



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS 88TH REGIONAL SUPPORT COMMAND  
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FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA 55111-4009

March 21, 2000

Mr. Ronald Harnack  
Executive Director  
Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources  
One Water Street, Swte 200  
St Paul, MN 55107

Dear Mr. Harnack,

The 88th Regional Support Command (88<sup>th</sup> RSC) recently became aware of the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) Board of Managers' petition to incorporate the 710-acre area contiguous to the southeastern boundary of the MCWD that is currently not under jurisdiction of any watershed district or joint powers watershed management organization. The 88<sup>th</sup> RSC currently owns 2 parcels of property within the proposed boundary area including a 68-acre parcel with 6 buildings and another 3-acre parcel with 1 building.

The 88<sup>th</sup> RSC met with the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC), the US Air Force Reserve (USAFR) and the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District on Tuesday, March 21, 2000 to discuss what impacts, if any, the proposed watershed boundary realignment may have. The 88<sup>th</sup> RSC currently is coordinating with the MAC, the USAFR and the Minnesota Department of Transportation on a variety of issues that may impact 88<sup>th</sup> RSC property in the near future. Since any impact would have a greater influence on the MAC and the USAFR, the 88<sup>th</sup> RSC's initial position would be to defer to the opinions of the MAC and the USAFR.

88<sup>th</sup> RSC is requesting additional time to review the MCWD's petition for watershed boundary realignment prior to any action taken by the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources on the petition. In addition, the 88<sup>th</sup> RSC is would like to be included for distribution on all relevant or pertinent correspondence regarding this action.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Mr. Mark Buck at 612-713-3822.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James F. Phillips", is positioned above the typed name.

James F Phillips  
Lieutenant Colonel, USAR  
Regional Engineer