



# **Drainage Records Modernization And Multipurpose Drainage Management Grants**

**Minnesota Public Drainage Manual  
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# Drainage Records Modernization & GIS Database Project Phase 1



# Background and Context

- Drainage records modernization and preservation
  - Drainage Work Group recommendations – 2007
  - BWSR Drainage Records Modernization Guidelines – 2008
  - BWSR DRM Cost-Share – 2009 and 2011 (24 of 44 apps.)
- Learn from prior drainage records modernization experience
  - Rice Creek Watershed District database work (by HEI)
  - DrainageDB – Houston Engineering, Inc.
- LCCMR project (BWSR first applied 2012, successful 2014)

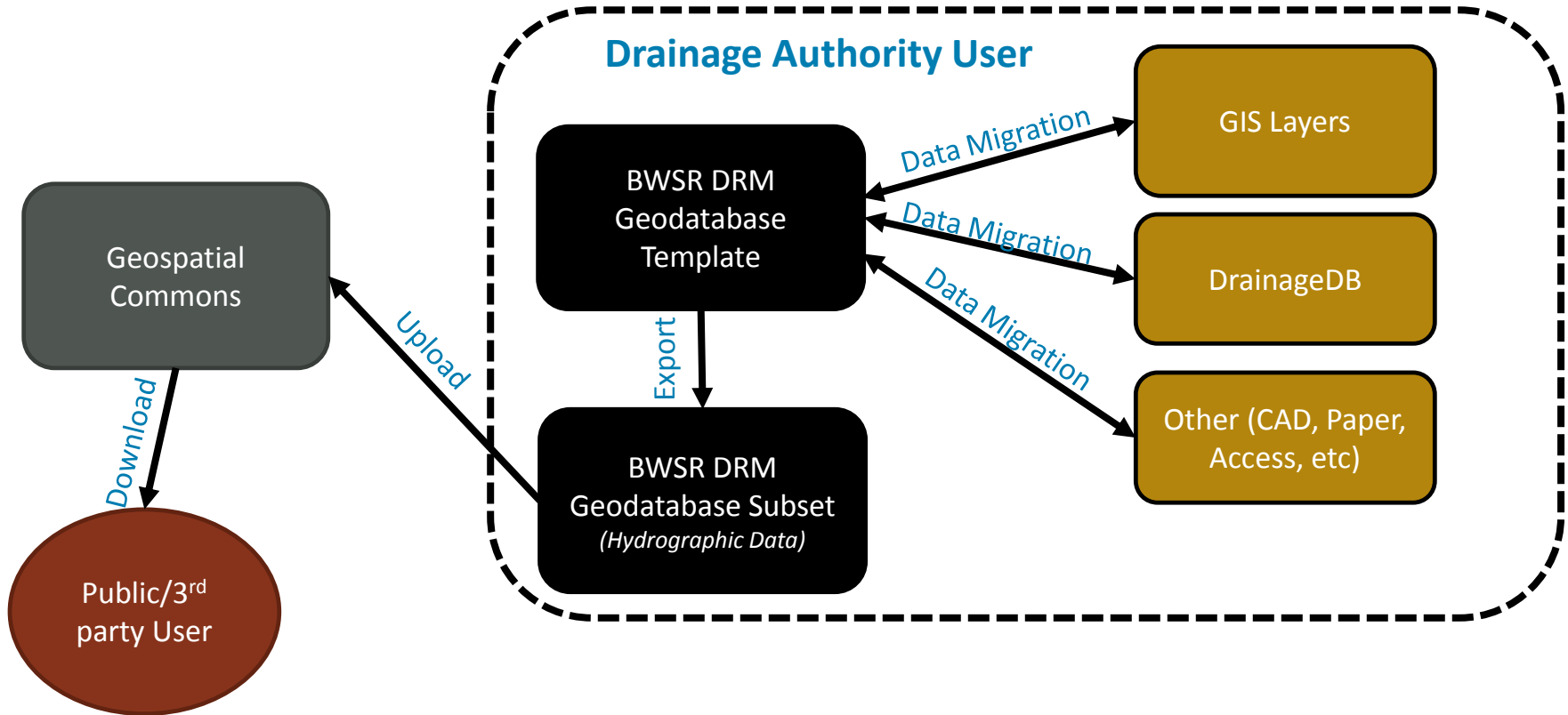


# Drainage Records Database Project Process

- Contractors (MnGeo and Houston Engrg., Inc.)
- 3 Focus Group Meetings (outstate and metro)
- Project Advisory Committee (drainage inspectors, auditors, GIS staff, drainage authority)
- Make GIS Template compatible with DrainageDB



# Conceptual Diagram



# Drainage Records Database Products

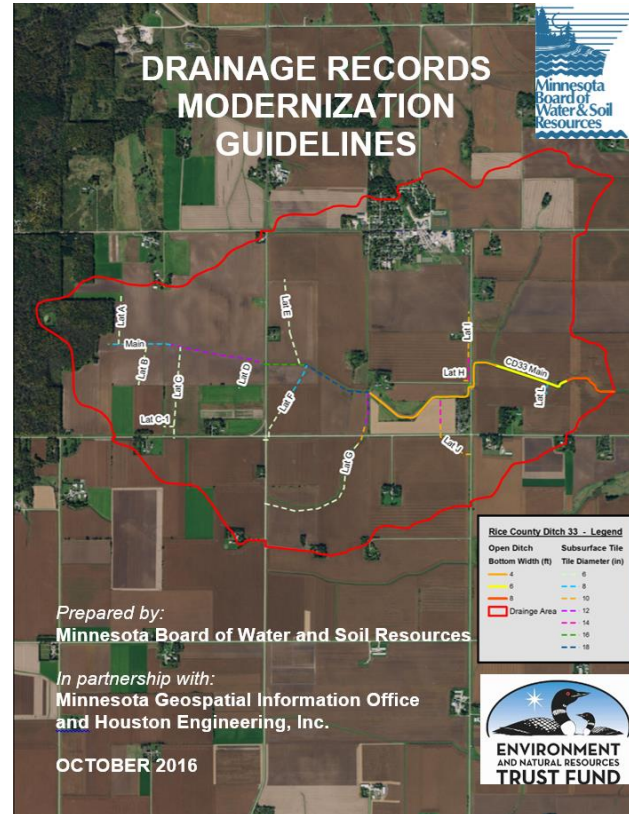
- 1) **Drainage Records GIS Database Template** – free to Chapter 103E drainage authorities – one string: hydrographic data
- 2) **Updated Drainage Records Modernization Guidelines**
- 3) **Portal and central database for Chapter 103E drainage system hydrographic data**, primarily for watershed modelers
- 4) **Webinar** about the database template and DRM Guidelines
  - Go to: **BWSR, Conservation Implementation, Drainage** page, or **MnGeo GeoCommons** (and search for “**DRM template**”)
  - BWSR Request Form for registration, hydrographic data agreement, and database template package



# Drainage Records Modernization Guidelines

October 2016

available via BWSR  
website and MnGeo  
GeoCommons





# Drainage Records Modernization & GIS Database Project Phase 2

- FY 2017 LCCMR approved \$500K to BWSR for Drainage Records Modernization cost-share
- If Legislature approves, available FY 2018
- Competitive, will require minimum 1:1 match
- Applicants must agree to use the Database Template and provide drainage system hydrographic data to the GeoCommons annually







# CWF Multipurpose Drainage Management Program



# MDM Program Key Characteristics

- Supports drainage authority use of Section 103E.015 Considerations Before Drainage Work is Done, and 103E.011, Subd. 5 Use of External Sources of Funding
  - integrate public and private funding for multipurpose drainage management
- Requires a partnership of a drainage authority and SWCD for:
  - on-field, on-farm, and on-drainage system practices
- Improve water quality, reduce drainage system maintenance, and protect or improve drainage system capacity



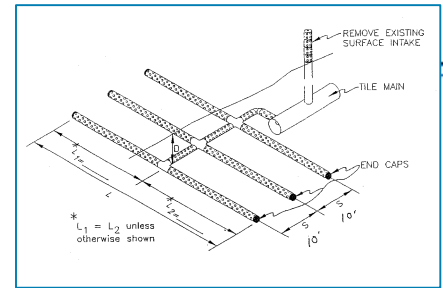
# Priority Chapter 103E Drainage System

- A drainage system that has documented priority sediment and/or water quality concerns.
- Documented = in an analysis, study, strategy, plan, engineer's repair report, or engineer's preliminary survey report for a drainage system improvement



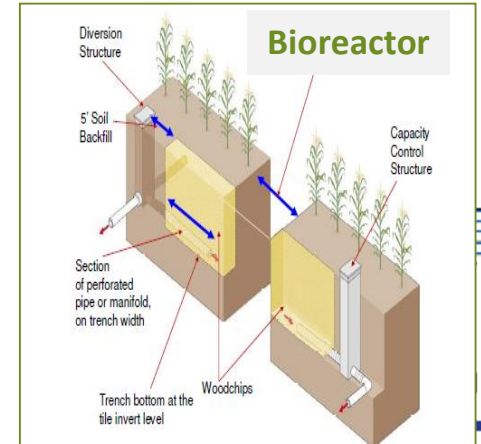
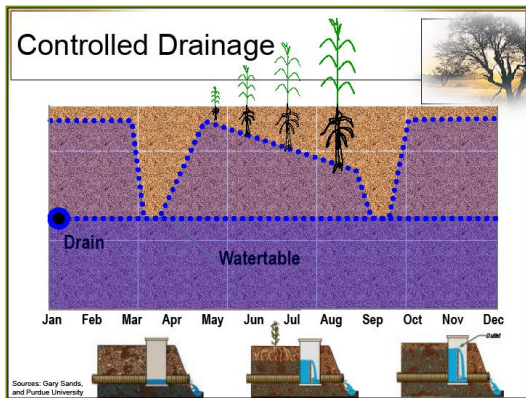
# Eligible Practices / Activities

1. Grade Stabilization Structure (including Side Inlets to a Chapter 103E drainage ditch, and in-field structures)
2. Grassed Waterway
3. Water and Sediment Control Basin
4. Open tile inlet replacement



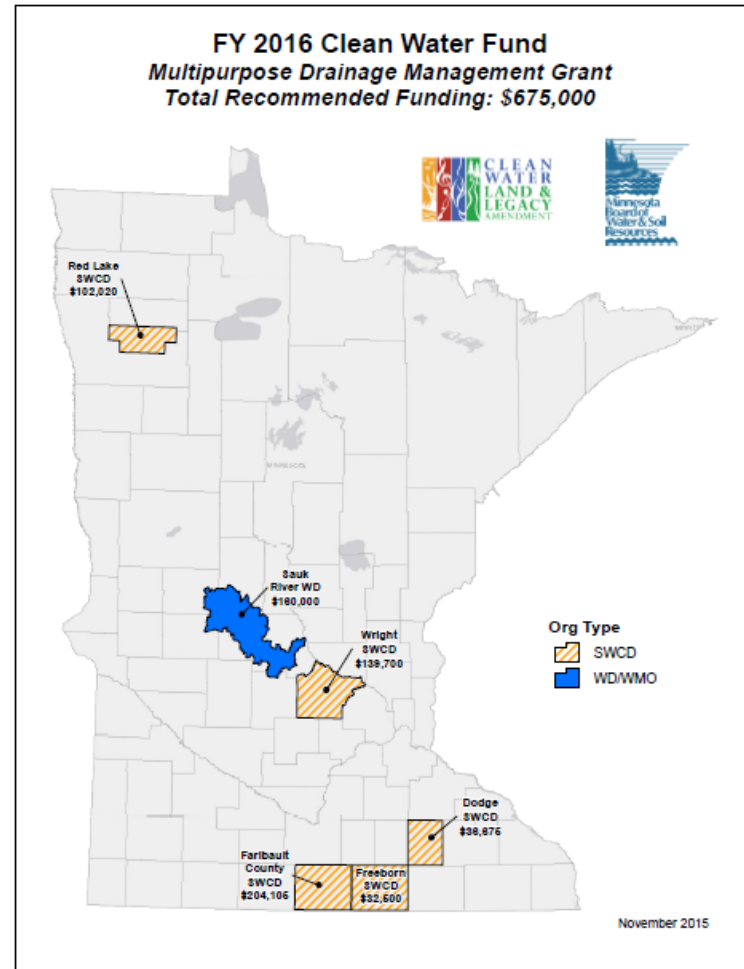
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- 5. Storage and Treatment Wetland Restoration
- 6.- 8. DWM – Controlled Subsurface Drainage
- 9. Saturated Buffer
- 10. Denitrifying Bioreactor



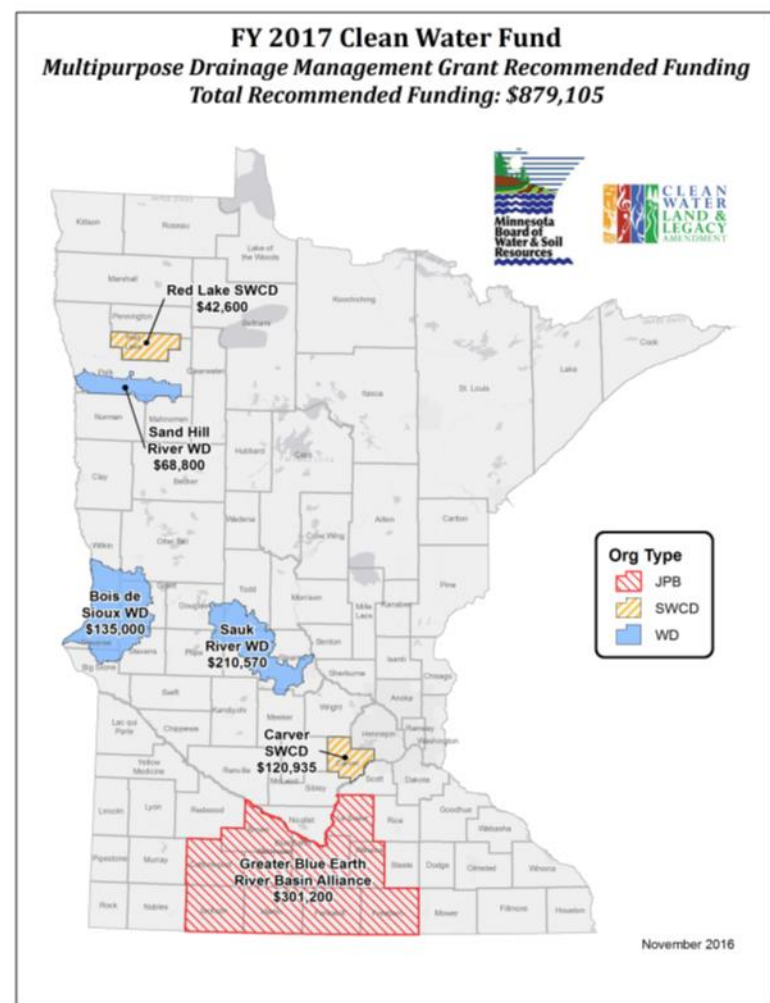
# FY 16 MDM Grant Recipients

Note: Faribault project  
found to be ineligible. Total  
funding allocated =  
\$470,895



# FY 17 MDM Grant Recipients

Note: Includes \$204,105  
carryover from FY16





# Remaining Questions?