

# Master Water Stewards

*Community Leadership for Clean Water*

Hello Stewards! Summer is here and with it come many chances to help our waters. See volunteer opportunities, upcoming events, and water-friendly jobs below.

---

## We Need Your Help!

As our 2016 program year is winding down, we are looking to recruit our next round of stewards. **The 2017 program year will start in October**, so this summer is the time to find our new stewards. Talk to your neighbors, family, coworkers, and other community members about your experience as a Master Water Steward. Send them to [masterwaterstewards.org](http://masterwaterstewards.org) for more info and to apply. Encourage them to attend an Information Session at one of these times:

Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:30 pm

July 26 - Freshwater Society

August 9 - Freshwater Society

August 23 - Minnehaha Creek Watershed District & Nine Mile Creek Watershed District

August 30 - Canon River Watershed Partnership (exact location TBD)

Sept 6 - MCWD & Mississippi Watershed Management Organization & Capitol Region Watershed District

Sept 20 - Freshwater Society

Your stories are the most effective tools in helping us recruit - thank you!

## The Water Underground

The first of Freshwater Society's Groundwater Reports is complete! Learn about the issues facing our cities' groundwater supplies [here](#).

---

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Minnehaha Creek Clean Up

**July 24th** is the 10th annual Minnehaha Creek Clean Up. There will be three main locations this year: Lake Hiawatha Park, St. Louis Park, and Minnetonka. Help clean the creek in the morning

and celebrate the day at lunch afterward! You can find more information about the day [here](#).

Following the cleanup, there will be a free barbecue lunch at Lake Hiawatha Park and, for those 21 or older with a valid ID, free Leinenkugel's beer (limit of two per person). There will be prizes for kids and adults, music, educational activities for all ages, canoe and paddleboard rides and more!

**Stewards should register as staff volunteers with a unique registration link at [minnehahacreek.org/stewards](http://minnehahacreek.org/stewards)**

PRESENTED BY  
**MCWD**  
 MINNEHAHA CREEK  
 WATERSHED DISTRICT

**SUNDAY  
 July 24  
 2016**

**MINNEHAHA CREEK  
 CLEAN UP**  
 CELEBRATING **10 YEARS** OF CLEANING THE CREEK

HEADQUARTERS  
 LAKE HIAWATHA PARK - 9 a.m.  
 E 45th St. & 228th Ave. Minnetonka  
 Cleanup followed by BBQ lunch and celebration

SATELLITE LOCATION  
 MINNETONKA - 8:30 a.m.  
 Minnetonka Ice Arena B parking lot  
 Shuttle provided to & from lunch/celebration

SATELLITE LOCATION  
 ST. LOUIS PARK - 8 a.m.  
 Knollwood Super Target parking lot  
 Shuttle provided to & from lunch/celebration

TARGET. BERNE  
 1-800-GOT-JUNK?  
 FRESHWATER SOCIETY

**RSVP**  
 by July 22, 2016  
[minnehahacreek.org/CleanUp](http://minnehahacreek.org/CleanUp)  
 Questions? Call: (952) 641-4520

### **Storm Drain Stencil and Taproom Outing at Tin Whiskers Brewery with Friends of the Mississippi River** **Monday, July 25, 6-8 p.m.** **Downtown St. Paul**

After a brief orientation and presentation about runoff pollution at the brewery we'll head out to mark local storm drains. Armed with spray paint, a stencil and safety equipment, volunteers will paint "Keep 'em Clean, Drains to River" next to drains. We'll reconvene back at Tin Whiskers to enjoy a pint or flight and learn more about the brewing company.

Learn more and sign up via the [event page](#), or sign up now with Amy at [akilgore@fmr.org](mailto:akilgore@fmr.org) or 651-222-2193 x31.

## Upcoming Events



### **Social Data Science Meetup on Water Quality**

Saturday July 9, 10:00 am  
 O'Shaughnessy Science Hall Room 150  
 2115 Summit Ave, St Paul

It's time to take a look at a new data set! Water quality has been in the news a lot recently from Flint, Michigan to Gov. Dayton's Water Summit. Let's see what a fresh pair of eyes can do! Join the meetup for a light presentation and open discussion about looking into Minnesota Water Quality data.

More information and RSVP [here](#)

## Brown-Bag Lunch: Reconnecting North MPLS to the Mighty Mississippi

**Wednesday, July 13, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
McKnight Foundation, 710 S. 2nd St.,  
Minneapolis**

As more North Minneapolis riverfront is slated to become parkland, it's important to ensure that new parks and trails are truly accessible to Northside residents. To do this, connections between the community and the riverfront parkland (such as the Broadway bridge over I-94 above) must be improved.



Friends of the Mississippi River has been working with a researcher from CURA to study Northsiders' barriers to river access as well as possible ways to overcome them. Join them for a brown-bag lunch featuring a presentation of their findings and discussion about the barriers and opportunities to reconnect North Minneapolis neighborhoods and the Mississippi River.

Learn more and [sign up via the event page](#).



## Share the River Northeast - Free Canoe Rides and Ice Cream

**Wednesday, July 13, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

Join MWMO for an evening of community, canoeing and ice cream! Stop by between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. for a free introductory canoe ride on

the Mississippi River, then grab some free ice cream and check out the other exhibits at the Stormwater Park and Learning Center.

This family-friendly event is great for kids and adults of all ages (though you must be at least 30 lbs. in order to fit the provided life jackets).

In addition to learning to paddle on the river, participants will also have opportunities to learn about the Mississippi River's history, water quality, plants, animals and more.

Learn more [here](#)

## Make and Take Rain Barrel Workshop

**Tuesday, July 26, 6-7:30 p.m.  
Wood Lake Nature Center, Richfield**

This workshop will begin with a presentation on how home lawn and garden practices impact our waters and how we can make a difference. Next, we will discuss

the watershed-friendly benefits of rain barrels, then review how to build, incorporate, install, and maintain them. With guidance from Friends of the Mississippi River staff, participants will then build their own rain barrel to take home following the workshop.

Learn more and sign up via the [event page](#), or sign up now with Amy at [akilgore@fmr.org](mailto:akilgore@fmr.org) or 651-222-2193 x31.



## Water-friendly Job Listings

### Assistant Development Regulation Coordinator/Inspector FT

Coon Creek Watershed District needs a team oriented individual with interest in water resources to assist in reviewing and inspecting development and land disturbing activities. Involves evaluating permit and monitoring plans and programs affecting the water and related land resources of the Watershed District in an orderly and informed fashion; administering the Wetland Conservation Act; Administering District Rules and rules consistent with the District's SWPPP and NPDES Permit; Inspecting BMPs to ensure proper installation and maintenance. Must have working knowledge of local regulatory authorities and procedures as well as hydrology, erosion and sediment control and wetland ecology; correct English usage, spelling and vocabulary. Essential knowledge of pertinent State and Federal Rules which pertain to enforcement; Send Cover letter and resume to Coon Creek Watershed District: 12301 Central Ave. NE, Suite 100, Blaine, MN 55434, or [info@cooncreekwd.org](mailto:info@cooncreekwd.org). Details at [cooncreekwd.org](http://cooncreekwd.org)  
**Applications accepted through July 8, 2016.**

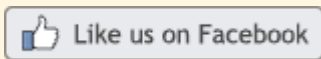
### Conservation Senior Technician/Specialist at WCD

The Washington Conservation District is accepting applications for a Conservation Senior Technician/Specialist to focus on conservation in rural Washington County. This position is responsible for providing technical expertise for agricultural and rural land, surface-water, and groundwater protection efforts. The person selected for this position must balance field work, inter-agency coordination, positive public interaction, and detailed documentation. Submit a cover letter, resume, and three references via email to [jriggs@mnwcd.org](mailto:jriggs@mnwcd.org) by **4:00 p.m., Friday July 8, 2016**. [Detailed description here.](#)

Check out our [calendar](#) to stay up to date on Master Water Stewards events!

Questions? Contact Alex at [avanloh@freshwater.org](mailto:avanloh@freshwater.org)

The Freshwater Society | 651-313-5800 | freshwater@freshwater.org | http://www.freshwater.org



The Freshwater Society, 2424 Territorial Rd. Suite B, St. Paul, MN 55114

[SafeUnsubscribe™ {recipient's email}](#)

[Forward this email](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [About our service provider](#)

Sent by [avanloh@freshwater.org](mailto:avanloh@freshwater.org) in collaboration with



Try it free today