

EXHIBIT A

STATE OF MINNESOTA

BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

COUNTY OF RAMSEY

In the Matter of the Petition of the Board of Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District for the Transfer of Ramsey County Drainage Systems Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11 and 12 to said Board

C R D E R

The above entitled matter came on for hearing before the Board of County Commissioners of Ramsey County, Minnesota, in the Courthouse in the City of St. Paul, County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, on the 4th day of February, 1974; and the Board, having duly considered the matter and having been fully advised in the premises, makes the following

FINDINGS OF FACT

I.

That the Rice Creek Watershed District was established by the Minnesota Water Resources Board pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 112, on January 18, 1972.

II.

That due notice of the within proceedings with the time and place of hearing thereon was given by two weeks' published notice in the following legal newspapers of general circulation in the respective area of the above enumerated drainage systems:

- St. Paul Dispatch & Pioneer Press, St. Paul, Minnesota
- White Bear Press, White Bear Lake, Minnesota
- Lillie Suburban Newspaper, Inc., North St. Paul, Minnesota

III.

That said drainage systems lie within the territory of the Rice Creek Watershed District.

IV.

That the Board of Managers of said watershed district have developed extensive information relative to water, watercourses and the general water conditions and problems within said district.

V.

That the drainage systems enumerated herein are a part of the overall water and water control problem in said watershed district and fail to serve the purposes for which they were originally established.

From the foregoing, the Board makes the following

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

I.

That the Board has jurisdiction of the within matter and all jurisdictional requirements have been performed.

II.

That it would be in the public welfare and public interest and would serve the purpose of Chapter 112, Minnesota Statutes if the Board of Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District take over the following Ramsey County Drainage Systems, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11 and 12.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED

That the Board of Managers of the Rice Creek Watershed District take over Ramsey County Drainage Systems Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11 and 12, together with the right to repair and maintain the same.

DATED this 4th day of February, 1974.

RAMSEY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By

and

Lawrence A. Sher
Eugene F. Maraulay