

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
JOINT DRAINAGE AUTHORITY OF COTTONWOOD AND BROWN COUNTIES
SEATED AS DRAINAGE AUTHORITY UNDER STATUTES CHAPTER 103E
FOR THE REDETERMINATION OF BENEFITS AND IMPROVEMENT OF COTTONWOOD AND
BROWN COUNTIES JUDICIAL DITCH 24**

NOTICE OF COMBINED FINAL HEARINGS

Please Take Notice: The Joint Drainage Authority of Cottonwood and Brown Counties, Drainage Authority for Cottonwood and Brown Counties Judicial Ditch 24 ("JD 24") will hold a combined final hearing on the redetermination of benefits for JD 24 and the petitioned improvement of JD 24 on October 4, 2021, at the Comfrey Community Center located at 120 Brown Street E, Comfrey, Minnesota, with the hearing on redetermination of benefits beginning at 8:30 a.m. and the hearing on the improvement beginning at 9:30 a.m. The viewers' reports of redetermined benefits and improvement benefits and damages is received and on file with the Drainage Authority. The detailed survey report (engineer's report) for the petitioned improvement is received and also on file with the Drainage Authority. The reports, along with amendments, if any, are available for inspection at Cottonwood County by contacting Donna Torkelson, Cottonwood County Auditor/Treasurer, by email or phone (donna.torkelson@co.cottonwood.mn.us or (507) 831-1342). In the event that the hearing on redetermination of benefits runs longer than 9:30 a.m., the hearing on the improvement proceedings will commence following conclusion of the redetermination hearing.

At the final hearing, the Drainage Authority will accept public comment regarding the viewers' reports. Any party having an interest in the proceedings may appear and provide comment. Written comments will be accepted through close of business on October 3, 2021, by email or by U.S. Mail to the Cottonwood County Auditor's office (donna.torkelson@co.cottonwood.mn.us or Cottonwood County, Attn: Donna Torkelson, 300 3rd Avenue, Windom, MN 56101).

JD 24 provides drainage to portions of Sections 31, 32, & 33 of Bashaw Township and Section 36 of Stately Township in Brown County and Sections 4, 5, & 6 of Selma Township and Sections 1, 2, & 12 of Delton Township in Cottonwood County. The proposed improvement includes a realignment of the Mainline tile into a North Mainline, South Mainline, and an addition of Branch K tile lines. This realignment will eliminate the need for Branches C, D, E, H1, H2, J2, J3, J4, and J5. The system will also be improved by deepening and enlarging the proposed tile in comparison to the existing. Option 1 is designed for a 0.50 inch/day drainage coefficient while Option 2 is designed for a 3/8 inch/day drainage coefficient.

The Drainage Authority will consider the application of separable maintenance as part of the improvement. If separable maintenance is applied, the repair cost portion of the improvement will be off-set from the improvement costs and assess against the redetermined, pre-improvement benefits.

The following properties are affected by the proposed improvement and redeterminations of benefits and damages:

Bashaw Township, Brown County (T108-R34), Sections 31, 32, and 33
Stately Township, Brown County (T108-R35), Section 36
Selma Township, Cottonwood County (T107-R34), Sections 4, 5, and 6
Delton Township, Cottonwood County (T107-R35), Sections 1, 2, and 12

The following owners of property are affected by the proposed improvement and redeterminations of benefits:

Bashaw Township Section 31: JOYCE PLATZ, ETAL, ERNEST & NANCY VOGEL FM TR ETAL, CHRISTENSEN FARMS & FEEDLOTS

Bashaw Township Section 32: CURTIS & LORA LEE FREDERIKSEN, NICK P & TAMERA BERNING, MARY ANN SCHUMACHER REV TRUST, SCHOLTZ FAMILY REV LIV TRUST, JARED & STACY GREEN, MICHAEL AMSDEN ETAL, MICHAEL AMSDEN, CAROL A PETERSON TRUST ETAL, ANDREW L RHODES

Bashaw Township Section 33: PETER J SAMUELSON, PETER J & TAMARA SAMUELSON, JUNE R HANSON, CURTIS & LORA LEE FREDERIKSEN, RICHARD G GROEBNER, LEROY S PETERSON REV TRUST, CAROL A PETERSON TRUST ETAL

Stately Township Section 36: SHERRY ARNDT TRUST, ELAINE S TORABI REV TRUST

Selma Township Section 4: ELLEN M AMSDEN LE, LEROY & CAROL PETERSON TRUST, TIMOTHY L & RACHEL N EVERS

Selma Township Section 5: SHELDON W STINE, SCHOLTZ FAMILY TRUST, RICKY L THOM, RICKY & AMBER THOM, ARNOLD E SCHENK TRUST

Selma Township Section 6: SCHOLTZ FAMILY TRUST, DARRELL K & JOLENE L PLATZ, DARRELL PLATZ, KENNETH M & CINDI B SIMON, ERNEST & NANCY VOGEL TRUST ETAL & WENZEL VOGEL, YVONNE L LOOMIS

Delton Township Section 1: JOYCE PLATZ, JOYCE & KENNETH PLATZ TRUST, PEGGY L THOM, CHRISTENSEN FAMILY FARMS INC, JAMES C WOLF, MARILYN PETERSON, KEVIN & BETTY OELTJENBRUNS, KELLY PAULING ETAL

Delton Township Section 2: VERNA FARMS LLC

Delton Township Section 12: RICHARD HOEK ETAL

The following governmental entities are affected by the proposed improvement and redeterminations of benefits:

BROWN COUNTY, BASHAW TOWNSHIP, COTTONWOOD COUNTY, DELTON TOWNSHIP, SELMA TOWNSHIP