



Herbicide Treatment in District Projects

Resolution #2018-01

WHEREAS The Mille Lacs Soil & Water Conservation District provides recommendations and contracts with landowners and land managers to implement a variety of vegetative best management practices for conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS Site preparation and maintenance of these practices often require the elimination of unwanted plant species that may be undesirable because they are noxious, invasive or do not have the deep root structure needed to accomplish project goals; and

WHEREAS The District provides all site preparation, establishment, and maintenance options to landowners, including both chemical and non-chemical methods of vegetation management; and

WHEREAS Mixtures of pesticides and pesticide degradates are currently found in ground and surface waters in Minnesota, which are subject to Health Risk Limits by the Minnesota Department of Health; and

WHEREAS The District prefers nonchemical integrated pest management in all District activities,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District prefers that landowners use non-chemical techniques for removing unwanted vegetation during site preparation for projects and practices and will provide the technical assistance required to do so; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the landowner chooses to use herbicides to do the project site preparation and maintenance, the landowner is advised to contact the Minnesota Department of Agriculture and/or the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for appropriate herbicide recommendations and permits.

Approval:

Jake Janski

Chair, Mille Lacs Soil & Water Conservation District

1/10/18

Date