

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 9:00 AM, the Pelican River Watershed District Board of Managers will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 103D.605 (2023 Statutes), at the Pelican River Watershed District Office, Wells Fargo Building, 211 Holmes Street W, Suite 201, Detroit Lakes, Minnesota 56501, to present and discuss the Buck's Mill Dam Modification Project. The Engineer's Report is available on the District's website at [www.prwd.org/bucks-mill-dam-modification-2](http://www.prwd.org/bucks-mill-dam-modification-2) and at the District Office.

The general purpose of this project is to address public safety improvements, enhance ecological functions, and facilitate fish passage by modifying the existing dam structure, with the primary goal of aquatic connectivity and a secondary goal of stream stability. The project consists of three main construction elements: (1) removal of the remaining sections of the Kingsbury Lock and excavation of existing ground to be graded and prepared for construction of the rock riffles; (2) construction of the rock riffle structures within the channel of the Pelican River from the existing Buck's Mill Dam to downstream of the Bucksmill Drive crossing; and (3) culvert modification and road raise of Bucksmill Drive.

The estimated cost of the proposed project is \$3.6 million. The method by which the cost of the proposed project funding is being provided by a combination of State and Federal Dollars including the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Fund and the Get Out More program.

All parties interested in the proposed project will have an opportunity to be heard at the project hearing.