

Hello all,

Kevin Kuehner, Project Manager of the Brown, Cottonwood, Nicollet Water Control Board will be taking a new position as the Administrator of the Fillmore County Soil and Water Conservation District in Preston, MN. We will miss Kevin and all the hard work he did in Seven Mile Creek and Little Cottonwood River watersheds. We wish him good luck in his new position.



On Sunday, August 26th, check out the Rural Land Opportunity Show starting at 1 p.m. at Nicollet County Fairgrounds in St. Peter. Or the River Program with Ron Bolduan and Tom Jessen at the Harkin Store from 1 to 4 p.m.

For more up-coming events click on the calendar at <http://mrbdc.mnsu.edu/calendar/index.html>

A few water quality related articles:

Blue-green algae is now evident in Green Lake and public hearings on proposed updates to water quality standards have been set: <http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/bluegreenalgae.pdf>

Two Minnesota administrative law judges have given a favorable recommendation to the power transmission lines project for the proposed Big Stone II Coal Plant:

<http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/bigstonecoal.pdf>

<http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/bigstoneexpansion.pdf>

<http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/coalfiredplant.pdf>

A different look at the production of ethanol: <http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/ethanolsociallife.pdf>

The author says we need to look beyond large-scale ethanol plants and wind farms to smaller, more local energy production: <http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/renewableenergy.pdf>

A public comment period runs from August 20th through September 20th on a report addressing water pollution in the lower portion of the Pomme de Terre River:

<http://mavdisk.mnsu.edu/kudels/Pommedeterretmdl.pdf>

Please register at the Minnesota River Watershed Alliance's bulletin board

<http://mail.mnsu.edu/mailman/listinfo/mrwa> to receive regular updates on what is happening in the Minnesota River Watershed.

The Minnesota River Watershed Alliance (Watershed Alliance) is a organized network of citizens, public agencies, and private organizations dedicated to communicating the benefits of an ecology healthy Minnesota River Watershed to others and are actively working towards its improvement and protection. The Watershed Alliance meets four times a year and encourages landowners and recreational users of the river to be part of this effort.

If you have comments or want to be removed from the e-mail list, please respond to this e-mail.

Thank you,

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