

RESOLUTION NO. 24-068

**RILEY-PURGATORY-BLUFF CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING CAC MEMBERS

Manager _____ moved and Manager _____ seconded to recommend the following slate of candidates to be appointed to the Citizens Advisory Committee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Managers of the Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District hereby appoints the following individuals as committee members to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER CANDIDATES

RETURNING MEMBERS

Andrew Aller – Chanhassen
Jim Boettcher – Chanhassen
Marilynn Torkelson - Eden Prairie
Michelle Frost- Eden Prairie
Sharon McCotter – Chanhassen
Jeff Weiss – Bloomington
Andrew Peterson – Eden Prairie

NEW APPLICANTS

Bradford Ullery – Eden Prairie
Marcia Kolb – Eden Prairie
Hannah Peterson – Eden Prairie
Steve Donan – Chanhassen

The question was on the adoption of the above resolution and there were ___ yays and ___ nays and ___ abstentions as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

	YAY	NAY	ABSTAIN
CRAFTON			
DUEVEL			
NELSON			
PEDERSEN			
ZIEGLER			

Upon vote, the president declared the resolution _____.

Dated: December 11, 2024.

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I, Tom Duevel, secretary of the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District, do hereby certify that I have compared the above resolution with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with the district and find the same to be a true and correct transcription thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I set my hand this _____ day of December, 2024.

Tom Duevel, Secretary

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Managers
FROM: Liz Forbes, Eleanor Mahon
DATE: November 15, 2024
RE: Applications for the CAC

Staff solicited applications for the Citizen Advisory Committee Oct. 1-Nov. 15 through these methods:

- News story on website, 10/01/2024
- Banner alert on website homepage
- News alert to email subscribers; 970 recipients, 449 opens
- Recruitment flyer at RPBCWD gravel bed tree pickup table 10/16
- Social media (3 Facebook posts, 1 boosted ad that reached 3,977 local users with 99 link clicks)
- Asked CAC members to spread the word

Four people submitted applications (attached):

Bradford Ullery

10147 Gristmill Ridge, Eden Prairie
Watershed: Purgatory Creek

Hannah Peterson

8550 Gweneth Ln, Apt 212, Eden Prairie
Watershed: Purgatory Creek

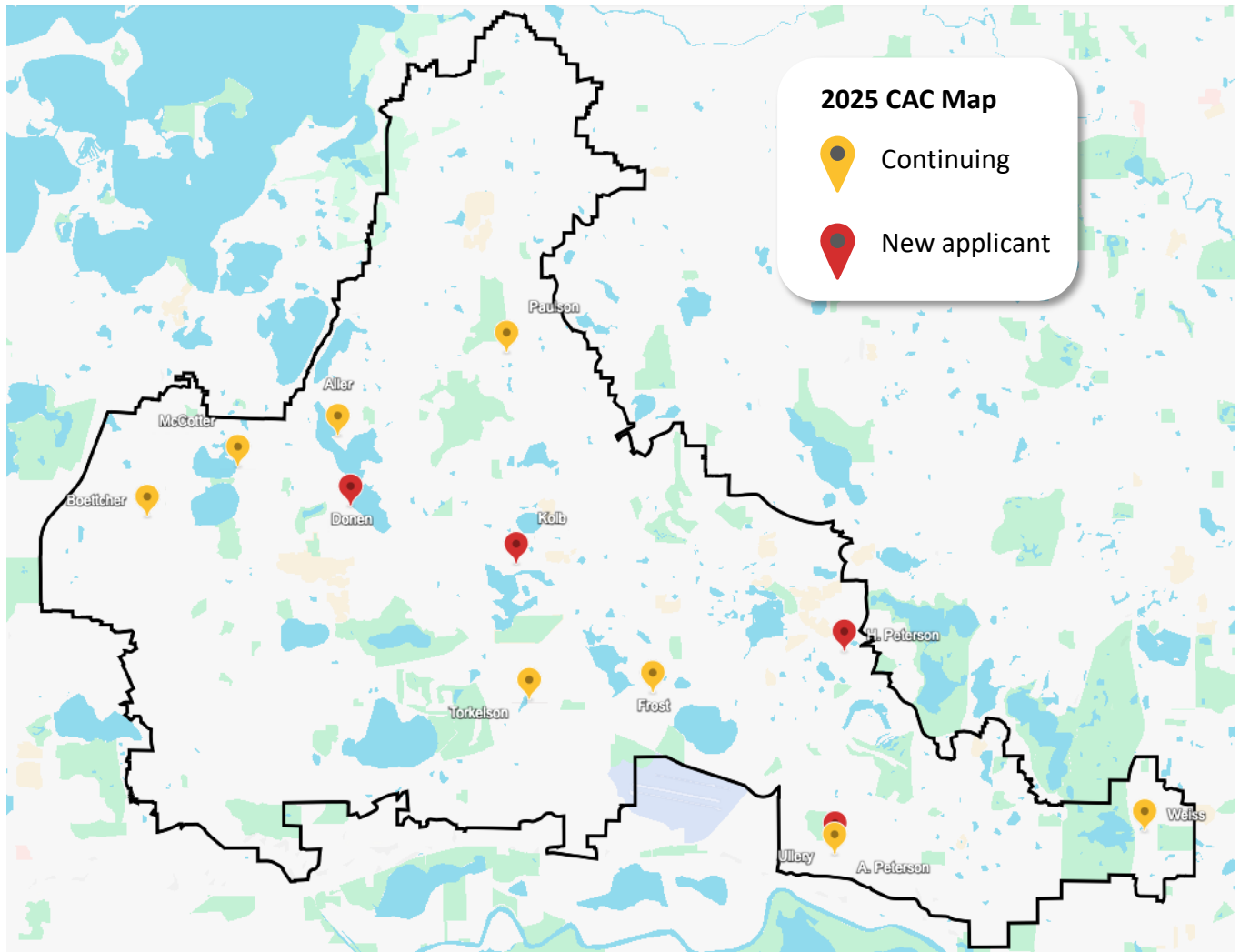
Marcia Kolb

17155 Terrey Pine Dr, Eden Prairie
Watershed: Mitchell Lake, Purgatory Creek

Steve Donan

7341 Frontier Trail, Chanhassen
Watershed: Lotus Lake, Purgatory Creek

As of mid-November, eight people are continuing their role as CAC members. If approved, the four new applicants will bring the total number of CAC members to 12. See map on next page for distribution within the district of both continuing members and potential new members.



Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Application Report

BRADFORD ULLERY

Form: CAC Application

I am applying to be a	Regular CAC member (18+ years old; no longer in high school)
First Name	Bradford
Last Name	Ullery
Street address where you reside	10147 Gristmill Ridge
City in which you reside	Eden Prairie
If you are employed within the watershed, please also list that address.	
Email Address	ullery.brad@gmail.com
Phone Number	6122372538
Why are you interested in becoming a Citizen Advisor for the Watershed District?	I have worked in the environmental field for over 35 years. I also used to be part of the city of Burnsville Parks and Natural Resources committee. I'm very passionate of the parks and outdoors.
What do you hope to accomplish while serving on the committee?	Continue to learn but also use my experience to better the watershed.
What are the strengths and/or qualifications you can bring to help this committee fulfill its purpose and duties?	I have a BS in Geology and have used my scientific background my entire working career. I understand stormwater, wetlands, and natural resources and the importance to balancing these important resources.
One of the roles of CAC members is to identify education needs in the community. What is one need, related to water, that you have seen?	I have only lived in Eden Prairie for 2 years and I'm very surprised with the lack of education and communication regarding stormwater. Too many residents push leaves and grass clippings to the streets which ends up in storm drains. It all ends up into the Minnesota river.

Are you able to commit to attending monthly meetings and special topic meetings as needed?	Yes
How did you hear about the RPCWD Citizen Advisory Committee?	Email
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Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Application Report

Form: CAC Application

HANNAH PETERSON

I am applying to be a	Regular CAC member (18+ years old; no longer in high school)
First Name	Hannah
Last Name	Peterson
Street address where you reside	8550 Gweneth Ln Apt 212
City in which you reside	
If you are employed within the watershed, please also list that address.	
Email Address	hannahpeterson26@outlook.com
Phone Number	763-807-6039
Why are you interested in becoming a Citizen Advisor for the Watershed District?	I am very interested in the environment and water resources and would love to support the watershed work in my community.
What do you hope to accomplish while serving on the committee?	I hope to gain more expertise on the work of RPBCWD, help educate the community on important water topics, and collaborate with like-minded individuals to support the district in reaching its goals.

<p>What are the strengths and/or qualifications you can bring to help this committee fulfill its purpose and duties?</p>	<p>I have an educational background in Graphic Communications (B.S.) and Sustainable Management (M.S.), giving me a unique set of skills in both communications and environmental science. Over the past year, I served as a Climate Impact Corps member through AmeriCorps at the Washington Conservation District (WCD), where I helped primarily with outreach and education, notably designing/writing a fact sheet package on stormwater management for homeowner's associations, designing interpretive signage, and developing webpages and storymaps. This fall, I have returned to WCD part-time as an AmeriCorps member where I am continuing that work as well as working part-time with the Brown's Creek Watershed District on administration and communications support. I would consider myself a strong environmental communicator with skills in writing, graphic design, and project management and a passion for the work of watershed districts. I am also very organized, reliable, and responsible, and can be counted on to do the work I commit to.</p>
<p>One of the roles of CAC members is to identify education needs in the community. What is one need, related to water, that you have seen?</p>	<p>One education need that I have been involved with through my work is educating homeowner's associations about the stormwater infrastructure on their properties and the maintenance requirements of it. Outside of HOAs, I also think there could be more education and outreach on green stormwater infrastructure in general. My uncle, who also lives in the watershed district, has asked me about why he sees dry ponds, and I know not everyone understands what stormwater ponds or raingardens are. I think sharing even the basics of this infrastructure with the community could help people understand what they are seeing around the watershed district.</p>
<p>Are you able to commit to attending monthly meetings and special topic meetings as needed?</p>	<p>Yes</p>

How did you hear about the RPCWD Citizen Advisory Committee?	I learned about CACs through my work with the Washington Conservation District and Brown's Creek Watershed District. I wanted to get more involved in my local watershed so sought out information about the CAC on the RPBCWD website.
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MARCIA KOLB

Form: CAC Application

I am applying to be a	Regular CAC member (18+ years old; no longer in high school)
First Name	Marcia
Last Name	Kolb
Street address where you reside	17155 Terrey Pine Drive
City in which you reside	Eden Prairie
If you are employed within the watershed, please also list that address.	
Email Address	kolbmarcia@gmail.com
Phone Number	19522121754
Why are you interested in becoming a Citizen Advisor for the Watershed District?	Over the past decade, we've restored a lakeshore with native plants, and in the process, I've become increasingly aware of the positive impact that native plants have on both health and the environment.
What do you hope to accomplish while serving on the committee?	Increase community awareness and connect with like-minded individuals to share experiences.
What are the strengths and/or qualifications you can bring to help this committee fulfill its purpose and duties?	I am a strong collaborator who thrives in team environments to achieve common goals. With a long history as a director in government agencies, I am eager to apply my collaboration skills to help achieve community objectives. My spouse and I received a Eden Prairie sustainability award for our native plant restoration work. I am a trained Native Plant Herbalist.

One of the roles of CAC members is to identify education needs in the community. What is one need, related to water, that you have seen?	We need ongoing education for lakeshore owners to help them understand that the pursuit of a perfect green lawn is harming our lakes, and to shift the focus toward the benefits of native plants
Are you able to commit to attending monthly meetings and special topic meetings as needed?	Yes
How did you hear about the RPCWD Citizen Advisory Committee?	Facebook
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STEVEN DONEN

Form: CAC Application

I am applying to be a	Regular CAC member (18+ years old; no longer in high school)
First Name	Steven
Last Name	Donen
Street address where you reside	7341 Frontier Trail
City in which you reside	Chanhassen
If you are employed within the watershed, please also list that address.	Retired
Email Address	csdonen@gmail.com
Phone Number	9522925568
Why are you interested in becoming a Citizen Advisor for the Watershed District?	I have been a strong advocate for the lakes in our watershed district. I spent many years attending watershed meetings before the CAC existed and was a member when it was first created. However, due to job travel, I had to leave the CAC shortly after its creation. I am now retired, so I have the time and drive to be part of the CAC.
What do you hope to accomplish while serving on the committee?	I have lived on Lotus Lake for 26 years and strongly believe in working with our citizens to improve the long-term water quality of not only Lotus Lake but all the lakes in our watershed. I would like to see my feet all summer when swimming in Lotus Lake.

<p>What are the strengths and/or qualifications you can bring to help this committee fulfill its purpose and duties?</p>	<p>I am retired from a very successful Chemical Engineering career leading significant startups in the green chemical space. I was responsible for the process and engineering of the first plastic from the Corn plant (polylactic Acid PLA) currently running in Blair, Nebraska. I am very data-driven and understand the importance of data when making decisions. As a Chemical Engineer, I understand the fundamental chemistry and complex processes involved in our lakes.</p>
<p>One of the roles of CAC members is to identify education needs in the community. What is one need, related to water, that you have seen?</p>	<p>I worked with Terry Jeffries on Community Education programs around Lotus Lake. I firmly believe that when citizens understand how they can impact lake water quality, they can make the right decisions in their lives to help improve the lakes.</p>
<p>Are you able to commit to attending monthly meetings and special topic meetings as needed?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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