

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Before the
SAND HILL RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
SITTING AS THE DRAINAGE AUTHORITY FOR
POLK COUNTY DITCH 80

In the Matter of:

**the Petition to Improve and Establish
Laterals 1 and 2 for Polk County Ditch
80**

FINAL HEARING NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, the Board of Managers of the Sand Hill River Watershed District, sitting as the drainage authority for Polk County Ditch 80 will hold a final hearing on the pending Petition to improve and establish laterals 1 and 2 to Polk County Ditch 80, the engineer's detailed survey report, and the viewers' report of benefits and damages for Polk County Ditch 80. The engineer's and viewers' reports were filed with the drainage authority on July 3, 2018 and are available for inspection at the office of the Sand Hill River Watershed District (219 N Mill Street, Fertile, MN 56540). The hearing shall be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7th, 2018, at the Sand Hill River Watershed District, 219 N Mill Street, Fertile, MN 56540. At the final hearing, the drainage authority will accept public comment regarding the engineer's and viewers' reports. 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 at the office of the Sand Hill River Watershed District, PO Box 584, Fertile, MN 56540.

The existing Polk County Ditch 80 channel starts near the east line of Section 30, Onstad Township, at it's upstream extent and flows to the west along the east/west ¼ line of Section 30 (Onstad Township), and Sections 25, 26, and 27 (Russia Township). Polk County Ditch 80 ends at its outlet into Sand Hill River Watershed District Project 17 near the intersection of the north/south and east/west ¼ lines of Section 27 (Russia Township). Polk County Ditch 80 along the described route is proposed to be improved through channel deepening and widening, establishment of the required 1 rod (16.5 feet) buffer strip, installation of culverts, installation of riprap grade control structures, and other incidental items.

Lateral 1 is proposed to be approximately 0.5 mile long and flows north along the ¼ section line in the south half of Section 26 (Russia Township) until outletting into the improved Polk County Ditch 80. Establishment of Lateral 1 along the described route includes channel deepening and widening, establishment of the required 1 rod (16.5 feet) buffer strip, installation of culverts, and other incidental items.

Lateral 2 is proposed to start at the east line of Section 36 (Russia Township), just south of the north line of Section 36 (Russia Township). Lateral 2 would flow east until near the northwest corner of Section 36 (Russia Township), where Lateral 2 would then turn to the north and flow 0.5 miles just east of the west line of Section 25 (Russia Township) until outletting into the improved Polk County Ditch 80. Establishment of Lateral 2 along the described route includes channel deepening and widening, establishment of the required 1 rod (16.5 feet) buffer strip, installation of culverts, installation of riprap grade control structures, and other incidental items.

The proposed project would provide drainage capacity for a 10-year runoff event for lands within the drainage area. Field erosion would be reduced as a result of the project by reducing overland flooding of crop land. Channel erosion within the existing Polk County Ditch 80 channel would be reduced by installation of riprap grade control structures and flattened ditch sideslopes.

The following properties are affected by the work identified in the engineer's report and the viewers' report of benefits and damages:

Russia Township, T148N-R46W, Sections: 25, 26, 27, 35, and 36;

Onstad Township, T148N-R45W, Sections: 30 and 31

all in Polk County.

The following owners of property are affected by the Improvement and Establishment of Laterals 1 and 2 to Polk County Ditch 80:

LAWRENCE & ELAINE M RICARD ETAL, LIFE ESTATE
PATRICIA A GUSTAFSON ETAL, LIFE ESTATE
ALVIN & EVELYN VON HOLDT
LARRY C WALTERS TRUSTEE
ALVIN & EVELYN VON HOLDT
LAWRENCE & ELAINE M RICARD TRUSTEES
STEVEN RICARD
CLIFFORD M HANSON INC
LARRY C WALTERS TRUSTEE
ELINOR QUAM TRUSTEE

LARRY C WALTERS TRUSTEE
PAUL TOLLEFSON
WAYNE A DIEKRAGER
MATTHEW LENZ
HARRIET OLSON FAMILY LLLP
MARY LYNN ANDERSON
ELAINE TOLLEFSON
PAUL C & MACHELLE J ENGELSTAD
ERIC SOLHEIM
BRIAN R GULLEKSON & WENDY A NELSON-GULLEKSON
BRENT E & BRIAN R GULLEKSON
BRIAN R GULLEKSON & WENDY A NELSON-GULLEKSON
PATRICIA K TAYLOR
CLIFFORD HANSON INC
CLIFFORD M HANSON INC
LARRY C WALTERS TRUSTEE
PAUL C & MACHELLE J ENGELSTAD

The following governmental entities are affected by the Improvement and Establishment of Laterals 1 and 2 to Polk County Ditch 80:

POLK COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
RUSSIA TOWNSHIP
ONSTAD TOWNSHIP

Stuart Christian, Chairman
Sand Hill River Watershed District

Dated: _____, _____