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RE: Final Report, City of Afton Natural Resource Inventory and Stewardship Plan

Dear Larry,

This is the Final Report of the Afton Natural Resource Inventory and Stewardship Plan. This report has been reviewed by City Staff, Members of the Planning Commission, Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District, and the Lower St. Croix Valley Watershed District. This input and involvement is gratefully acknowledged and has been incorporated into this Final Report.

This Final Report is a comprehensive guide to the natural communities in the City of Afton. The information contained in this Final Report is intended to serve multiple purposes towards the primary goal of effective natural resources management within the City. This report is written for both the technical and layperson, and is designed to foster a greater understanding and appreciation of the unique natural resources that define the City of Afton. Information contained herein is intended to serve as a blueprint for natural resources management, preservation and restoration within the City of Afton.

Managing the unique natural landscapes of Afton will help to ensure that natural resource features continue to function as valuable amenities for future generations. We wish to thank the Afton City Council, Planning Commission, Residents and Staff for allowing us to collaborate in the management of Afton's natural resources.

Sincerely,

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