

Hiawatha Golf Course Improvements Project - Groundwater Study Update

General Comments – Please submit comments to MPRB staff in person, by email, or by mail.

Please keep the golf course open.
It is an important and
valuable neighborhood recreation
facility.

There are engineering solutions
that will allow golf course
to survive and lower pumping.

How has the Lake Nokomis Diversion
changed the water?

Is the golf course historic or eligible?

historic

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Where can I get
the detail revenue values
for alternative B.

Please email:

Jvtewnd@gmail.com

Show me the facts –
true costs
true revenues

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Note from Deb –

Gentleman wants to
know where the
numbers come from
for option B

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1. No other space for golf course. ^{No other public course in Mpls.}
2. Plenty of space for food forests.
3. We have Crosby Farm wetlands
4. We have Minnesota Valley Nat'l Wildlife Refuge for habitat.
5. 5x more traffic is unacceptable.
6. Maintenance on wetland/food forest?
7. No eyes on the acres – drug deals, homeless people.
8. User #'s inaccurate?
9. Could easily add disk golf to present golf course.
10. People supporting Alt. B do not live in neighborhood. How far out do you consider?
11. We walk/bike around the course almost every day. Don't need more paths.
12. Costs to improve golf course – improvements would increase usage, would increase income. Alt B – don't see much opportunity for income that wouldn't also be possible for golf course.

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**Letter of Interest
for a Veteran Farm and a Food Forest at Lake Hiawatha
Prepared by Mike Rivard
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Plan:

- 1) Use a portion of the Lake Hiawatha Golf Course for a Veterans Farm and
- 2) Support the Community's Food Forest

Farm Features:

Year round growing: permaculture model, organic harvest.
A learning farm and collaboration with community programs

About Minnesota Veterans:

363,000 total, 23,000 female veterans.
Minnesota has had the highest rate of veteran suicides, and the State's
Beyond the Yellow Ribbon is designed to address personal and social
challenges of veterans, and National Guard Members and Reservists.

Iraq and Afghan Veterans of America: nationally 200,000 members
MN Women Veterans Initiative: 370 members.
Mission Continues, 210 members in Minneapolis
Paralyzed Veterans Association, MN chapter: 360 members (2 farmers)

About Mike Rivard

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Founder of Farmer and Veteran Land Access Project
Former banker who funded the rebuilding of historic Milwaukee Avenue
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Native Americans
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Vietnam Combat Veteran, Underwater Demolition Team 12