

- Branch 4 North Storm Water Quality Pond
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The VLAWMO will review its capital improvement budget every two years with changes completed as minor plan amendments. VLAWMO has several options for capital projects financing. Under the authority provided by M.S. 103B 251, VLAWMO has the authority to certify for payment by the county all or part of the cost of an approved capital improvement. The JPA provides that if cities are unable to come to a cost sharing agreement, then VLAWMO may order the project by funding

97 percent of the project cost from Ramsey County and 3 percent Anoka County ad valorem tax levy.

6.4.1 Strategic Work Plan 2014-2016

Appendix G includes the Strategic Work Plan 2014-2016 which updated the CIP list of projects.

6.5 IMPACT OF IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

This Plan will be funded through member contributions, grants, special assessments, and, if legislative action is successful, a Special Taxing District under M.S. 275.066 by levy. Funds obtained through member contributions would apply toward local government levy limits. Funds obtained from special assessments and levy by the VLAWMO would not apply to municipal levy limits. However, there would be a financial impact to the residents of the cities and townships that reside in the VLAWMO Watershed. One of VLAWMO's goals is to optimize public resources, while still accomplishing VLAWMO's goals and implementing the Plan.

Table 6-1B shows the additional cost to the member cities for implementing the Plan if legislative action to become a Special Taxing District is unsuccessful. Table 6-2 shows the approximate financial burden on the VLAWMO residents for the various VLAWMO budget amounts and home values, shown as a tax per residence.

In addition to member contributions and taxes to operate the VLAWMO, member communities may have additional costs associated with implementation of their LWPs. The LWPAs already have ordinances in place that address many of the VLAWMO requirements, however, there are additional requirements for standards affecting storm water management and wetland protection, which will require additional staff time and resources. Most of these requirements are part of MS4 requirements already affecting the LWPAs (with the exception of the City of Gem Lake), anticipated MCES requirements for LWPs, and NPDES General Permit requirements for construction that already apply for land disturbing activities and projects that create impervious surfaces. Also, the Plan considers existing land use and future land use for year 2020, as compiled by the MCES from local Comprehensive Land Use Management Plans. This plan does not conflict with these local plans.