



Authorization To Implement Dakota County Chloride Reduction Program

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Overview



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ONE TEASPOON
OF SALT POLLUTES
5 GALLONS OF WATER
FOREVER

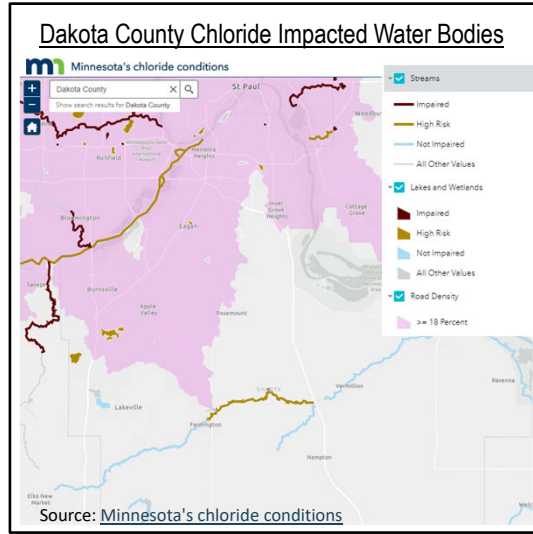


Background Information



Chloride is a permanent pollution.

- Major Sources:
 - 42% Deicing salt
 - 23% Fertilizer
 - 22% Wastewater
- Environmental Impacts
 - Toxic to aquatic species
 - Disrupts mixing of lakes
 - Impacts drinking water and pipes



Program Outline



Low Salt No Salt – Chloride Reduction Program

Goals:

- Decrease deicing salt use from local property decision makers
- Establish and maintain relationships
- Recognize efforts
- Increase awareness and smart salting practices



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Low Salt No Salt – Chloride Reduction Program

Program Elements:

- Partner with cities, townships, watersheds, and other stakeholders
- Develop educational materials
- Conduct outreach to local property owners
- Encourage pledge commitment to smart salting best practices
- Provide recognition and support tools

Program extension of the
Low Salt No Salt Minnesota Program
Hennepin County Chloride Initiative



Source: [Low Salt No Salt Minnesota](#)

Program will be implemented with existing staff and approved operating budget

Action Request



Request authorization to implement the
Low Salt No Salt
Dakota County Chloride Reduction Program

