

ANNUAL REPORT FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

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County	District (A separate report for each district)	Date:
Green Lake	1	

I. Financial Statement


	DEBTS	CREDITS
Starting Balance September 1st, 2024		\$2,643.58
Assessments Collected		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Assessments		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Borrowed Assessments		\$0.00
Other Receipts		\$0.00
Total of All Receipts:		\$2,643.58
Amount paid out for district activities	\$108.35	
Amount paid out to repay loans or bonds	\$0.00	
Other payables: Meeting Expense	\$0.00	
Total of All Expenditures:		\$108.35
Ending Balance on August 31, 2025		\$2,535.23
Uncollected Assessments		

II. The following bonds have been issued or paid during the preceding twelve months:

None

III. Attach sheets detailing work performed in the previous year. Include:

- A. Project description, including project cost
- B. Map Showing the location of project
- C. Annual Inspection Report, major storm reports, and/or other inspection reports performed by the Drainage Board in the past twelve months

Name of Drainage Board Chairperson:	Date:
STEVEN FOUST	11/5/25
Signature of Drainage Board Chair (please print):	
	

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I. Financial Statement


	DEBTS	CREDITS
Starting Balance September 1st, 2024		\$3,685.88
Assessments Collected		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Assessments		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Borrowed Assessments		\$0.00
Other Receipts		\$0.00
Total of All Receipts:		\$3,685.88
Amount paid out for district activities	\$110.39	
Amount paid out to repay loans or bonds	\$0.00	
Other payables: Meeting Expense	\$0.00	
Total of All Expenditures:		\$110.39
Ending Balance on August 31, 2025		\$3,575.49
Uncollected Assessments		

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Green Lake	3	

I. Financial Statement

	DEBTS	CREDITS
Starting Balance September 1st, 2024		\$2,842.82
Assessments Collected		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Assessments		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Borrowed Assessments		\$0.00
Other Receipts		\$0.00
Total of All Receipts:		\$2,842.82
Amount paid out for district activities	\$108.35	
Amount paid out to repay loans or bonds	\$0.00	
Other payables: Meeting Expense	\$0.00	
Total of All Expenditures:		\$108.35
Ending Balance on August 31, 2025		\$2,734.47
Uncollected Assessments		

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<i>Steven Forest</i>	
Signature of Drainage Board Chair (please print):	<i>11/5/25</i>
<i>Steve Forest</i>	

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County	District (A separate report for each district)	Date:
Green Lake	5	

I. Financial Statement

	DEBTS	CREDITS
Starting Balance September 1st, 2024		\$3,377.44
Assessments Collected		\$2,078.00
Interest Earned on Assessments		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Borrowed Assessments		\$0.00
Other Receipts		\$0.00
Total of All Receipts:		\$5,455.44
Amount paid out for district activities	\$93.62	
Amount paid out to repay loans or bonds	\$0.00	
Other payables: Meeting Expense	\$0.00	
Total of All Expenditures:		\$93.62
Ending Balance on August 31, 2025		\$5,361.82
Uncollected Assessments		

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County	District (A separate report for each district)	Date:
Green Lake	Seneca-Warren	

I. Financial Statement

	DEBTS	CREDITS
Starting Balance September 1st, 2024		-\$5,818.66
Assessments Collected		\$22,332.82
Interest Earned on Assessments		\$0.00
Interest Earned on Borrowed Assessments		\$0.00
Other Receipts		\$0.00
Total of All Receipts:		\$16,514.16
Amount paid out for district activities	\$15,773.35	
Amount paid out to repay loans or bonds	\$0.00	
Other payables: Meeting Expense	\$0.00	
Total of All Expenditures:		\$15,773.35
Ending Balance on August 31, 2025		\$740.81
Uncollected Assessments		

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<i>Steven Foust</i>	<i>11/5/25</i>

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Green Lake County's Inspection Report

1. Type of Inspection (check all that apply) X Annual ___ Major Storm ___ Site

2. Date of Inspection: 10-27-25

3. Drainage District Name or Number:

2
4. Location of Damage or Complaint:

(Attach USDA Farm Service Agency aerial photo with site identified in red)

N/A
5. Name of person(s) making complaint or accompanying the inspection:

None

6. Description of Damage (attach additional sheets if needed):

N/A

7. Repairs Proposed or Action to be Taken by Board (attach additional sheets if needed):

Ditches are maintained in excellent condition
by owners

No Repairs are needed

8. Inspector(s):

Print Name: STEVEN FOUST

Signature: Steven Foust

Green Lake County's Inspection Report

1. Type of Inspection (check all that apply) ☒ Annual ☐ Major Storm ☐ Site

2. Date of Inspection:

10-27-25

3. Drainage District Name or Number:

3

4. Location of Damage or Complaint:

(Attach USDA Farm Service Agency aerial photo with site identified in red)

5. Name of person(s) making complaint or accompanying the inspection:

NONE

6. Description of Damage (attach additional sheets if needed):

NONE

All Banks and Bottom of Ditch
Remain As Were Reported on 2024

7. Repairs Proposed or Action to be Taken by Board (attach additional sheets if needed):

NONE

Property of Tim Damersaw has Trees <6" dia
on North side of Ditch

8. Inspector(s):

Print Name: STEVEN FOUST

Signature: _____



Green Lake County's Inspection Report

1. Type of Inspection (check all that apply) ☒ Annual ☐ Major Storm ☐ Site

2. Date of Inspection:

Phone 10-27-2025

3. Drainage District Name or Number:

District 5

4. Location of Damage or Complaint:

(Attach USDA Farm Service Agency aerial photo with site identified in red)

No Complaints

5. Name of person(s) making complaint or accompanying the inspection:

Mike Eagan no complaints. Stated working fine.

6. Description of Damage (attach additional sheets if needed):

7. Repairs Proposed or Action to be Taken by Board (attach additional sheets if needed):

8. Inspector(s):

Print Name: Rodney Zietlow

Signature: _____

Green Lake County's Inspection Report

1. Type of Inspection (check all that apply) ☒ Annual ☐ Major Storm ☐ Site
2. Date of Inspection: 10/29/2025
3. Drainage District Name or Number: Seneca-Warren
4. Location of Damage or Complaint:
Looked at Junction of Town Drain and Lateral A, concern from Mike Eagan that his water cannot get into the Town Drain to provide drainage.
5. Name of person(s) making complaint or accompanying the inspection:
Mike Eagen, not present for inspection

Thomas Guden, Question on time of year for inspection, impact on deer hunting, Thomas Suggested Spring is better. Then he wanted me to look at trees in corridor.

Bruce Kimball, Question on time of year for inspection, impact on deer hunting stated spring is better. Also spoil bank not level. Not looked at but lots of brush observed growing.

John Feeney called, wanted to introduce himself. Then asked about legality of pumping water onto his land from Seneca Warren. Ducks.

After that I called John Shrock 10/28/2025 asked about any concerns, he said no as erosion but seeding did not look that well. But the two projects along the land he farms looked good. I did not look at Double E But a month earlier at 26th Ct Ditch is good. But brush and tree from brush cutting a couple years back have great roots and are growing strong.

Paul Kujawa, I called to find out what has progressed with his project that he discussed at our June meeting. Inspected that with his permission 11/03/2025. 90 minutes
Two areas are now plugged in the corridor to help hold water on his property. There is another large opening upstream in the ditch corridor that is above the bottom of ditch and higher than current water level to help supply his wet land area. The Kujawa private lateral that runs parallel to the town drain in my observation can no longer reach the river. It's possible there's a culvert or structure I did not see. So, water likely would have to come back into the Town drain to exit.

Over all Kujawa's have an impressive waterfall area.

The plan I heard from the Kujawa's Petrazak will be back in December to do more work for them. At that time Petrazak could do any work in that area we need done. Like the 25 dead trees taken down. Or more debris removed from the ditch channel.

Kujawa's also concerned about the major amount of wild rice growing in the ditch. I did not see any that plugged the ditch, but maybe it went dormant or destroyed from mud motors.

Lastly, I again looked at the inspection culvert between Verch and mine the Zietlow land on 11/01/2025 its 10-12 inches to high holding back water in the Verch Schrock, Zietlow ditches. Needs to be lowered.

6. Description of Damage (attach additional sheets if needed): Green Lake County Emlid Survey Grade GPS used during inspection to document elevations of water and ditch bottom. DATCP approved ditch surface is loaded into GPS so any elevation concerns are known in the field during inspection.

7. Repairs Proposed or Action to be Taken by Board (attach additional sheets if needed): No action needed at the junction of Town Drain and Lateral A at this time. Bottom is at design elevations. Zietlow did inspect portions of ditch on own and took photos, one concern area is on Schrock property, approximately at station 284+54.

Overall, I think the ditch is working and depth is to specification.
Brush and tree removal in corridor should continue with a section or percentage done every year. Annual spraying of woody vegetation till grass crowds out.

Photos attached of inspection.

8. Inspector(s): Rodney Zietlow, Todd Morris – Green Lake County Land Conservation Department.

Print Name:

Signature: _____



Ditch/Trees – along corridor (Guden property)

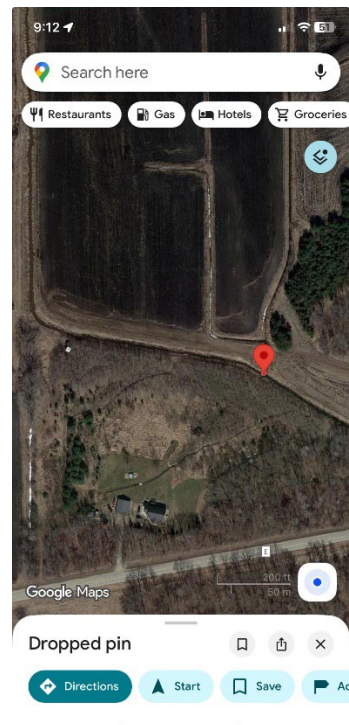




Schrock Bank Repair



Rocks under Hwy E



Area of Concern – 284+54



Lateral A looking upstream



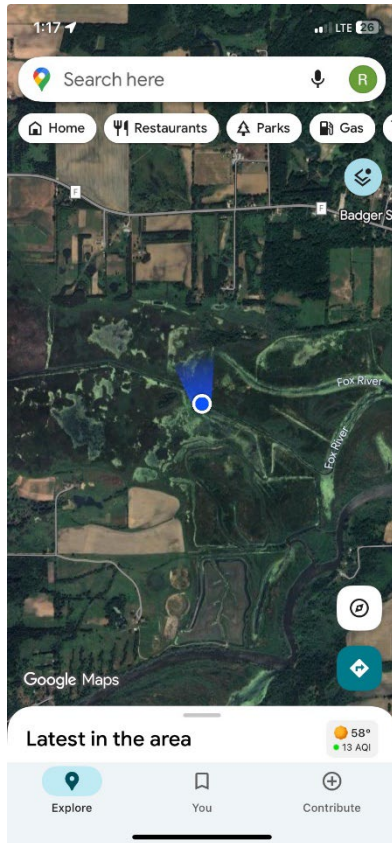
Lateral A looking downstream



Private Lateral draining to Lateral A



Lateral A and Town Drain Junction



Town Drain inspection – East of Hwy D (Kujawa access point)

No grass found in Town Drain.

Tree in close to where dam was last year. Water is flowing. Some debris here and there. Water flowing ok. Zietlow did not see any wild rice blockage.

Zietlow counted 25 trees from access to where south ditch bank is washed through, not plugged upstream from improved dike. There has not been any work on South bank except to plug two holes. Water can still flow through major washout in south bank and is then trapped south of ditch corridor.





Corridor culvert Zietlow land and private lateral between Zietlow and Schrock



SENeca-WARREN DRAINAGE DISTRICT		LCD GREEN LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION	FILE NAME
PLAN VIEW - TOWN DRAIN & LATERAL A CONNECTION			FILE NAME
			DRAWING NAME GLC-PLAN-003
			DATE: 01/07/2019
			SHEET 1 OF 1

Bank Repair, Seneca-Warren Drain, Start Station 255+00

Project Cost = \$10,689.90



Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,
Schrock property looking
downstream
2:1 sloped

Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,
Schrock property looking
upstream.
2:1 sloped



Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,

Schrock property

Groundwater seep at
bottom to address





Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,
Schrock property
Groundwater seep
addressed with rock.



Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,

Schrock property

1 month following repair,
photo taken in October



Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,

Schrock property

1 month following repair,
photo taken in October



Town Drain ditch
repair/stabilization,

Schrock property

1 month following repair,
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repair/stabilization,

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photo taken in October



Seneca-Warren Ditch Inspection 1/31/2025

Inspection of beaver dam and blockage took place late this afternoon.

Present,

David Petraszak, Matt and Joe Drover.

Mike Drover was contacted on the phone for his input.

Petraszak will access the land across Mike, Matt and part of Don Drover's land.

I will call Don Drover to make him aware of the plans.

This first week of February is the schedule.

The plan is to remove the dam and a small amount plugging by beaver closer to the 35 trees.

Drovers have a good four-wheeler trail that goes over the highest land. Appears to be frozen down well.

There are no plans for tree removal or culverts installed.

David cannot reach the trees with his equipment. Chainsaw work for some one.

Seems beavers would plug access culverts easily with muck.

Mike Drovers ATV wood bridge is not in the way for this work.

David will have to spend a few minutes leveling by a culvert he has to cross on Drover's land. Small wash out.

This will be the best and most cost effective path for the work to be done in my opinion.

Joe Drover provided his four-wheeler to give David and Me access.

Chatter that's not pertinent to unplugging the ditch.

Rerouting

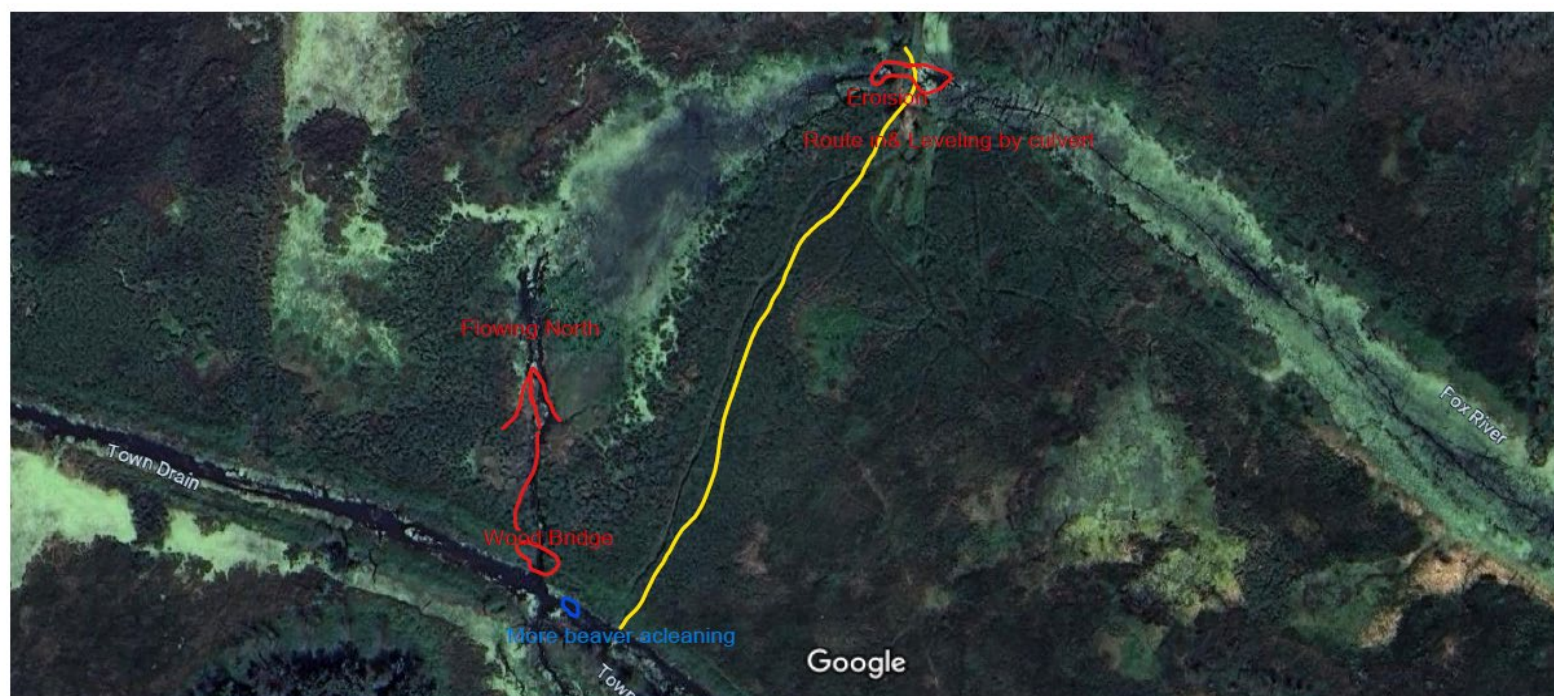
Mud Motors

Cutting a channel above ATV bridge 100 yard to let ditch flow to northeast.

Then remove bridge and fill.

Matt was against beaver Dam removal because of mud motors. He knows it has to come out.

Rod Zietlow



Imagery ©2025 Airbus, Maxar Technologies, Map data ©2025 100 ft

I have a question.

Marked on the map is a red arrow line. Water is flowing out of the ditch north. The beavers plugged it partially.

The water flows north and east then goes thru a four foot culvert to the north branch of the old river. David Petraszak will have to level a bit to walk his machine off the culvert, Erosion from ditch water.

Mike Drover asked to have the beaver obstruction in Ditch corridor removed so some water could flow north.

Joe Drover pushing for it.

Matt Drover wants his bridge that he built to stay that's in line with the spoil.

If removed, Matt wanted it to be filled in. David thought the fill would wash out.

I asked Matt if that ditch was dug. Looks like a ditch. He said no it eroded that way.

Both Matt and Mike weren't in total agreement Friday. Both own the land. They do not want a culvert there.

They do not want mud motor boats running over there land.

On the Map, the Backhoe route is marked to ditch.

Probably save it for future reference. Yellow Line.

I see a request can be made to take water from the ditch.

If that was crop land the bank would need to be repaired.

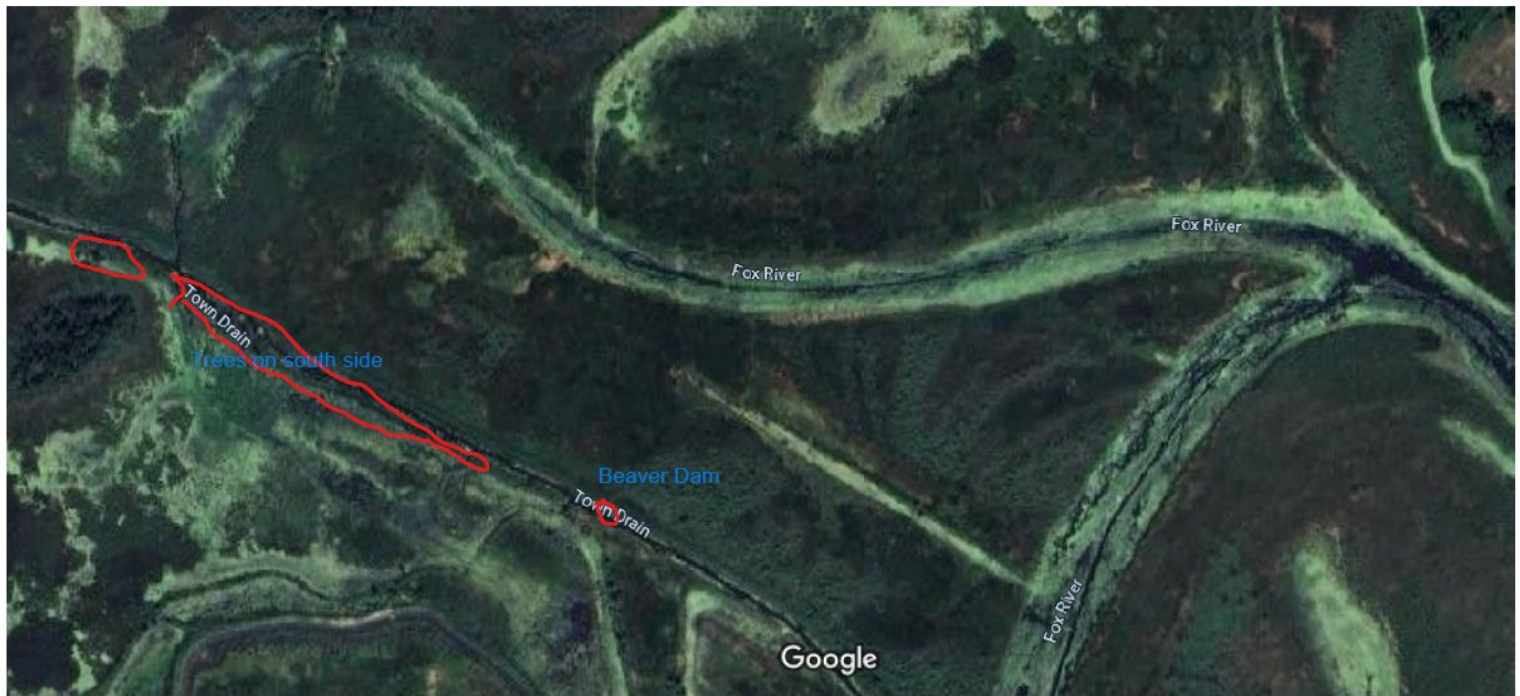
The water does want to go that way, North.

What's the statue rules in case like this?

I told Matt I was going to check with the other board members before I would let David do any work by Matt's ATV bridge built in 2023.
Maybe do nothing. At this time.
They are letting us cross their property.
Input?

Rod Zietlow

Another Map:



Imagery ©2025 Airbus, Maxar Technologies, Map data ©2025 200 ft

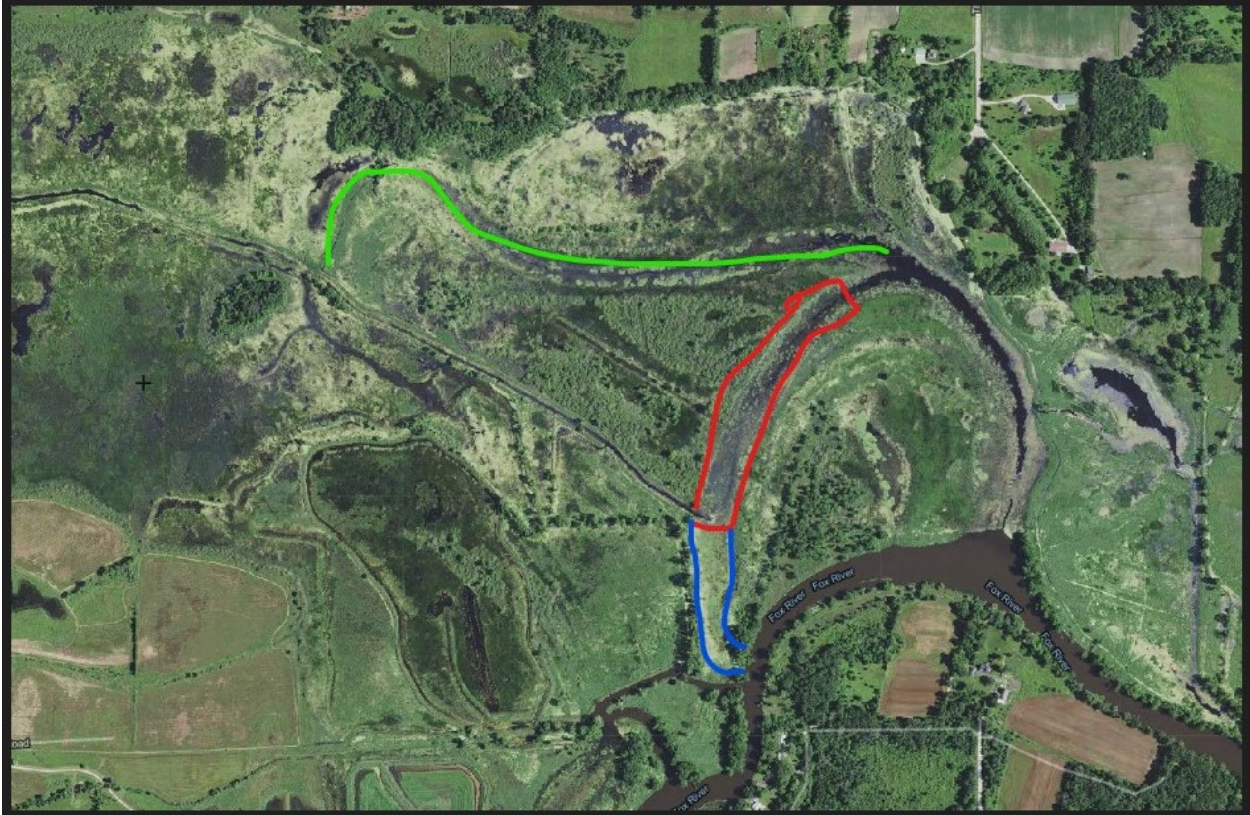
Probably leave the bridge alone for now and leave it open when the water gets high the more ways it can keep moving the better.

I attached an older aerial view that may more clearly show some of the problem.

When the town drain was originally built was it supposed to flow north around the horseshoe (red) or go south to the river (blue)???

There is not enough flow from the town drain to keep the horseshoe open. It is too wide and as the flow slows the sediment has dropped out and filled the horseshoe.

I see so much of the land around the town drain is owned by the State that we need to meet with the State and see what their long term plan is. I doubt whether it is the same as ours and they have more money and time as well but the solutions for us will require State permission and cooperation. If we could drop 15-20 1 ton sand bags on the ice over the "mistake ditch" near between the town drain and Sucker Creek to redirect the flow back into Sucker Creek should be a first step in getting the work on the Town drain outlet done making it much easier without so much water will lower the water level. Anyway John



It flowed north around the old river or horse shoe.. The river was dredged to shorten the path before the drainage district was originally formed.

For many years the district was not active until the state allowed them to come back.

That lower end filled up the water crossed over to private lateral to the south, made it's way to the river.

As of now I will reinforce to David not to dig by the ATV bridge.

Only remove the beaver blockage of the channel. Placement of material on spoil .

Rod Z

Zietlow Seneca-Warren Inspection Notes 3/28/2025

- John Ottman land – Rod spoke with Eric Stadig, WDNR WMS, regarding ditch cleaning project. Rod mentioned that spoil could be placed on existing spoil and Eric asked Rod where it states that this is allowed, Eric stated that all spoils must be removed from the wetland area. Rod left it that John Ottman will have to apply for the WDNR Ditch Maintenance permit and contact Land Conservation Department for any guidance or assistance.
- Rod took his boat up the river and into the drainage district drain to make sure the beavers had not returned. No sign that they are rebuilding the dam.
- Rod met with Dave Petraszak, Petraszak Excavating, to look at the Schrock project. David said that this is a no go at this time, too much groundwater flow from bank and the area is like quicksand. Dave's recommendation is to just fix the spots that have slid into the ditch, and that due to the bank sloughing he may not be able to reach the town drain bottom. Recommended leaving the grassed slopes as is. Project is on hold for now until the area dries – Rod updated other board members on this.



- Nighbor section of ditch cleaning – site visit with Dave and Rod told Petraszak's that one foot needed to be removed from the bottom from Nighbor culvert to County Hwy F. Land Conservation needs to verify ditch bottom elevation at 26th court for excavation needed. Rod also spoke with Peter Johnson who farms in this section of ditch. Johnson was fine with the spoils being put on the south side of ditch on his property. There is also only one ditch to cross on south side compared to many on north side. Clean ditch from south side.
- Hwy EE visit – there is a lot of brush that needs to be removed on banks and then the bottom can be cleaned. Put spoils on the west side of ditch.
- Rod figured that it would take Petraszak's about 8 days to clean ditch bottom, and then will need to return to level spoils. No work will take place until the spring road restrictions are lifted.