

Business Item 2017-288 SW: Joint Powers Agreement with Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for the Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program

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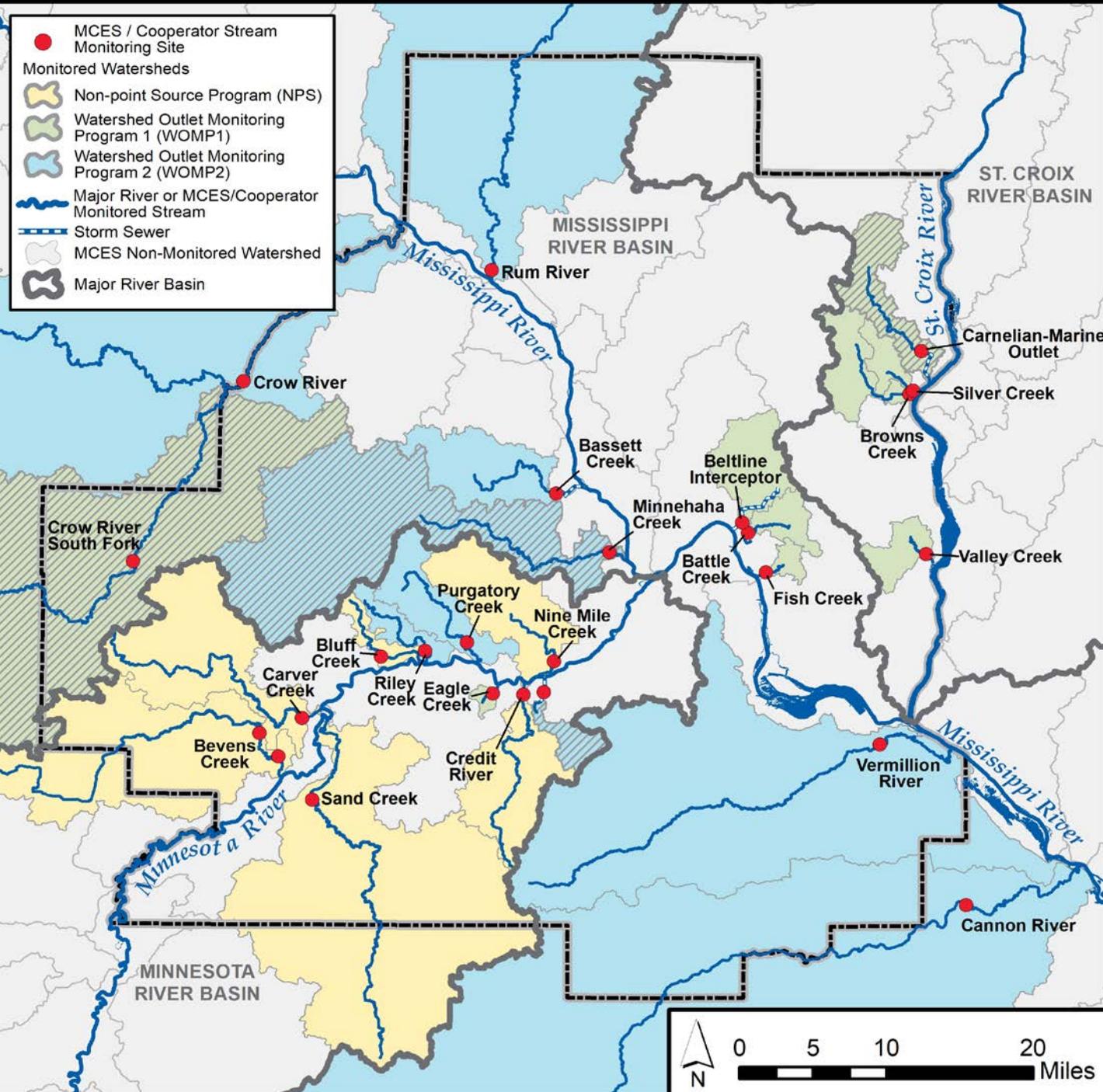
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Program Overview: Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program (WOMP2)

- Program started in 1998 with MPCA funding support.
- Since 2007, funding has been provided by the Legislature through Clean Water Funds appropriated to the MPCA, which provides funds to MCES through a Joint Powers Agreement.
- MPCA would fund \$300,000 over the 2018-2019 contract period

Stream Monitoring Network



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- Partner with cities and watershed organizations.
- Information used by cooperating local groups, MCES, and the MPCA.
- Supports sustainable management of our region's rivers and streams.

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate a joint powers agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to accept and expend Clean Water Funds from the Minnesota Legislature to continue monitoring of seven streams and river segments in the Council's watershed outlet monitoring program.

Questions

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