

The NEMO Program

Making a difference with local leaders



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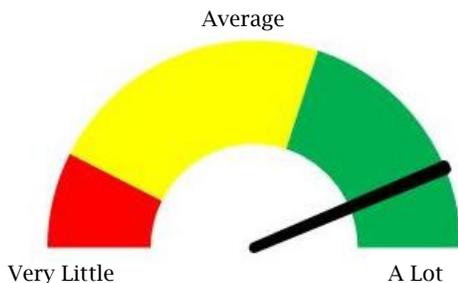
NEMO On-the-Water Workshop—Lake Minnetonka—July 2015

Highlights

- 85 local elected and appointed officials and community leaders participated with representation from 28 cities, 8 watershed districts & commissions, and 6 community organizations.

Local leaders increased their knowledge and understanding

Participants indicated the program greatly enhanced their knowledge and understanding in five areas



1. How lakes and streams work,
2. Pollutants and monitoring techniques of lakes and streams,
3. How impervious surfaces and stormwater runoff can lead to water pollution,
4. The impact of Curly-leaf pondweed and zebra mussels to clean water, and
5. The need for continued education efforts and the challenges around educating for change.



Workshops-on-the-Water provide opportunities to learn new information, acquire new skills, and network with other community leaders.



Being on the water greatly enhanced participant learning experiences and created a high educational value.

Participants take actions

Turn over to learn how



Participating cities

Chanhassen
 Crystal
 Deephaven
 Eden Prairie
 Edina
 Excelsior
 Golden Valley
 Hopkins
 Independence
 Long Lake
 Maple Plain
 Medicine Lake
 Medina
 Minneapolis
 Minnetonka
 Minnetonka Beach
 Minnetrista
 Mound
 Norwood Young America
 Orono
 Robbinsdale
 Spring Park
 St. Louis Park
 Tonka Bay
 Waconia
 Watertown
 Wayzata
 Woodland

Community Organizations

Lake Minnetonka
 Conservation District
 West Metro Water Alliance
 Friends of Diamond Lake
 Gleason Lake Imp. District
 Lake Independence
 Citizen Association
 Alliance for Sustainability

Participating Watershed boards/advisory members

Carver WMO
 Minnehaha Creek WSD
 Nine Mile Creek WSD
 Pioneer Sarah Creek WMO
 Bassett Creek Commission
 Riley Purgatory Bluff
 Creek WSD
 Elm Creek WMO
 Shingle Creek WMO

Local leaders who participate in NEMO programs will take action

1. Connect and work more with the local watershed districts and organizations especially in regards to education and public outreach.
2. Communicate and share the information with others following the program. Specific actions include sharing with other local leaders at upcoming meetings, lake associations, with the public through websites and electronic communication.
3. Attend more NEMO workshops.

“I will use the resources to further enhance knowledge and interfacing with other community leaders and for reaching out to and educating the public.”
 NEMO Program participant

“I will make sure MIDS (MN Minimal Impact Design Standards for stormwater) are incorporated when redevelopment occurs and try to make sure more BMPs are incorporated into street reconstruction.”

NEMO Program participant



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