

3RE: Incremental Implementation of Vegetated  
Ditch Buffer Strips Polk County Ditch No. 9.

### NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Annotated (M.S.A.) 103E.021, Subd. 6, and any other applicable statutes, the Board of Managers, Sand Hill River Watershed District (SHRWD), hereafter referred to as the "drainage authority", is proposing vegetated grassed buffers pursuant to the referenced Statutes, including right-of-way (R/W) acquisition for Polk County Ditch (C.D.) No. 9. The drainage authority determined that the work is necessary to control erosion and sedimentation, improve water quality, maintain the efficiency of the drainage systems, and to comply with Minnesota Statute § 103F.48 (The Buffer Law). (The drainage authority acted as their own Viewers to determine damages for the R/W values.)

A description of proposed properties and owners of affected properties are attached.

The hearing for the proposed R/W acquisition and any other such matters deemed appropriate by the drainage authority will be held in accordance with said Statutes, on Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at **10:00 AM**, at the Sand Hill River Watershed District Office, 219 N Mill Street, Fertile, MN 56540.

The proposed Property Owner's Reports for the drainage systems damages are filed with the drainage authority and are available for inspection at the SHRWD office, 219 North Mill Street, Fertile, MN, during regular business hours.

All persons interested and affected by these matters are required to appear before the drainage authority at the specified time, date, and location, to show cause, if any you may have, why said repairs should not be completed and damages paid in accordance with the Property Owner's Reports.

Following the hearing and the drainage authority's Final Order, persons aggrieved by any of these actions may appeal said Orders pursuant to M.S.A. 103E.091.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2022.

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Stuart Christian, Chairman