

The deadline approaches for the Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District Citizens Advisory Committee's new water conservation contest. The last day to submit a project is Sept. 15.

The point of the contest is to inspire citizens to implement projects that benefit local water bodies.

Projects completed in 2016 are eligible for the Water Quality Improvement Award.

Up to five applicants will be selected and awarded \$100.

Certain projects, like rain gardens and shoreline restoration, are eligible for cost-share assistance.

For more information or to apply, visit www. plslwd.org.



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Tony Havranek lifts a freshly sedated carp from a bin and prepares to measure it, install a radio tracker in it and finally release it back into Spring Lake.