




Workshop Question: What are the top 3-5 water management topics and opportunities that your organization thinks should be addressed by the Water Consortium?

A. Project/Reporting and Lessons Learned	B. Rules	C. Major Watershed Governance	D. St. Croix TMDL	E. Local Government Involvement	F. Shared Services	G. Consortium Meeting Management	H. Wetland Protection	I. Groundwater	J. Septic	K. Education	L. Aquatic and Invasive Species
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussing what works and doesn't work for BMP's and take tours of sites Monitor stormwater BMP performance over time Bring in outside opinions regarding stormwater management projects and innovative/new BMP's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revisit rules, (triggers, standards) look for standardization Regulatory uniformity Unified, tiered standards by water body type (resource based) Co/Metro-wide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ID appropriate scale for activities: State, Basin, Metro, County, Watershed, Municipality, then advocate Further consolidation of watershed organizations St. Croix Basin, Chisago/Washington collaboration TMDL, etc. How local government roundtable work fits or could work here 81 HUC plan with Chisago County- unified water management plan Local government roundtable, coordinating with Chisago County, 81 basins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lower St. Croix River Basin Plan & Board St. Croix River TMDL/Issues Lake St. Croix TMDL Implementation – working together to educate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LGU Relations/Permitting Better LGU & WMO Coordination Engage local governments, cities/townships Input from county board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # of small WMO's, areas of expertise you cannot afford alone Expand shared resources The water roundtable HUC concept Offer the consortium "Model" to other counties Highlight an attractive "Motivation" i.e. Money saved county-wide Develop rewards for performance, - Positive incentives, and Negative punishment Reporting/ City-WMO-Co.-Basin Future opportunities, investigate new collaboration opportunities Facilitate larger joint ventures between agencies-shared resources Collaborate for long-term maintenance of BMP's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue exposure to new technology, new political realities, and new personalities More sharing of projects vs. current informal "any updates" – make all have to give 1 or 2 Change room layout to encourage dialogue Two reasons why this affects you... follow up communication take home message 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wetlands monitoring/reconstruction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full water system planning (G.W. Surface water-potable-sanitary) ex. Septics Coordinating well head protection development and implementation Groundwater conservation collaboration Groundwater management and protection Monitor surface water features for impact from groundwater withdrawals Joint technical studies, groundwater monitor over time groundwater/surface water mass balance Stormwater infiltration - When to? When not to? Groundwater surface water interaction, studies, communication, rules Groundwater - look at changes to existing plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failing septics: inventories, incentives Septic testing, are they being addressed by the county, failing septics-see more inventories around lakes and rivers to find failing systems, may need funding to encourage homeowners to be a part of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue education program: external Updating website: listing purpose, history all on one page Community education/ awareness/ opportunities Washington County newsletters should note water consortium successes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aquatic invasion specifics: roles, responsibilities, techniques, etc. AIS : Collaborative county projects 