



**To:** EC-7, EC-8, and EC-9 Stormwater Pond Property Owners  
**From:** Valley Branch Watershed District, David J. Bucheck, President  
**Subject:** Update on Stormwater Pond Water Level Fluctuations and Management  
**Date:** November 14, 2011

This memorandum provides an update to our September 10, 2010 memorandum regarding four stormwater ponds (EC-7, EC-8, EC-9E, and EC-9W; see Figure 1).

As you saw, the snowmelt and spring and early-summer rains kept the water levels in the ponds more stable than in 2009. The water levels are now lower than the pond outlets, which is understandable given the very dry weather since August. Furthermore, the seepage rates appear to have diminished since 2009.

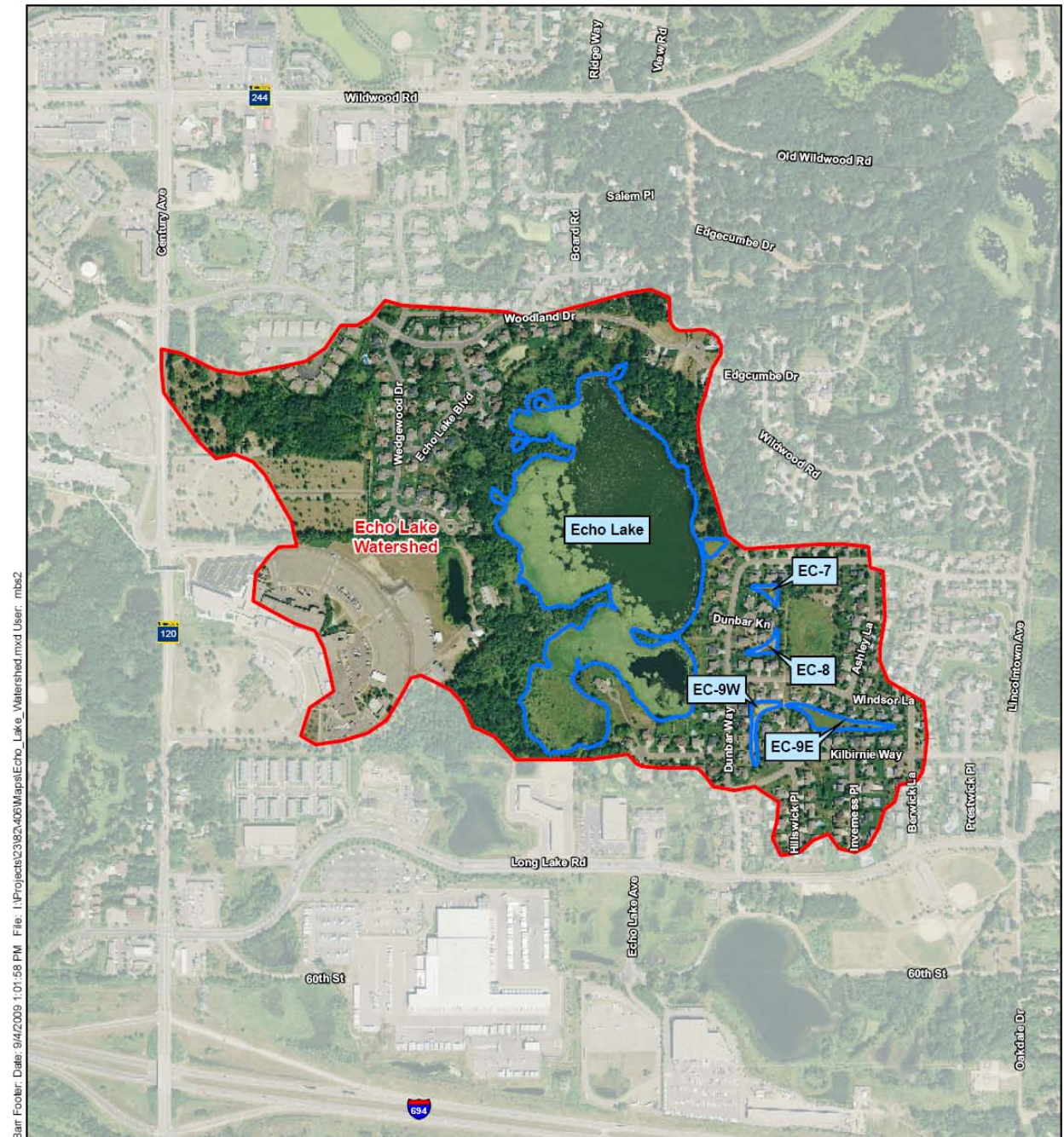
As indicated in our September 10, 2010 memorandum, the Valley Branch Watershed District Board of Managers considered draining the ponds and amending the soils to reduce the seepage out of the stormwater ponds. However, given the apparent water level stability and some resistance from the Mahtomedi City Council, the Valley Branch Watershed District Managers decided not to pursue the project to amend the soils.



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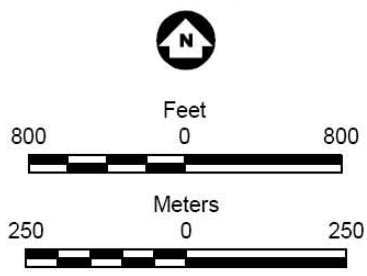


Figure 1  
ECHO LAKE PONDS  
Valley Branch Watershed District