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## **Notice of the Rainy River – Rainy Lake Watershed One Watershed, One Plan**

Local government units within the Rainy River – Rainy Lake Watershed are initiating a comprehensive watershed management plan for the watershed (see attached map). The Rainy River – Rainy Lake Watershed Planning Partnership was created through a Memorandum of Agreement between Koochiching Soil and Water Conservation District, Koochiching County, City of International Falls, and the City of Ranier to create a watershed-based plan under the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P) program.

You have been identified as a plan review authority and/or stakeholder in this planning area and are invited to submit priority resources and issues that you feel should be addressed in the planning process and resulting plan. Please feel free to include specific opportunities as well as any expectations for plan development. To establish a common language and maximize the ability to incorporate your responses into the planning process, definitions for resources and issues have been provided below:

- **Resource:** Natural features on the landscape that have aesthetic, economic, environmental, or social value. Examples: lakes, rivers and streams, wetlands, soils, and aquatic and terrestrial habitat.
- **Issue:** A factor, stressor or difficulty resulting in an adverse consequence for a resource. For instance, elevated levels of total phosphorus could be an issue affecting a resource (i.e. lakes).

Please submit your responses by **4:30 PM, Friday, July 14, 2023** to

[pam.tomevi@co.koochiching.mn.us](mailto:pam.tomevi@co.koochiching.mn.us) or

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There will be a public kickoff meeting scheduled following the 60-day public comment period to review watershed data, present and discuss priority resources and issues identified by plan review authorities and stakeholders, and provide an opportunity to gain further feedback.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

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Pam Tomevi

## Rainy River – Rainy Lake Watershed Planning Boundary

