



Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Comments due on October 2, 2002

Pine Bend Landfill Expansion

Description: Browning-Ferris Industries (BFI) Waste Systems of North America, Inc., proposes to expand their Pine Bend Mixed Municipal Solid Waste Landfill located in Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota, by installing new MSW cells over and between previously-filled MSW cell areas. BFI's objective is to extend the life of the landfill with a minimal change to the footprint. The expansion would provide an additional 5,800,000 cubic yards of disposal capacity, an approximate 24 percent increase beyond the amount presently authorized by the MPCA (Solid Waste Permit-45). Based on the current projections, the expansion would provide the landfill, which is expected to run out of capacity in mid-2005, with the ability to operate into the year 2011. A copy of the EAW will be posted on the MPCA web site at the following: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact: Kevin Molloy, Project Manager, Operations and Environmental Review Section, Regional Environmental Management Division, MPCA, 520 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155; 651-296-7376

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Claremount Wastewater Treatment Facility

Description: The city of Claremount, Dodge County, is proposing to construct a new mechanical wastewater treatment facility and to modify existing stabilization ponds to treat an Average Wet Weather Flow of 255,000 gallons per day. The facility would discharge treated effluent to Dodge Center Creek. A copy of the EAW will be posted on the MPCA web site at the following:

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact: Lynne Kolze, Project Manager, Operations and Environmental Review Section, Regional Environmental Management Division, MPCA, 520 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155; 651-282-5992

City of Sturgeon Lake Wastewater Collection and Treatment Facility

Description: The proposed project will include the construction of a gravity collection system and stabilization pond wastewater treatment facility (WWTF). The collection system will serve the core area of the city of Sturgeon Lake (city), the Sturgeon Lake Pines West Development, and the campground north of the city. The city's system is being designed for an average wet weather flow of 83,000 gallons per day. A copy of the EAW will be posted on the MPCA web site at the following:

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact: Susan Heffron, Project Manager, Operations and Environmental Review Section, Regional Environmental Management Division, MPCA, 520 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155; 651-297-1766

City of Hendricks Wastewater Treatment and Collection Improvements

Description: The city of Hendricks (city) proposes to expand its existing wastewater treatment facility (WWTF). The WWTF's current permitted average wet weather (AWW) flow is 72,000 gallons per day (gpd).

The AWW design flow of the expanded WWTF would be 176,750 gpd, of which 170,500 gpd would be allocated to the city and the remainder would be allocated to the North Shore Sewer District. The proposed expansion consists of a new primary lagoon cell, a new main lift station and force main, related piping and control structures, grinder pump lift stations, and a small diameter (3 inch and 4 inch) pressure sewer. The receiving stream is the Lac Qui Parle River, which is a tributary to the Minnesota River. A copy of the EAW will be posted on the MPCA web site at the following: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact: Denise M. Leezer, Project Manager, Operations and Environmental Review Section, Regional Environmental Management Division, MPCA, 520 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155; 651-297-8236

Minnesota Soybean Processors Cooperative Oilseed Processing Facility – Brewster

Description: Minnesota Soybean Processors proposes to construct a soybean oil extraction and refining facility located in Brewster, Minnesota. The proposed capacity of the facility would be 3,000 tons per day. Air emissions would include particulate matter (dust), volatile organic compounds, and hexane. The facility's draft air emission permit will also be open for public comment. The MPCA permit contact person is Bruce Braaten, 507-281-7762. Wastewater would be treated at the city's wastewater treatment facility. A copy of the EAW will be posted on the MPCA web site at the following: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact: Barbara Jean Conti, Project Manager, Operations and Environmental Review Section, Regional Environmental Management Division, MPCA, 520 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155; 651-296-6703

Meadowbrook

Description: Meadowbrook is a 232-acre project located in Sections 12 and 13, Township 33, Range 27, Big Lake Township, Sherburne County, Minnesota. 91 acres of the project will be reserved for future development. The remaining 141 acres will be subdivided into 67 single-family residential lots. The lots will be served with individual private wells and one community wastewater treatment system, which will be constructed in accordance with state and local regulations.

RGU: Sherburne County Zoning

Contact: Lynn Waytashek, Assistant Zoning Administrator, 13880 Highway 10, Elk River, MN 55330; 1-800-438-0578

Oxbow Estates

Description: Oxbow Estates is a proposed 22-lot development, including 19 single-family residential lots and 3 commercially zoned lots. The proposed development encompasses 71.7 acres of a total 142.2 acres owned by the proposer and borders the city of Motley. All lots are non-riparian, with the NE corner of the proposed development approximately 50 feet from the Crow Wing River.

RGU: Todd County

Contact: Ben Oleson, Asst. Planning & Zoning Administrator, 215 1st Ave. S., Long Prairie, MN 56347; 320-732-4420

Rum River Meadows

Description: Rum River Meadows is a proposed 142 unit single-family residential development located on approximately 90 acres. Municipal sewer, water, storm sewer and streets will serve the project, which is located on the west side of County Road 23 (Whiskey Road) and southerly of the Rum River Landing existing housing development.

RGU: City of Isanti

Contact: Curtis M. Jacobsen, City Administrator, 101 County Rd. 5 W., PO Box 126, Isanti, MN 55040; 763-444-5512, extension 17

Crane Creek Construction, Kasota Township

Description: The project involves mining and processing sand, gravel and limestone from a 110 acre parcel of property located within Kasota Township, Le Sueur County. The project will include stripping, excavation, processing (crushing, screening, washing and hot-mix asphalt production) stockpiling, and recycling. The site will be reclaimed as mining phases progress.

RGU: Le Sueur County

Contact: Kathy Brockway, Planning and Zoning Administrator, 88 South Park Ave., Le Center, MN 56057-1652; 507-357-2251

Heartland Energy and Recycling, LLC

Description: Heartland Energy and Recycling, LLC (Heartland) is proposing to construct a power generating facility in Preston, Minnesota. The fluidized bed boiler would use tire-derived fuel (TDF) to produce electricity. In addition to TDF, the boiler would also be able to accept up to 20 percent of its heat-input requirements from wood. Electricity is generated by running the steam from the boiler through a fully condensing turbine. Heartland would also recover and sell the steel components of the TDF. The MPCA's Draft Air Emissions Permit for the Heartland Energy and Recycling Facility will also be on public notice the week of September 2, 2002. To obtain a copy of the Draft Air Emissions Permit please contact Jenny Reinertsen at the MPCA 651-282-9889. A copy of the EAW will be posted on the MPCA web site at the following:

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact: Kevin Kain, Project Manager, Operations and Environmental Review Section, Regional Environmental Management Division, MPCA, 520 Lafayette Rd. N., St. Paul, MN 55155; 651-296-7432.

Nicholas South Bay Estates

Description: This 89.9 acre site is currently a combination of agricultural land, forested areas, and wetland areas, and abuts the south side of Lake George. Of this 89.9 acre site, agricultural land accounts for 61 acres, 25 acres consist of forested area, and approximately 4 acres are wetlands. It will be subdivided into approximately 35 rural residential lots. Each lot will have a private well and individual sanitary sewer treatment system

RGU: City of Oak Grove

Contact: Sam Lucast, City Planner, 19900 Nightingale St. NW., Oak Grove, MN 55011-9204; 763-753-1920

Petitions Filed

The following petitions have been filed with the EQB requesting preparation of an EAW. The EQB has assigned the indicated unit of government to review the petition and decide on the need for an EAW.

- Alger Aggregate project, Lake County
- Trout Acres, Hubbard County
- Mystic Shores, Beltrami County

EIS Need Decisions

The responsible governmental unit has determined the following project does not require preparation of an EIS. The dates given are, respectively, the date of the determination and the date the EAW notice was published in the *EQB Monitor*.

- Minneapolis City Council, Abbott Northwestern Hospital Campus Expansion, July 26, 2002 (May 27, 2002)
- Minnesota Department of Transportation, S.P. 3413-30 (TH23/CSAH 9) Kandiyohi County, August 19, 2002 (March 18, 2002)
- City of Woodbury, Wyndham Pond PUD, August 14, 2002 (June 24, 2002)
- City of St. Paul, Emerald Gardens/Harvester Place Residential Development, August 16, 2002 (July 8, 2002)

DEIS Availability Notice

S.P. 5305-51 and 5306-42, Reconstruction of TH 60 Nobles County and Osceola County, Minnesota

Description: Mn/DOT, in cooperation with Iowa DOT, proposes reconstruction of TH 60 in Nobles County, Minnesota and Osceola County, Iowa. The project limits extend from approximately 1.8 miles south of the Minnesota-Iowa border (120th Street) north to Interstate 90 (I-90) north of the City of Worthington. The total length of the project corridor is approximately 14.3 miles. The purpose of this project is to maintain system continuity, address physical conditions, correct design deficiencies, address truck and farm traffic, and increase capacity. TH 60 is a principal east-west roadway on the National Highway System that serves as a diagonal route between LeMars, Iowa and Mankato through northwestern Iowa and southwestern Minnesota.

Comments will be accepted through October 7, 2002 and be will considered for inclusion in the Final EIS. Comments may be directed to: Peter Harff, Mn/DOT District 7, 501 South Victory Drive, P.O. Box 4039, Mankato, MN 56002-4039; 507-389-6877; email: peter.harff@dot.state.mn.us

To afford an opportunity for all interested parties, agencies and groups to comment on the proposed action, a public hearing will be held on September 19, 2002, at the Prairie Elementary School in Worthington, 1700 1st Avenue Southwest, from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. An informal open house format will be used with a presentation of the project given at 7:00 pm.

Mn/DOT design personnel will be available to provide specific information and individual assistance. Mn/DOT specialists will be available to provide guidance and information regarding right-of-way and building purchasing procedures. This project will impact 30–40 acres of wetlands and will only have minimal impacts within the 100-year floodplain. Mn/DOT requests input from anyone on identification of historical and cultural properties in the vicinity of the undertaking. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement along with maps, drawings and supporting documents will be available for public viewing.

The above referenced document is available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities by calling the Project Manager at the phone number listed above or to individuals who are hearing or speech impaired by calling the Minnesota Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529. Individuals with a disability who need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this event please contact the Project Manager at the phone number listed above or through the Minnesota Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529.

Locations where the DEIS will be available:

- Mn/DOT District 7 Headquarters Office, 501 South Victory Drive, Mankato
- Nobles County Library, 407 12th Street, Worthington
- Worthington City Hall, 303 9th Street, Worthington
- Marshall-Lyon County Library, 301 West Lyon Street, Marshall
- Sibley Public Library, 406 9th Street, Sibley, IA

RGU: Minnesota Department of Transportation (-Mn/DOT) in cooperation with Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT)

Contact: Peter Harff, Mn/DOT District 7, 501 South Victory Drive, Mankato, MN 56002-4039, Phone Number: (507)389-6877

Final AUAR Adopted

Airport South District

The Bloomington City Council adopted the Final Airport South District AUAR and Mitigation Plan (Resolution No. 2002-14) on Monday, August 19, 2002. For additional information, please call Robert Sharlin, Planner, 952-563-8925.

In order to resolve an objection by a state agency, the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board at their August 15,

2002 unanimously adopted a resolution finding the Final Airport South District AUAR and mitigation plan adequate and further adopted findings of fact, conclusion and order supporting the finding of adequacy. The EQB adequacy was forwarded to the city of Bloomington (Responsible Governmental Unit) for adoption in accordance with Minnesota Rules, Part 4410.3610, subp. 5H.

Notice

Public Meeting Notice-Minnesota Forest Resources Council

The Minnesota Forest Resources Council will meet on Tuesday, September 24, 2002 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Cloquet Forestry Center in Cloquet, Minnesota.

For more information please contact Jenna Fletcher at 651-603-0109 or go to the calendar on the MFRC website at <http://www.frc.state.mn.us>



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