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## Minnesota River Turbidity TMDL Stakeholder Advisory Committee

Redwood Falls Community Center

Tuesday, June 6 2006

9:30 Welcome and check in

9:45 Sensitive lands – Mike Appel, NRCS

- What are sensitive lands and what portion of the Minnesota River Basin contains these lands?
- Soil conditioning index – a predictive tool used by the NRCS to estimate whether conservation practices will result in changes to soil organic matter, and therefore soil quality.
- Estimates of land use and practices in the Basin.

10:20 Break

10:30 Agricultural practices South Central Minnesota – Linda Meschke – Rural Advantage/BERBI

- Practices for various landscapes considering slopes and proximity to water
- Identify how these practices fit into the cropping system
- Innovative projects in the Blue Earth River Watershed to assess risk and sources

11:10 Small group discussion

Noon Lunch

12:30 Report out

1:30 Chippewa River watershed project - Paul Wymar

2:10 Identification of sediment sources using geochemical fingerprinting - Shawn Schottler – Science Museum of Minnesota

3:00 Check in

3:10 Adjourn

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3:15 – 4:00 **Planning for an assessment to quantify streambanks, bluffs, and ravines in the Minnesota River Basin** – We need your help! Joe Magner will present a method to be used. This brief presentation is intended for those who do stream assessment work and are familiar with the watersheds, although everyone is welcome to stay. We'd like to know if it's possible for you to help us later this summer.