



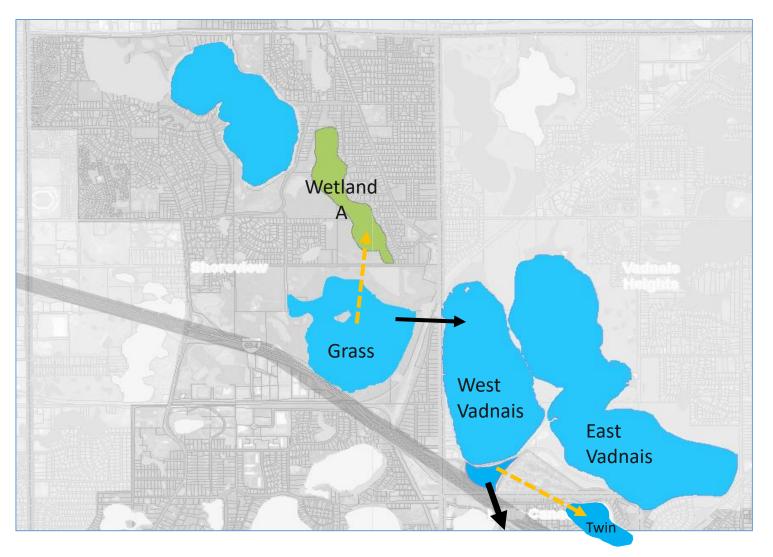
West Vadnais Lake Off Season Pumping Evaluation Presentation to RWMWD Board

Erin Anderson Wenz, Barr Engineering Company February 5, 2020



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At the January Board meeting, managers asked staff to evaluate the cost/benefit of off season pumping of West Vadnais Lake (5 cfs) during the wintertime.



West Vadnais Lake Off Season Pumping Evaluation

Question:

What effect would pumping West Vadnais Lake continuously at a rate of 5cfs until snowmelt begins?

Assumptions: -Use current lake levels for West Vadnais Lake and Lake Wabasso.

-No more runoff will enter the lake until snowmelt begins on March 9

-No groundwater will enter the lake at any time.

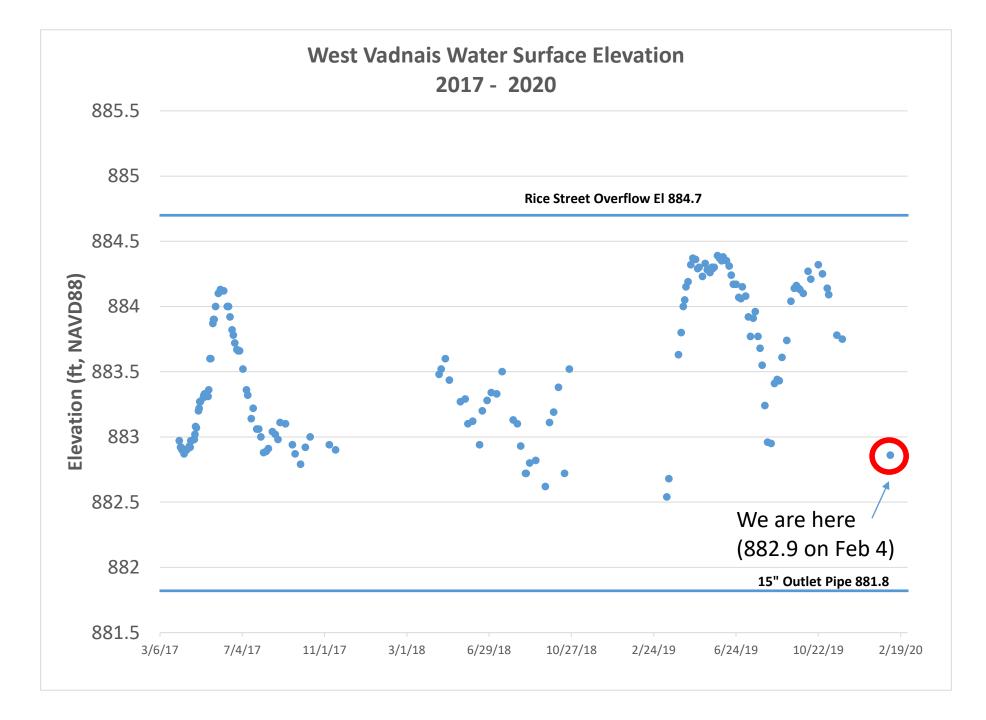
-Pumping start: February 5 -Pumping stop: March 9

-2019 snowmelt and precipitation.



Other assumptions:

- We assume that the pump would be able to operate 80% of the time (assuming some breakdowns, freeze ups)
- We assume it will take one person 2 hrs a day, each day to check on the pump and downstream conditions, rate of \$60/hr (\$3,960 in labor expenses).
- We assume that it would take \$30,000 to secure, set up and operate the pump for 33 days (rental + fuel) including demobilization and restoration of MnDOT ditch.
- Total pumping cost estimate: ~\$34,000

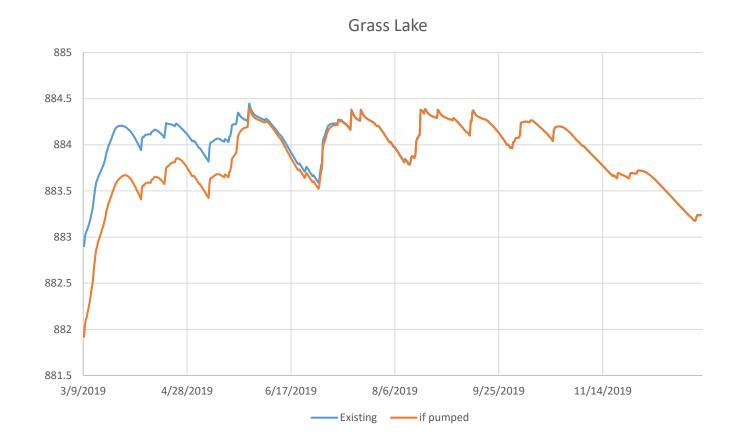




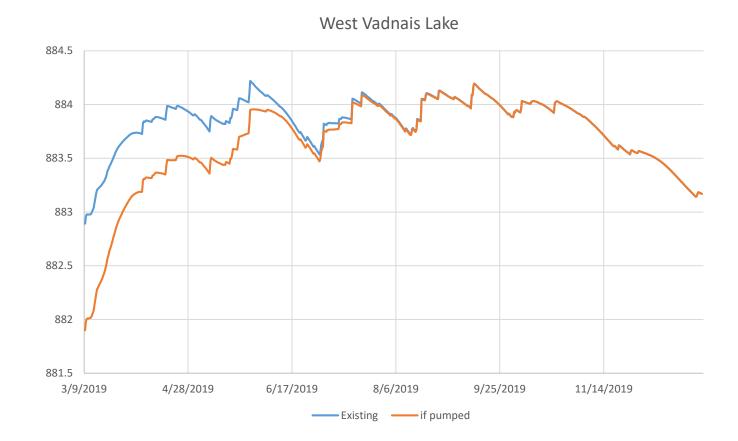


Based on our assumptions and calculations, after 26 effective (33 days at 80%) days of pumping the lake could drop from 882.9 to 881.9 between February 5 and March 9.

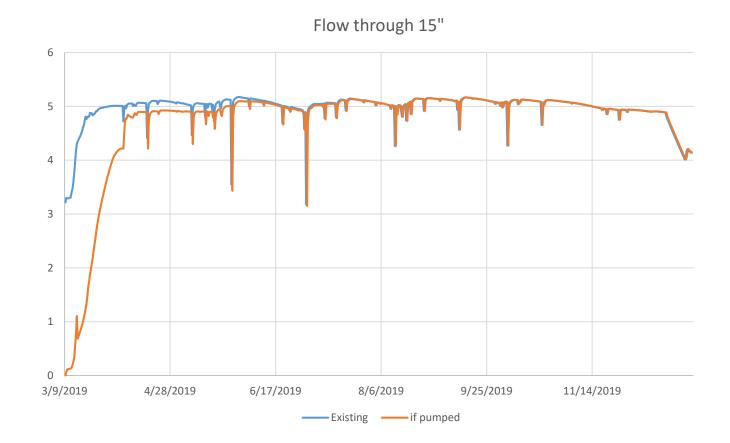
- Key assumptions:
 - No groundwater
 - No snowmelt or flow from upstream lakes during pumping period
 - Snowmelt begins March 9 (like 2019)
 - No permitting delay



Assumes 2019 snowmelt and precipitation conditions. Starting elevation of 882.9 (existing) and 881.9 (pumped) Idealized condition assumptions.

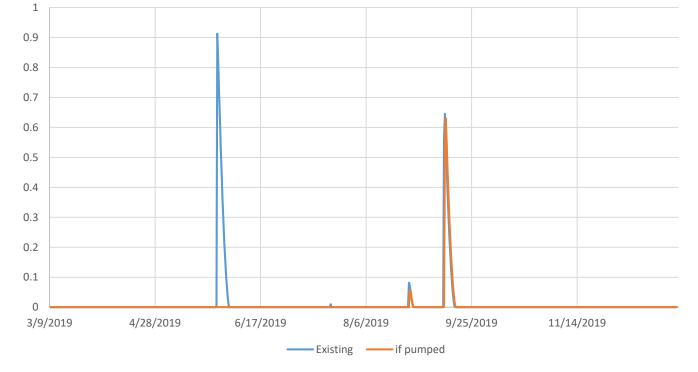


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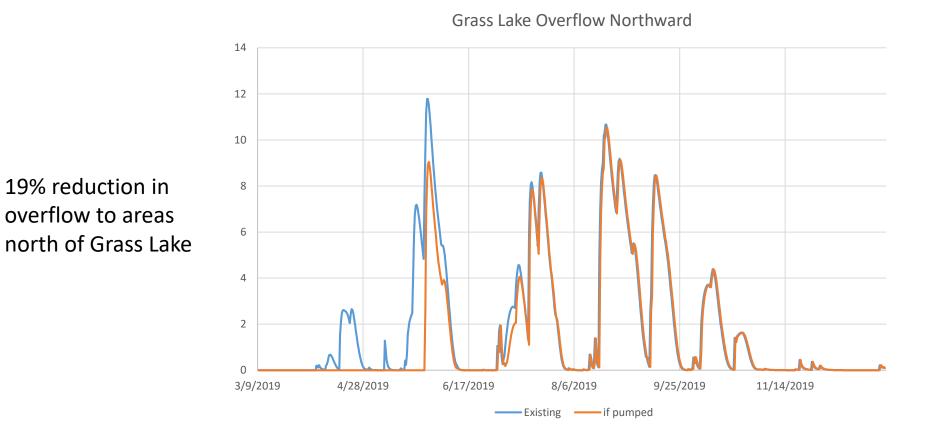


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If bypass system in in place, 0% reduction in overflows to Twin Lake (bypass system would take care of it).



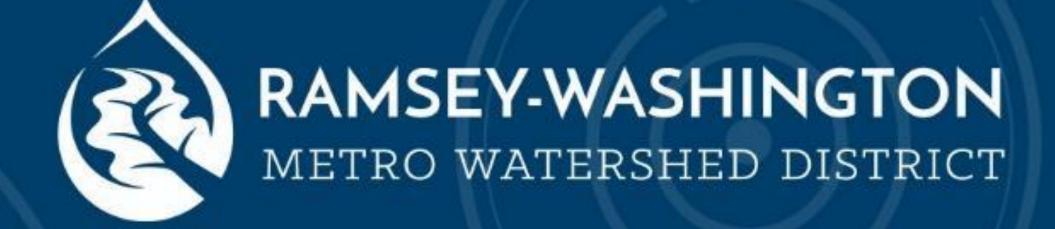
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- 1" of water in snowmelt (435 AF): 40%
- 2" of water in snowmelt (870 AF): 80%
- 3" of water in snowmelt (1,305 AF): 120%
- 5cfs per day = 10 AF per day







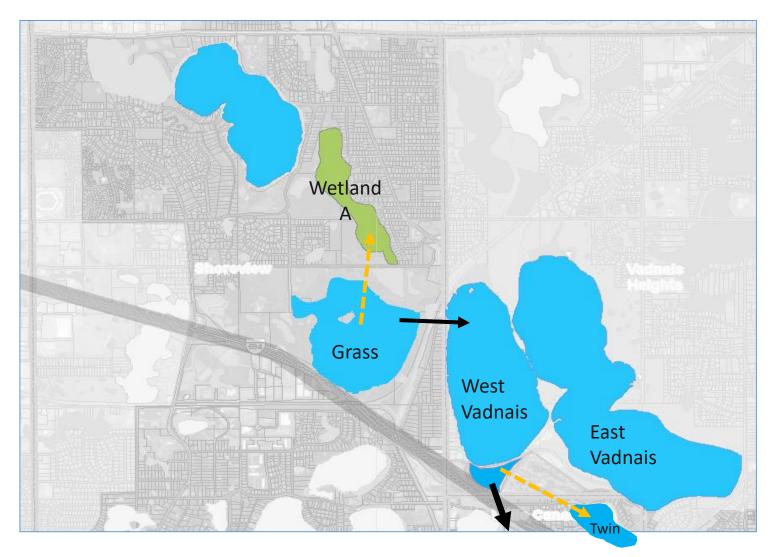
West Vadnais Lake Outlet Project Presentation to Stakeholders: Project Update and Permitting Discussion

Erin Anderson Wenz, Barr Engineering Company January 10, 2020

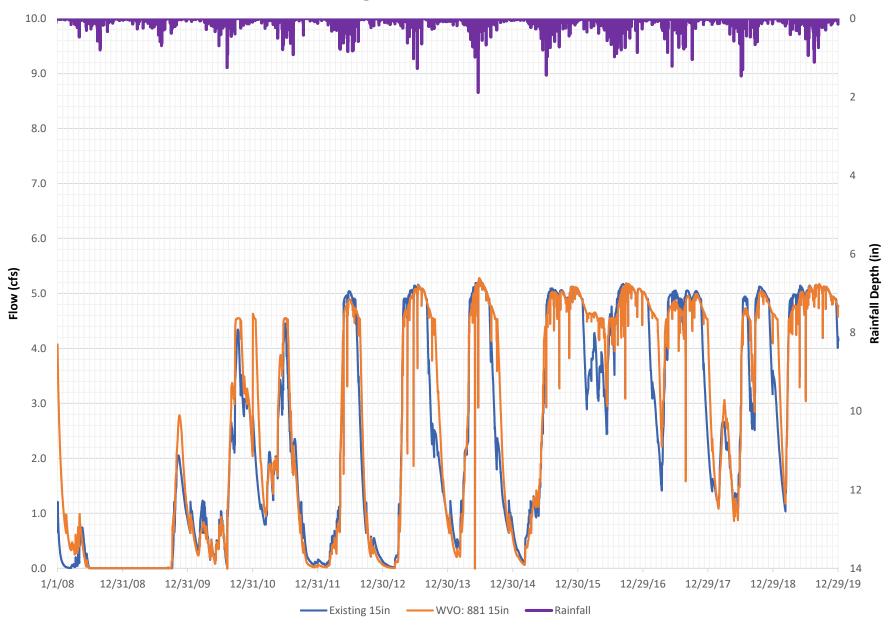


West Vadnais Lake Outlet Project Objectives

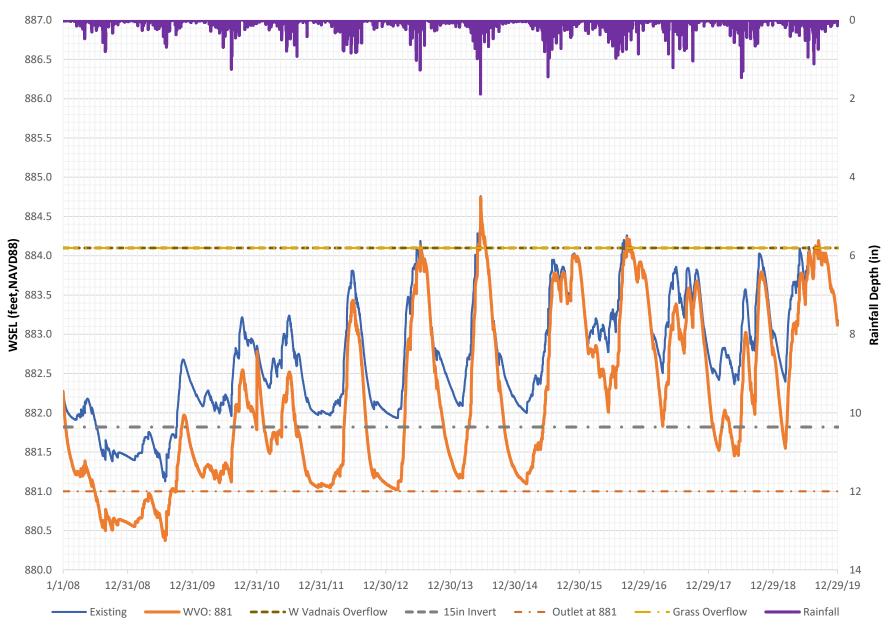
- Creation of additional capacity in Grass and West Vadnais Lakes
- Reduction in frequency and duration of flooding of Twin Lake, West Vadnais Lake and parkland areas north of Grass Lake.



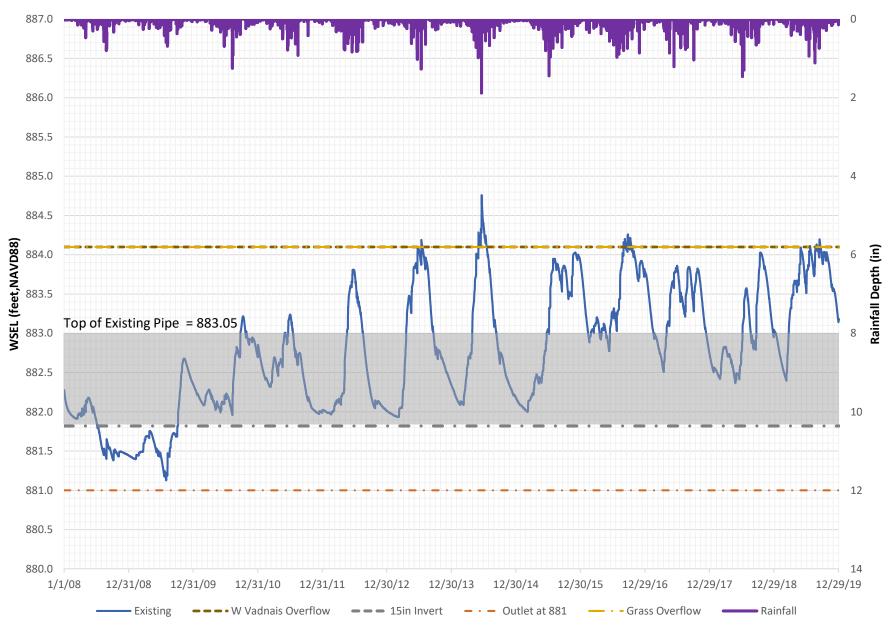
Flow leaving Grass Lake and W Vadnais Lake



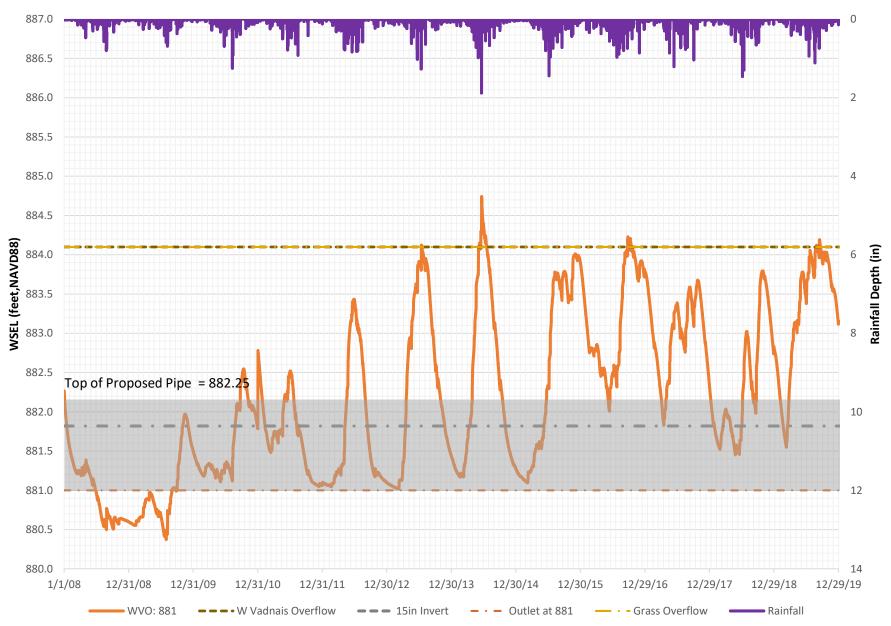
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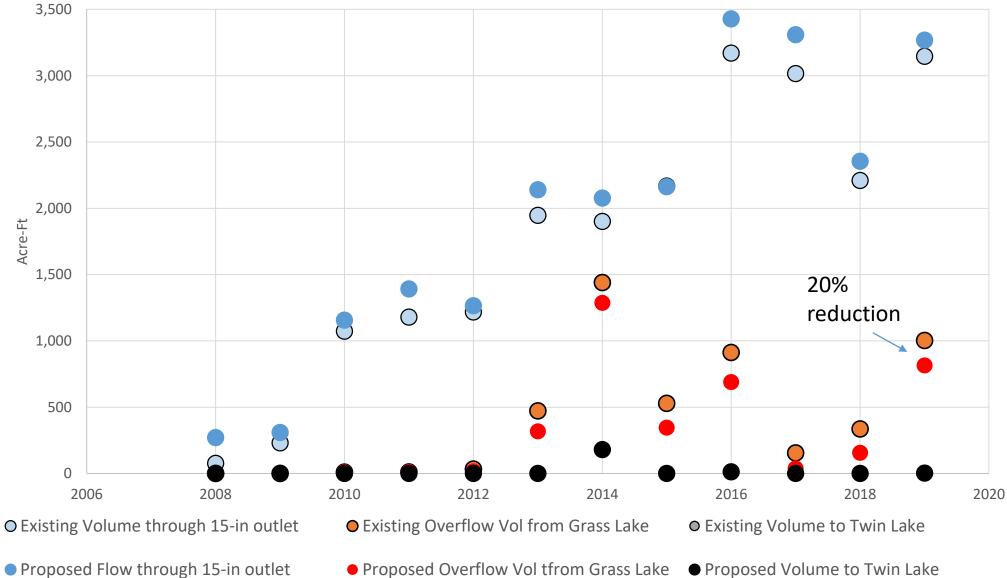


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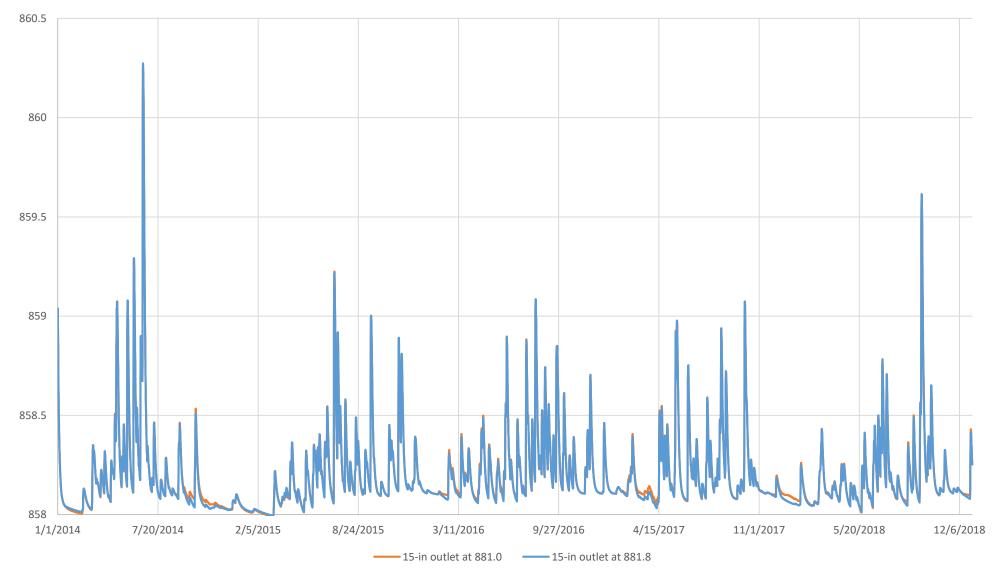


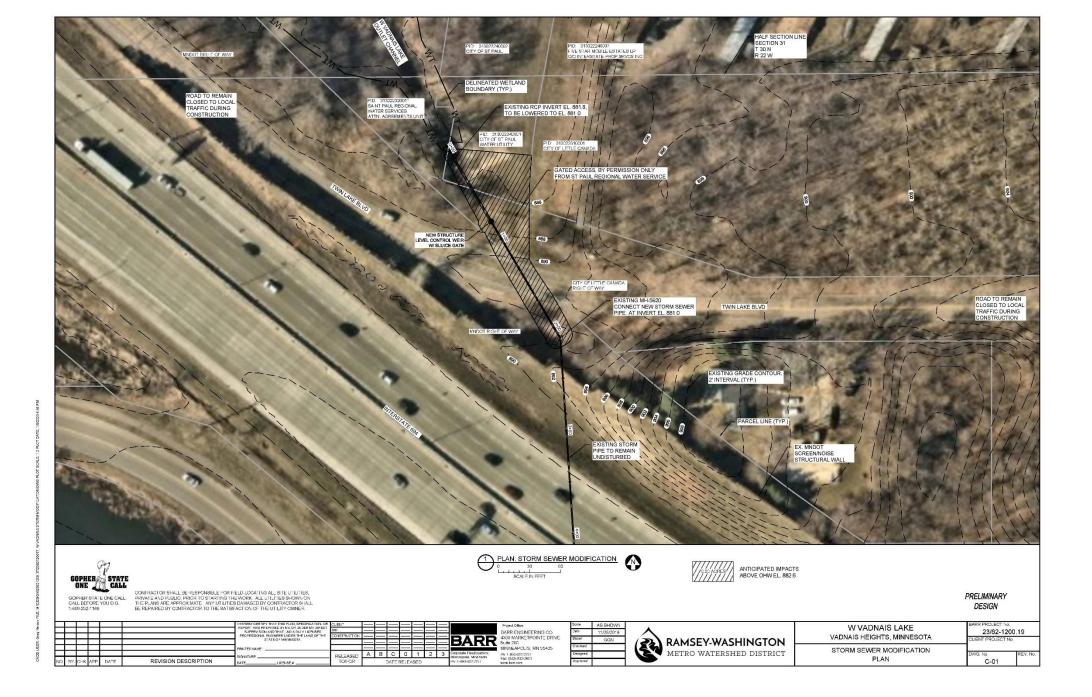


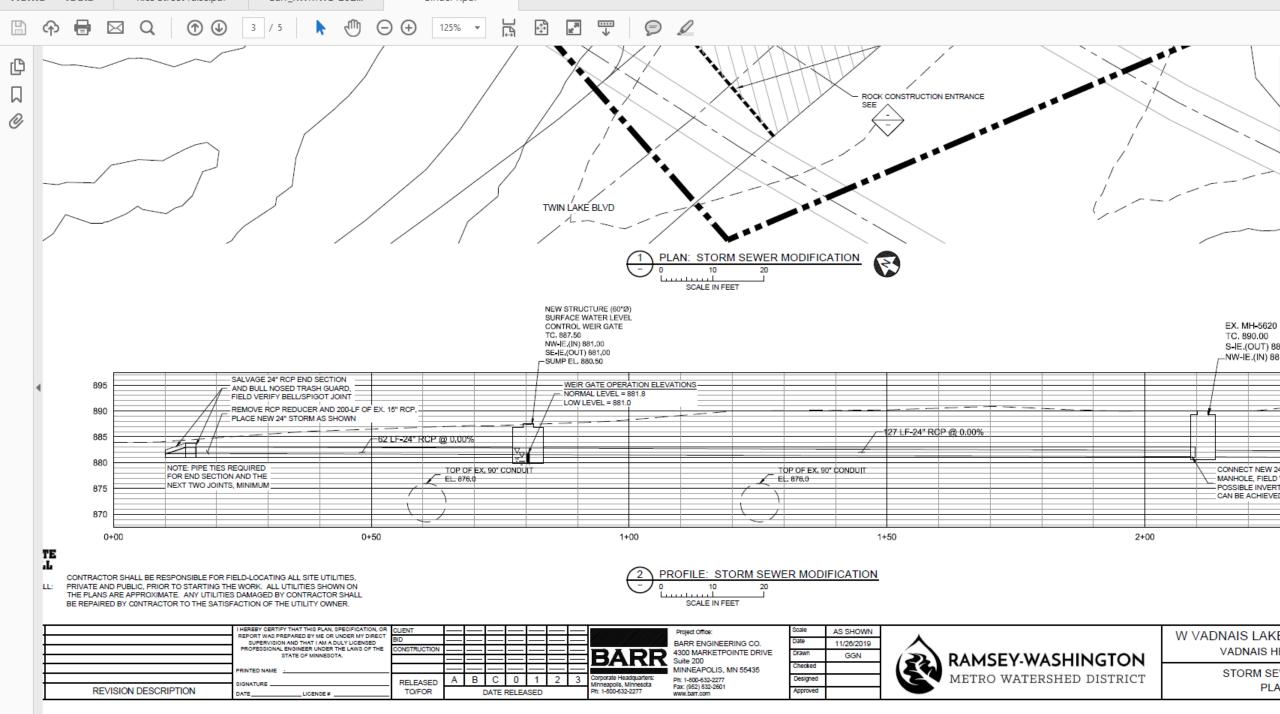
Volumes through the 15-in outlet, Grass Lake Overflow to the North and from the triangle wetland to Twin Lake under existing WVL outlet (881.8) and proposed (881.0) conditions

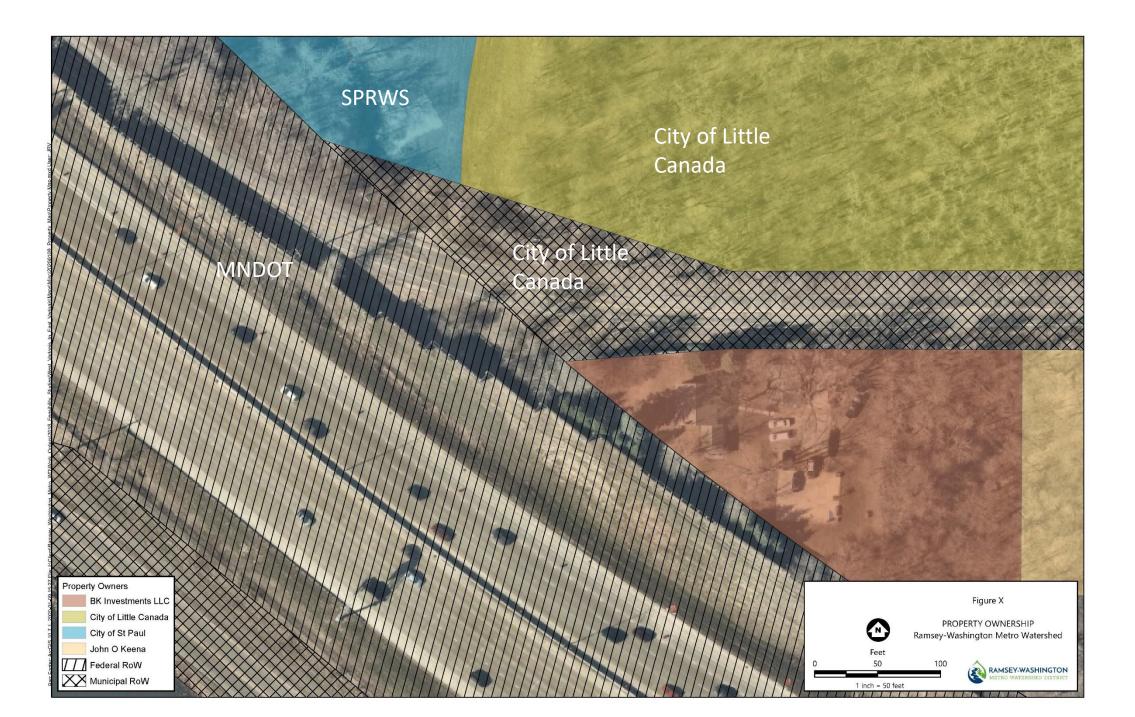
• Proposed Overflow Vol tfrom Grass Lake • Proposed Volume to Twin Lake

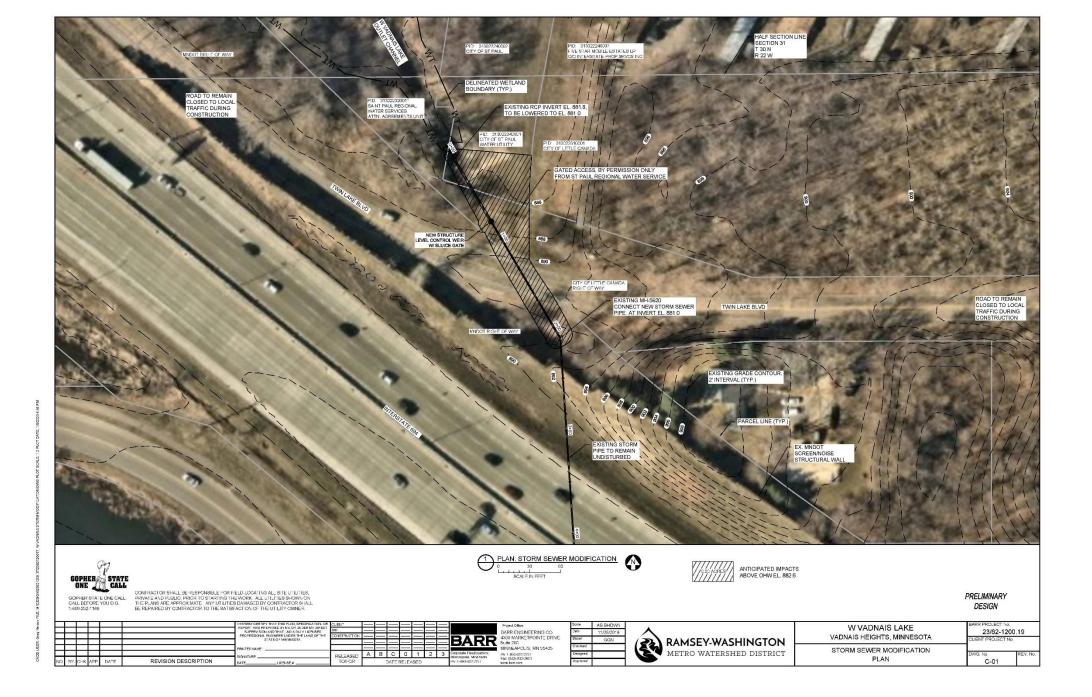
Gervais Lake

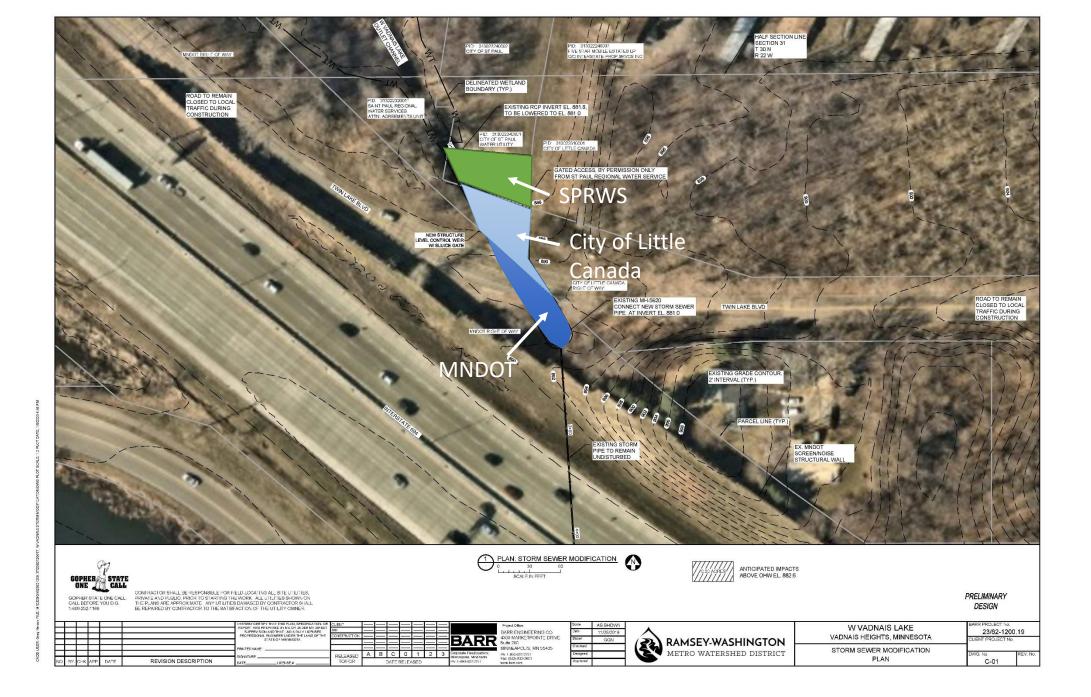












Permits and Access Agreements

- City of Little Canada- Right of Way Permit
- St. Paul Regional Water Service- Access Permission
- VLAWMO- Wetland Conservation Act Approval
- US Army Corps of Engineers- Section 404 Permit
- MnDOT- Access Permission
- MnDNR- Work in Public Waters Permit