



ST. LOUIS RIVER

ONE WATERSHED, ONE PLAN

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What is the St. Louis One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P)?

The St. Louis One Watershed One Plan started as a partnership between St. Louis County, North and South St. Louis SWCDs, Carlton County and SWCD and the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. The goal of this partnership is to develop a comprehensive watershed management plan for the geographically diverse and culturally rich watershed in northeastern Minnesota. The St. Louis 1W1P area covers over 3000 square miles and includes over 500 lakes and 2000 miles of streams. The watershed eventually empties to Lake Superior in Duluth, MN.



To learn more about the planning area and process, please visit: <https://www.southstlouisswcd.org/1w1p/>.

What's New?

A virtual kickoff was launched in November 2020 which included an online survey asking watershed stakeholders to provide input on a wide variety of topics. After a month of engagement, a total of 224 people responded to the survey. Most respondents live in the St. Louis 1W1P planning area with an even age distribution between 35-54 and 55+. Also, 12% of respondents identified as black, indigenous and people of color. Identified gaps in responses include watershed residents in the Fond du Lac and Duluth Urban Area planning regions, people who work in the timber, farming and mining industries, and 25–34-year-old adults with a high-school diploma.

A list of issue statements was drafted, combining information from existing plans and studies, comment letters from state agencies and municipalities and the survey responses we received. The first Advisory Committee reviewed the draft issue statements on January 19th, 2021 and provided feedback which will be incorporated prior to their next meeting. The next step will be to finalize the issue statements.

Upcoming Dates to Note

Date	Time	Subject	Location
February 16, 2021	9:00am – 12:00pm	Advisory Committee Meeting – Finalize Issues and discuss Prioritization	Virtual
March 16, 2021	9:00am – 12:00am	Issue Prioritization	Virtual

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Key Milestones and Progress

