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## Public Scoping Meeting/Open House Comment Form Moccasin Creek Sub-Watershed NRCS Watershed Plan June 12, 2017

## Background

The Wild Rice Watershed District (WRWD) secured funding through the Red River Retention Authority for Watershed Planning under the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The RCPP funding was made available for watershed planning in the Moccasin Creek Sub-Watershed and it is required to follow Public Law 83-566 requirements.

The Watershed Planning must also comply with the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) requirements. Tasks required for the NRCS Watershed Plan generally include: Identifying a Purpose and Need, Developing an Environmental Assessment, Identifying the Affected Environment (resource problems), Developing Alternatives, Identifying Environmental Consequences of the alternatives, determining a Preferred Alternative, and creating an overall Watershed Plan. Public participation will be a vital component throughout the entire planning process, beginning with this public meeting.

## **Purpose of Today's Meeting**

The initial step in NRCS Watershed Planning, as directed by NEPA, is to allow for input from all interested parties including federal, state, and local agencies and other interested groups or persons. Initial input will be focused on resource concerns in and adjacent to the Moccasin Creek Sub-Watershed. In order to gather input on resource concerns, we would request that the attached comment form be completed and provided to the WRWD.

## Identified Resource Concerns:

- o <u>Flooding/Flood Damages</u> (i.e. agricultural effects from delayed planting, prevented planting, crop flood inundation, road damages, culvert/bridge damages, breakout flows, field erosion/deposition, floodplain management, etc.)
- o <u>Water Quality/Erosion and Sedimentation</u> (water quality, water resources, soil resources, field erosion/deposition, channel erosion/deposition, etc.)
- Wildlife and Habitat (Fish and wildlife, wetlands, endangered and threatened species, invasive species, migratory birds, forest resources, etc.)
- o Other

Please fill out the following information based on your priorities for the Moccasin Creek Sub-Watershed.

Comment forms will be accepted for all forms postmarked on or before **July 12, 2017**.

Completed comment forms can be mailed to the WRWD office at:

Wild Rice Watershed District 11 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue East Ada, MN 56510

Or via email to nikki@wildricewatershed.org

Name:	_						
Phone Number:							
Email Address:							
Mailing Address:							
Circle the most appropriate ranking for each concern listed below where the degree of concern is not indicated will be considered a					h ranking.	Concerns	
	n or Not Relevant 1 = Minimal Concern Concern 4 = Significant Concern			2 = Minor Concern 5 = Severe Concern			
Concerns for Project Scoping:	No Concern		Severe Concern				
Flooding/Flood Damages	0	1	2	3	4 5		
Water Quality/Erosion and Sedimentation	0	1	2	3	4 5		
Wildlife and Habitat	0	1	2	3	4 5		
Others (Please describe in comment section)	0	1	2	3	4 5		
Additional Comments:							