

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-015

RILEY-PURGATORY-BLUFF CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS

Adopting RPBCWD Watershed Stewardship Cost Share Policy

Manager Ziegler offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Manager Duevel.

WHEREAS the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District (RPBCWD), is a special purpose unit of government established under Minnesota Statutes chapters 103B and 103D.

WHEREAS the RPBCWD adopted their Ten-Year Management Plan (Plan) on July 11, 2018 consistent with MN Rules Chapter 8410.

WHEREAS the Plan has an Education and Outreach Goal to “Design, Maintain, and implement Education and Outreach programs to educate the community and engage them in the work of protecting, managing, and restoring water resources.”;

WHEREAS the Plan has stated strategies to achieve this goal including to “provide resources to increase stewardship within the community” and to “implement its cost-share program to provide incentive...to implement watershed best management practices”;

WHEREAS staff, Citizen Advisory Committee members, and the Board of Managers have provided input into the goals, strategies, and logistics of the cost-share program which have been incorporated into an overall draft policy document;

WHEREAS a draft of the proposed cost-share policy was presented to the Board of Managers at their December 11, 2024, workshop and further comments were provided to staff pertaining to the draft policy;

WHEREAS the policy has been revised per these comments and was presented to the Board of Managers at their February 5, 2025 workshop; and

WHEREAS RPBCWD finds the cost-share policy to be a sound, reasonable, and fair means to meet the goals and strategies set forth in the current ten-year plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the RPBCWD Board of Managers hereby adopts the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District Cost-Share Policy as presented at the regular meeting of the Board on February 5, 2025, with any changes noted in the minutes;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that RPBCWD administrator is directed to begin the 2025 cost-share fiscal year on March 6, 2025 and apply the adopted policy to any applications for the cost-share program.

The question was on the adoption of the resolution and there were 4 yeas, 0 nays, and 1 absence as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
CRAFTON	X			
DUEVEL	X			
NELSON	X			
PEDERSEN				X
ZIEGLER	X			

Upon vote, the president declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: March 5, 2025

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I, **Jill Crafton**, secretary of the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District, do hereby certify that I have compared the above resolution with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with RPBCWD and find the same to be a true and correct transcription thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I set my hand this 28 day of March, 2025.



Jill Crafton, Secretary