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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DR. TIM BORING
DIRECTOR

Notice of Drainage Board Meeting

WHITMORE AND SOUTH BRANCH OF SWAN CREEK INTERCOUNTY DRAIN

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Drainage Board for the said drain will be held at:

1:00 p.m., Thursday, March 26, 2026
Saginaw County Public Works Office
111 South Michigan Avenue
Saginaw, Michigan

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct necessary and appropriate business of the drainage board (see attached agenda) and any other business that may come before the Board.

Proceedings conducted at this public meeting will be subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Bernard Barnes
Gratiot County
Drain Commissioner
904 East Center St.
Ithaca, MI 48847
989-875-5207

Joe Sova
Midland County
Drain Commissioner
220 West Ellsworth St.,
Rm 229-30
Midland, MI 48640
989-832-6772

Brian Wendling
Saginaw County
Public Works Commissioner
111 South Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
989-790-5258

Those needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the drain/public works commissioner of their county at the number listed above or may use the Michigan Relay Center by calling 711 for deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired persons.

Dated in Lansing, Michigan on March 11, 2026.

Dr. Tim Boring, Director
Michigan Department of
Agriculture and Rural Development

Brandon Williams
Deputy for the Director
517-331-3661



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SENT VIA EMAIL

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RE: Whitmore and South Branch of Swan Creek Intercounty Drain

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed is a Notice of Meeting. If accessible, please post it in your office or in your building where other such notices are posted. Also, in accordance with P.A. 528 of the Public Acts of 2012, if your county maintains a website that is accessible to the public, **this notice and agenda** shall be posted on the homepage or on a separate webpage dedicated to public notices.

Also, please prepare an Affidavit of Posting and forward one copy to this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Brandon Williams'.

Brandon Williams
Agriculture Development Bureau

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Enclosure

Agenda

Whitmore and South Branch of Swan Creek Intercounty Drain Drainage Board (Gratiot, Midland, and Saginaw Counties)

1:00 p.m., Thursday, March 26, 2026
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1. Call to order and Introductions
Board Members
Brandon Williams, Chair, Michigan Dept. of Agriculture & Rural Development
Bernard Barnes, Gratiot County Drain Commissioner
Joe Sova, Midland County Drain Commissioner
Brian Wendling, Saginaw County Public Works Commissioner
2. Motion to elect a Secretary
3. Review and set the agenda
4. Approve minutes of January 23, 2026
5. Communications and reports of board members, committees, and consultants
 - a. Receive design update and take necessary action
 - b. Discuss interim borrowing and take necessary action
 - c. Review Governance, FOIA, and SESC resolutions
 - d. Receive the Treasurer's Report
6. Invoices paid/Drain orders signed
7. Other business
8. Public comment
9. Set the date, time, and location of the next meeting
10. Adjourn