

SECTION VII

VII. AMENDMENT PROCEDURES

It is the intention of the Elm Creek Watershed Management Commission to have this Watershed Management Plan reviewed and approved by the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). Once approved, no significant changes to this plan can be facilitated without the approval of the proposed revisions by the BWSR. Significant or major changes to the Commission's Plan shall be made known to the following parties:

1. The member communities' City Council or Township Board
2. The Metropolitan Council
3. The Elm Creek Watershed Commission Board
4. Hennepin County
5. Hennepin Conservation District
6. Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources and all review agencies as set forth in Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8410.
7. A public meeting must be held to explain the amendments and a legal notice of this public meeting must be published twice at least 7 days and 14 days prior to the date of the public meeting.

Following notification of the above parties, there will be 45 days to comment on the proposed revisions. Failure to respond within 45 days constitutes approval.

Minor changes to the plan shall be defined as the following:

- C Recodification of the plan
- C Revision of a procedure meant to streamline administration of the plan
- C Clarification of the intent of a policy
- C Inclusion of additional data not requiring interpretation
- C Revisions to the standards outlined in **Appendix F**
- C Any other action that will not adversely affect the member cities or diminish the Commission's ability to achieve the plan goals or implementation program.

Adjustment to subwatershed boundaries will be considered minor changes, provided that the change will have no significant impact on the rate or quality in which stormwater runoff is discharged from the Commission's boundaries. Minor changes to this plan can be made by the Commission Board with the above-noted public notification process. Any changes not listed here are considered a major revision and requires a fill plan update per Minnesota Statute 103B.231. This plan will be in effect through July 2013 unless significant changes to the plan are deemed necessary prior to that date.