Drinking Water Protection Section Organizational Chart

This is the organizational chart for the Drinking Water Protection Section in the Environmental Health Division of the Minnesota Department of Health.

Manager’s Office

Sandeep Burman, State Program Admin Manager Principal, is the Section Manager, with three unit supervisors reporting directly to him, as well as Chad Kolstad, Engineer Administrative and a vacant Planning/Policy Director. Dave Hokanson, Health Program Manager Senior, is the Assistant Section Manager, with two unit supervisors reporting directly to him; as well as Anna Schliep, State Program Admin Principal and Leslie Winter, Health Educator 2. The section consists of five units and 104 total staff.

Source Water Protection Unit

The first unit is the Source Water Protection Unit, comprised of 25 total staff, unit supervisor is Steve Robertson, Hydrologist 4. Four region supervisors and 2 direct staff report to Steve.

St. Paul

- Trudi Witkowski, Health Program Representative Senior
- Alycia Overbo, Senior Planner

South Region St. Paul Hydrologists:

- Bob Tipping, Hydrologist Supervisor
- Yarta Clemens-Billaigbakpu, Hydrologist 3
- Mary Coburn, Environmental Specialist 4
- Arianna Giorgi, Public Health Sanitarian 1
- John Oswald, Research Scientist 3
- Hannah Wilson, Hydrologist 1
- Vacancy, Hydrologist 2/3
- Vacancy, Hydrologist 2/3
- Vacancy, Hydrologist 2/3

North Region St. Paul Hydrologists:

- Jim Walsh, Hydrologist Supervisor
- Jane de Lambert, Environmental Research Scientist
- TJ (Trent) Farnum, Research Scientist 3
- Gail Haglund, Hydrologist 3
- Luke Pickman, Hydrologist 2
- John Woodside, Hydrologist 3
- Vacancy Hydrologist 2/3
- Vacancy, Hydrologist 2/3
Planners South Region:
- Mark Wettlaufer, Planning Program Supervisor (St. Cloud)
- John Freitag, Planner Principal State (St. Paul)
- Carrie Raber, Planner Principal State (St. Paul)
- Dereck Richter, Planner Principal State (St. Paul)
- Jennifer Ronnenberg, Planner Principal State (Rochester)
- Amanda Strommer, Planner Principal State (Marshall)

Planners North Region:
- Jenilynn Marchand, Planning Program Supervisor (Bemidji)
- Chad Anderson, Planner Principal State (St. Cloud)
- Dan Disrud, Planner Principal State (Fergus Falls)
- Chris Parthun, Planner Principal State (Bemidji)
- Vacancy, Planner Principal State

Community Water Supply Unit
The second unit is the Community Water Supply Unit, comprised of 24 total staff, unit supervisor is Karla Peterson, Engineer Administrative. Two region supervisors and 9 direct staff report to Karla.

St. Paul (regional)
- Cindy Swanson, State Program Admin Principal, Compliance Coordinator
- Michael Bourland, Engineer Graduate 2
- Alvine Laure Ekame, Planner Principal State
- Nancy Kadrlik, Health Program Representative
- Indran Kamalanathan, Engineer Graduate 2
- Andrew Karp, Engineer Graduate 2
- Samantha Miltz, State Program Administrator Intermediate
- Dave Vaaler, State Program Administrator Intermediate
- Stephanie Voeller, State Program Administrator Intermediate

St. Cloud (regional)
- Kim Larsen, Engineer Principal Supervisor (St. Cloud)
- John Blomme, Engineering Specialist Senior (Marshall)
- Hunter Blommer, Engineer Graduate 1 (St. Cloud)
- Jessie Kolar, Engineer Graduate 2 (St. Paul)
- Amy Lynch, Engineer Senior (Mankato)
- Kate Novy, Engineer Graduate 1 (Rochester)
- Jenny Soltys, Engineer Graduate 2 (St. Cloud)
- Vacancy, Engineer Graduate 1/2 (St. Paul)

Bemidji (regional)
- Todd Johnson, Engineer Principal Supervisor (Bemidji)
Noncommunity Water Supply Unit

The third unit is the Noncommunity Water Supply Unit, comprised of 34 total staff, unit supervisor is Anita Anderson, Health Program Manager. Three region supervisors and 5 direct staff report to Anita.

Compliance

- Dane Huber, State Program Admin Principal, Compliance Coordinator (St. Paul)
- Chris Felling, Health Program Representative Senior (St. Paul)
- Mark Kluhsman, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (St. Paul)
- Rochelle Steinbruckner, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (St. Paul)
- Vacancy, Engineer Administrative

Engineers

- Vacancy, Engineer Principal Supervisor (Duluth)
- John Galt, Engineer Graduate 2 (St. Paul)
- Nate Karp, Engineer Graduate 2 (Duluth)

North Operations Supervisor

- James Backstrom, Public Health Sanitarian Supervisor (Duluth)

Delegation/Training

- Kyle Johnsen, Planner Principal State (St. Paul)

CEC Sanitarian

- Brenda Eschenbacher, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (St. Paul)

Sanitarians

- Ed Aletto, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Bemidji)
- Scott Gullicksruud, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Bemidji)
- Steven Lindgren, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (Bemidji)
- Ty RiihiLuoma, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Bemidji)

Sanitarians

- Jim Witkowski, Public Health Sanitarian Supervisor (St. Paul)
- Cody Bahr, Public Health Sanitarian 1 (St. Paul)
▪ Kathryn Bradley, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (St. Paul)
▪ Zeke Etukudo, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (St. Paul)
▪ Cordell Manz, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Duluth)
▪ Larry Peterson, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (Duluth)
▪ Cody Tennant, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Duluth)
▪ Vacancy, Public Health Sanitarian 2/3 (St. Paul)

South Operations Supervisor
▪ Miles Schacher, Environmental Health Supervisor (Fergus Falls)

Sanitarians
▪ Jill DeBrito, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (Fergus Falls)
▪ Mike Hargiss, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Fergus Falls)
▪ Joyce Hedlin, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (Marshall)
▪ Tony Mariotti, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Fergus Falls)
▪ Dave Russell, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Mankato)
▪ Vacancy, Public Health Sanitarian 2/3 (Mankato)

Sanitarians
▪ Eric Freihammer, Public Health Sanitarian Supervisor (St. Cloud)
▪ Tasha Henrikson, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (St. Cloud)
▪ Tim Hugley, Public Health Sanitarian 3 (Rochester)
▪ Scott Jensen, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (Rochester)
▪ Ernie Jorgensen, Public Health Sanitarian 1 (St. Cloud)
▪ Kent Johnson, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (St. Cloud)
▪ Gretchen Kern, Public Health Sanitarian 2 (St. Cloud)

Administrative Unit
The fourth unit is the Administrative Unit, comprised of 9 total staff, unit supervisor is Bob Smude, Engineer Administrative. Six programs, all located in St. Paul, report to Bob.

Education/Certification:
▪ Stew Thornley, Lead Worker, Health Educator 3

Business Analyst:
▪ Angie Kane, Management Analyst 2
▪ Judy McDermott, Management Analyst 4

Compliance/Financial:
▪ Anita Smith, Grants Specialist Senior

Engineering:
▪ Corey Mathisen, Engineer Senior
• David Weum, Engineer Senior

Grants:
• Eddie Wojski, Grants Specialist Senior

Special Project Engineer:
• Vacancy, Engineer Principal

Training:
• Sue Lang, Management Analyst 2

Operations Unit
The fifth unit is the Operations Unit, comprised of 7 total staff, unit supervisor is Jason Jensen, Management Analyst Supervisor 1. All staff, located in St. Paul and St. Cloud, report to Jason.

St. Paul
• Brett Leske, Lead Worker, Management Analyst 1
• Erin Culver, Management Analyst 1
• Noel Hansen, State Program Administrator Intermediate
• Juanita Hinrichsen, Office & Administrative Specialist Intermediate
• Patricia Thomas, Office & Administrative Specialist Senior
• Vacancy, Management Analyst 1
• Vacancy, Office & Administrative Specialist Intermediate

St. Cloud
• Debby Sellin-Beckerleg, Management Analyst 1

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