

Memorandum

TO: City Council
FROM: Stephanie Smith , City engineer
DATE: August 18, 2025
SUBJECT: Approve quote for geotechnical professional services through the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District for the 2026 Stormwater Pond Maintenance Project.
ITEM NUMBER: 8.f
SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA

REQUESTED MOTION

Approve quote for geotechnical professional services through the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District for the 2026 stormwater pond maintenance project.

INTRODUCTION

The City's annual maintenance budget includes an allowance for stormwater treatment pond maintenance and repair activities. Prior to selecting the treatment ponds for maintenance this year, preliminary engineering services are required to analyze the pond sediment of the proposed ponds. As these ponds are located within the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, and the watershed district has offered to complete the required professional services under their contract with, BARR Engineering.

DISCUSSION

Based on the priority list and available funding, staff has identified several stormwater ponds for upcoming maintenance. Before finalizing the selected ponds for 2026 maintenance work, preliminary engineering is required that includes geotechnical work and a survey. All ponds are located within the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, so the watershed district offered to complete the required professional services under their contract with, BARR Engineering.

The proposed cost for geotechnical services is \$30,940.00. The itemized estimate is attached. The watershed district and BARR Engineering have done similar work for the city, and the work has been acceptable.

Funding for the geotechnical services will be provided from the surface water management fund.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends city council approve the quote for geotechnical professional services through the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District for the 2026 stormwater pond maintenance project.

ATTACHMENTS

2026 Pond Maintenance - Geotechnical Services Proposal