Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission – Commission Resolution Adopted September 14, 2017

Supporting the Recommendations of the Joint Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee of the Dane County Lakes & Watershed Commission and the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission

WHEREAS, In March 1975, Dane County was designated by the Governor of Wisconsin as an area having substantial and complex water quality control problems, and certified such designation to the federal Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission is a duly created regional planning commission under Wis. Stats. § 66.0309, and has an agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to provide water quality management planning assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission has been created under §33.42, Wis. Stats, with the authority to propose to the Dane County Board minimum standards to protect and rehabilitate the water quality of the surface waters of the County; and

WHEREAS, in May 2016 the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission and the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission collaborated to convene a joint Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee to make recommendations for improving control of stormwater runoff volume; and

WHEREAS, between July 2016 and April 2017, the Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee held a series of technical discussions and received stakeholder input resulting in the May 2017 final report, Reducing Increased Risk of Flooding: Recommendations of the Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee of the Dane County Lakes & Watershed Commission and the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2017 the recommendations of the Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee were presented at a joint meeting of the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission and the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission; and

WHEREAS, a key recommendation is the need to establish a county managed volume trading (fee-in-lieu) program to achieve 100% pre-development stay-on when onsite control would be costly, inefficient, or prohibited

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission work with the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission to guide the creation of a volume trading oversight board; development of guidelines for volume trading; implementation of one or more large projects that would demonstrate the cost-effectiveness of volume trading; and determination of a trading cost per unit runoff volume, as recommended by the Stormwater Technical Advisory Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission seek Dane County Land and Water Resources staff assistance to assist with this effort.