**LMKPLID Outlet Committee Policies & Procedures**

**Purpose -** The purpose of this policy is to establish clear operating procedures and authority for the LMKPLID Outlet Committee.

**Objective/Goal –** It shall be the objective/goal of the Outlet Committee to use all the resources necessary to effectively maintain the level of the lakes included in the LMKPLID at Ordinary High Water (OHW). These efforts shall be in accordance with the LMKPLID/Otter Tail County Operating Plan Dated May 2017.

**Committee Members –** Committee members shall be approved by the LMKPLID board of directors on an annual basis.   
  
**Committee Responsibilities and Authority:**

* Monitor the level of all LID lakes at necessary intervals (weekly, monthly etc.)
* Assess lake levels following significant moisture events (rains/snowfall)
* Coordinate necessary lake pump start-up & shutdown with Northwest Services and Otter Tail County. The general guideline for pump startup shall be 3 inches above OHW on Little McDonald Lake
* Determine approximate lake recharge levels and coordinate pump winter pump startup times with Northwest Services and Otter Tail County
* Control the operation of the Paul Lake control structure to maintain appropriate lake levels

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