



Cedar River Watershed District

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Cedar River Watershed District Awarded \$111,000.00 Monitoring Grant

The Cedar River Watershed District in partnership with the Mower Soil and Water Conservation District has been awarded an \$111,000 grant for surface water monitoring from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). The grant will cover chemical analysis of 40 samples at 11 sites in the watershed over the 2 years. The streams will be sampled on site for dissolved oxygen, pH, turbidity, and temperature. The collected data will be used to for MPCA to assess the Cedar River and its tributaries.

This monitoring project will provide vital information to the Cedar River Watershed District's Board of Managers. The gathered information will be used to find impaired areas in the watershed. Those priority areas will then be targeted for improvements through different best management programs that are available through the Mower Soil and Water Conservation District.