

Minnesota Stormwater Research Council

Research Funding Support Request

Join us as a financial partner to achieve or surpass the
2021 goal of
\$175K

The Minnesota Stormwater Research Council (Council) in partnership with the University of Minnesota Water Resources Center (WRC) is soliciting funds to complete collaborative applied research to address priority stormwater management needs for Minnesota.

Over the past four years, more than \$493K was contributed and pooled together from watershed units, cities, organizations and private businesses. These were then leveraged with Clean Water Legacy funds to support 23 research projects and support the use of that information by professionals, practitioners, and policy makers. This collective and collaborative work helps prevent, minimize and mitigate the impacts of urban stormwater runoff across Minnesota.

The accompanying **Program Highlights** summarizes the research completed and recognizes the partners that have made it possible.

Why contribute?

These investments in research result in discoveries that help Minnesota professionals, practitioners, and policymakers across cities, watersheds, counties, and private businesses

- Evaluate and design more effective stormwater practices
- Manage urban runoff to prevent or reduce impacts to lakes, streams, rivers and groundwater
- Maintain investments in stormwater infrastructure for continued effective operation.

Your organization's financial contribution to the Council directly supports research important to you. Pooling resources adds up and provides a mechanism for completing work together.

Join the growing list of watersheds, cities, private businesses and organizations supporting urban stormwater research.

Use the online form [HERE](#) to indicate your organization's financial support by October 31st.

How your contribution will be invested in the future

Your 2021 contribution to the research funding pool will support a new suite of research projects to be solicited in late 2021 and chosen in early 2022. A competitive application process is used to solicit proposals.

About the Minnesota Stormwater Research Council

Learn more about how cities, watersheds, consultants, state agencies, and research institutions are coming together to guide stormwater research in the [Minnesota Stormwater Research Council Framework](#).

Management and use of funds

- ✓ The use of pooled applied research funds will be managed by the Advisory Board of the Council in partnership with the Water Resources Center.
- ✓ Submissions and projects will be reviewed, ranked, and awarded as determined by the Advisory Board of the Council and by the Center.
- ✓ All researchers, professionals, and experts from Minnesota will be invited to submit proposals. Organizations contributing funds and their staff are eligible to apply.
- ✓ Acknowledgement of funding partners is required by the researchers for each project and on Center and Council reports, website and other publications.

Please contact one of the following Council Advisory Board Members for more information.

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