

**Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return**  
**(and proxy tax under section 6033(e))**

**2017**

For calendar year 2017 or other tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, and ending \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990T](http://www.irs.gov/Form990T) for instructions and the latest information.

▶ Do not enter SSN numbers on this form as it may be made public if your organization is a 501(c)(3).

Open to Public Inspection for 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

A  Check box if address changed

B Exempt under section

- 501( C )( 4 )
- 408(e)  220(e)
- 408A  530(a)
- 529(a)

C Book value of all assets at end of year

Name of organization (  Check box if name changed and see instructions.)  
Minnesota Ground Water Association

Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions.  
4779 126th St N

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  
White Bear Lake MN 55110-5910

D Employer identification number (Employees' trust, see instructions.)

41-1434403

E Unrelated business activity codes (See instructions.)

541860 | 453220

F Group exemption number (See instructions.) ▶

G Check organization type ▶  501(c) corporation  501(c) trust  401(a) trust  Other trust

H Describe the organization's primary unrelated business activity. ▶ Newsletter advertising

I During the tax year, was the corporation a subsidiary in an affiliated group or a parent-subsidiary controlled group? . . . ▶  Yes  No  
If "Yes," enter the name and identifying number of the parent corporation. ▶

J The books are in care of ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Part I Unrelated Trade or Business Income		(A) Income	(B) Expenses	(C) Net
1a	Gross receipts or sales			
b	Less returns and allowances			
c	Balance ▶	1c		
2	Cost of goods sold (Schedule A, line 7)	2		
3	Gross profit. Subtract line 2 from line 1c	3		
4a	Capital gain net income (attach Schedule D)	4a		
b	Net gain (loss) (Form 4797, Part II, line 17) (attach Form 4797)	4b		
c	Capital loss deduction for trusts	4c		
5	Income (loss) from partnerships and S corporations (attach statement)	5		
6	Rent income (Schedule C)	6		
7	Unrelated debt-financed income (Schedule E)	7		
8	Interest, annuities, royalties, and rents from controlled organizations (Schedule F)	8		
9	Investment income of a section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) organization (Schedule G)	9		
10	Exploited exempt activity income (Schedule I)	10		
11	Advertising income (Schedule J)	11	866 25	704 14
12	Other income (See instructions; attach schedule)	12		
13	<b>Total.</b> Combine lines 3 through 12	13	866 25	704 14

Part II Deductions Not Taken Elsewhere (See instructions for limitations on deductions.) (Except for contributions, deductions must be directly connected with the unrelated business income.)			
14	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (Schedule K)	14	0
15	Salaries and wages	15	0
16	Repairs and maintenance	16	0
17	Bad debts	17	0
18	Interest (attach schedule)	18	
19	Taxes and licenses	19	
20	Charitable contributions (See instructions for limitation rules)	20	
21	Depreciation (attach Form 4562)	21	
22	Less depreciation claimed on Schedule A and elsewhere on return	22a	
23	Depletion	23	
24	Contributions to deferred compensation plans	24	
25	Employee benefit programs	25	
26	Excess exempt expenses (Schedule I)	26	
27	Excess readership costs (Schedule J)	27	162 11
28	Other deductions (attach schedule)	28	
29	<b>Total deductions.</b> Add lines 14 through 28	29	
30	Unrelated business taxable income before net operating loss deduction. Subtract line 29 from line 13	30	
31	Net operating loss deduction (limited to the amount on line 30)	31	
32	Unrelated business taxable income before specific deduction. Subtract line 31 from line 30	32	
33	Specific deduction (Generally \$1,000, but see line 33 instructions for exceptions)	33	1000 00
34	<b>Unrelated business taxable income.</b> Subtract line 33 from line 32. If line 33 is greater than line 32, enter the smaller of zero or line 32	34	0

**Part III Tax Computation**

<b>35 Organizations Taxable as Corporations.</b> See instructions for tax computation. Controlled group members (sections 1561 and 1563) check here <input type="checkbox"/> <b>See instructions</b> and:			
<b>a</b> Enter your share of the \$50,000, \$25,000, and \$9,925,000 taxable income brackets (in that order): (1) \$ _____ (2) \$ _____ (3) \$ _____			
<b>b</b> Enter organization's share of: (1) Additional 5% tax (not more than \$11,750) \$ _____ (2) Additional 3% tax (not more than \$100,000) \$ _____			
<b>c</b> Income tax on the amount on line 34			<b>35c</b>
<b>36 Trusts Taxable at Trust Rates.</b> See instructions for tax computation. Income tax on the amount on line 34 from: <input type="checkbox"/> Tax rate schedule or <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule D (Form 1041)			<b>36</b>
<b>37 Proxy tax.</b> See instructions			<b>37</b>
<b>38 Alternative minimum tax</b>			<b>38</b>
<b>39 Tax on Non-Compliant Facility Income.</b> See instructions			<b>39</b>
<b>40 Total.</b> Add lines 37, 38 and 39 to line 35c or 36, whichever applies			<b>40</b>

**Part IV Tax and Payments**

<b>41a</b> Foreign tax credit (corporations attach Form 1118; trusts attach Form 1116)	<b>41a</b>			
<b>b</b> Other credits (see instructions)	<b>41b</b>			
<b>c</b> General business credit. Attach Form 3800 (see instructions)	<b>41c</b>			
<b>d</b> Credit for prior year minimum tax (attach Form 8801 or 8827)	<b>41d</b>			
<b>e Total credits.</b> Add lines 41a through 41d				<b>41e</b>
<b>42</b> Subtract line 41e from line 40				<b>42</b>
<b>43</b> Other taxes. Check if from: <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4255 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8611 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8697 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8866 <input type="checkbox"/> Other (attach schedule)				<b>43</b>
<b>44 Total tax.</b> Add lines 42 and 43				<b>44</b>
<b>45a</b> Payments: A 2016 overpayment credited to 2017	<b>45a</b>			
<b>b</b> 2017 estimated tax payments	<b>45b</b>			
<b>c</b> Tax deposited with Form 8868	<b>45c</b>			
<b>d</b> Foreign organizations: Tax paid or withheld at source (see instructions)	<b>45d</b>			
<b>e</b> Backup withholding (see instructions)	<b>45e</b>			
<b>f</b> Credit for small employer health insurance premiums (Attach Form 8941)	<b>45f</b>			
<b>g</b> Other credits and payments: <input type="checkbox"/> Form 2439 _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4136 _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Total	<b>45g</b>			
<b>46 Total payments.</b> Add lines 45a through 45g				<b>46</b>
<b>47</b> Estimated tax penalty (see instructions). Check if Form 2220 is attached <input type="checkbox"/>				<b>47</b>
<b>48 Tax due.</b> If line 46 is less than the total of lines 44 and 47, enter amount owed				<b>48</b>
<b>49 Overpayment.</b> If line 46 is larger than the total of lines 44 and 47, enter amount overpaid				<b>49</b>
<b>50</b> Enter the amount of line 49 you want: <b>Credited to 2018 estimated tax</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Refunded</b> <input type="checkbox"/>				<b>50</b>

**Part V Statements Regarding Certain Activities and Other Information** (see instructions)

<b>51</b> At any time during the 2017 calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account (bank, securities, or other) in a foreign country? If YES, the organization may have to file FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. If YES, enter the name of the foreign country here	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>52</b> During the tax year, did the organization receive a distribution from, or was it the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust? If YES, see instructions for other forms the organization may have to file.		
<b>53</b> Enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year \$ _____		

**Sign Here** Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Signature of officer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instructions)?  Yes  No

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name				Firm's EIN
	Firm's address				Phone no.

**Schedule A—Cost of Goods Sold.** Enter method of inventory valuation ►

<b>1</b> Inventory at beginning of year	<b>1</b>		<b>6</b> Inventory at end of year . . . . .	<b>6</b>		
<b>2</b> Purchases . . . . .	<b>2</b>		<b>7</b> <b>Cost of goods sold.</b> Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and in Part I, line 2 . . . . .	<b>7</b>		
<b>3</b> Cost of labor . . . . .	<b>3</b>					
<b>4a</b> Additional section 263A costs (attach schedule) . . . . .	<b>4a</b>					
<b>b</b> Other costs (attach schedule)	<b>4b</b>		<b>8</b> Do the rules of section 263A (with respect to property produced or acquired for resale) apply to the organization? . . . . .		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>5</b> <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 4b	<b>5</b>					

**Schedule C—Rent Income (From Real Property and Personal Property Leased With Real Property)**  
(see instructions)

<b>1.</b> Description of property		
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
<b>2.</b> Rent received or accrued		
<b>(a)</b> From personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property is more than 10% but not more than 50%)	<b>(b)</b> From real and personal property (if the percentage of rent for personal property exceeds 50% or if the rent is based on profit or income)	<b>3(a)</b> Deductions directly connected with the income in columns 2(a) and 2(b) (attach schedule)
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
Total	Total	<b>(b) Total deductions.</b> Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (B) ►
<b>(c) Total income.</b> Add totals of columns 2(a) and 2(b). Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (A) . . . . . ►		

**Schedule E—Unrelated Debt-Financed Income** (see instructions)

<b>1.</b> Description of debt-financed property		<b>2.</b> Gross income from or allocable to debt-financed property	<b>3.</b> Deductions directly connected with or allocable to debt-financed property	
			<b>(a)</b> Straight line depreciation (attach schedule)	<b>(b)</b> Other deductions (attach schedule)
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
<b>4.</b> Amount of average acquisition debt on or allocable to debt-financed property (attach schedule)	<b>5.</b> Average adjusted basis of or allocable to debt-financed property (attach schedule)	<b>6.</b> Column 4 divided by column 5	<b>7.</b> Gross income reportable (column 2 × column 6)	<b>8.</b> Allocable deductions (column 6 × total of columns 3(a) and 3(b))
(1)		%		
(2)		%		
(3)		%		
(4)		%		
<b>Totals</b> . . . . . ►			Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (A).	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (B).
<b>Total dividends-received deductions</b> included in column 8 . . . . . ►				

**Schedule F—Interest, Annuities, Royalties, and Rents From Controlled Organizations** (see instructions)

1. Name of controlled organization	2. Employer identification number	Exempt Controlled Organizations			
		3. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	4. Total of specified payments made	5. Part of column 4 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	6. Deductions directly connected with income in column 5
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					

**Nonexempt Controlled Organizations**

7. Taxable Income	8. Net unrelated income (loss) (see instructions)	9. Total of specified payments made	10. Part of column 9 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income	11. Deductions directly connected with income in column 10
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
<b>Totals</b>			Add columns 5 and 10. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (A).	Add columns 6 and 11. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (B).

**Schedule G—Investment Income of a Section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) Organization** (see instructions)

1. Description of income	2. Amount of income	3. Deductions directly connected (attach schedule)	4. Set-asides (attach schedule)	5. Total deductions and set-asides (col. 3 plus col. 4)
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
<b>Totals</b>		Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 9, column (A).		Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 9, column (B).

**Schedule I—Exploited Exempt Activity Income, Other Than Advertising Income** (see instructions)

1. Description of exploited activity	2. Gross unrelated business income from trade or business	3. Expenses directly connected with production of unrelated business income	4. Net income (loss) from unrelated trade or business (column 2 minus column 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Gross income from activity that is not unrelated business income	6. Expenses attributable to column 5	7. Excess exempt expenses (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
<b>Totals</b>		Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 10, col. (A).	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 10, col. (B).			Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 26.

**Schedule J—Advertising Income** (see instructions)

**Part I Income From Periodicals Reported on a Consolidated Basis**

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1) MGWA Newsletter	866.25	704.14		80.00	3541.63	
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
<b>Totals</b> (carry to Part II, line (5))		866.25	704.14	162.11	80.00	3541.63

**Part II** **Income From Periodicals Reported on a Separate Basis** (For each periodical listed in Part II, fill in columns 2 through 7 on a line-by-line basis.)

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
<b>Totals from Part I</b> . . . . . ▶						
<b>Totals, Part II (lines 1–5)</b> . . . . . ▶	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 11, col. (A).	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 11, col. (B).				Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 27.

**Schedule K—Compensation of Officers, Directors, and Trustees** (see instructions)

1. Name	2. Title	3. Percent of time devoted to business	4. Compensation attributable to unrelated business
(1)		%	
(2)		%	
(3)		%	
(4)		%	
<b>Total.</b> Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 14 . . . . . ▶			

**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for the latest information.

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**2017**

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Name of the organization

Minnesota Ground Water Association

Employer identification number

41-1434403

Line 8: Advertising Income: \$866.25

Subscription Income: \$80

Total for Line 8 = \$946.25

Line 10: Support of the MGWA Foundation = \$3,350.00

Line 16: Board Meetings = \$1,222.11

Bank Fees (credit card processing charges) = \$1,965.41

Program Expenses less the Program Expenditures already included on other lines = \$30,307.05

Supplies = \$1,541.89

Web and software subscriptions = \$907.02

Line 20: MGWA donates the proceeds from professional conferences and workshops to the MGWA Foundation

the MGWAF carries out educational goals of MGWA for elementary, high school, and college students

Line 24: Inventory less Prepays

Line 26: Accounts Payable and Use Tax Payable

Line 31: Other programs - Mentor program brings students and professionals together at social gatherings; White Paper program

brings groundwater professionals together to write factual summaries of groundwater issues to inform the public

and policy makers. MGWA supports the MGWA Foundation's Educational programs financially.



## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), such as legislation enacted after the schedule and its instructions were published, go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990).

### Purpose of Schedule

An organization should use Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), rather than separate attachments, to provide the IRS with narrative information required for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ, and to explain the organization's operations or responses to various questions. It allows organizations to supplement information reported on Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Don't use Schedule O to supplement responses to questions in other schedules of the Form 990 or 990-EZ. Each of the other schedules includes a separate part for supplemental information.

### Who Must File

All organizations that file Form 990 and certain organizations that file Form 990-EZ must file Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ). At a minimum, the schedule must be used to answer Form 990, Part VI, lines 11b and 19. If an organization isn't required to file Form 990 or 990-EZ but chooses to do so, it must file a complete return and provide all of the information requested, including the required schedules.

### Specific Instructions

Use as many continuation sheets of Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) as needed.

Complete the required information on the appropriate line of Form 990 or 990-EZ prior to using Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

Identify clearly the specific part and line(s) of Form 990 or 990-EZ to which each response relates. Follow the part and line sequence of Form 990 or 990-EZ.

**Late return.** If the return isn't filed by the due date (including any extension granted), attach a separate statement giving the reasons for not filing on time. **Don't use** this schedule to provide the late-filing statement.

**Amended return.** If the organization checked the *Amended return* box on Form 990, *Heading*, item B, or Form 990-EZ, *Heading*, item B, use Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) to list each part or schedule and line item of the Form 990 or 990-EZ that was amended.

**Group return.** If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, line H(a), but "No" to line H(b), use a separate

attachment to list the name, address, and EIN of each affiliated organization included in the group return. **Don't use** this schedule. See the Instructions for Form 990, *I. Group Return*.

**Form 990, Parts III, V, VI, VII, IX, XI, and XII.** Use Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) to provide any narrative information required for the following questions in the Form 990.

1. Part III, *Statement of Program Service Accomplishments*.

- a. "Yes" response to line 2.
- b. "Yes" response to line 3.
- c. Other program services on line 4d.

2. Part V, *Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance*.

- a. "No" response to line 3b.
- b. "Yes" or "No" response to line 13a.
- c. "No" response to line 14b.

3. Part VI, *Governance, Management, and Disclosure*.

- a. Material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body in line 1a.
- b. Delegation of governing board's authority to executive committee in line 1a.
- c. "Yes" responses to lines 2 through 7b.
- d. "No" responses to lines 8a, 8b, and 10b.
- e. "Yes" response to line 9.
- f. Description of process for review of Form 990, if any, in response to line 11b.
- g. "Yes" response to line 12c.
- h. Description of process for determining **compensation** in response to lines 15a and 15b.

i. If applicable, in response to line 18, an explanation as to why the organization checked the *Other* box or didn't make any of Forms 1023, 1024, 990, or 990-T publicly available.

j. Description of public disclosure of documents in response to line 19.

4. Part VII, *Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors*.

a. Explain if reporting of compensation paid by a related organization is provided only for the period during which the related organization was related, not the entire calendar year ending with or within the tax year, and state the period during which the related organization was related.

b. Description of reasonable efforts undertaken to obtain information on compensation paid by related organizations, if the organization is unable to obtain such information to report in column (E).

5. Explanation for Part IX, *Statement of Functional Expenses*, line 11g (other fees

for services), including the type and amount of each expense included in line 11g, if the amount in Part IX, line 11g, exceeds 10% of the amount in Part IX, line 25 (total functional expenses).

6. Explanation for Part IX, *Statement of Functional Expenses*, line 24e (all other expenses), including the type and amount of each expense included in line 24e, if the amount on line 24e exceeds 10% of the amount in Part IX, line 25 (total functional expenses).

7. Part XI, *Reconciliation of Net Assets*. Explain any other changes in net assets or fund balances reported on line 9.

8. Part XII, *Financial Statements and Reporting*.

a. Change in accounting method or description of other accounting method used on line 1.

b. Change in committee oversight review from prior year on line 2c.

c. "No" response to line 3b.

**Form 990-EZ, Parts I, II, III, and V.** Use Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) to provide any narrative information required for the following questions.

1. Part I, *Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances*.

a. Description of other revenue, in response to line 8.

b. List of grants and similar amounts paid, in response to line 10.

c. Description of other expenses, in response to line 16.

d. Explanation of other changes in net assets or fund balances, in response to line 20.

2. Part II, *Balance Sheets*.

a. Description of other assets, in response to line 24.

b. Description of total liabilities, in response to line 26.

3. Description of other program services in response to Part III, *Statement of Program Service Accomplishments*, line 31.

4. Part V, *Other Information*.

a. "Yes" response to line 33.

b. "Yes" response to line 34.

c. Explanation of why organization didn't report unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more to the IRS on Form 990-T, in response to line 35b.

d. "No" response to line 44d.

**Other.** Use Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) to provide narrative explanations and descriptions in response to other specific questions. The narrative provided should refer and relate to a particular line and response on the form.



**Don't include on Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) any social security number(s), because this schedule will be made available for public inspection.**