St. Croix Communities Clean Water Project

2014-2016 Accelerated Implementation Grant Integrating Minimal Impact Design Standards Into Local Ordinance

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Project Overview

"Work with 13 communities in the St. Croix River Basin to voluntarily adopt ordinance and code revisions to incorporate Minimal Impact Design Standards (MIDS) in accordance with the St. Croix TMDL targets to integrate Low Impact Development (LID) as an effective means for achieving the phosphorous reduction goal of over 100 metric

What are MIDS?

"MIDS are the next generation of stormwater management in Minnesota, and emphasize keeping water where it falls to minimize rainwater runoff and subsequent pollution"

MIDS Legislation, 2009

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"...develop performance standards, design standards or other tools to enable and promote the implementation of low impact development and other stormwater management techniques...." (MN Statutes 115.03 subd. 5c)



What are MIDS?

Consistent and flexible standards that are easier to implement at the local level to address the Lake St. Croix TMDL."

AIG Pre-Application Activities

- Presentations to Local Officials on the NEMO Workshop on the Water
- MIDS 2 hour introductory presentation and question and answers session.
- Multiple presentations and meetings with community planning commissions and councils.



Grant Application Highlights

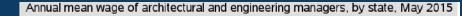
- Project corresponds with goals in the TMDL and 13 local water plans.
- Address long-standing barriers to LID:
 1. Standards in conflict with LID practices
 2. Qualitative standards
 3. Inconsistent credit for LID practices
 4. No process for sites with restrictions







Grant Match



ND

SD

NE

MT

UT

NV

WY

Annual mean wage

\$79 900 - \$116 280

Minnesota Mean wage: Annual: \$146,450

Hourly: \$70.41

Percentile wages 10th: \$92,110 25th: \$110.790

\$132,140 - \$140,960

\$116,790 - \$129,690

\$143,280 - \$166,750

Outreach Activities

- MIDS Legal Preview Workshop for Attorneys
- Meetings with Community Staff to Introduce MIDS
- Presentations to Community Planning Commissions
- Presentations to Community Council



Commitment to Adopt MIDS

Resolution to adopt MIDS at the end of the update process

CITY OF SMALLVILLE RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE REVIEW AND REVISIONS OF ORDINANCE TO INTEGRATE MINIMAL IMPACT DESIGN STANDARDS

WHEREAS, The Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization has secured a Clean Water Fund Grant to assist communities to integrate Minimal Impact Design Standards (MIDS) into cloi ordinance and

WHEREAS, The City of Smallville will follow the MIDS standards and provisions in the development of the policy or ordinance changes and

WHEREAS, these changes will achieve protection of our local water resources; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 2009, Chapter 115.03 Subdivision 5c. authorized the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to develop performance standards, design standards, and other tools to enable and promote the implementation of low-impact development and other storm water management techniques; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 115.03 Subdivision Sc, MPCA developed a set of performance goals, design standards, and policy development guidance provisions known as the Minimal Impact Design Standards (MIDS); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SMALLVILLE, MINNESOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

The City of Smallville has declared its commitment to adopt MIDS standards into the Smallville City Code of Ordinance to achieve protection of our local water resources with finding provided by the MSCWMO by a Clean Water Fund Grant

WHEFELEPON, said Resolution was declared and duly passed and signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Administrator. Passed by City Council, City of Smallville, Lakeview County, Mineson, this 34th day of July 2019.

Approved:

Mayor, City of Smallville

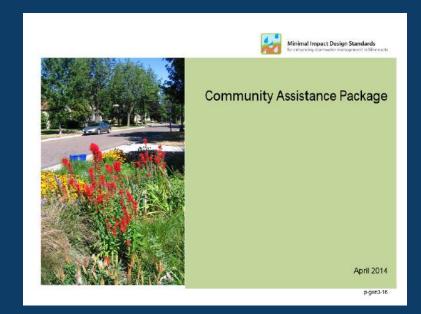
Attested:

Staff Name, Position Title



Ordinance Revision Process

- 1. Review and Redlines Ordinances
- 2. Meet with City Staff to Review and Revise
- 3. Request Engineering, Planning and Legal Review
- 4. Revise Based on Comments
- 5. Planning Commission Review and Revisions
- 6. City Council Review and Revisions (fi Necessary)
- 7. City Adoption of Final Ordinances





Final Report

Project Description Outcomes Evaluation Appendicies





Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization

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http://www.mscwmo.org/grant-reporting



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"I am very passionate about protecting our natural resources, especially the St. Croix....so visitors and residents can experience it's beauty."