

LINDSTRÖM

ENHANCED STREET SWEEPING



The curb and gutter and storm sewer system in the City of Lindström is effective at getting water off the roadways quickly; however, it also carries many tons of sediment and debris directly to the lakes when it does. Many people think that water that goes into the storm sewer is treated – but in most cases it is not. The water carrying pollutants goes straight in to the nearest fresh water. In the older downtown areas, this means straight in to the lakes (in newer developments it first goes through stormwater ponds).

The City of Lindström sweeps their streets regularly to keep sediment, leaves, garbage, and other pollutants out of the lakes. Through an incentive program, the Chisago Soil & Water Conservation District and Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District are providing a payment for miles of sweeping above and beyond their normal practices. In 2016, the city swept 11 additional miles and kept 10.6 tons of debris out of the lakes!



Partners:

City of Lindström
Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District
Chisago Soil & Water Conservation District

Pollution Reduction:

Total Suspended Solids: 10.6 tons/year
Total Phosphorus: 10 lbs./yr
(BWSR Spreadsheet)

Targeted Water:

South Center, North Center, North Lindstrom, and South Lindstrom Lakes

Completion Date:

Fall 2016

May I Visit?

No – But do take a look at how often the sweeper goes by and what it picks up!

