



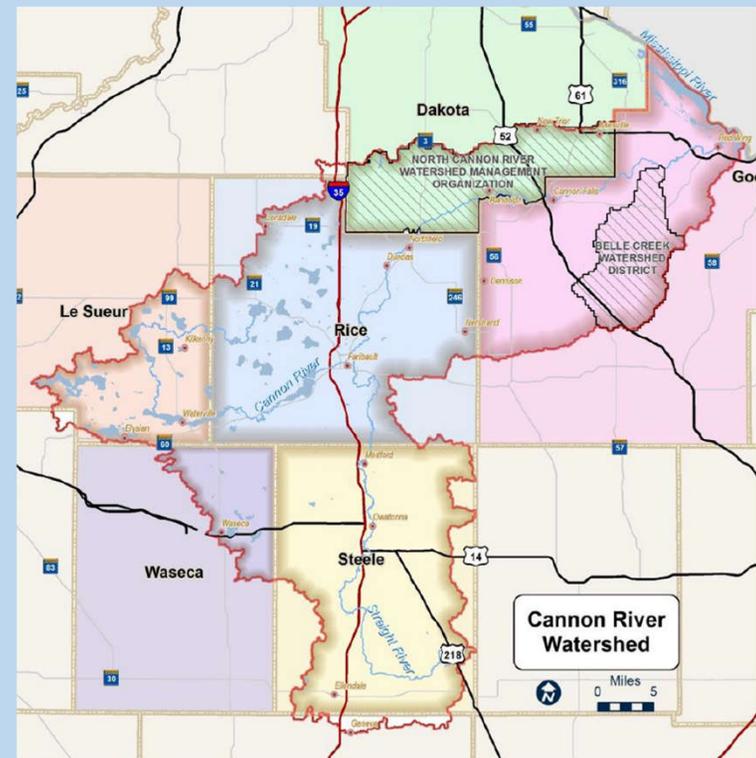
**Cannon River  
Watershed  
Joint Powers  
Organization**

# Background

- Planning started in 2016 and the plan was approved in June of 2020. The CRWJPO was formed in 2019 as a result of the plan.
- Policy members selected a Joint Powers Board to implement the plan.

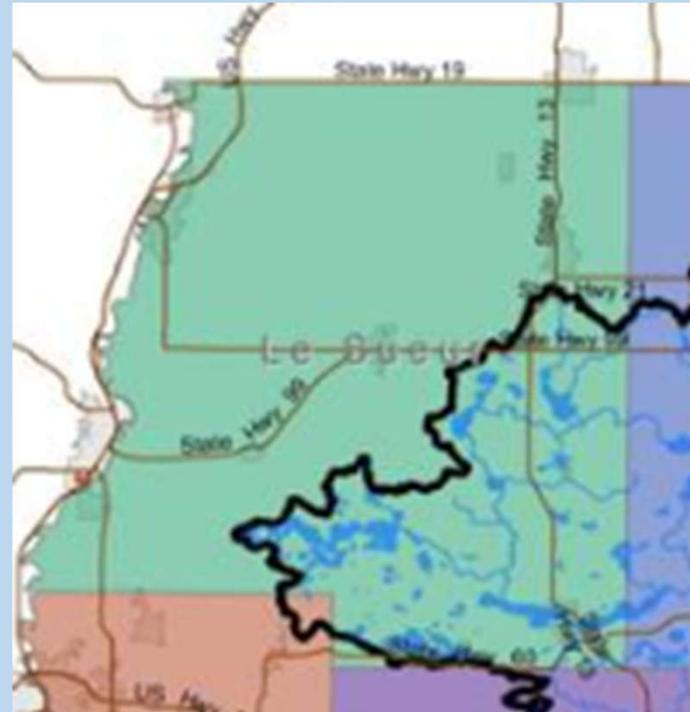
# Members

- Rice County and SWCD
- Dakota County and SWCD
- Le Sueur County and SWCD
- Steele County and SWCD
- Waseca County and SWCD
- Goodhue County and SWCD
- Belle Creek Watershed District
- North Cannon WMO



# Le Sueur County

- 9.6 % of the Cannon River Watershed is in Le Sueur County.
- Around 30% of Le Sueur County is a part of the Cannon River Watershed.

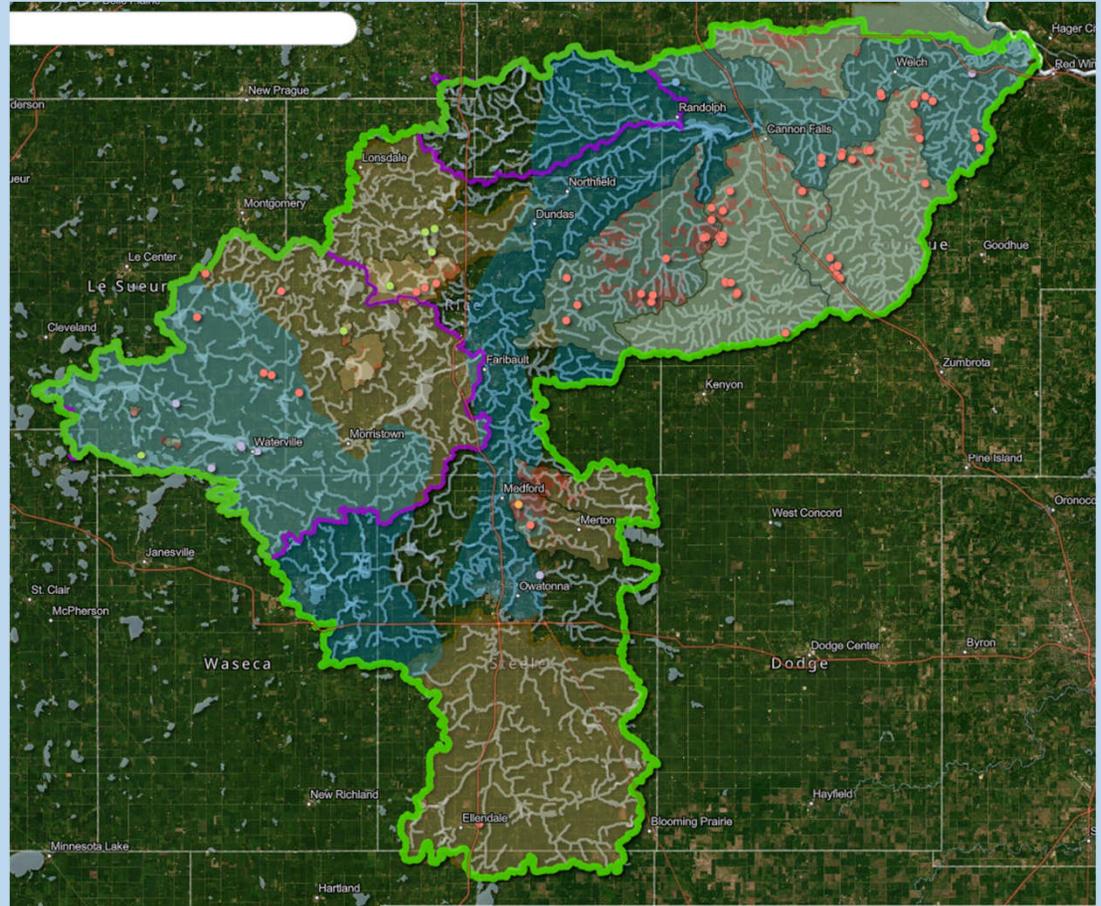


# Funding

- The CRWJPO has received 3 rounds of funding from BWSR so far.
  - FY21- \$1,028,658.00
  - FY23- \$1,328,658.00
  - FY25- \$1,536,990.00
- As a Joint Powers Board, the CRWJPO can charge members dues. Annually, they can charge up to \$49,000.00 total in dues. For 2026, they are charging \$36,750.00. Le Sueur County is paying \$2,625.00.
- We have also received other grants for specific activities. These grants have included: CRP incentive funds, RDSP grant, MPCA Algal bloom sampling, and MPCA SWAG sampling.

# Accomplishments

- See Annual Report handout.



# Current Activities

- A large stream restoration project in Goodhue County.
- Lake sampling of lakes that do not have data utilizing dues.
- Lake Management plans are being completed by MPCA and staff will work on implementation of those plans once completed.
- Local well testing and sealing being completed by staff.
- Education and Outreach videos through KTTC.
- Plans on hosting a professional development workshop, hopefully with realtors.
- Funds for Native shoreline plantings along lakes.

# Upper Cannon Flood Study

- FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant program for the study itself.
- Watershed Based Implementation funds through CRWJPO to do feasibility studies on wetland restoration sites.
- Regional Development Sustainability Partnership grant to develop promotion and outreach material.
- NRCS Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Operations Program for preliminary Investigation and Feasibility Reports.

# Website and other information

- <https://www.cannonriverwatershedmn.gov/>

