lift and dock posts sink deeper making it harder to remove them in the fall. Last summer while fishing our boat was nearly capsized by a wake boat going close to our boat. We were hanging on for dear life. Pretty scary for a couple of senior citizens. Waves also washed my glasses off the dock when working on my dock. We don't mind sharing the lake with those that afford the rest of us common curtesy by respecting boundaries and not being a safety hazzard.

John & Joann Lien



On a weekend afternoon we were out on the pontoon. A wake boat went by and we saw the large wake it left in front of us but given the narrow place in the lake we could not avoid it. Not only was the pontoon rocked considerably but the water rushed on the deck getting us wet. We were particularly anxious about this because we had our young grandchildren on the pontoon.

Additionally, we are not comfortable having our grandchildren and great niece and nephews tubing and water skiing when there is wake boat traffic because they have fallen/fallen off because of the considerable wave action.

Chuck and Marie Swanson

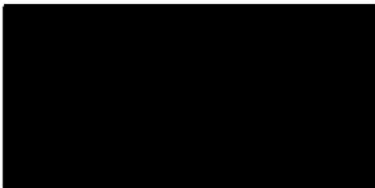


On Wed Oct 22 2025 [REDACTED] wrote:

----- Original Message -----

A few years back I had my fishing boat sunk by the wakes coming over the transom. It was a Tracker with a 115HP Johnson and a 9.9 Johnson kicker. We were fishing and decided to come to the house for lunch. Our dock is only 24' long because of the depth in front of our lot. I decided to just pull the boat up to shore and tie it off on a tree. We heard and saw wake board boats on the lake off our shore but didn't really think much about it at the time. When we came back to go fishing the back of the boat and both motors were under water. The wakes came over the transom and the bilge was not able to keep up. It is just too narrow in most spots on this lake to accommodate them.

Rob Sims



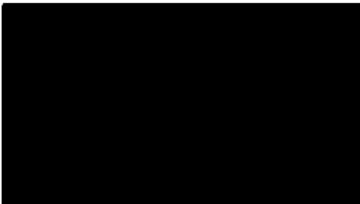
we have been impacted in the following ways from wake boats.

1. Excessive weeds, floating up to our shoreline after days when there have been wake boats going in front of our property.
2. Significant waves that have made it difficult to enjoy a safe ride on a pontoon. Depending on the direction of travel, the waves can produce significant rocking of the boat creating safety issues.
3. Excessive noise at night. On a few occasions, the wakeboats were out after dark with their stereos on well past dark.

Wake boats do not coexist with other boats such as pontoons, canoes kayaks, fishing boats due to the narrow nature of the lake. Wake boats would be more appropriate in a wider larger lake, where they can be further from shore and further from other boats.

Thank you and let us know if you need any additional information.

Peter and Ann Jacobson





BECKER COUNTY

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MEMORANDUM FOR ACTION

Date: 07/28/2026

SUBJECT: Set Canvassing Date for Primary

TO: Becker County Board of Commissioners

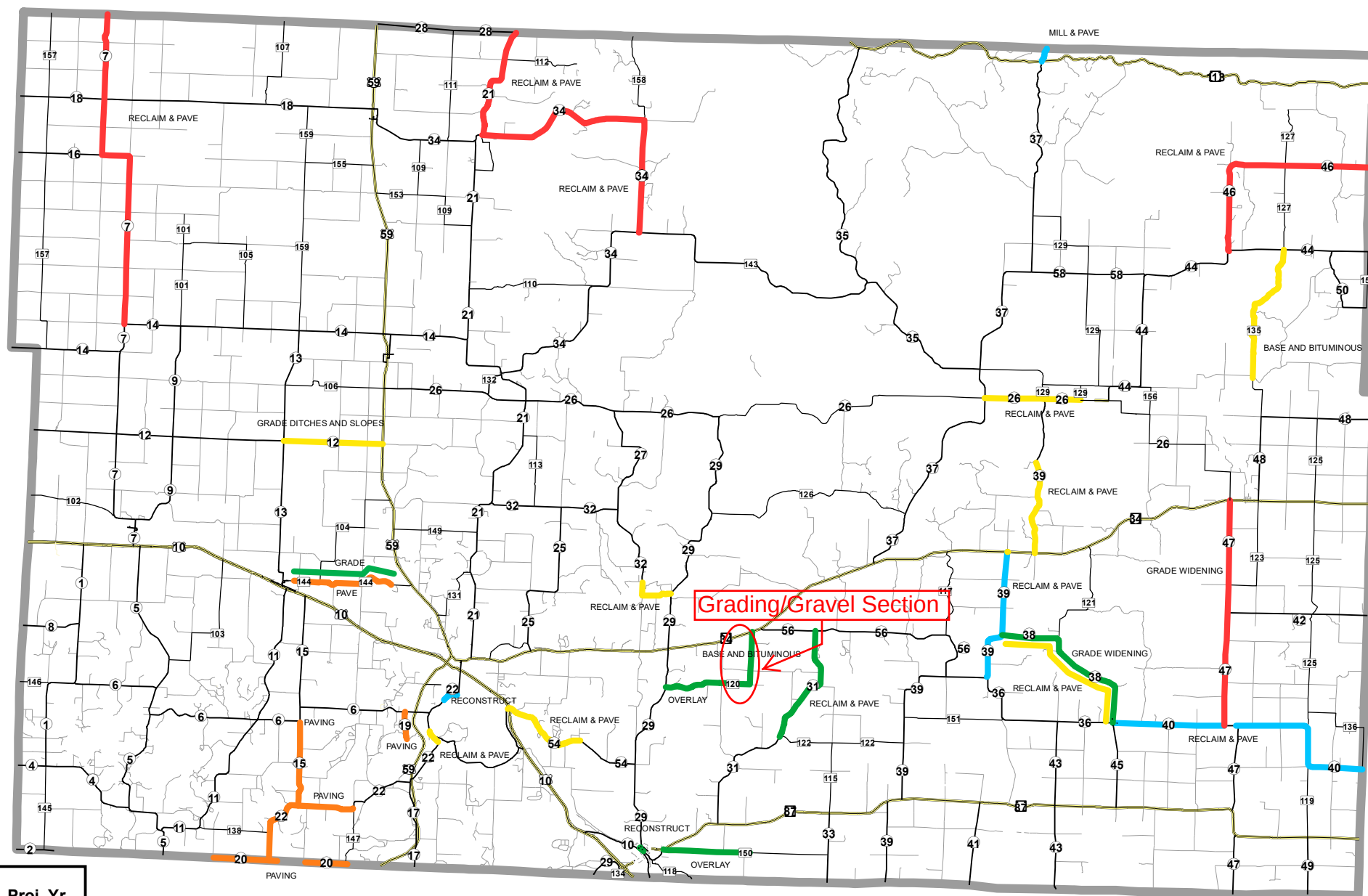
The Primary will be held on August 11, 2026. MS 204C.32 Subd 1; MS 204C.37 requires Auditor to canvass either the second or third day following a State Primary.

Action: The Auditor-Treasurer requests the County Board of Commissioners to set the Canvassing Board to meet on August 13, 2026, at 3:00 pm in the 2nd floor boardroom of the Courthouse to review and certify the election results. The County canvass board consists of five members, the county auditor, the court administrator, the mayor of the largest city and two commissioners are required to be members of the Canvass Board.

The results will be sent to the State for certification which will be held August 18, 2026.

Distribution: Board of Commissioners, County Administrator

2026 BECKER COUNTY HIGHWAY FIVE YEAR PLAN



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- 2026
- 2027
- 2028
- 2029
- 2030

Prepared by:
Becker County
Highway Department
11/25/2025

BECKER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 08-26-1A

5 YEAR PLAN AMENDMENT - AUTHORIZE CP 003-120-001

Whereas, the Becker County Board of Commissioners adopted the 2026 5 Year Plan for Highway Construction on December 16, 2025;

Whereas, the 5 Year plan includes paving work on County Highway 120 in 2027;

Whereas, Highway Staff recommend that work on subgrade corrections and graveling be performed a year prior to achieve the best results in pavement placement and long-term surface performance.

Therefore, Be It Resolved: That the Becker County Board of Commissioners hereby amends the current 5 Year Plan to include graveling and minor grading work on County Highway 120 and authorizes advertisement for bids for such work in 2026.

Duly adopted this 4th day of August, 2026, at Detroit Lakes, MN.

COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Becker County, Minnesota

ATTEST:

/s/ Carrie Smith
Carrie Smith
County Administrator

/s/ Erica Jepson
Erica Jepson
Board Chair

State of Minnesota)
) ss
County of Becker)

I, the undersigned being the duly appointed and qualified County Administrator for the County of Becker, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, adopted, and approved by the County Board of Commissioners at a meeting held August 4, 2026, as recorded in the record of proceedings.

Carrie Smith
County Administrator

RESOLUTION 08-26-1B

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Position	Step Date	YOS	Current Grade	Current Step	Current Hourly Rate	Current 8.2.26 - 12.31.26 PERA/FICA/Health	Current Total Cost 8.2.26 - 12.31.26	New Grade	New Step with at least 1.5% Increase	New Hourly Wage	New 8.2.26 - 12.31.26 PERA/FICA/Health	New Total Cost 8.2.26 - 12.31.26	Hourly Difference	Total Difference
Transfer Station Truck Driver	5/26/2020	6	5	5	\$ 29.30	\$ 10,061.00	\$ 35,510.10	6	3	\$ 29.83	\$ 10,130.00	\$ 36,039.44	\$ 0.53	\$ 529.34
Compact Truck Driver	12/18/2023	2	5	3	\$ 27.62	\$ 9,840.00	\$ 33,829.90	6	1	\$ 28.12	\$ 9,905.00	\$ 34,329.19	\$ 0.50	\$ 499.28
Compact Truck Driver	7/7/2025	1	5	3	\$ 27.62	\$ 9,840.00	\$ 33,829.90	6	1	\$ 28.12	\$ 9,905.00	\$ 34,329.19	\$ 0.50	\$ 499.28
Transfer Station Truck Driver	Vacant - FT	0	5	1	\$ 26.03	\$ 6,737.00	\$ 29,345.88	6	1	\$ 28.12	\$ 6,803.00	\$ 31,227.19	\$ 2.09	\$ 1,881.31
Transfer Station Truck Driver	Vacant - FT	0	5	1	\$ 26.03	\$ 6,737.00	\$ 29,345.88	6	1	\$ 28.12	\$ 6,803.00	\$ 31,227.19	\$ 2.09	\$ 1,881.31
Transfer Station Truck Driver	Vacant - PT .7 FTE	0	5	1	\$ 26.03	\$ 2,398.00	\$ 18,224.24	6	1	\$ 28.12	\$ 2,590.00	\$ 19,686.96	\$ 2.09	\$ 1,462.72
Total Increase for 8.2.26 - 12.31.26														\$ 6,753.25

Position	Step Date	YOS	Annual Cost 2027 at Grade 5	Annual Cost 2027 at Grade 6	Total Difference
Transfer Station Truck Driver	5/26/2020	6	\$ 94,078.00	\$ 95,404.00	\$ 1,326.00
Compact Truck Driver	12/18/2023	2	\$ 88,662.00	\$ 89,888.00	\$ 1,226.00
Compact Truck Driver	7/7/2025	1	\$ 89,590.00	\$ 90,827.00	\$ 1,237.00
Transfer Station Truck Driver	Vacant - FT	0	\$ 84,523.00	\$ 90,507.00	\$ 5,984.00
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Transfer Station Truck Driver	Vacant - PT .7 FTE	0	\$ 45,219.00	\$ 49,407.00	\$ 4,188.00
Total Increase for 2027					\$ 19,945.00

Becker County Planning Commission
July 29th, 2026

An audio recording of the meeting is available at:
https://www.co.becker.mn.us/government/meetings/planning_zoning/planning_commission/

Members Present: Acting Chairman Kohl Skalin, Kim Mattson, Craig Hall, Tom Disse, Commissioner Erica Jepson, Jeff Moritz, Tommy Ailie, Nancy Bachmann, Mary Seaberg, and John Okeson, Harvey Aho, and Zoning Administrator Kyle Vareberg. **Members Absent:** Chairman Dave Blomseth, Commissioner Phil Hansen

Acting Chairman Kohl Skalin called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Becker County Zoning Technician Nicole Bradbury recorded the minutes.

Acting Chairman Kohl Skalin explained the protocol for the meeting and stated that the recommendations of the Planning Commission will be forwarded to the Becker County Board of Commissioners for final action.

John Okeson made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 8th, 2026, meeting. Seaberg second. All members in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

1. **APPLICANT: Brenden Mattson & Deborah Mattson** 50830 Smokey Hills Rd Ponsford, MN 56575 **Project Location:** 50830 Smokey Hills Rd Ponsford, MN 56575 **LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION:** Tax ID Number: **05.0083.000** Section 10 Township 140 Range 037; E1/2 E1/2 SW1/4 SE1/4. **APPLICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:** Request a Conditional Use Permit to operate a gunsmith business to include retail sales of used firearms.

MOTION: Aho motioned to approve the application. Moritz second. Roll Call; All in favor (Bachmann was not present for this vote.) None opposed. Motion carried.

2. **APPLICANT: Great Plains Towers, LLC on behalf of John Paul Grieser** 13572 Frazee Rd Frazee, MN 56544 **Project Location:** 13572 Frazee Rd Frazee, MN 56544 **LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION:** Tax ID Number: **03.0168.000** Section 17 Township 138 Range 040; 17-138-40 PT NW1/4 SE1/4: COMM E QTR COR SEC 17, W 1624.14' TO POB; S 300', E 300', S 381.64', W 743.94', N 725.28', E 448.22' TO POB. **APPLICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:** Request a Conditional Use

Permit for a one hundred and ninety (190) foot guyed tower with a nine (9) foot lightening rod and accompanying equipment.

MOTION: Ailie motioned to approve the application. Seaberg second. Roll Call; All in favor (Bachmann was not present for this vote.) None opposed. Motion carried.

- 3. APPLICANT: William Jacobson on behalf of Louise Ann Ness (Jacobson) PO Box 238 Audubon, MN 56511 Project Location: 20212 190th Ave Audubon, MN 56511 LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION: Tax ID Number: 02.0057.002 Section 09 Township 139 Range 042; 9-139-42 PT W1/2 SW1/4 SW1/4 W OF TWP RD. LESS .32AC (2-7007). APPLICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Request a Conditional Use Permit to operate a metal sales business.**

Luke Langerud with Audubon Township asked that there be a provision for help with the road in the event any damage is done.

One letter was received in regard to this application. The letter is on file with the Becker County Zoning office, and a copy is available upon request.

MOTION: Hall motioned to approve the application with the condition the applicant works with Audubon township to repair the road if and when any significant damages are caused. Aho second. Roll Call; All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Other Business:

- I) Tentative Date for the Next Informational Meeting: August 19th, 2026; 8:00 am; 3rd Floor Meeting Room in the Becker County Courthouse, Detroit Lakes, MN.**

Since there was no further business to come before the Board, Ailie made a motion to adjourn. Disse second. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

David Blomseth, Chairman

Kohl Skalin, Secretary

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Kyle Vareberg, Zoning Administrator

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