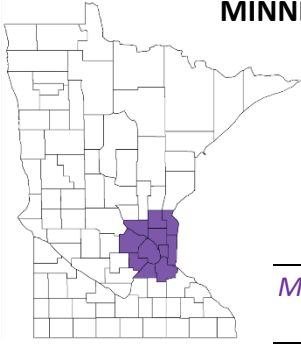


MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS



MASWCD Metro Area 4

Summer Meeting

09:00 A.M. June 4, 2026

Cambridge Public Library - 111 N. Dellwood

MASWCD is a nonprofit organization which exists to provide leadership, educational opportunities and a common voice for Minnesota's soil and water conservation districts.

AGENDA

09:00 Registration & Refreshments

09:30 Call to Order, Welcome, and Business Items. Area Director.

- Action on agenda, previous meeting minutes, and treasurer's report
- Appointment of Nominating Committee (*if Area elections are in the fall*)
- Introduction of Resolutions from Area Member SWCDs - **Read only**

10:00 MASWCD 2026 Focus Areas – LeAnn Buck, MASWCD

Each year the MASWCD Board of Directors identifies focus areas which align with the mission, vision and strategic areas of the Association, take into consideration timely and relevant resolutions and legislative activity, and build off MASWCD's ongoing work plan. Details of the 2026 focus areas will be explained, and SWCDs will be asked for feedback.

10:15 MASWCD Advocacy Campaign for SWCD Aid – LeAnn Buck, MASWCD

MASWCD has launched a 2-year campaign for SWCD Aid advocacy to lay the groundwork for a 2027 legislative proposal to increase this important state funding source. In conjunction with this campaign, MASWCD formed a cohort of SWCD representatives from across the state who will be building their skills in communication and outreach with lawmakers. Information on this initiative will be shared, followed by discussions around effective advocacy in campaign season.

10:45 Discuss and Action on Proposed Resolutions

Please review Resolution Guidelines and "Things to Consider During Resolution Debate"

11:45 Partner Updates Rapid Fire Round (1-2 Minutes each)

12:00 Lunch (30 minutes) – Sign up on back of Agenda

12:30 Conservation Easement program presentation by Douglas Page

1:00pm Constructive Conflict workshop by Nan Gesche, Collaboration Expert

With an M.A. in Organizational Communications, a professional certificate in Training & Development, and over 20 years of experience, Nan equips teams with the skills to collaborate effectively. During this workshop Nan will equip supervisors and staff with the skills to turn Board tension and disagreement into Meaningful Outcomes.

3:00pm Adjourn

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LUNCH Options: *Please write the number of participants from your organization in the spaces provided*

____: \$45/person (includes morning coffee, snacks, lunch and speaker)

____: \$25/person (includes coffee, snacks, and lunch)

____: no fee- no lunch or speaker

Please RSVP by **May 26th** by emailing completed form to zolson@isantiswcd.org

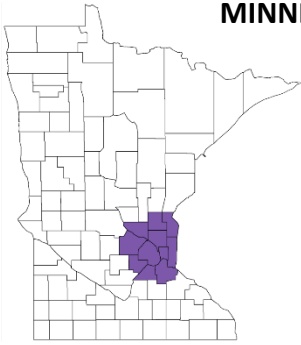
Questions: email tiffany.determan@mn.nacdnet.net or call 763-689-3271

Payments can either be brought to the meeting, mailed to the following address: 110
Buchanan St. N, Cambridge, MN 55008

We can also take credit cards day-of.

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Things to Consider During Resolution Discussion

Relevance

- Is the proposed policy relevant to the mission, goals, and objectives of the organization?
- Does the policy address a real need?
- Is the policy consistent with the stated values of the board or program?
- Does it comply with administrative/legal requirements?

Effectiveness

- Will the proposed policy address the problem or need?
- Is this the best approach?
- Are there alternative policies?
- What are the costs/benefits of each alternative?

Capability

- Can the Association and/or members implement the activities suggested by the proposed policy?
- Will additional expertise be needed?

Costs/Resources

- How much will it cost to implement?
- Can funds be found to support it?
- Will the policy require reallocation of funds?
- What are the opportunity costs of this policy?

Ramifications

- What might be the unanticipated consequences of this policy? What might be the consequences of that choice for others? The side effects?
- How would the policy impact staff? Constituents? Funding?
- Is there community support?

Other?

- Supposing you can't have everything, what would you choose?
- Does anyone have a different view?
- What seems to be the key point here?

How would we know if we were successful in implementing it/what does success look like and is that vision of success articulated in the resolution?