

ANOKA COUNTY
COUNTY DITCH INSPECTION REPORT

DITCH # 43

DATE: 8/1/94

BY: P K Ruud

COMMUNITIES: Ramsey

REMARKS:

153rd Ave NW Cattail swamp to south in the area indicated as the head of the ditch. Ditch is not discernible.

Sunwood Drive Street not extended as shown on map. Marsh area to west where the ditch is located.

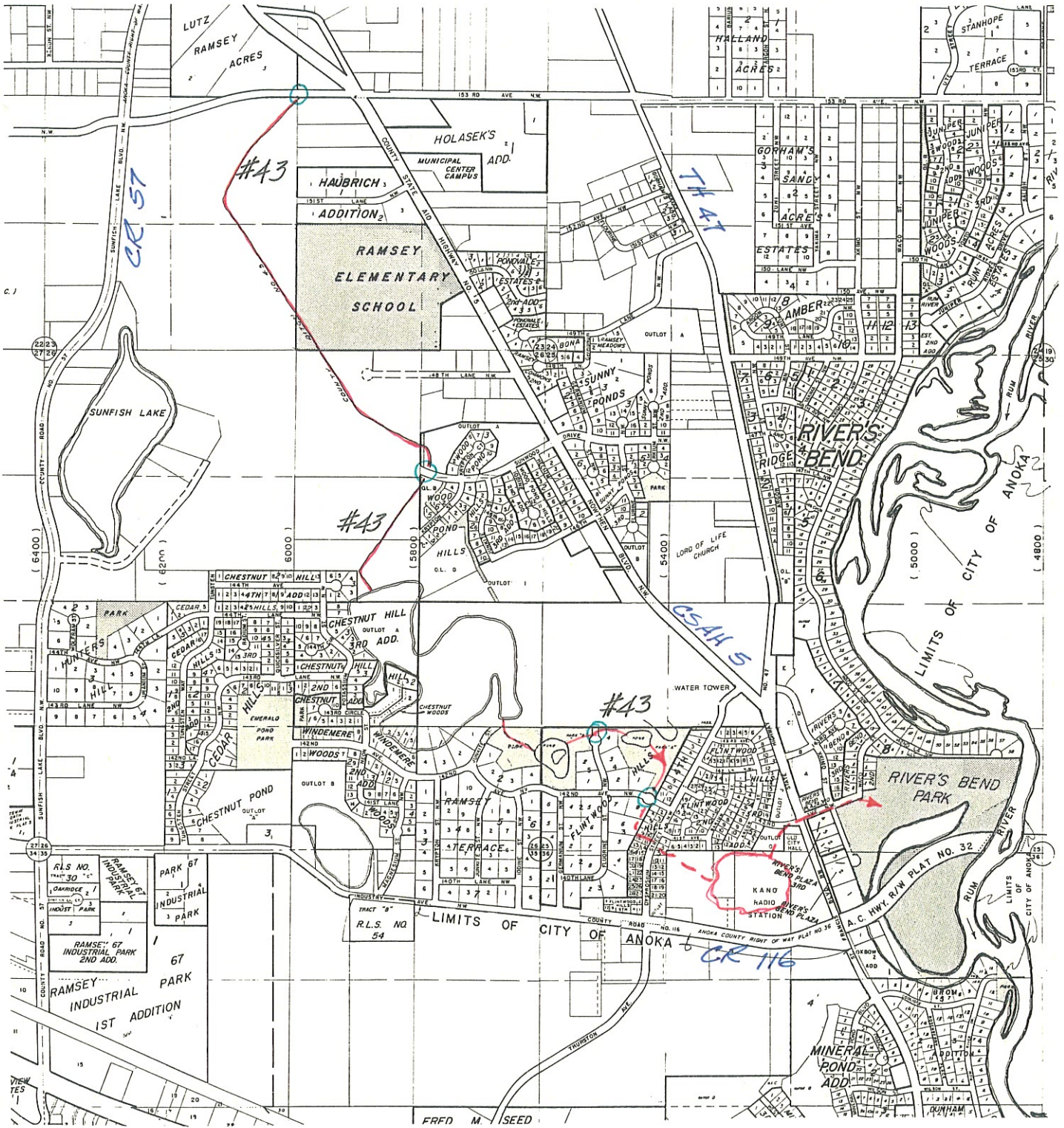
NOTE: Ponds exist, as shown on the map, from 144th & Potassium St to 143rd & Dysprosium St.

142nd St (@ cul-de sac west of Dysprosium St) Ditch defined from north. Extends to south as a storm sewer. Ditch on north side is overgrown.

Storm sewer runs to the pond north of the KANO tower. The outlet from this pond runs to the Rum River through pipe outletting in River's Bend Park in the SE quadrant of 142nd Ave. & Waco Street.

ACTIVITIES:

Prior to the installation of the storm sewer mentioned above, a segment of the county ditch was abandoned by action of the County Board. A good share of this abandoned section ran in a drain tile.



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8/1/94 PRL

153rd Ave.

Cattail swamp to south,
Ditch not discernable.

Sunwood Dr.

Street not extended to
ditch. Cattail marsh ~~area~~
in area where ^{ditch} ~~swamp~~
would be located.

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map, from 144th & Potassium St.
to 143rd & Dysprosium.

142nd

@ Caldesac west of Dysprosium.
Ditch defined from north.
Runs in storm sewer
to south. Ditch overgrown.

Storm sewer runs to pond
north of KANO tower.

Outlet from pond to Run River
in River's Bend Park in SE.
Quadrant of 142nd Ave. NW &
Waco Street.

PUBLIC DRAINAGE DITCH INVENTORY FORM
(Laws of 1990, Chapter 601, Section 27)

1. Drainage authority name: Anoka County (Ramsey)
2. Drainage ditch name and number: #43
3. Ditch location and drainage area boundary: (shown on attached quadrangle map)
4. Drainage area in acres: 929.55 ; Benefitted area in acres: 213
5. Approximate length in miles: Open Ditch 2.12 Buried Tile 0.46
6. Year constructed: 1908 ; Original cost: \$ 2442.59
7. Are original plans on file? Yes No ; Location: _____
8. Date of original plans: 1906
9. Are "as built" plans on file? Yes No ; Location: Anoka County Courthouse
10. Year(s) improved: _____
11. Are improvement plans on file? Yes No ; Location: _____
12. Year(s) repaired: 1918
13. Are repair plans on file? Yes No ; Location: Anoka County Courthouse
14. If the ditch was transferred from a county or joint county ditch authority to a watershed district or WMO, is the transfer order on file? Yes No NA
15. Is the list of lands benefitted and damaged on file? Yes No
16. Have the benefits and damages been redetermined? Yes No ; If yes, year(s) of redetermination: 1918
17. Has right-of-way been acquired for a 1-rod permanent grassed strip? Yes No ; If yes, has it been maintained? Yes No
18. Is there a maintenance fund for the ditch? Yes No ; If yes, current balance in maintenance fund: \$ _____
19. What was the last year maintenance work was performed by drainage authority:
1977-78

20. Have other local units or private parties performed maintenance work on the ditch?
Yes x No ; List parties: Oct. 13, 1987 - All ditch east of TH No. 47
abandoned. Now must flow via new storm sewer.

21. Have the alignment, grade, bottom width, or bridge or culvert crossings been materially changed from the original or improved construction, without going through formal ditch proceedings? Yes No x

22. Is the ditch inspected annually ; every 2-5 years ; every 5-10 years; only when a problem arises x; or never ? Year of last inspection: 1986+

23. Approximate percentage of the ditch's contributing drainage area that is currently urbanized: 40 %; rural: 60 %

24. Have any substantial areas of wetlands originally totally drained by the ditch reestablished themselves due to lack of ditch maintenance? Yes x No

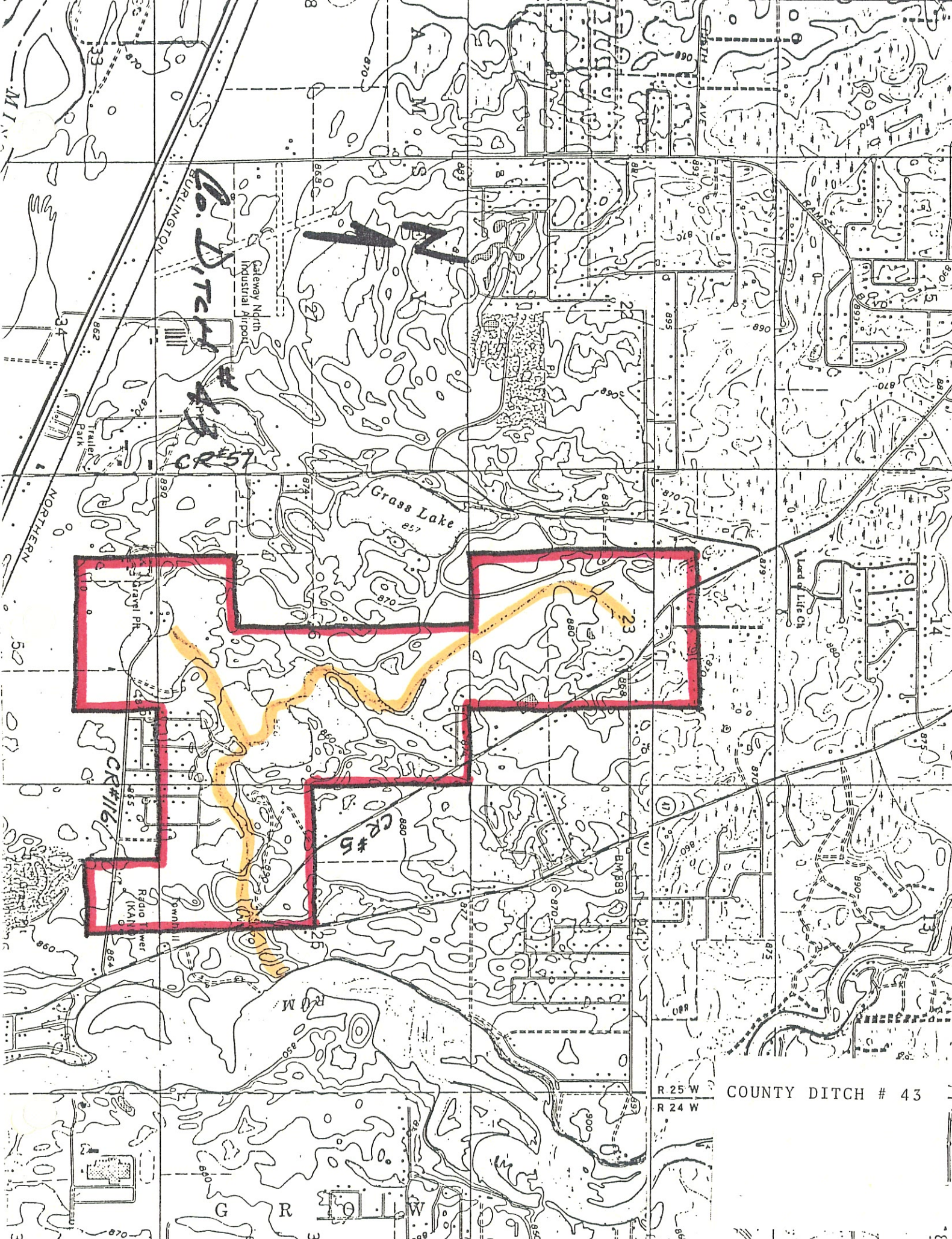
25. What is the general condition of the ditch?
- a. well-maintained
 - b. fairly well-maintained
 - c. poorly maintained
 - d. very poorly maintained x
 - e. functionally abandoned

26. Describe the existing condition of the ditch, including erosion/sedimentation problems:
The west end of the drainage area seems to be all standing water.

27. Does the ditch continue to serve a useful purpose to one or more properties? Yes x
No ; Estimated acres of agricultural land currently benefiting: 0

28. What plans are there for future management of the ditch? A. Monitor the ditch for problems that occur, such as deadfalls, unapproved culverts/crossings, or filling, that block or impede the normal flow. B. Review, with municipalities & the WMO's, the impact of new development on the drainage system. C. Monitor & repair/replace drainage structures at county highways crossed by the ditch.

29. Additional comments or recommendations for statutory changes:
A. Need legislation that allows for maintenance of the county ditch system
B. Need changes in county ditch legislation that provides for a method (s
of assessing property within a drainage area to pay for approved
repairs or improvements.



Co. Ditch #43
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Grass Lake
857

Gravel Pit

Radio Tower
(KAN)

CR#5

R 25 W
R 24 W

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