

1. Ditch Authority Meeting Agenda And Packet March 1, 2022

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**BENTON COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY**

Tuesday, March 1, 2022, Approximately 10:16 AM or Upon Conclusion of  
the Regular Board Meeting  
Benton County Board Room

AGENDA

1. Call to Order by Chair Steve Heinen
2. Approve or Amend the Agenda
3. Approve or Amend the Minutes of Tuesday, February 15, 2022
4. Update on County Ditches
5. Adjourn

**Virtual Meeting Information:**

**Benton County Board of Commissioners/Benton County Economic Development Authority/  
Benton County Ditch Authority**

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Steve Heinen, District 3  
Jared J. Gapinski, District 4  
Beth Schlangen, District 5

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BENTON COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022  
BENTON COUNTY BOARD ROOM

The Benton County Ditch Authority met in regular session on February 15, 2022 in the Benton County Board Room in Foley, MN with Board members Beth Schlangen, Scott Johnson, Steve Heinen, and Ed Popp present. Commissioner Jared Gapinski was absent. Chair Heinen noted the absence excused. Also present was Chris Byrd, County Engineer; Montgomery Headley, County Administrator; and Beth Stay, Executive Assistant.

Chair Heinen called the meeting to order at 10:39 AM.

Popp/Johnson to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Johnson/Schlangen to approve the meeting minutes of February 1, 2022 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

County Engineer Chris Byrd provided the Ditch Authority Board with an update of the Landowners Meeting that was held on February 8, 2022 at Henry's Event Center in Foley, MN. Bryan Murphy and Aaron Goemann from H2Overviewers gave a presentation on the process and methodology used to arrive at the Ditch Benefits. Byrd stated that he became aware that many landowners did not get the notices until the day before, including the notices for County Highways that are benefitted. H2Overviewers took ownership of not getting notices in the mail early enough. Byrd stated that there were about 65 people in attendance in-person, and about 25 participants online, for a total of about 90 people in attendance at the February 8, 2022 Landowner Meeting. Byrd stated that he had a discussion with H2Overviewers, and they decided to have a second landowner meeting Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 8:30 AM at Henry's Event Center in Foley, MN. Byrd stated that they would be presenting the same information as was provided at the February 8, 2022 meeting. Byrd stated that notices have been sent to all the landowner affected, and the Highway Department received the notice for County Highways that are benefitted yesterday. Byrd stated the notice the Highway Department received listed the date, time and place of the next Landowner's Meeting, along with the date time, and place of the public hearing. This item was for informational purposes only. No action was required; no motion was made.

The Ditch Authority Meeting adjourned at 10:49 AM.

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Steven J. Heinen, Chair  
Benton County Ditch Authority

ATTEST:

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Montgomery Headley  
Benton County Administrator



**BENTON COUNTY DITCH AUTHORITY  
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST**

Meeting Date:	2/15/22	Regular Agenda:	X
Requesting Department:	Public Works	Consent Agenda:	

**Title of Requested Item As It Will Appear on Board Agenda:**

Update on work progress of County Ditches

**Background Information:**

As you know there are several ditches that we are working on. The first of which is County Ditch 6. We received an informal request to clean CD 6 in 2016. Further inspection by Public Works Staff indicated that the ditch may have been altered outside of Ditch Authority. This led to Reestablishment of Records and the need for a repair.

We have also received Petitions for Repair on County Ditch 14 and County Ditch 9. Some preliminary work has begun. There are some likely wetland impacts that will need to be addressed before a repair can proceed.

We have also received a Petition for Repair for County Ditch 10 (Mayhew Creek). Not much work has occurred as of yet for this ditch. It will most likely be beneficial to proceed with a Reestablishment of Drainage Records, considering this is a public water and subject to DNR notifications.

**Action Requested:**

Informational

**Fiscal Impact:**

Estimated Cost (\$):	N/A
Source of Funds:	Assessments on benefitted landowners
New or Additional Revenue (\$):	N/A
Cost Budgeted in Current Year? (Yes/No)	N/A

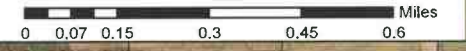
Approved by:	Signature	Date
Chris Byrd		2/23/2022
County Attorney (for contracts)		

Amt of Time Requested	Specific Time on Agenda	Laptop Needed?	Overhead Needed?
20	No	No	Yes

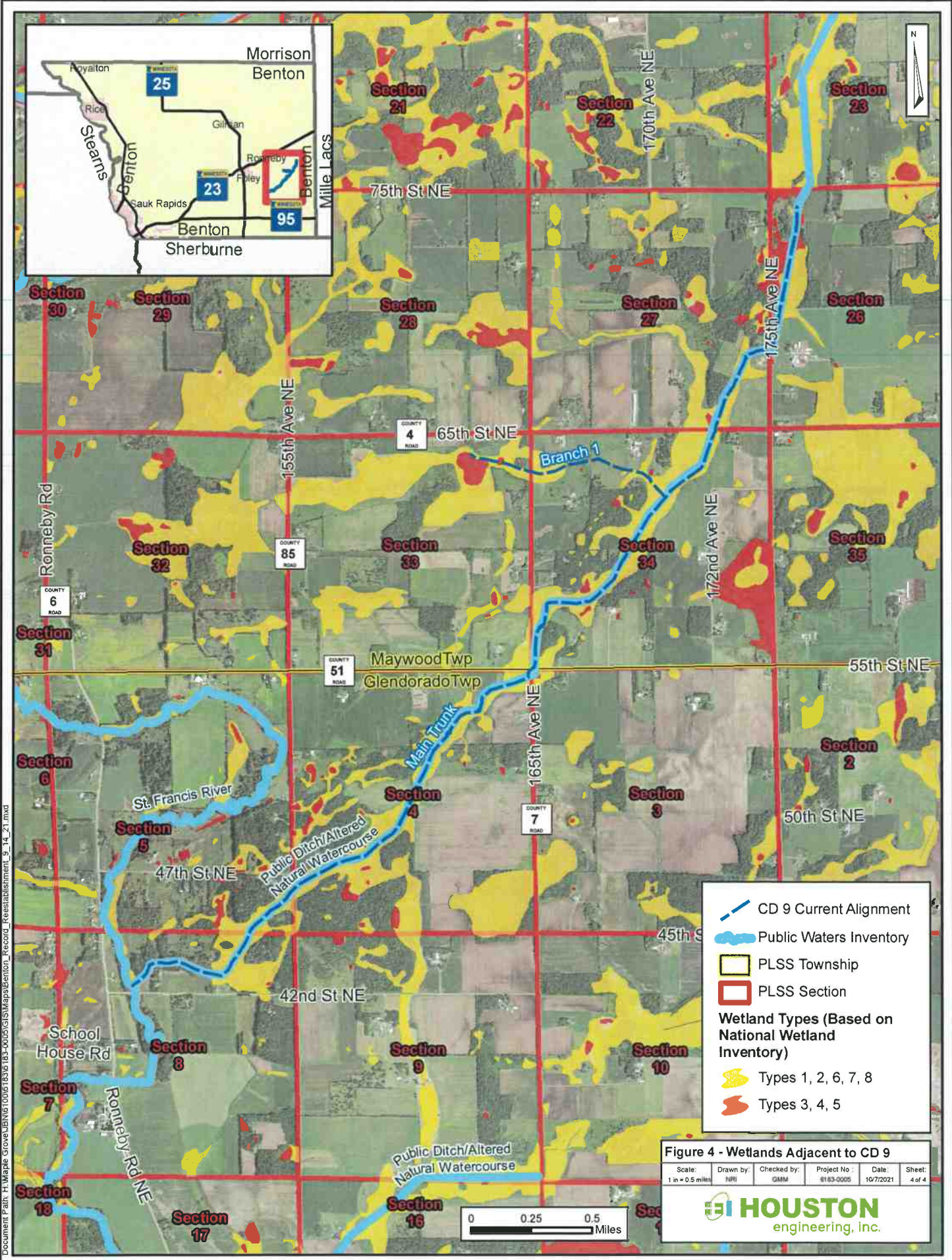




County Ditch 6 (adjusted alignment)







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— CD 9 Current Alignment  
— Public Waters Inventory  
 PLSS Township  
 PLSS Section  
**Wetland Types (Based on National Wetland Inventory)**  
 Types 1, 2, 6, 7, 8  
 Types 3, 4, 5

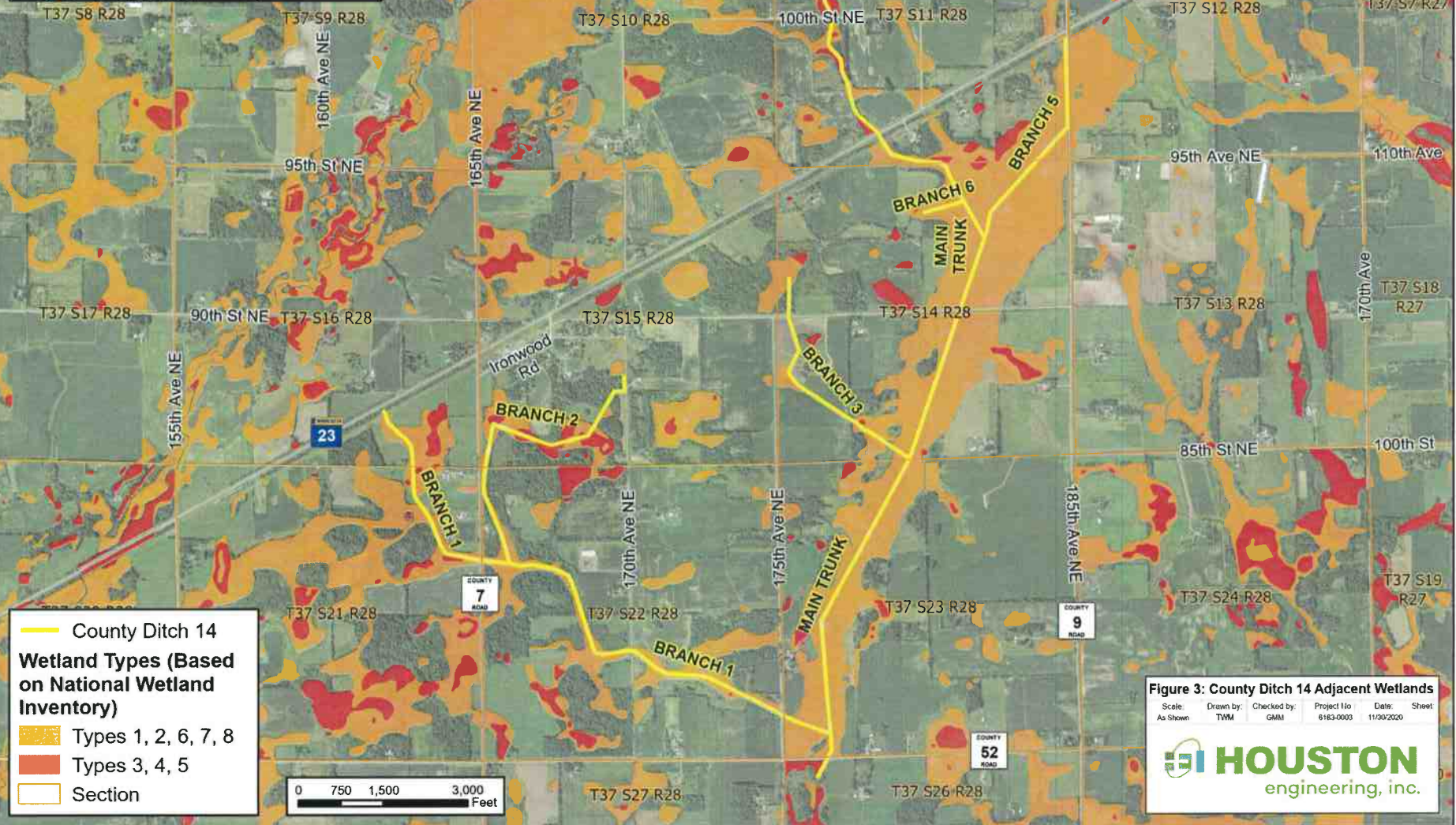
**Figure 4 - Wetlands Adjacent to CD 9**

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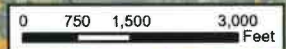
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— County Ditch 14

**Wetland Types (Based on National Wetland Inventory)**

- Types 1, 2, 6, 7, 8
- Types 3, 4, 5
- Section



**Figure 3: County Ditch 14 Adjacent Wetlands**

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