Red Lake River 1W1P
Policy Committee Meeting
April 30, 2026

Chairman Neil Peterson called the Policy Committee meeting to order at 9:30 am. The following Policy Committee members (or their alternates), Local Governmental Unit staff, and others in BOLD were present:

***Advisory Committee Members***: Allan Page, **Tammy Audette**, Brian Love, Derek Peterson, Glen Kajewski, Grant Nelson, Nicole Bernd, John Barrett, Megan Nelson, Rob Sip, Bruce Newhouse, Corey Hanson, Rachel Klein, Dan Schmitz, Dennis Goodyke, Eric McWalter, Rodney Larson, Faye Auchenpaugh, Jacob Snyder, Jeppe Kjaersgard, Kevin Krueger, Kurt Casavan, Mike Flaagan, Wayne Johnson**, Bryanna Grefthen, Peter Nelson, Tanya Waldo,** Brian Dwight. Zach Gutknecht, Dan Disrud, Jacob Snyder, Bruce Newhouse, **Stephanie Klamm**-virtual, and Mike Flaagan.

***Policy Committee Members***: **Andy Moran**, Chuck Flage, **Dave Sorenson**, **Neil Peterson**, **Ben Tabert**, **Linda Hanson**, Gene Tiedemann, Grant Nelson, Eric McWalter, and Kenneth Pederson,

***Planning Work Group Members*: Matt Fischer, Tanya Waldo, Bryanna Grefthen, Corey Hanson, Tammy Audette, Elaine Rychlock, Peter Nelson, and Nicole Bernd**.

***Facilitator***: Peter Nelson.

Neil Peterson called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Dave Sorenson to approve the agenda, seconded by Linda Hanson, to approve the April 30, 2026, agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Sorenson, seconded by Neil Peterson, to approve the February 11, 2026, minutes, as presented. Motion carried.

At 9:30 am, Vice-Chairman Andy Moran opened the public hearing to review the Plan Amendment for the Red Lake River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan. Coordinator Peter Nelson reviewed and addressed the comments submitted. No additional comments were made at the public hearing. Motion to close the public hearing by Sorenson, seconded by Hanson. Motion carried.

The Financials were reviewed: Mid-Point Grant, 2024 WBIF, CRP Incentive Grants, and FY2026 WBIF. Motion by Linda Hanson, seconded by Dave Sorenson, for approval. Motion carried.

The Plan Submittal was discussed. Motion by Dave Sorenson, seconded by Neil Peterson, for approval of plan submittal. Motion carried.

Nicole Bernd discussed the JD60 project. Did well-monitoring. Bernd stated that we can use WBIF funds to pay. HDR said work to be done downstream. Corey stated washout upstream. Matt Fischer shared there is one million in funds available. Nicole will let them know.

Project updates were given by Peter Nelson-Pennington SWCD, Nicole Bernd-West Polk SWCD, Travis Nelson-Red Lake County SWCD, and Corey Hanson-Red Lake Watershed District. Matt Fischer said start cultural review soon. DNR is involved with the project. Taylor Leback is working with Pheasants Forever and landowners on CRP and incentive payments.

Sorenson stated this year they are removing the old wood bridge and replacing it with box culverts on County line.

The shared Coordinator position was discussed. Coordinator Peter Nelson is putting together the job description. The Committee members are all on board to go forward with filling this position.

The next Policy Committee meeting will be held on August 12, 2026, at the RLWD office at 9:30 am.

A motion was made by Dave Sorenson, seconded by Linda Hanson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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Linda Hanson, Secretary