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Central Iron Range Sanitary Sewer District

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Increase capacity and upgrade sanitary sewer conveyance for current and future customers while continuing to meet and exceed strict standards.

The CIRSSD concept was initiated in 2002 with the planning of a regional facility to serve the St. Louis County Range communities of Chisholm, Buhl, and Kinney as well as Balkan and Great Scott Townships and the Minnesota Discovery Center. In 2009, with significant community investments, work began to construct a “green field” facility adjacent to the existing Chisholm Wastewater Treatment Ponds. The project included construction of new Central Iron Range Sanitary Sewer District treatment facility, sewage pumping stations and sewage conveyance piping in Chisholm and Buhl and rehabilitation of the Kinney facility. The CIRSSD Facility satisfies some of the most stringent discharge regulations in the state due to its discharge into the Great Lakes Basin, mandates by Federal and State regulation under the Great Lakes Initiative while continually being recognized annually by the MPCA through its Outstanding Operation Achievement Award.

The proposed project will provide added capacity, sewage collection, conveyance sewers and pumping infrastructure to service the south side of Hwy 169. These improvements are critical to supplying required sanitary sewer service to new residential properties, new commercial and industrial developments, such as, the newly proposed St. Louis County Central Maintenance Facility at Hwy 169 and County Highway 5. This expansion will also benefit approximately 50 new residential lots in Chisholm, 25 residential lots in Buhl, and service to the proposed Northern Minnesota Meats facility in Great Scott Township. In addition, the new sewage collection and conveyance/pumping infrastructure on the south side of Hwy 169 will attract developers interested in further residential, commercial, and light industrial facilities along the Hwy 169 corridor.

Thank you for your support of the Central Iron Range Sanitary Sewer District!

Respectfully,

Ryan Pervenanze
CIRSSD Chairman