

News from the Roseau River Watershed District

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Whitney Lake Project Open House

On March 16, 2017, the Roseau River Watershed District (RRWD) along with HDR, Inc. held a public open house to present the Whitney Lake Project. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the project and to build public awareness. The open house gave stakeholders the opportunity to meet the Project Team members and to ask questions.

The public was invited to provide input on the impact of damaging floodwaters in the Whitney Lake Sub Watershed area. The planning effort will examine an approach to reducing flooding for landowners in an adequate and equitable manner.

Currently, agricultural producers suffer frequent inundation from even minor events in both the spring and summer resulting in crop loss and/or damage. The goal of the project would be to reduce peak flow rates by 20% during flooding events.

The Whitney Lake Sub-Watershed consists of portions of Ross, Dieter, Pohlitz, Moose, and Jadis townships. The existing legal drainage system includes State Ditch 69, Watershed Ditch 3, and County Ditches 16 and 17.

On the RRWD website, there is opportunity for public comment on the Whitney Lake Project. Additional public outreach meetings will be planned in the future.

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