

Watershed Health Assessment Framework

"Managing for System Health"





Watershed Report Card:

Little Fork River



People and Places:

Watershed Population:

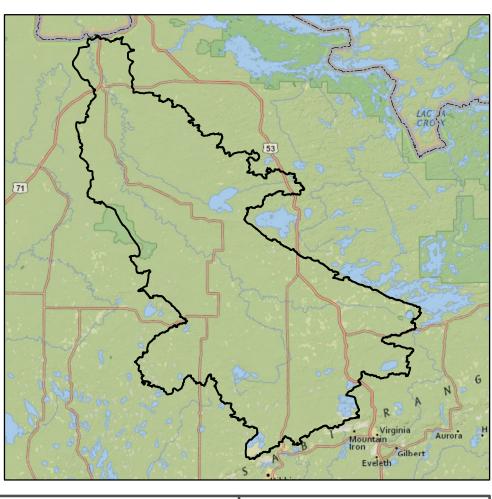
2000 census - 7,507 2010 census - 7,319

Largest Cities - Population:

Littlefork - 647 Cook - 574 Nett Lake - 319 Angora - 249 Linden Grove - 145

Counties - % of watershed:

St. Louis - 48 % Koochiching - 39 % Itasca - 12 %



Watershed Area:

Watershed size:

1,198,295 acres 1,872 square miles

Watershed Surface Area:

Percent Land - 97 % Percent Water - 3 %

HUC8 ID:

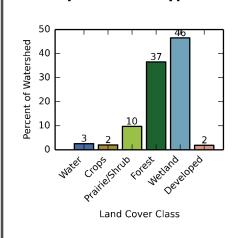
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Basin Name:

Rainy River (0903)

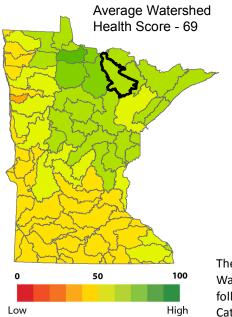
Land Use:

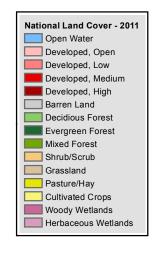
Percent of watershed area by land cover type:



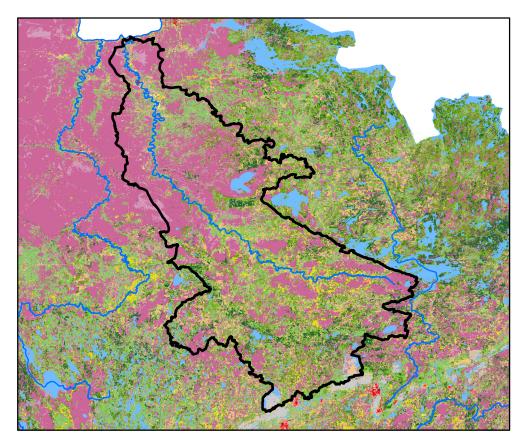
Watershed Health Report - Major Watershed

Little Fork River





These health scores are calculated at the Major Watershed (HUC8) scale. Health score names followed by (*) are also calculated at the DNR Catchment scale (subdivided HUC12). Those results are reported on the following pages.





Hydrology

Component Health Score (index average) 90

Index Scores

Perennial Cover* 97
Impervious Cover* 93
Water Withdrawal* 99
Flow Variability 60
Hydrologic Storage 93
Sub-Scores
Altered Streams* 87
Surface Storage 99



Geomorphology

Component Health Score (index average) 62

Index Scores

Soil Erosion 75

Potential*	, •
Groundwater Susceptibility	68
Climate	42

Vulnerability

Biology

Component Health Score (index average) 54

Index Scores

Terrestrial Habitat
Quality*

Stream Species
77
Quality*

Species Richness
59

At-Risk Species
33

Richness



Connectivity

Component Health Score (index average) 60

Index Scores

Terrestrial Habitat
Connectivity

Aquatic
Connectivity*

83





Water Quality

Component Health Score (index average) 77

Index Scores

Non-Point Pollution
Sources

Sub-Score
Phosphorus Risk* 93

Localized Pollution
Sources*

Assessments 38

