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Design completed for Wilkinson Lake project

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In April, North Oaks News featured the design draft for the upcoming proposed project to help improve water quality in Wilkinson Lake. The project has been renamed from the Wilkinson Best Management Practice (BMP) Project to the Wilkinson Deep-Water Wetland Restoration Project now that

conceptual design has been completed and project details are established.

Since the previous update, the design has been completed by Houston Engineering, with involvement by project partners. At this time, bids are being requested from contractors. Bids received will be evaluated by Houston Engineering and presented to the VLAWMO Board at their meeting on Aug. 23.

The highlight page from the project

design is included in this month's update. More project information is available on the VLAWMO website at vlawmo.org/projects. Check in for updates and to follow this important project as design work and construction planning continues.

Improving water quality in Wilkinson Lake is a priority for the VLAWMO and local and state partners as part of our participation in the small, priority watershed grant program

that is administered by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) with funds from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Main project partners with VLAWMO include North Oaks Company/North Oaks Farms (NOC), Houston Engineering Inc., the Minnesota Land Trust, Barr Engineering, St. Paul Regional Water Services, SEH, and Ramsey County Soil and Water Conservation Division.