

**BUFFALO CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS: DRAINAGE AUTHORITY FOR THE PETITIONED IMPROVEMENT OF RENVILLE/SIBLEY/MCLEOD JUDICIAL DITCH 15, BRANCH M20**

**Please Take Notice:** The Buffalo Creek Watershed District Board of Managers, Drainage Authority for the petitioned improvement of Judicial Ditch (JD) 15, Branch M20 will hold a final hearing on the petitioned improvement on June 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Renville County Government Services Center, 105 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Olivia, Minnesota with an option to attend remotely. Please contact the Board's legal consultant, Rinke Noonan Law Firm, at 320-257-3866 or sbruemmer@rinkenoonan.com for the remote log-in information. The detailed survey report for the petitioned improvement, as amended, was filed with the Board on April 9, 2021. The viewers' report for the improvement benefits and damages was filed with the Board on May 10, 2021. Both reports are available for inspection at the Renville County Auditor's office in the Renville County Courthouse, 500 East DePue Avenue, Olivia, Minnesota or by contacting the Board's legal consultant, Rinke Noonan Law Firm, at 320-257-3866 or sbruemmer@rinkenoonan.com. The reports may also be viewed or downloaded at [www.bcwatershed.org](http://www.bcwatershed.org). The Board will accept public comment regarding the proposed improvement and the viewers' report. Any party having an interest in the proceedings may appear and provide comment. Written comments will be accepted at the hearing and by mail, through the date of the hearing, directed to the Board's legal consultant, Rinke Noonan Law Firm, at P.O. Box 1497, St. Cloud, MN 56302-1497 or sbruemmer@rinkenoonan.com. Please reference Judicial Ditch 15, Branch M20 in your comments.

The portions of JD 15, Branch M proposed for improvement provide drainage to portions of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12 of Hector Township in Renville County. Branches M20, M22, M24, M64, and M28 are proposed to be improved. The proposed improvements include: realigning portions of Branches M20, M22, M24, and M64 to reduce the number and subsequent cost of crossing under the paved Highway 23; improving the effective outlet of Branch M28; and replacing existing tile with new tile sized to provide a 3/8-inch drainage coefficient.

Additionally, the engineer appointed to examine the drainage system improvements has determined the existing portion of the drainage system proposed to be improved is in need of repair. The engineer has included in the detailed survey report a statement showing the proportionate estimated cost of the proposed improvement required to repair the separable part of the existing system and the estimated proportionate cost of the added work required for the improvement. At this hearing, the drainage authority will consider the application of separable maintenance. The cost of the portion of drainage system requiring maintenance will be assessed to all properties benefitting from the drainage system.

**The following properties are affected by the proposed drainage system improvement:**

Hector Township, T115-R32W, Sections: 1, 2, 11, and 12, Renville County

**The following owners of property are affected by the drainage system improvement:**

VON SIEFERT/ROBERTA Z/PART. C/O NORTHWESTERN FARM MGMT CO; KOEBNICK/MARION R; BAUMGARDT/ORVIS & DOROTHY/T; ORVIS & DOROTHY BAUMGARDT TRUST; KADELBACH/RONALD & KERRY; WALTER/ALLEN J & MARIE; WALSTROM/WADE & MARCIA; MELBERG/CHARLES J & BAR TR/TRS; PETTIS/ GLEN A. & ANITA J.; MELBERG/MICHAEL, DAVE, SHELDON, JAN, TR; MELBERG/MICHAEL; FISCHER/JOHN A & BRENDA A; FISCHER/CLIFFORD & ELIZABETH; TRUSTEES OF CLIFFORD G & ELIZABETH FISCHER TRUST; MELBERG/BRADLEY C & LEANN; MORITZ/DALE & JANICE; TAYLOR/MARK & LISA

**The following governmental entities are affected by the drainage system improvement:**

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