Advisory Committee Meeting
Online Teams Meeting
6-4-2026

Welcome and Meeting Introductions:
Jolen Simon, Pam Tomevi, James Aasen, Aaron Frankl, Kelly Condiff, Whitney Sims, Danae Schafer, Andy Arens, Jeff Hrubes, Chad Severts, Matt Gutzmann, Rachel Olm, Madelyn Swanson, Mike Kennedy, Phil Talmage, Ada Tse, Mitch Brinks, Phil Norvitch, Rian Reed, Will Bomier

Review Timeline:
Olm reviewed the current timeline and where we are at currently. As of June 25th, public formal review will begin. This will go until August 25th.

Public Hearing scheduled for Sept. 24th at the Cook Community Center, 10:00-12:00.
Tomevi will have materials out for agencies to approve at October board meetings and shared all meeting dates as targets to get approval.

Internal Review Comments:
Many comments were simply addressed, and some were brought to the group for discussion.

Discussion included possibly increasing lake and stream shoreline goals above 500'. St. Louis County (Will Bomier) has a project for 2027 that may nearly meet this target on its own. The group discussed increasing to 1,000', and possibly more. This project and others will likely happen regardless of WBIF funding.
The group decided on 2,000', which can also be adjusted up or down at the 5-year review.
Site specific standard was also discussed, discussions are being had within MPCA.
Changed "Enhance Stream Connectivity" to 6 projects (from 2 projects) over 10 years and added to goals.

Formal 60-day Review

Wrap Up
Next meeting, Sept. 3rd, 9:00 a.m. online.