

303. Advisory Committee

Purpose: The Clearwater River Watershed District annually appoints an advisory committee whose purpose is to assist the managers on matters of interest to the District and provide recommendations to the board on District planning and actions. Made up of District residents, the advisory committee plays an integral role in the District's overall structure. MN Statute 103D.331 authorizes and directs the constitution of a Watershed District's advisory committee.

Charges of the Advisory Committee:

- Advise and assist the managers on all matters affecting the interests of the CRWD
- Make recommendations to the managers on all proposed projects and improvements within the CRWD
- Elect a chair and recorder from its membership
- Establish a meeting schedule and meet at least annually
- Consider issues pertinent to the functions and purposes of the CRWD
- Review and comment on reports, minutes, activities and proposed CRWD projects
- Report to the managers on the general content of the Advisory Committee meetings and recommendations made
- Identify water resource issues
- Assist in establishing program goals
- Assist the managers in considering issues
- Serve as a "sounding board" for the managers
- Communicate between the CRWD and the community
- Carry out District information and education activities
- Collect information and data
- Generate new ideas and approaches
- Carry out any other delegated responsibilities from the managers

Technical Advisory Committees

Standard 1: The CRWD will call for the establishment of technical advisory committees (TACs) together on an as-needed basis; typically for the implementation of complex water quality projects. These TACs are meant to be short-lived and focused on a specific issue or task.

Standard 2: The makeup of TACs will depend on the issue or task at hand. The CRWD will work with state agencies, local governments and its partners in determining the makeup of each TAC.