City Council Item

August 25, 2025

Item	Resolution 2025-XX: Authorize execution of an Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Inspection Agreement with Carver County	
File No.	SWMP 13G	**Item No:** D.13
Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council adopts a resolution authorizing execution of an Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Inspection Agreement with Carver County."

Motion Type	Simple Majority Vote of members present
Strategic Priority	Asset Management

SUMMARY

The purpose of this agreement is to help prevent the introduction of new Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) into Lake Ann, Lake Susan, and Lotus Lake through AIS education and inspections. The program's overall cost is $62,640, but the cost to the city is $29,978. The project is within the budget, with $30,000 being allocated for the AIS program. The remaining costs are funded by partnerships with the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District (RPBCWD) in the amount of $22,662 and the Lotus Lake Conservation Alliance (LLCA) in the amount of $10,000. The agreement has been reviewed by both city and county staff.

BACKGROUND

The overall program costs $62,640, all of which is to be paid by the city to the county. However, the city is sharing the cost of the program with RPBCWD and the LLCA. RPBCWD has agreed to pay $22,662, and the LLCA has agreed to pay $10,000. Agreements for the respective financial

contributions with both organizations have been obtained. The city has financially supported this program since 2014. This is a budgeted expense coming from the Surface Water Management Fund.

Lake Ann and Lake Susan were each budgeted for 448 Inspection Hours, with Lotus Lake budgeted for 2,236 Inspection Hours. Lotus Lake receives more inspection hours because of the LLCA contribution and because of the characteristics of the lake that make it better suited for AIS management.

Carver County runs the program and employs DNR-certified staff at each lake to visually inspect watercraft before they enter and when leaving the lakes to control the spread of AIS.

DISCUSSION

N/A

BUDGET

This is a budgeted expense coming from the Surface Water Management Fund. The budgeted amount was $30,000 and the program cost is $29,978.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt the resolution approving the execution of this agreement with Carver County.

ATTACHMENTS

2025-XX AIS Watercraft Inspection Agreement with Carver County
City of Chanhassen AIS Agreement 2025