PETITION TO CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT FOR CLEAR LAKE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The undersigned, being at least 25 percent of the property owners or the owners of more than 25 percent of the property within the limits of the area proposed to be improved (the "Petitioners") hereby petition the Clearwater River Watershed District (the "Watershed District") pursuant to Minn. Statutes Section 103D.705, to undertake a project described as follows:

1. <u>Description of the Proposed Project and Purpose to be Accomplished:</u>

The Clear Lake Property Owner's Association of Meeker County, a non-profit organization made up of dues paying members of approximately 67% of the approximately 141 riparian property owners of Clear Lake, located south of Kimball, MN petitions the Watershed District to act as fiscal agent for water quality improvement on Clear Lake in alignment with the grant secured by the District from BWSR, and for maintenance of existing projects, and to establish funding to maintain water quality improvements.

BWSR Grant Excerpt: The purpose of this project is to achieve the in-lake water quality goals set in the 2009 Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Clear Lake, located in Meeker County.

2. <u>Description of the Property Where the Proposed Project is Located:</u>

The project would include all riparian property owners on Clear Lake in Meeker County. Riparian defined for these purposes as any property that has direct access to Clear Lake.

3. General Description of the Portion of the Watershed District Affected:

Approximately 529 acres of Clear Lake within a 6,801 acre subwatershed area near the headwaters of the Clearwater River Watershed District.

4. <u>Necessity of the Project:</u>

Clear Lake is listed on the state of Minnesota's 103D list of impaired waters. The lake shore owners wish to reduce nutrient loading to the lake to improve conditions for fishing and swimming.

- 5. The proposed project will be conducive to public health, convenience, and welfare; in that it will improve water quality in Clear Lake to support fishing and swimming.
- 6. Petitioners will pay all costs and expenses that may be incurred if the proceedings are dismissed or a construction or implementation contract is not awarded for the proposed project.

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