

# **Clean Water Council**

## Budget recommendation process

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**Clean Water Council**

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# Membership

- ❑ The Clean Water Council consists of 23 members, 19 Governor appointed and 4 agency representatives.
- ❑ Agency representatives from MDA, DNR, BWSR and MPCA serve as non-voting Council members.



# Membership

## Members

- David Bennett —fishing organization
- Marilyn Bernhardson —soil and water conservation districts
- Pamela Blixt —watershed districts
- Keith Hanson —business organization
- Scott Hoese —statewide farm organization
- Mark Knoff — cities
- Gene Merriam —environmental organization
- Keith Buttleman —Metropolitan Council
- Gary Pedersen —township officials
- Steven Pedersen —business organization
- Victoria Reinhardt —metro-area counties
- Todd Renville —statewide hunting organizations
- Louis Smith —lakes and streams nonprofit organization
- Michael McKay —environmental organization

- Deborah Swackhamer —state higher education system
- Paul Torkelson —statewide farm organization

## Agency Representatives

- Dave Leuthe— Representing Department of Natural Resources
- Matt Wohlman— Representing Department of Agriculture
- Gaylen Reetz — Representing Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Steve Woods — Representing Board of Water and Soil Resources

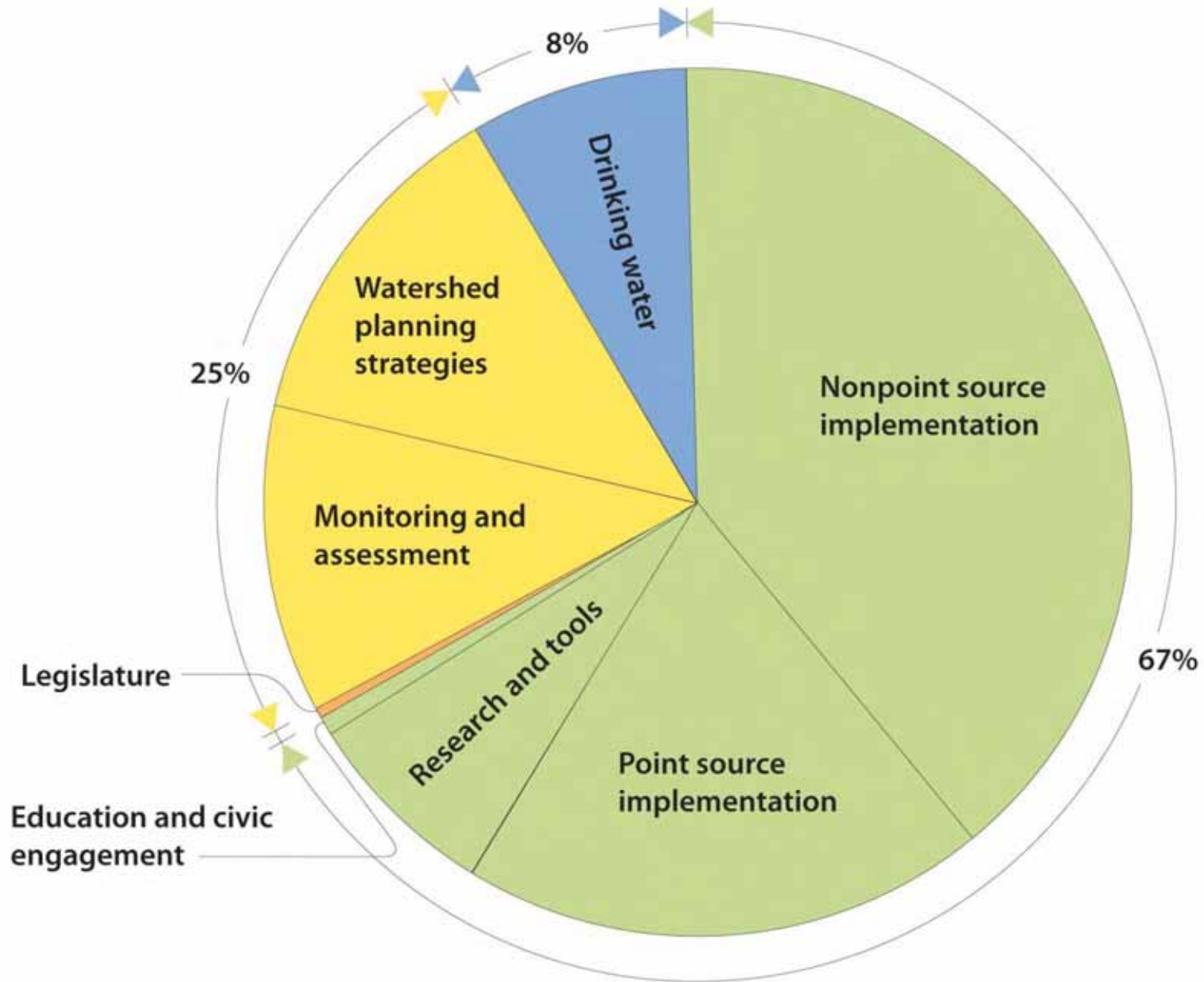
## Current Vacancies:

- Tribal governments
- Rural counties
- Cities

# 2010 legislative report and budget recommendations

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- ❑ Budget and Outcomes Committee
- ❑ Evaluate agency proposals
- ❑ Develop recommendations through existing programs
- ❑ Draft legislative report and public comment period
- ❑ Statutory legislative report deadline:  
December 1



**Total CWC recommendation: \$176.485M**

# Accessing Clean Water Fund dollars

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Local units of government apply for funds during annual application process



Nonprofits and other organizations access funding through local units of government

**Minnesota's Legacy website:**

<http://www.cdf.leg.mn>